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Redbud Ride



Bicyclists rode through Livingston this past weekend as part of the 100-mile annual Redbud Ride. The event started in London and once the riders took off, they traveled through a waiting Livingston community where riders got the chance to refuel themselves as the London Rotary Club had set up tents to serve food and drinks. Amanda Thomas, Livingston City Clerk, said the event is a "great event" for the city as tourists filled the streets and local residents and businesses meet riders from around the country.



Flood damage money available Fiscal court hears plans for ATV trails through the county

By: Mike French
Editor

With 52 items on the agenda, the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening at the courthouse. One of the first items included a presentation from Kentucky State Representative Chris Fugate with Representative Josh Bray by his side.

Fugate asked the court to create and adopt a resolution showing support for ATV, horse, hiking and other trails through the county as part of a regional trail. "In West Virginia the trail, patterned after the Hatfield/McCoy trail, has provided a \$38 million impact with 64,000 participants each year visiting the trails," he said.

Fugate discussed details with magistrates including ATV licensing requirements and other fees and restrictions but said he feels the county could benefit greatly from tourist dollars if the

county is interested in being a part of the trail. "So many other places have done this and it has brought tourist dollars to motels and restaurants as
(See "ATV" on A6)

Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer will be observed at the Rockcastle County Courthouse Thursday, May 6 at noon. The message will be delivered by Bro. Travis Gilbert from Bible Baptist Church and special singing by James Messer from the new Salem Baptist Church in London. Lunch will be provided by the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club at 11:30.

City of Mount Vernon meeting

The Mount Vernon City Council postponed their regular monthly meeting last week. The meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 29 at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

County Clerk's office has COVID outbreak

The Rockcastle County Clerk's office was closed last week due to a COVID-19 outbreak. The office reopened Monday of this week but according to Dannetta Ford Allen, only two people are working in the office currently. The public is asked to be patient due to the short staff.

Four COVID cases

During what officials call a possible resurgence, the Cumberland Valley District Health Department reports four new positive case of COVID-19 in Rockcastle County in the past seven days. There have been a total of 714 positive cases reported here. However, probable cases were listed at 732 which is an increase of 18 in seven days.

Summer pay discussed

All county schools to provide cleaner air for all

By: Mike French
Editor

Mark Ryles, consultant with Kentucky Purchasing Cooperative (KPC) spent well over an hour telling the members of the Rockcastle County School Board that they had made a good decision by choosing to install energy saving systems in all county schools. Ryles talked about energy savings at the regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County School Board last week.

The subject had been approached at previous meetings in the hopes that such systems would provide cleaner air for students and staff and save the district energy

costs. In fact, the energy costs are advertised to be so great that the savings will eventually fully fund the project.

Board member Larry Hammond asked Ryles to make the presentation to the board after the

decision had apparently been made previously to accept the idea. It is not clear how much the district will invest initially before those savings begin to take effect but Superintendent Carrie Ballinger

said "the project will be completely funded through energy savings."

Director of Finance Jenny Sweet agreed and said the cost is not yet known but she expects savings will cover those costs.

Sweet said the school district, and a committee, will work with CMTA (an engineering consulting firm) to develop the best project for the district that will provide the most return

for the money invested. That project, when completed, will be paid for at completion, but energy savings over time is expected to provide more than that amount in savings.

And that is not even the biggest reason for the upgrades, according to Ballinger. She said the project will also provide clean air at all schools. "The board approved moving
(See "Air" on A6)

Sheriff's office facing financial shortfalls due to COVID mandates

By: Mike French
Editor

Officials say one of the most adversely affected budgets, from COVID mandates, has been detention centers statewide. The restrictions placed on mandated policy, which was unfunded, the extra cost of PPE and overtime as well as the release of convicted criminals onto the streets, cost jails and citizens noticeable dollars, according to several local officials.

However, closely related, and nearly as mandated, were sheriffs' offices across the state. Though many Democrats say they support the defunding of police, officials deemed police "essential" to society and their work continued through the mandates.

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's office is no exception.

"The county rightfully applied for the CARES ACT funds that were

Moderna Vaccine still available here

The Rockcastle Regional Hospital has announced available vaccines for anyone over 18. Though they are no longer providing the Johnson and Johnson vaccine (J&J), officials still have the Moderna vaccine available.

According to Jana Bray, of the hospital's public relations department, "it is out of an abundance of caution and in accordance with CDC and FDA recommendations, we are pausing all appointments for the one-dose Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine," she said.

(See "Vaccine" on A6)

Constable is ready to help anyone in Rockcastle County

By: Mike French
Editor

Not everyone is aware that a Kentucky Constable has the authority to arrest, to write citations, to investigate and use force, as related to both traffic and criminal codes.

According to the Kentucky Constitution a Constable has the power to arrest anyone for criminal activity, execute warrants, serve subpoenas, summonses and his/her authority is binding throughout the entire county.

L. Dale Miller, Rockcastle County 4th District Constable said he wishes

more people were aware of this authority.

"A fellow told me Sunday night to get in my truck and leave because I was just a Constable and I had no authority," said Miller. "He found out

how much authority a Constable has. He is in jail right now."

Partly due to the lack of awareness, Miller has had to use force in some cases. "People need to understand a Constable has pretty much the same authority over criminal activity as a Sheriff has," said Miller. "Because people don't know a
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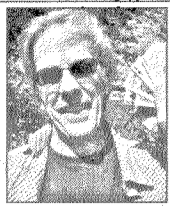
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Aces Over

By: Mike French



Gun violence. Laughable.

I don't know who to blame the most. Liberals who use these misleading, misrepresenting, propaganda terms, or the weak-minded sheep who fall for it.

In a way, I can't blame liberals for standing back and laughing at how easily swayed the general public can be with the right ad campaign or catchy slogan. It's like telling a one-year old there really is a Santa Claus.

The difference is, when the child begins to question the existence of Santa, parents don't scream "racist, conspiracy theorist, anti-American, deplorable, chump" at them.

The phrase "gun violence" has become so over used and misrepresentative that it is laughable anymore. It is amazing to see the sheep fall in line and pretend they have the slightest clue what they are against.

Most of them have no idea which gun does what or how it works or why the Second Amendment even exists. But because fellows in a suit say the phrase "gun violence," over and over again, they are now experts on the subject and are going to fix the world. "Oh it's gun violence. Big old mean guns. Crazy people own guns. We have to stop those A-R whatever-they-are-called things..." It is hilarious.

And news people milk it to the last drop. Even local news shows toss their shoulders in the air and bob their heads back

and forth as they say "gun violence in Lexington..." It is amazing to watch. This morning I even watched the local morning news as they used the phrase "gun violence" a dozen times. Each time they looked so wide-eyed as if it is a real word.

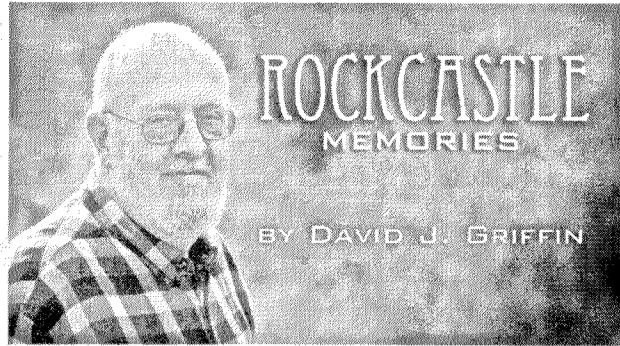
The truth is, I have yet to meet a mean gun. One has never lost its temper with me. In fact, I don't even remember any of my guns shooting a single liberal. Then again, I understand a few squirrels may have voted for Biden.

I can't count the guns I have had lying around my home and to my knowledge, none of them have ever shot anyone. Maybe my guns are just lazy.

I need to start using the term more myself. I guess. Maybe I can get people to be afraid of stuff if I put the word "violence" after it.

I did noticed that when the man drove his car into a crowd of protestors last

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More About Rabbits

As I have mentioned before, my wife and I lived on Furnace Mountain in Powell County for

almost thirty years. We owned the woods next to our A-frame and across KY 213 from our house. Because of the woods, we became accustomed to seeing wildlife on a regular basis.

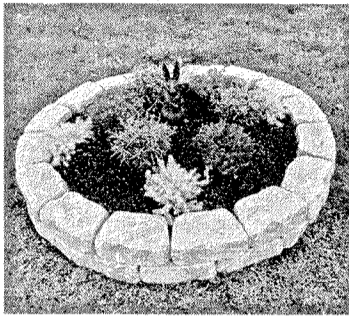
We saw deer, foxes, raccoons, squirrels, rabbits, wild turkeys, and even a Kentucky wildcat or two. We commonly called to each other to make sure the other one saw the woodland animals.

When we moved within the city limits of Mt. Sterling in 2019, we were delighted to find at least some of the local

wildlife was thriving in our neighborhood. Of course, we immediately noted the birds and the squirrels, but we were also delighted to spot raccoons, groundhogs, and cottontails.

The rabbits seem likely to be living within the plush evergreens that border the area between us and our neighbors, whose yard is a true nature lover's refuge. We are blessed with a huge,

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Points East

By Ike Adams



Old timers on Blair Branch used to say that if it thunders in February it will frost in May. If that holds true, the Little Ettebunch bean seeds that Loretta and I dug out of the freezer and Andy planted in the garden last week, don't have a chance. In fact, I'm sitting here hoping they are slow to sprout because it looks like we have a few more frosts headed this way in April. Ah well, we have enough seeds left to replant but not enough to share with anybody else.

Uncle Stevie Craft, one of those Blair Branch old timers, used to say that if it thundered in January, that didn't mean it would snow in June but

it still might and, if it did, there was no sense in blaming it on thunder six months ago. That was his come back to frost predictions in May. Uncle Stevie also said that if he thought a ground hog might be stirring around on the second day of February, he'd be out with his .22 rifle trying to put meat on the table but he still had it under the bed.

There are hundreds, if not thousands, of little communities like Letcher County's Blair Branch, the place I still call home, scattered throughout the hills of eastern Kentucky. Most folks still call them hollers. Basically they are narrow little valley roads running between two mountains with small streams usually running right beside or criss-crossing the road with bridges or culverts. The hills are so steep that it is not practical to build housing or roads on them but there is enough semi-flat land at the bottom of and between the mountains to build homes and establish communities.

The mountains are so high that folks who live in the hollers get a lot less direct sunlight than those of us who live in the flatlands of central and western Kentucky. Simply put, the sun is slower to rise and quicker to set up there than it is down here because of the mountains' long shadows. That's an oversimplification because the "larger" a stream is, the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A comparison of Brodhead with other cities...

Dear Editor,
There are some things Brodhead residents should be informed about. Everyone should be aware of how their city compares to cities around them.

For example, did you know in Lancaster, the utility (water) rate is \$23.59. In Stanford, it is \$31.79. In Mount Vernon it is \$32.62. In Berea it is \$22.50.

One must wonder why Brodhead's water and sewer rate is \$49.85.

The Brodhead Commissioners over the last four years raised your taxes this way. 1% on business and 5% on beer

and whiskey on top of the 5% that goes to the state.

The cost for a beer and liquor license together are \$2,000 per year, (\$1,000 of which goes to the City of Brodhead).

The cost to business for beer and liquor license together amount to \$166.66 per month. I'm sure there are more taxes

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



When Will Spring Finally Arrive?

Dear Journal,

Stanley and I haven't planted anything in the yard for several years. The spring planting urge has bitten us, especially Stanley. He has been wanting to plant some phlox on a bank in front

of the house for a few days and some forsythia here and there. Last Friday afternoon we went over to the Lowe's at London in hopes of getting some of both.

It was getting along toward suppertime so we went through a fast food drive-through and got some burgers and onion rings to-go and ate them in the Lowe's parking lot. As we sat and ate, we noticed a lot of pretty dogs and their owners going into the store. Lowe's is one of the only stores I know of that allows you to bring your dogs along to shop. We saw even more dogs on the inside.

We looked around in the store for some things we had been talking about getting and then we went on to the garden section. I found the phlox right away. Then I looked around for the forsythia. As it turned out they didn't have any. There were others look-

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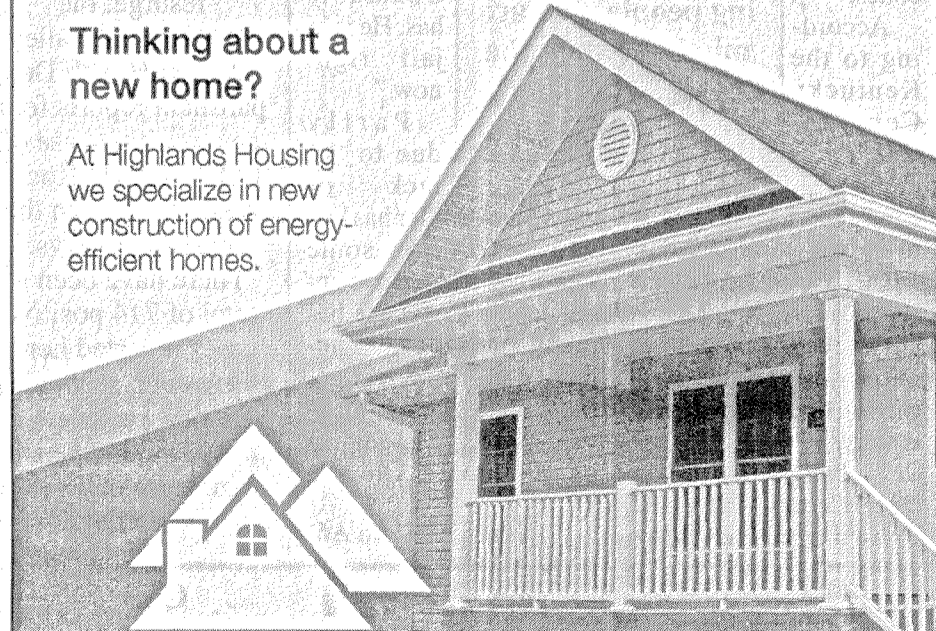
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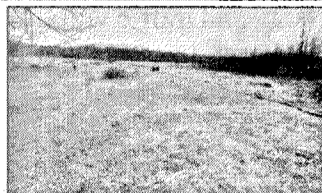
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“Aces”

(Continued from A2) year, no one called it “car violence.”

I see stories every day about a stabbing victim but I don't remember anyone calling it “knife violence.”

I have even seen people beat to death with a baseball bat. No one called it “bat violence.”

During the riots, BLM protestors kicked a man to death. “Foot violence?”

It could not be more clear that liberals, including the propaganda media, are trying to drill anti-gun beliefs into your brain through repetitive, catch phrases.

They know the typical human, with a real live thought process, would never blame gun ownership or the right to protect your family, when a nut goes off in a shopping mall, so, they have to find any event in which a gun is involved, and then tell the sheep that it was the

gun's fault. They have learned that if they use cool catch phrases like “gun violence” or “assault weapon” or “blue-steel hole-puncher” sheep will get into that dazed state and when they wake, they will agree with them.

I suppose U.S. Representative Ilhan Omar of Minnesota would say this column is “newspaper violence.” She doesn't think I should be allowed to express my view anyway.

Don't fall for this crud. The fact is, no gun ever killed a single human being. It is not a gun problem. It is a social problem.

The first two men ever born on Earth were part of this. Cane killed Abel with a rock.

People will always kill other people and no sentence was ever more true than “if you outlaw guns, only outlaws will have guns.”

The Second Amendment is there to protect our freedom. It is THE American plan. To be free from tyranny. To be able to defend ourselves from enemies foreign and DOMESTIC. That means to defend ourselves from our own government. And yes, I want to have that right forever. And I will!

Ask yourself why any elected official would not want you to be able to defend yourself and your family. There is a reason and it is not “gun violence.” There is no such thing. It is “human violence.” When guns are long gone, human violence will still be right there.

Liberals are so backwards it is astounding. Instead of using those nuts who open fire on innocent people as a reason to take guns away from good people (which doesn't even make sense in the first place), it is those nuts who are the very proof that we need guns to protect ourselves from them.

“Letters”

(Continued from A2) to the business and homeowners of Brodhead.

All Brodhead citizens should attend the monthly meetings on the second Monday of every month to keep yourselves informed and up to date on what your commissioners are doing.

Please park on the east side of the building since the west side, where commissioners usually park, belongs to a business that needs their parking.

Jim Lunsford

“Points”

(Continued from A2) wider its valleys become to accommodate building small cities and towns. Even though there are none of those in the hollers, Paint Lick and Lancaster still get a lot more early morning and late afternoon sunshine than, say, Blacky and Isom, but only because the mountains are not nearly as high in Garrard as they are in Letcher Counties.

Anytime a bird started singing in the middle of the night on Blair Branch, when I was growing up, some who heard it might speculate that it was a sign someone was going to die, or give birth or get pregnant etc. In any event it was usually purported to be a

sign of something.

One night last week, here in Paint Lick, a mocking-bird started singing its head off sometime around midnight and it carried on like that for about 30 minutes. I later found out that the same thing had happened all over the county as well as in Lincoln, Madison, Rockcastle, Laurel and a couple other counties.

I asked one of my neighbors what he thought that might be a sign of and he said it was cloudy and the moon was coming up and even though we couldn't see it, the birds could. They thought it was the sun and they were ready for daylight. I'd be willing to bet that Uncle Stevie would have figured that one out as well.

“T.J.’s”

(Continued from A2) ing for it as well but without any luck. One lady was looking for some forsythia and a little white flower she described but I wasn't familiar with.

I rode around and looked quite a bit while Stanley rested on a garden bench. I got some hosta plants and some foxgloves, as well as some other things that I can't recall just offhand. I finally spied a little pond liner and got it. I've always wanted a little pond in the yard. I may even put some goldfish in it. I don't know what to do when winter comes and it will freeze over. I guess every cat in the neighborhood will be over at our house sitting in the front yard.

If the weather will cooperate, we will try to do some planting this next week. The dogwood winter is upon us and the weather is calling for snow Tuesday night. Just when you thought it was all over, winter raises its ugly head again.

We are planning to get some of those heavy duty plastic storage containers and drill holes in the bottom. Then we will fill them with dirt. We plan to plant some tomatoes, green peppers, cucumbers and maybe some watermelons and pumpkins in them. I already have some rhubarb plants.

We can't wait to get started if the weather permits. We are looking forward to a pretty yard and some fresh produce this summer.

“Memories”

(Continued from A2) fenced-in, backyard where we have built a fire-ring, placed a picnic table, and where we will soon have a swing to enjoy. The rabbits scamper around the yard constantly.

One evening last year, while we were watching a special on KET about the lifestyles of Cottontails, we learned about their mating rituals. It was so funny and interesting to watch. The special described how the male would charge toward the female, and she would jump into the air allowing the male to run under her. Not only were we unaware of this fact, neither of us had ever observed this behavior.

It was only within a week or two that we were looking out the window of our own house while witnessing the mating dance in our front yard. And sure enough, within few weeks, the baby rabbits started to show up.

[You may recall from a former column that I even went to lengths to protect these babies with my Red Rider BB gun,

especially from the local cats.]

Nevertheless, we have fallen in love with the cottontails, and they have made their way into our lives. When I was shopping for a Christmas gift for my wife, I spotted a doorstop in the form of a cloth rabbit and thought, “She'll love this!” And she did.

The rabbits have further affected our decorating habits. When the recent ice-storm damaged an old Crabapple tree in our front, we had it removed; in its place we built a large stone circle for flowers. And guess what we decided on to form the centerpiece of the floral arrangement: a cast iron bunny rabbit. Our neighbors have commented about our lone bunny in the flowers. (See photo.)

It has been a major blessing to have some touch of “the wild” in our new yard. They always remind us of our special time on the Mountain.

Ain't God good? (You can reach me at themnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

Bradshaw leaves Hall of Fame

By: Mike French
Editor

For the past five years, Avery Bradshaw has been a fixture at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame. Avery quickly became the go-to guy when it came to Hall of Fame business as he took the facility into new directions.

But now, the Rockcastle man has decided to leave the Hall of Fame for his first love. “I always wanted to be a cop,” he said.

Avery has accepted the position of police officer with the City of Danville Police Department. “I never really stopped wishing for that dream and now I have that opportunity,” he said.

Though police work has been in his mind over the past five years, Avery said he loved his stint at the Hall of Fame. “It was a wonderful opportunity and I liked most everything about it. But the best part was getting to meet all the people from all over the world who came to Mount Vernon to visit the place.”

The Hall of Fame is no longer a part of Renfro Valley and Avery had the task of creating business

that would not depend on others to succeed.

“I think we did a lot for the Hall of Fame,” he said. “I believe we set it on a course to self sustain so that it can be in Mount Vernon for years to come and continue to bring people from all over the world.”

Though he spent most of his waking hours dealing with issues involving the museum, Avery admits he didn't help the museum grow into its national popularity by himself. “I can't take all the credit,” he said. “The board of directors have a wonderful vision for the Hall of Fame and I think it will be fine now.”

Avery leaves the Hall of Fame under the leadership of Otis French who has his own vision for the future of the museum. “Otis will do a great job,” Avery said. “One of the goals is to get more local people to come and support and visit the center,” said Avery. “It is quite the attraction and though people come from all over the world, some Mount Vernon residents haven't been there. We hope local residents will visit the center soon.”

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Wednesday, April 28th: Cave Valley Apartments. Library is open 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays. Curbside service is still available for books and DVDs.

DBCAA Board Meeting
Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. (DBCAA) will hold a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, April 27th at 10 a.m. at the central office. The public is invited to attend. The meeting will be viewed thru Zoom in the conference room. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting Location Changed

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 will now meet at the Berea Lodge due to water damage to the Brodhead location.

Brodhead Alumni Banquet October 2nd

The Annual Brodhead Alumni Banquet, originally scheduled for April 10th, has been rescheduled for October 2nd at 6 p.m. at Brodhead Elementary School.

Celebrate Sobriety Service
CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. We are located at 211 Industrial Park Road (across from the high school) in Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 859-582-2553 with any questions.

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, those qualified to be members and family members. Currently the post is closed, other than for monthly meetings or by appointment only, because of COVID-19. Monthly meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander William B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882 or Adjutant Glenda Botellos at 606-386-9360.

American Legion Post News
The David M. Smith American Legion meets at Limestone Grille the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. If you wish to eat before the meeting, arrive at 5 p.m. For more info, call Commander Don Gabbard at 859-200-2204 or Chaplain B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings
Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, Monday, 6 p.m. 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099 or Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: 859-308-8900

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. *Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: 606-308-8900.

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 1:30 a.m. Saturday. Contact: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190.

Crystal Meth Anonymous: Saturday, 5 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Jason Debord 606-386-0646 or Rob Sandusky 606-386-3907.

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

American Legion Post 71
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander Rick Bobo (308-2271) invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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Obituaries

James Letcher Croucher

James Letcher Croucher, 75, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, April 16, 2021 at his home. He was born in Orlando on September 16, 1945, the son of Raymond and Ruby Himes Croucher. He had been a logger and farmer and was an Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was of the Baptist Faith.

He is survived by: his children, Melvin Preston Hensley, Trinnia Nicely, and Penny Lynn Wynn, all of Orlando, and Cristi Bradley of Mt. Vernon; four brothers, Darrell Croucher, Phillip Croucher, Jessie Croucher, and Mike Croucher; four sisters, Louise VanWinkle, Cynthia Gullett Croucher, Linda Croucher, and Peggy Croucher; and his girlfriend, Regina Diane Overbay. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, Bridgette Burkhart, Brittany Pittman, Brooke McKinney, Elijah Wynn, Jeffery Nicely, Timothy Nicely, Donovan Bradley, and Dillon Bradley and 11 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Barbara Sue Croucher; a daughter, Melissa VanWinkle; a granddaughter, Andrea Wynn McGuire; and two sisters, May VanWinkle and Minnie Pearl Mullins.

The family will hold memorial services for Mr. Croucher at a later date.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Irvin K. Brown

Irvin K. Brown, 88, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 15, 2021 in Cincinnati, OH. Born to Edward and Viola Susan (Smith) Brown in Ottawa.

Survived by: his wife of 65 years, Mary Margie (Noe) Brown, daughters, Kathy (Tim) Partin and Linda (Jeff) Roberts; five grandchildren, Nikki and Greg Partin, Brittany, and Emily and Brandon Roberts; brother, Casper (Ida May) Brown; and sister Viola Robbins.

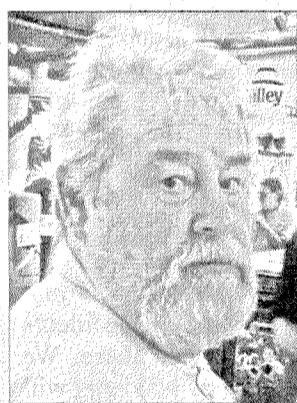
Preceded in death by: his parents; four brothers, Clarence Jay, Austin, Floyd, and Bennet; and three sisters, Mildred Thompson, Betty Lou Lawrence, and Joyce Whitaker.

He retired from General Motors and was an Army Veteran. He was a faithful member of the First Southern Baptist Church of Reading.

Visitation will be held at Vorhis & Ryan Funeral Home, 11365 Springfield Pk., Springdale, OH, 45246 on Thursday, April 22, 2021 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Service at 11:30 a.m. Burial at Crown Hill Memorial Park.

Stanley C. Chaney

Stanley C. Chaney, 65, of Eubank, gained his wings and went home to join his loved ones who have gone before him. He was born on March 17, 1956 in



Stanford, the son of the late Lewis and Georgia Bullock Chaney. He was also preceded in death by his brother, David Glen Chaney.

Survivors are: his wife, Vickie Larkin Chaney; one son, Perry Chaney of Tennessee; a daughter, Teilea (Adam) Chaney of Illinois; a stepson, Shane (Tonya) New; a step-daughter, Jeanne (Jason) Moore of Eubank; five grandsons, Haiden, and Evin LaRoe, Caleb and Zachery Campos, and Jase Chaney; three step-sons, Zack, John, and Dallas New; four step-granddaughters, Martika Martin, Keisha Pitman, Kara New, and Danielle New; three step-great grandsons, James Pitman, Grayson New, and Finn New; one step-great granddaughter, Maci New; two brothers, Dennis (Sheila) Chaney of London and Steve (Etta) Chaney of Mt. Vernon; one sister, Twila (Stewart) Luening of Illinois; and a sister/cuz, Teresa (Dennis) Welles of Somerset. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles, and a special friend, William "Bill" Dye, all who loved him very much.

Stanley retired from Kraft in Illinois and moved to Kentucky and worked at Oakwood. After Oakwood he and Vickie became foster parents and then caregivers for the handicapped. He loved gardening and canning and had lots of flowers at the cabin. He was always cooking for our reunions and funerals. His chicken and dumplings were a big hit. Stanley's other hobby was collecting antiques. You could ask him about any antique and he would know its history. He had a saying if the antique was a remake, he would look at it and say "it's brought on"! Stanley loved to joke around and give everyone nick names. He called his sister Twila "Trixie", called Teresa "Taa", called Teilea "Flossie" and little James was "Squall bag". These are just a few many nicknames he had for everyone. He will be missed by all his family and friends. The memories he left us with will always be cherished.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 12 noon at Wells/Bullock Cemetery in Woodstock. A lunch will follow at Woodstock Community Center at 1 p.m.

Sidney Allen Petty

Sidney Allen Petty, 71, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, April 11, 2021 peacefully at his home. He now resides with his Lord and Savior. Allen loved his family and a good joke. He never met a stranger and was kind to everyone. He was born in Dalton, GA on February 23, 1950, the son of James Allen and Deloris Inez Mathis Petty. He was a retired grocery manager for IGA in Mt. Vernon and a member of Bible Baptist Church. He had also been a member of Whitfield Baptist Church in Dalton, GA for over 10 years.

He is survived by: his children, Christopher (Tiffany) Petty, Bradley (Tiffany) Petty, and Lacey Petty (Brent) McCarthur, all of Dalton, GA; stepchildren, Jerney Bennett of North Carolina, and Wesley Keber and the late Andy Bennett, both of Atlanta, GA; a brother, Jamey (Laura) Petty of Dalton, GA; and two sisters, Kathy (Gary) Harris and Nelda Petty, both of Dalton, GA. Also surviving are: eight grandchildren, Landon, Peyton, Jaxson, Kolby, Savana, Ellie, Ryleigh, and Gage; a great grandchild, Jayden; special cousins, Peggy Davis and Laura Jane Garrett; several nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Melinda Spurlock.

The family of Mr. Petty held memorial services Thursday, April 15, 2021 at Bible Baptist Church with Bro. Darren Allen officiating. Additional memorial services were held unday, April 18th at Whitfield Baptist Church in Dalton, GA by Bro. Wayne Cofield.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Michael Wayne Jones

Michael Wayne Jones, 74, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, April 17, 2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon. He was born January 28, 1947 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Hewitt and Mary Ida Hunt Jones. He retired from Hyster-Yale after 37 years, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, working on cars, and classic car shows. He was united in marriage to Gail Bullock on July 4, 1990.

He is survived by: his wife of 30 years, Gail Jones of Mt. Vernon; one son, Jeremy (Lacy) Jones of Mt. Vernon; one stepdaughter, Judy (Chris) Mason of Mt. Vernon; one step-son, Joey Bullock of Mt. Vernon; three grandchildren; two great grandchildren; two brothers, Jimmy (Gerri) Jones of Mt. Vernon, and Ronnie (Judy) Jones of Wentzville, MO; two sisters, Teresa (Joe) Harper of Arlington Heights, OH, and Brenda Hayes of Mt. Vernon; as well as nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: one daughter, Scarlett Jones; one sister, Barbara Scott; and one brother, Leon Jones.

Funeral services will be Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 3 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Marcus Reppert officiating. Burial will follow in High Dry Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Carlos McClure, William Mason, Kenny Harper, Michael Harper, Danny Jones, and Brandon Sower.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Ellis Kirby

Ellis Kirby, 63, of Paint Lick, died Monday, April 19, 2021 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. He was born March 29, 1958 in Dayton, OH, the son of the late Robert and Ruth Carpenter Kirby. He was retired and enjoyed fishing and was a member of the Baptist faith.

Survivors are one half-brother, Larry Carpenter. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Bobby Ray Kirby.

Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at Sand Hill Cemetery with Bro. James Dean Carpenter officiating.

Pallbearers are: Bobby Lee Kirby, Little Jackie Blackburn II, Johnah "Ceal" Blackburn, Henry Blackburn, Danny Fredricks, Josh Brewer, and Stephen Fredricks.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Sue Kincer

Sue Kincer, 84, of Crab Orchard, widow of M.B. Kincer and mother of Nita Sue Wooton, died Saturday, April 17, 2021.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial was in Kincer Cemetery at Blue Springs.

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

Orville Alcorn

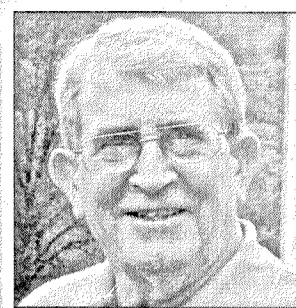
Orville Alcorn, 93, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday April 16, 2021 at his residence.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Barry Hurst officiating. Burial was in Freedom Cemetery.

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

Robert B. French

Robert B. French, 88, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at Baptist Health Richmond. Bob was born July 31, 1932 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Alvin



French and the late Mae (Dash) French Taylor. He served in the United States Army, was a retired Machinist for Hopkins Tool & Die, and was a member of Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church. He enjoyed his church, fishing, gardening, watching old westerns, UK basketball, spending time with family, word puzzles, and reading his Bible. He was united in marriage to Willie Denton on June 30, 1956 and from that union came three daughters, Judy, Nancy Carol, and Sandra.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his three daughters, Judy French Jones of Mt. Vernon, Nancy Carol (Butch) Brinkman of Batesville, IN, and Sandra French (Dale) Whitaker of Mt. Vernon; three grandchildren, Jessica Jones (Jason) Lucas, Jordan (Whitney) Whitaker, and Hannah Whitaker; two great-grandchildren, Landon Robinson and Brad Lucas; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife of 64 years 4 months and 16 days, Willie French; one sister, Laura Bell Hayes; and one brother, Charles French.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 19, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bros. Randal and Scott Adams officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were Jordan Whitaker, Landon Robinson, Travis Montgomery, Jason Lucas, Mike Montgomery, and Manual Rosebalm.

Lois Jean Harrison Wilson

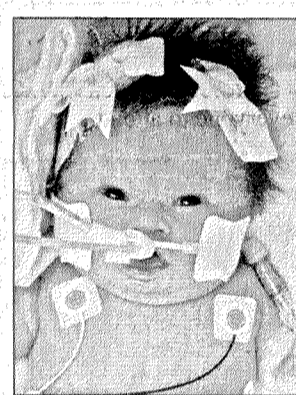
Lois Jean Harrison Wilson, 46, of Eubank, died Monday, April 12, 2021 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. She was born in Mt. Vernon on December 17, 1974, the daughter of William Craig and Viola Howard Harrison. She had been a housekeeper.

She is survived by: her husband, Rodney Wilson; children, David Benjamin Harrison, David Ray Harrison, Jonathan Miller, William Miller, April Miller, and Amie Miller; and a brother, Dennis Harrison.

The family chose cremation with no services. Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Isabella Christina Danielle Brock

Isabella Christina Danielle Brock was born on January 7, 2021. She was loved by everyone, especially her parents, Samantha Hamilton and Chris Brock. Princess



Bella gained her wings on April 12, 2021 in her mommy's loving arms. Bella has two big brothers, Coty Hamilton and Jackson Brock. She is the granddaughter of Christina and Paul Couch, Danny and Eldora Brock, Tammy Jackson, and the late Michael Stewart. She is also survived by: her aunts, Kimberly Stewart, Mary Jackson,

Katie Brock, Teresa (Timmy) Daughtery, Sherry Long, Sheila Vicini, Lori Johnson, and Alyssa (Chris) Adams; her uncles, Zach Brock, Daniel Jackson, Brad (Donna) McKinney, Larry (Lisa) Stewart, and Christopher Scalf; her great grandparents, Richard and Patricia McKinney, Nancy Brock, Charles Stewart, and Wayne Denney; three cousins, Cody, Rylee, and Christopher; and a special cousin, Jonah. She was joined in heaven by her papaw, Mike Stewart; her great grandmothers, Mary Stewart and Janice Denney; her great grandfather, Danny Brock; and her cousin, Pypor Orlena.

Funeral services for Bella were held Friday, April 16th at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jason Medley. Burial was in Briarfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Zachary Brock, Cody Jackson, Christopher Scalf, and Britt Shultz.

Charles Treadway

Charles Treadway, 77, died March 3, 2021. He was a Factory Worker for RCA (Thompson Electronics). Charles was also a member of the West Pines Baptist Church.



He was preceded in death by: his wife, Sandra Allen Treadway; parents, Charles Walker Treadway and Ruby Deaton Treadway; brothers, Donald and Bob Treadway.

He is survived by: his daughter, Debbie (Terry) Rickard and sister, Glenda Shapiro; uncle, Thomas (Flora) Deaton; niece, Kastonia (Adam) Gray; and nephews, Bobby Treadway and Donald (Amie) Treadway.

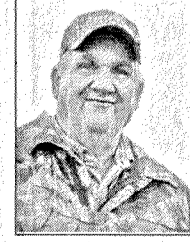
Services were Saturday March 6, 2021 at Conkle Funeral Home Avon. Entombment was in Lincoln Memory Gardens.

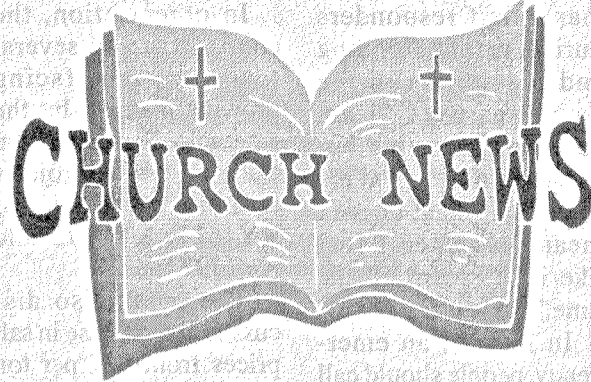
Online condolences at www.conklefuneralhome.com.

• Card of Thanks •

Paul Benton "Toddy" Payne

The family of Paul Benton "Toddy" Payne would like to extend our gratitude to all those who visited, called, brought food and money, sent cards and flowers and offered their condolences over the past couple of weeks during such a difficult time. A special thanks to Phillip and Trish Doan, Steve and Kristie Mink and Jason Medley from Calloway Holiness Church, Chris Davidson and Higher Praise Ministries, Mareburg Church and Cox Funeral Home as well as all the pallbearers. We ask that you continue to pray for us as we mourn the loss of our beloved Toddy.





Let the Bible Speak

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, Monday, 6 p.m. 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099 or Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: 859-308-8900

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. *Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: 606-308-8900

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

Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 1:30 a.m. Saturday. Contact: John Burton 859-621-9881, Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190.

Crystal Meth Anonymous: Saturday, 5 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Jason Debord 606-386-0646 or Rob Sandusky 606-386-3907.

Special Singing

Buffalo Baptist Church, located 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Road) will hold a special singing Sunday evening, April 18th at 6 p.m.

Featured singers will be Dean and Phyllis Blackburn and Friends.

Pastor Bro. Bill Mink and congregation invite everyone to come out and worship with us.

For more information, call 606-256-3547.

Revival

It's time for Revival at Maple Grove Baptist Church.

Homecoming will be Sunday, April 25th and **Revival** begins Monday night, April 26th and continues through Friday night, April 30th at 7 o'clock each night.

Bro. Shane Gabbard will be preaching.

Bro. Jerry Owens invites everyone to attend.

Rockcastle Arts group Spring activities

Join the Rockcastle Arts Association in reading and discussing *The Birds of Opulence*, by Kentucky's Poet Laureate Crystal Wilkinson.

The Arts Association joins Kentucky Humanities for Kentucky Reads 2021. Rockcastle countians can join folks from all over the state in reading this critically acclaimed Kentucky novel. Thanks to a partnership with Kentucky Humanities, the Arts Association can provide a copy of the book (for free!) to interested readers. To get your copy of the book, and for more details, email

Rockcastlearts@gmail.com.

After everyone has had a chance to read *The Birds of Opulence*, the Arts Association will host a discussion of the book with Marianne Worthington, who is a poet, professor of communications at University of the Cumberlands, and editor of the online literary journal *Still: The Journal*.

Professor Worthington will be joining virtually on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm, and this will also be a "live" event at Arts Place in downtown Mount Vernon for those

who want to attend in person. RSVP for the in person discussion at rockcastlearts.org, and click on Events.

This program is a part of the Kentucky Humanities statewide literacy initiative, Kentucky Reads. For more information on Kentucky Reads and events taking place throughout the state, visit kyhumanities.org.

Kids Workshop

The Arts Association is also partnering with Berea College Education and Craft Outreach Program to provide a virtual

arts workshop for 3rd - 5th graders who are interested in creating a flower pot out of clay.

FREE to register, materials provided, registration is required at our website (rockcastlearts.org), and limited to 10 students. Interested students in grades 3-5 should have access to computer or other device with video capability required for Zoom.

Material Kit pick-up times: 5/8 (10-4pm) & 5/11 (5-7pm) at The Arts Place on Main Street in Mt. Vernon.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

Raised Bed Landscaping and Gardening

At it's simplest, a raised bed is anything from a pile of dirt just dumped in a heap to a hastily formed planter using rocks or blocks or timbers to contain the soil. And complex ones may include a large area retained by bricks, concrete or large timbers. Raised beds can be filled as a person desires—just topsoil or specialty soils for persnickety or difficult plants. Even rocky hillsides and areas that have terrible soils can be made productive using the raised bed concept. Berms are also raised beds of a sort.

So many recently built homes have little topsoil to plant in. Raising an area by adding good dirt and then planting the landscape plants in that is a great idea for successfully establishing shrubbery and trees. Edging can be useful, but is not absolutely necessary, as I've dumped soil, scattered it, and planted. Very simple and easy; and the plants out-perform those planted in hard subsoils every time.

For the home gardener, raised beds can again enable gardening quickly by just dumping fresh dirt on the ground and planting.

Most folks anymore didn't get started gardening until they bought a home. Often in a subdivision.

And there may be restrictions on things by city ordinance or a HOA. So, the garden and home stores seem to cater to these folks by stocking raised bed kits of plastic, metal or timbers. This does serve the needs of aspiring gardeners. But, the cost can exceed the value of the harvest of herbs and vegetables if one isn't careful.

So, let's say you have decided to build a raised bed. Do you use lumber? (It can rot, or treated timbers may leach out poisonous preservatives.) Do you use bricks or concrete edging? (Cinder blocks can sometimes contain mercury and lead and other pollutants.) Do you use metal? (It rusts in time.)

Do you use plastic? (It is damaged by UV light and lasts only so many years.) How about stones just laid in place? (They may move around...but you can lay them back in place.) I'm not advocating one over the other; rather, giving you some pros and cons of the materials you might build a raised bed out of.

Benefits of raised beds are good drainage of the soil, you fill them as you prefer using various fill materials, they are up in the air and the soil heats up quicker in springtime giving an earlier start to your plants. Other benefits might be not having to stoop as far, or even be able to sit on the side of the garden bed and tend or harvest more comfortably.

Bringing in dirt can accomplish other things more simply, too. Let's say you desire a small garden pond maybe ten inches deep. A concrete block plus a thin solid block on top, then bring soil and dump around—you dug that pond and didn't even pick up a shovel! (Just drop in a liner to keep it from leaking.) Tulip or daffodil bulbs can be layed out in fall on the soil, and "planted" by adding dirt on top of them. Again, a simple raised bed is created. Sometimes rain and runoff can get trapped near the home, adding soil to change the slope of the ground is often easier than digging.

Quality soil by the truckload is most economical, but bagged soil from your garden center or home store can get you gardening and you can add amendments and fertilizer as the plants need it. Keep your garden hose handy—that may be the one negative to raised bed gardening.

The raised bed concept works. How fancy your raised bed or how simple, that's a choice for you and for your budget. So, if you have the urge to garden but have no tiller, a raised bed can get you going in no time.

The author is a landscaper. Contact Max (606) 416-3911 or (865) 360-6951

Cemetery Notices

Maple Grove Cemetery

Maple Grove Cemetery is asking for donations for the upkeep and mowing of the cemetery.

Anyone that would like to help, please go to Community Trust Bank and make a deposit in the Maple Grove Cemetery account or donations may be sent to: Penny Cameron, 37 Bob White Lane, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

We will also be at the cemetery Friday - Monday, May 28-31.

We would like to ask that everyone who has a loved one buried at the cemetery, please help us to keep it up. If everyone gives a little, it wouldn't hurt anyone.

Livesay Cemetery

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

Mareburg Cemetery

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

Roberts Cemetery

Donations needed! Please help keep Roberts Cemetery (old Freedom Cemetery) mowed.

Send donations to: Roberts Cemetery, c/o Nancy Meadows, 20 Trinity Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

How Beautiful Heaven Must Be

We often talk about places we want to go in our lifetime. People often make a list of things they want to do before they die. They call this a bucket list, in other words they want to do these things before they "kick the bucket." Well, I would like to talk about a place I want to go when I "kick the bucket."

The Bible tells us throughout that we will spend eternity in one of two places. That, of course, is Heaven or Hell. When we are going somewhere on vacation, or taking a trip, we get excited about it and it's something that we long for as the time to go draws near. We carefully plan all the details out. We make plans as to who will take care of things while we are gone. It takes a lot of preparation and we're willing to do that as we look forward to rest and relaxation. We may tell our friends and family about our trip and how much we're looking forward to it.

Unfortunately, we don't get as excited about Heaven, when it's the greatest reward, the greatest rest and the longest rest there will ever be. I think even Christians have a disconnect sometimes as it pertains to Heaven. We lose focus of the rest that awaits us, thus maybe causing us to lose our ambition of doing those things to make preparation for that eternal abode with our Heavenly Father and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We should be excited about that! Are we? Do we talk to our friends and family about it? Would we want them to be there too? We need to be motivated about Heaven and get excited!

Matthew 7:13-14 Enter ye at the strait gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction and many there be which go in there at: V14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life and few be that find it.

Matthew 7:21-23 Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven. V22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? V23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

2 Peter 1:10-11 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure; for if ye do these things, ye shall never fail; V11 For so entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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PUBLIC HEARING

Budget hearing regarding proposed use of County Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds

A public hearing will be held by the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, 205 E. Main St. 3rd Floor Conference Room, Mt. Vernon, KY on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. to obtain citizens comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) Funds and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds.

Citizens may call 712-432-3900, ID: 433828#. Written comments can be mailed to Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, PO Box 755, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 and must be received before 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2021.

The Narrow Escape

We have heard of people who narrowly escaped, some great tragedy, by the skin of their teeth. While others were not so fortunate.

There have been automobile accidents, house fires, shark attacks, earthquakes, terrorism, gang beatings, and many of these folks walked away and were able to tell how they were able to escape, some of these stories almost take our breath away.

The depressing side of these stories, a great number of these people do not walk away. Those who are found dead in senseless tragedies.

The same is true in the spiritual world, only worse because the disastrous events last for eternity. Jesus said Matthew 7:13-14 Enter ye in at the strait gate, for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in there. Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life and few there be that find it. Jesus tells us plainly only a few are going to heaven, but many are going to follow the path that leads to destruction. How we should investigate our lives, knowing that the majority will lose their souls, and the minority of the human race will go to Heaven. Jesus also stated the fact, Matthew 22:14 Many are called but few are chosen. Even the children of Israel of old, God declared Romans 9:27 Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved. Hopefully we understand God is serious about his word and mankind be obedient to what his word commands. Romans 11:21 For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

We must all remember that we will all stand before the judgment seat of Christ and give an account of our deeds, that great day. 2 Corinthians 5: 10.

Like those lost at sea, mauled by wild beasts, driven by tornadoes, tossed by the wind at sea, yet survive, we too can escape and reach the brilliant shore of heaven. The way will be strait, the path narrow, but we can make it.

Thank you for reading this message, I pray God has supplied all your needs and you count your blessings every day. If you would like to get in touch with some from the church you can contact us at these numbers. Bro. Dale McNew-859-582-4021 or Bro. Ova Baker- 606-878-8104

• Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ •
Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. • Everyone Welcome
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(Bullock's old muffler shop, corner of US 150 & old 461)

VFW cleans up roadway



Members of Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 cleared three miles and collected 20 bags of litter this past Saturday. Members said it's just one more way the VFW is trying to help the community. Pictured from left are: Larry Baker, Jason Baker, B.J. Thomason, and Chris Baker.

"Sheriff"

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available for police departments, but by the time our office needed the funds, the till was empty," said Rockcastle County Sheriff Shannon Franklin.

In fact, during discussion at the regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court last week, Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook explained that CARES ACT funds had been placed in the general fund and had to be used for things like the jail shortfalls and other extra requirements during the mandates.

"Because of all the COVID mandates and rising fuel costs, greatly increased calls to I-75 accidents, flooding, ice storms, and required transports that mandate two deputies, plus the requirements concerning security, we will be \$10,000 over budget in overtime alone," said Franklin. "The budget went down without input from us, but the expenses continued to rise."

Among other things, the mandates required circuit court clerk security and a full time security unit at the courthouse door. This alone was a new expense for the sheriff's department. "With the new protocol that we were forced to meet, it became very difficult to stay within budget," Franklin said.

Unfortunately, in the local sheriff's office, a deputy also passed away and that deputy volunteered for the department. "Now we have to pay someone to perform those duties that we had been getting on a volunteer basis," he said.

As if enough hadn't gone wrong, two of the required transport vehicles are currently not functioning. "All our road units are out on the streets but the two transport vehicles are down."

So, Franklin submitted a request for the funds that the CARES ACT money was partly intended to help with. The request shows request for reimbursement of 2020 courthouse security at \$20,800, 2021 courthouse security at \$5,400 and vehicle service at \$2,000 for a total reimbursement request of \$28,200 from the Cares Act.

After discussion about cash flow and the timing of payroll, Magistrate Shane Thacker made a motion to provide \$7,400 to the sheriff's office. The sheriff agreed that his department "can survive the next two weeks with this amount."

The motion passed

unanimously and magistrates agreed to revisit the request for the remaining funds at a later date.

"Air"

(Continued from front)

forward with an energy savings project which will allow us to replace the HVAC at Mount Vernon Elementary, add LED lighting across the entire district, and install bi-polar ionization in each school to ensure clean air for our students and staff. Our students will have cleaner air to help prevent all viruses. Not just COVID."

After the extensive presentation by Ryles, which included examples of two laws of physics and his personal resume, Ryles ended by saying, "You all made a good decision to move ahead with this."

Ballinger said much more details about the new systems will be forthcoming. "This will be a benefit to the entire community," she said.

After the presentation, in an unusual event, a board member refused to vote to approve the operations and actions portion of the agenda until an item was removed or altered. Once again, board member Larry Hammond expressed concerns over issues related to the salary schedule.

An amendment to the salary schedule was one of 13 items inside the operations and actions portion of the agenda but when Chairman Angela Mink asked the board to approve operations and actions, Hammond objected.

"I have a real glitch in this amendment," he said. "If you move forward I can just abstain from voting but I hope you will put it off until we can get more information."

Some disagreement ensued about the amendment but Hammond suggested the amendment would provide extra funds for classified and certified employees in an unfair way. "We talked about this last night and I expressed my concerns," he said. "I just have a real concern about giving a dollar amount across the board for everyone. I would be more on board if we gave a percentage or lump sum but not an equal dollar amount."

Apparently the amendment calls for all types of employees to possibly receive the same dollar amount during summer work. "I think this is a way to thank everyone for the work they

did all summer that was above and beyond the call of duty," said Ballinger. "I thought this would be a way to say thank you for all they have done. Also, we have had such a difficult time getting people to work this summer that this may help with that issue."

Though Hammond said he strongly agrees with an increase over the summer, he thinks it may be unfair to some to provide the same salary to all employees for summer work. "I don't care if it is a \$10 per hour bump. But just not the same across the board," he said. Ballinger explained, "We were trying to avoid teacher 'A' getting paid one amount for summer work and teacher 'B' getting a different amount for summer work," said Ballinger.

But Hammond said he has "an issue" with paying a certified and a classified employee the same amount.

There was more discussion, and some disagreement, but the board eventually agreed to remove the item from operations and actions and take that particular issue up at a special called meeting later when more information is available.

The board then approved the financial statements as presented by Finance Director Jenny Sweet.

The board also heard the Superintendent's Personnel Action Report. It is as follows.

Full Time Classified Employees

Becky McNabb, Tennis Coach at RCHS and Jeff Draper, Volunteer Bass Fishing Coach at RCHS.

Certified Substitutes. Nan Shepherd, Pamela Miller and Milissa Feldman, all substitute teachers.

Classified Substitutes

Gabriel Tackett and Philip Boreing as substitute bus monitors, Amanda McFeron, substitute cook/baker and Emily Ponder, substitute instructional assistant.

The next regular meeting of the board will be Tuesday, May 11 at 6 p.m.

"Vaccine"

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Hospital officials will reach out to those who have J&J vaccine appointments to work out details for another vaccine.

"Even though use of the J&J vaccine is paused, we still have available appointments for the two-dose Moderna COVID-19 vaccination," said Bray.

"Anyone over 18 may contact us to schedule an appointment at 256-7767."

Though the Pfizer Vaccine has been approved for those 16 and over, the hospital only has the Moderna vaccine which is approved for 18 and over. Vaccines for those under 18 are not available yet at the hospital.

According to the CDC, a small number of those who received the J&J vaccine developed severe blood clots causing the recommendation to pause using that particular vaccine.

According to the CDC, anyone who received the J&J vaccine already should "seek medical care urgently if you develop any of the following symptoms":

- severe headaches
- backache
- new neurologic symptoms
- severe abdominal pain
- shortness of breath
- leg swelling
- red spots on skin
- bruising easily

According to the Ohio Valley Resource, 26.2% of Kentuckians are now fully vaccinated.

"Help"

(Continued from front)

Constable's authority, there is a greater chance that they will resist arrest. "My job would be easier and there would be less trouble for everyone if people were aware of a Constable's authority."

Miller is right.

Just this past week, Miller answered a call about a male hitting a female. When Miller arrived on the scene, the female denied she had been hit. So, Miller told the male to wait by his car while the Constable checked for warrants. "I told him that if there were no warrants out on him, he was free to go," said Miller.

But, because Miller is a Constable, the suspect refused to follow instructions. "He told me I had no right to be there and he got in his car and tried to drive away," said Miller. "He almost ran over me and he resisted when I tried to arrest him. The State Police and Mount Vernon police assisted in the arrest and he was charged with wanton endangerment, resisting arrest and fleeing and evading. He had no outstanding warrant. If he had just waited a minute, he would have been free to go."

This is a typical scene for Constables statewide because their uniform is slightly different than deputies or city police and many residents are not aware of the authority a Constable has, Miller said.

"I wish people knew that I don't do this for money or anything," he said. "I just want to help get some of these drugs off the streets of our county and be there to help someone weaker when they need help."

Miller said he has been in law enforcement for most of his adult life and also runs a concrete business in the county. But he is not in law enforcement for money. "We have a lot of good officers in our county and we just want to make Rockcastle County a better place," he said. "The only reason we go into these situations is to help someone. That's my job. Help people in need. If you aren't helping people, you are missing out on the best part of life."

Miller, and other Constables, were among the many first responders during recent flooding and ice storms in the county as well. "I am here and I do this because people elected me to be here. That doesn't mean just when I feel like it. It means all the time," he said.

In fact, in an emergency, people should call 911. But there may also be times that one can call a Constable to help with a problem. "Rockcastle County people can call me anytime and I will do all I can to help. My phone number is 606-392-3548. If you need help, call me."

"ATV"

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well as opened many avenues for new businesses all along the trails," he said.

Bray agreed. "Even places like Gatlinburg have started doing this and the truth is, Gatlinburg has nothing to offer that we don't have right here," said Bray. "With the river and beautiful scenery, I think this would be a great opportunity in our area," he said.

Fugate said through HB 156, and other bills, the trail would be maintained through the Kentucky Recreation Authority, but that Rockcastle County officials would maintain complete control over which roadways ATVs would be allowed on, where the trails would be located, what restrictions or regulations would be in place, besides getting to decide what the extra revenue in their annual budget would be used for.

The court agreed to consider the request. "I have been wanting to do this for years," said Magistrate Shannon Bishop. Bishop also announced, during the meeting, his intention to run for the office of Judge/Executive the next time the office is

up for election which will be in 2022.

In other action, the court discussed several roadway resurfacing projects planned by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Those projects include portions of KY1617, KY3275 and KY1797.

The court also discussed the increase in salt prices from \$77 per ton to \$104 per ton. "Luckily, we have all we can hold right now," said Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr.

The court also voted to reinstate the \$1,000 to the Livingston security fund since the city has hired a new police chief, and to repair the Livingston City Hall and bathroom flooring for \$2,998 as well as remove some trees near the Livingston School at a cost of \$600.

The court voted to donate \$7,500 to the Hospice Program and rehire Jason Medley to oversee the Livingston gymnasium.

Holbrook also announced there is \$25,000 available for those who may have suffered damage due to recent flooding inside the county. "If any one took drywall or damaged materials to the landfill, they can bring the receipt for that material and get reimbursed for that loss," he said.

Many other subjects were addressed by the court, including progress on the Farmers Market building.

As one of the last items of business, County Treasurer Joe Clontz requested several transfers from the general fund to other funds. Those included \$190,000 to the road fund, \$60,000 to the jail fund, \$10,000 to the 911 fund and \$500 to the forestry fund. No funds were taken from the occupational tax fund.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11 at 4 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Citizens should ask questions

Many elderly homeowners live on a fixed income. Is raising their water bills the right thing to do?

Under Democrat policy, gas prices have already risen nearly \$1 per gallon, and is expected to continue to rise to \$4 per gallon. If you only use 10 gallons a week, that increase along with Brodhead resident's water bill is an extra \$45 per month. (\$90 per month when gas reaches \$4). That is a lot of groceries for an elderly resident on a fixed income.

I'm told there are 600 water meters in Brodhead. With a \$100 "deposit," Isn't that \$60,000? Not to mention that many places are rented more than once per year and a "deposit" charged each time. Also, there should be money made from the thousands of gallons of water sold out of the back of the firehouse? If the commission is successful in changing the term "deposit" to "hook-up fee," that will just become another non-refundable tax on citizens. These are not any form of accusations. They are simply questions that residents should ask. We all make better citizens when we are better informed.

Paid for by Jim Lunsford

Next Brodhead City Commission meeting
Monday, May 10
7:00 p.m.
City Hall in Brodhead

Church Directory

Believers House of Prayer
156 Scenic View Lane
U.S. 25 N, left at 18 mile marker
Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhop@ymail.com

Berea Gospel Tabernacle
231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Tuesday Night 7 p.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's
Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., &
Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and
Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: Travis Gilbert
Music Director: Dan Dull

**Blue Springs
Church of Christ**
7 miles south of Mt. Vernon on
Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services:
Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Marcus Reppert
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert
606-308-2794
199 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday Youth Bible Study
5 p.m.
Wednesday Adult & Youth
Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAs & GAs
Mission Friends and
Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell: 606-305-8980.

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 1245 • Brodhead •
606-758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor
Brush Creek
Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor

Buffalo Baptist Church
Located 15 miles south of
Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249
(Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Bill Hall, Pastor
Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor
Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd.
(Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
George Renner, Pastor
606-224-4641

Central Baptist Church
86 Maintenance Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
606-256-2988
centralbaptistky.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning 11 a.m.
Bus Sunday School 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
"Central Time" Radio
Broadcast
WRVK: M-F 11:15 a.m.
WOPW: M-F 9:15 a.m.
Transportation and Nursery
provided for all services
Home of Well of Pure Water
Radio - 93.3 FM
Mark Eaton, Pastor
Church of Christ at
Chestnut Ridge
2 miles south of Mt. Vernon
Turn left off US Hwy 25
Sundays 10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.
Bro. Ova Baker
Bro. Dale McNew
Bro. Philip Scott
Church of Christ on
Fairground Hill
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Different speaker each
Sunday
Clear Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Climax Christian Church
Hwy. 1912
308-2806 - 256-4138 - 256-5977
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at
7 p.m.

**Community Worship
Church of God**
758 Hwy. 3245 • Crab Orchard
Bro. Jeff Warren, Pastor
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship
11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
www.cwchurchofgod.com

**Conway Missionary
Baptist**
116 Meadow Lark Lane
Berea, KY 40403
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007

Crab Orchard Pentecostal
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

CrossPoint Church of God
211 Industrial Park Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Matt Griggs
859-582-2553

**Crossroads
Assembly of God**
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Ralph Reynolds, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd.,
Brodhead
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Dewayne Carpenter

**Fairground Hill
Community Holiness
Church**
Sunday Evening Service
6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Razor, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor

First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Dennis Wilder, Pastor
Jesse Wright,
Assoc. Pastor/Youth
website: www.fbcmtvky.org
email: fbcmtvmon@kyn.twcbc.com
Every Sunday:
Morning Worship: 9 & 11 am
Sunday School/Growth
Groups 10 am
WRVK 1460AM at 11 a.m.
LiveStream at fbcmtvky.org
Wednesdays: AWANA 6-8pm
Student Worship at 6 pm

First Christian Church
West Main St. Mt. Vernon
606-256-2876
Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
Bro. Josh Haines,
Youth/Family Minister
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Flat Rock Missionary
Baptist**
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Fountain of Life
United Pentecostal Church**
80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome
Pastor: James Blanton

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer
Meeting 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
859-200-6331

**Hickory Grove
Pentecostal Church**
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

Higher Praise Ministries
4896 Lake Cumberland Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Chris Davidson, Pastor
Sunday 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Bus Ministry call 606-392-8777

**Lighthouse Assembly of
God**
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer
7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study
7 p.m.

Little Country Church
Jarber Rd.
Turn left off Rev. Green Loop
onto Jarber Rd.
Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

**Livingston Baptist
Church**
Pastor: Josh Hasty
606-392-3809
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:30 p.m.

**Livingston Christian
Church**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister

**Livingston Pentecostal
Holiness Church**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Jim Miller, Pastor
606-256-1709

**Living Word
Community Church**
"About our Father's Business"
246 Sycamore St. • Brodhead
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Joe Bussell, Jr., Pastor
606-308-4312

**Macedonia Baptist
Church**
6567 Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bro. Jim Craig, Pastor

Maple Grove Baptist
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. • 606-256-1873

Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

**Mareburg Baptist
Church**
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sun. Discipleship Training/
Sunday Youth Missions
6 p.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
www.mareburgbaptist.org
mareburgchurch@yahoo.com

**McNew Chapel
Baptist**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
John Vanwinkle, Pastor

**Mt. Vernon
Church of God**
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

New Heights Church
316 Mini Mall Dr.
(off Richmond Rd., US 25 N)
Berea, Ky.
www.newheightsky.net
Sundays 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Worship & Children's Church
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Midweek Gathering for all
ages; prayer & Bible study,
youth worship, and
Children in Action
Pastor:
Bro. Chad Burdette
New Hope Baptist
Jct. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd.
Orlando
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Philip "Worm" Johnson Pastor

Northside Baptist
777 Faith Mountain Rd.
(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
Kenny Allen, Pastor
Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Tuesday
Celebrate Recovery 7 to 9
Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
Time Warner Cable
Tues., Thurs., Sun.
9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Ottawa Baptist Church
1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
Pastor: Bro. Michael Hail
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship
Training 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Service 7 p.m.
758-8453
ottawabaptist@windstream.net

**Our Lady of Mt. Vernon
Catholic Church**
525 Williams St
(across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
Father Gary Simpson,
Pastor
Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
Tom Darst, Maintenance

**Philadelphia United
Baptist**
834 Bryant Ridge Rd. Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.

Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-308-5368

Pine Hill Holiness
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship
7:00 p.m.

**Pine Hill Missionary
Baptist Church**
81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
859-986-1579
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training
5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting &
Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting
monthly every
2nd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

Pleasant Run Missionary
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
1st Sunday in Month Church at
2 p.m. at Rockcastle
Respiratory Care
Bro. Chris Reynolds, Pastor

Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. Mike McFerron, Pastor

**Providence
church of Christ**
1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618
758-8524
Robby Cable, Evangelist
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
www.WhatSaiTheScriptures.com

Red Hill-Union Baptist
4308 Highway 1955
Livingston, KY
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bill Hammond, Pastor
606-392-1826
Everyone invited to come and
worship with us

Roundstone Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Sand Hill Baptist Church
Sand Hill Rd.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

Sand Springs Baptist
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go
exactly 5 miles, church on right
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Eugene Gentry

Scaffold Cave Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. James Hardin

Skaggs Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Bro. Richard West
Everyone Welcome!

Tabernacle of Love
244 Old Somerset Rd.
Mt. Vernon
606-25605894
Sunday Worship 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Clyde Hodge

Union Chapel Pentecostal
Pastor: Eugene Webb
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
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SPORTS

Rocket baseball improves to 11-3

The RCHS Rockets' baseball team continued its winning ways winning four of their last five games over the past week and extended their record to 11-3.

The Rockets traveled to Liberty last Tuesday and faced Casey County in a doubleheader taking both games, 5-1 and 10-1.

Junior Noah Fain was the winning pitcher in the 5-1 victory. Fain allowed three hits and one run

over five innings, striking out nine and walking one.

Casey managed their lone run in the first inning with the Rockets taking the lead in the third with two runs and tacked on three more in the fourth.

Offensively, the Rockets made the most of their four hits and three walks scoring five runs for the win. Carson King and Riley Smith each had a double in the game.

Ethan Fain led the team with two RBI while King,

Cade Prewitt and Landon Dillingham each had one.

In the second game, the Rockets' defeated the Rebels 10-1.

Junior Silas Shaffer got the win going three innings, allowing no runs on no hits and striking out five. Dalton Gibbs threw two innings in relief.

Rockcastle had a 3-0 lead going into the fourth inning before scoring seven more for the 10-0 lead.

The Rockets had 10

hits on the night with Shaffer, Noah Fain and Cam Prewitt each picking up two hits. Shaffer had three RBI and Cam Prewitt and Gibbs each had two.

The Rockets were busy on the base paths picking up 13 stolen bases. Gibbs led with three, Landon Dillingham, Noah Fain, Carson King and Cade Prewitt each had two while Ethan Fain and Riley Smith each had one.

On Friday, the Rockets ran into a buzzsaw when Russell County came to town and handed their Rockets only their third loss of the season, 16-0.

Ethan Fain took the loss going two innings, allowing six runs on seven hits and striking out four.

The Rockets managed only four hits in the game with Noah Fain going two for three and Silas Shaffer and Cam Prewitt each picking up one hit.

Rockcastle got back in the win column Saturday, defeating Boyle County, 5-3.

Silas Shaffer got the win going three and two-thirds innings, allowing no runs on two hits and striking out 11. Carson King threw two innings in relief. Noah Fain started the game for the Rockets allowing one hit and one run over one and one-third innings, striking out one.

Brothers Ethan and Noah Fain led the Rockets with two hits each. Ethan had one RBI along with King, Shaffer and Carson Carrera.

The Rockets were down 3-2 after five innings before scoring three runs in the top of the sixth for the 5-3 win.

Landon Dillingham got the inning started with a walk and stolen base before reaching third on an Ethan Fain single. Dillingham scored on a passed ball and Fain scored on a Carson King double. Shaffer followed with his own double scoring King for the two run lead.

Shaffer held the Rebels in their next two at bats for the victory.

Rockcastle picked up their 11th win of the season Monday night, defeating Estill County 10-5.

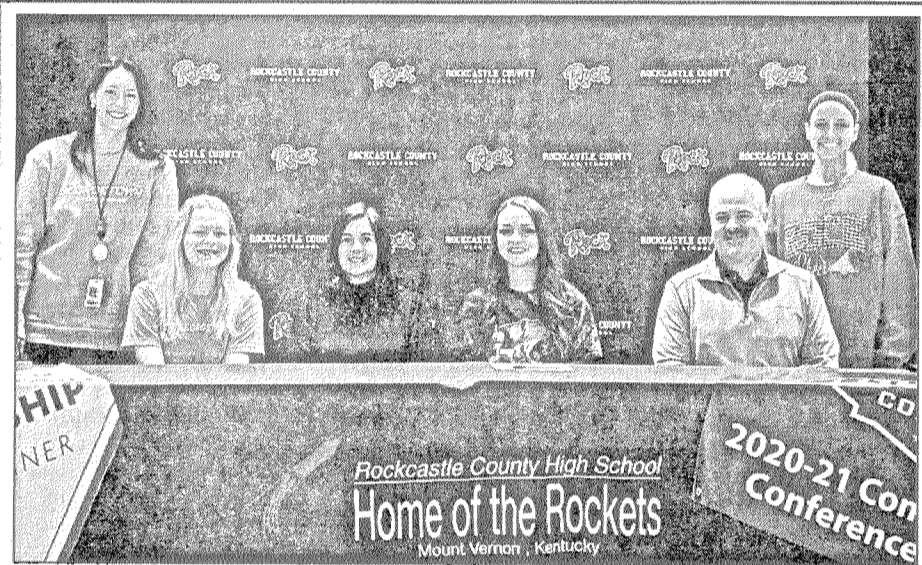
Skyler Durham earned the victory for the Rockets going four innings, allowing four runs on six hits and striking out three. Dalton Gibbs and Riley Smith entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close the game out in relief.

Offensively, Ethan Fain, Carson King, Cam Prewitt, Riley Smith and Dalton Gibbs picked up multiple hits for the Rockets. Ethan Fain had four RBI and King had two RBI. Noah Fain drew three walks and scored two runs with one RBI for the Rockets.

The Rockets were scheduled to face Somerset Tuesday, April 20th on the road with the BriarJumpers coming to town on Thursday, the 22nd. Wayne County also comes to the Rock on Friday and Boyle County will be in town on Monday, April 26th.



Skyler Durham earned the victory for the Rockets against Estill County Monday night going four innings, allowing four runs on six hits and striking out three.



Kerrigan Medley, RCHS senior, has signed to continue her cheerleading career at Georgetown College in Georgetown. Joining Kerrigan at her signing were her parents Anthony and Jill Medley, sister Kameryn, and current RCHS cheerleading coaches Joanie Alexander and Rachel Johnson. Kerrigan will join the nationally competitive Tiger Cheerleading Team on an athletic scholarship. Congratulations, Kerrigan.



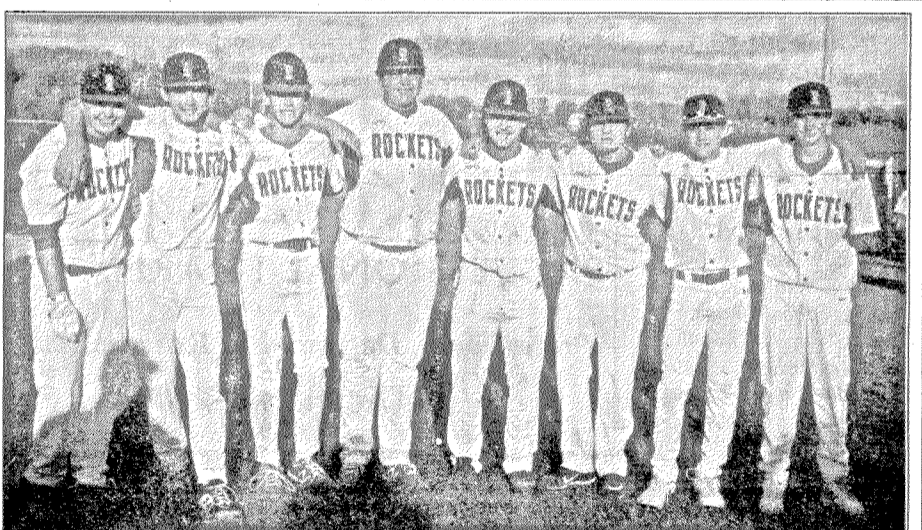
RCHS Swim Team recently honored their seniors, along with their parents. Shown above is senior Laurel Yates and her parents, John and Amy Yates. Laurel will continue her swimming career at Valparaiso University in Indiana.



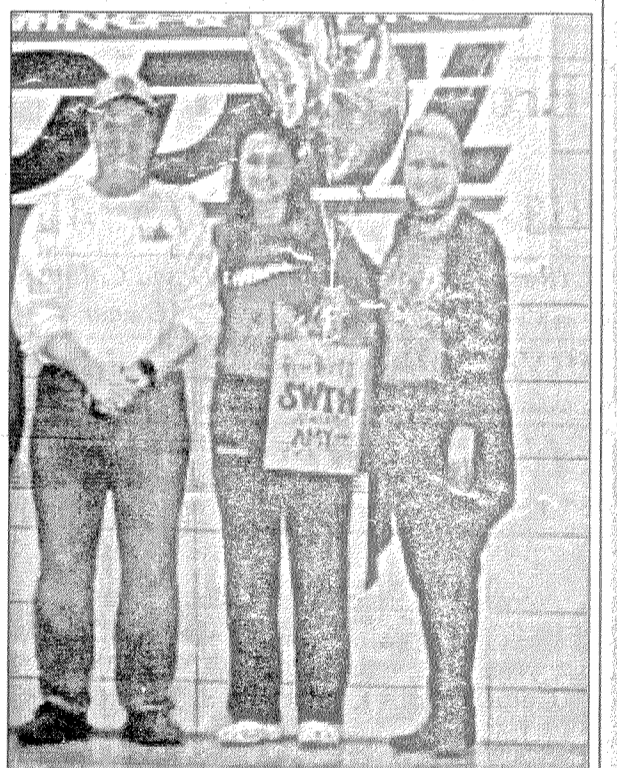
RCMS Softball won the Battle at the Rock Saturday with a win over Foley Middle School. Team members are shown above, bottom row from left: Sadie Osborne, Ally Brummett, Emma Brummett, Sadie Payne, Sydney Holcomb, Kelsey Maupin and Tatum Bishop. Back row from left: Makyla Hester, coach Jeff Todd, Madison York, Lilyann Storm-Hayes, Mahala Miller, Macy Spivey, coach Adam Hensley, Kierra Bingham, Kylee Fletcher, Ella McKinney and coach Brooke Bishop.



Swim senior Alexa Bussell and her parents, JD and Gina Bussell.



RCMS honored their eighth grade baseball players before last Thursday's home game. Eighth graders shown above, from left: Josh Smith, Kaleb Alexander, Conner Winstead, Emerick Goff, Rex Parkey, Dylan Lefler, Ethan Weaver and Parker Kidwell.



Swim senior Amy Cornelius with her parents, Chris and Jamie Cornelius.



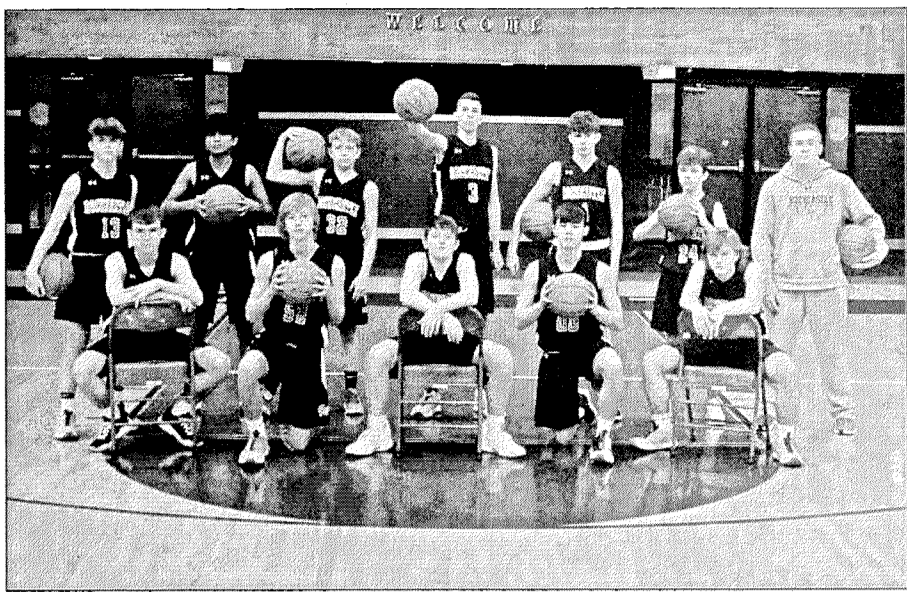
RCMS honored their eighth grade softball players before last Tuesday's home game. Eighth graders shown above, front row from left: Madison York, Kierra Bingham, Kylee Fletcher, Makyla Hester and Lilyann Storm-Hayes. Back row: coaches Jeff Todd and Adam Hensley



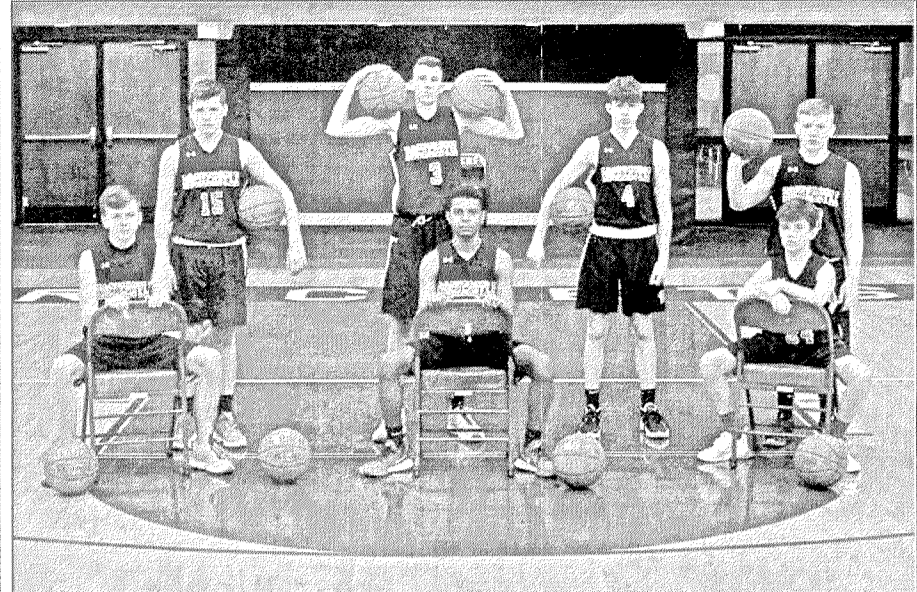
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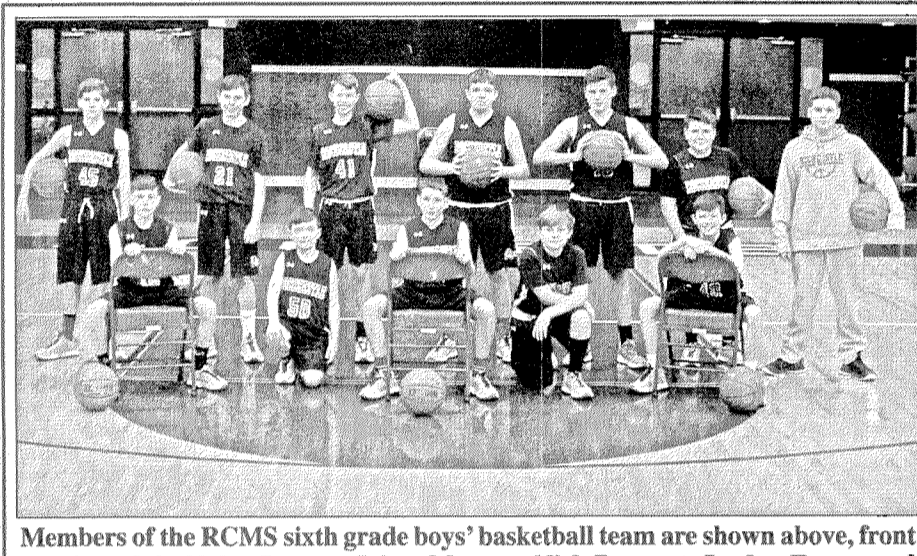
Members of the RCMS eighth grade boys' basketball team are shown above, front row from left: Kaleb Alexander, Connor Hunt, Jace Rogers, Carson Carrera and Rex Parkey. Back row from left: Conner Winstead, Brandon Valle, Maddux McClure, Walker Craig, Maddox Parsons, Zeke Fain and manager Jai Denney. Not pictured: Xavier Leger. The eighth grade is coached by Zach Gentry.



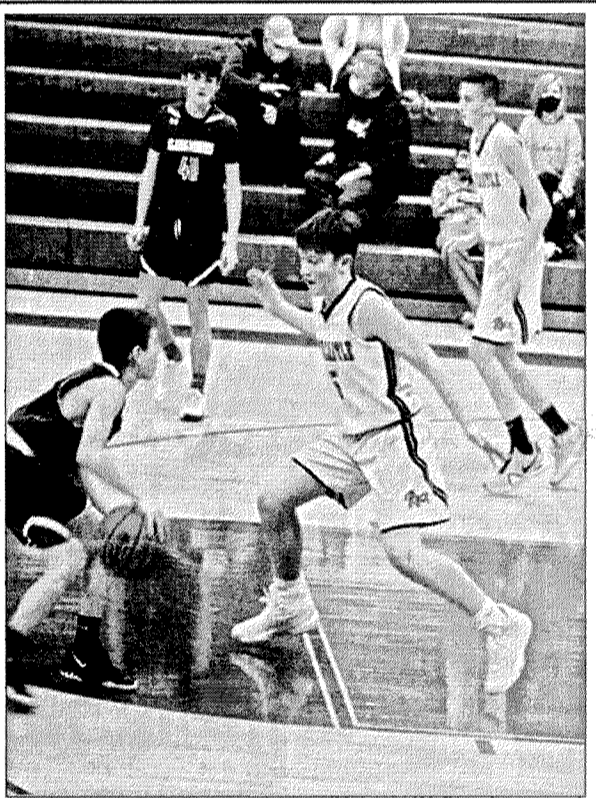
Members of the RCMS seventh grade boys' basketball team are shown above, front row from left: Dalton Flannery, Isaiah Jackson and Zeke Fain. Back row from left: Colton Cash, Walker Craig, Maddox Parsons and Hunter Pingleton. Not pictured: Xavier Leger. The seventh grade team is coached by Dustin Reynolds.



Toward the end of their regular season, RCMS honored their eighth graders, shown above, from left: Rex Parkey, Maddux McClure, Conner Winstead, Carson Carrera, head coach Zach Gentry, Jace Rogers, Connor Hunt, Kaleb Alexander, Brandon Valle and manager Jai Denney.



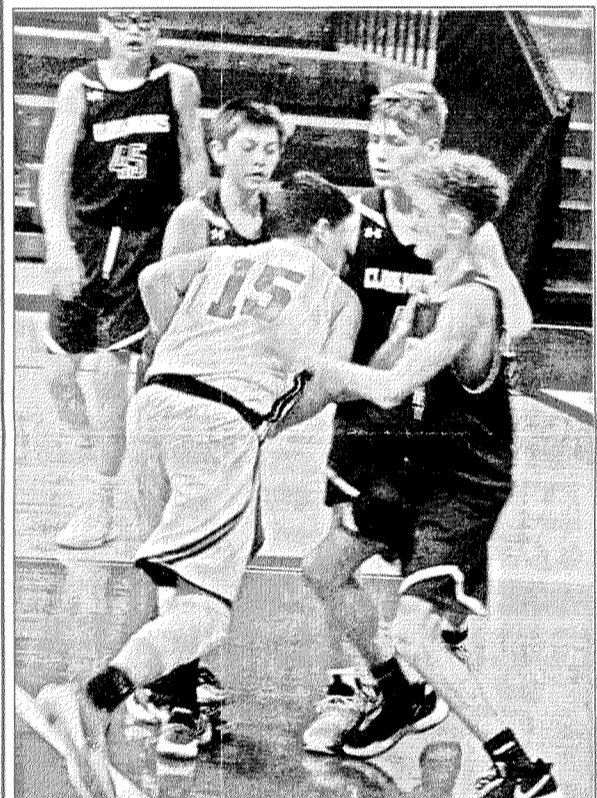
Members of the RCMS sixth grade boys' basketball team are shown above, front row from left: Nolan Bryant, Jaken Masters, Nick Reppert, Jordan Evans, and Jack Childress. Back row from left: Jacob Camel, Ethan Kidwell, Blake Mullins, Cameron Smith, Colton Cash, Eli Phelps and manager Michael Camel. Not pictured: Jackson Smith. The sixth grade team is coached by Jamie Todd.



Eighth grader Jace Rogers plays defense during middle school action this season.



Seventh grader Walker Craig puts up a three in eighth grade basketball action this past season.



Sixth grader Colton Cash fights to the basket in sixth grade basketball action this past season.

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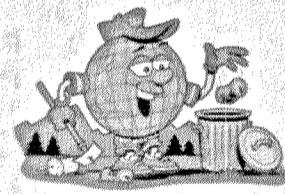
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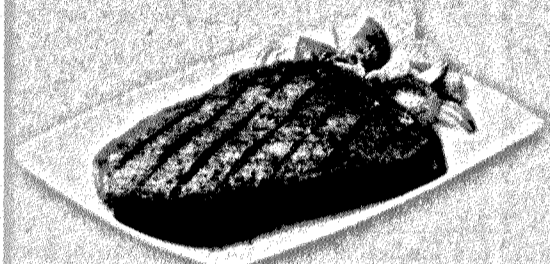


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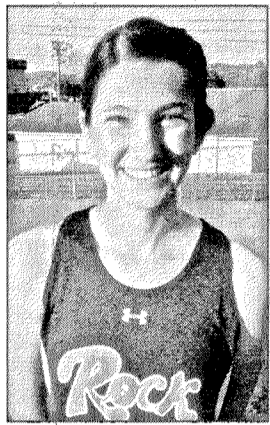


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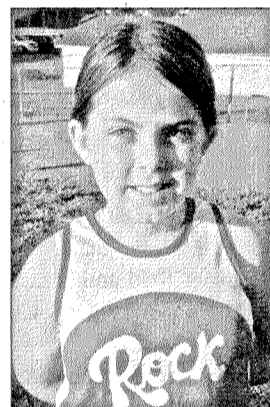
Spring Sports in full swing at RCHS and RCMS



RCMS 8th grader Gracie Peavie had two outstanding performances at the South Laurel Middle School Invitational. She placed 6th in the 100-meter dash with a great time of 16.27 seconds. She also ran a great 400-meter dash, but due to a slight mixup in the results, her exact place and time has not yet been corrected. Gracie has dealt with tendinitis the last few weeks and hasn't been able to practice very hard at all, but she keeps working to improve. She'll also be participating in high jump and triple jump as soon as she feels better when jumping.



RCMS 8th grader Caitlyn Kirby dominated the throwing events with two outstanding performances at the South Laurel Middle School Invit. She won discus with an awesome new all-time personal best of 70'4", an incredible improvement of 28'5". She also won shot put with an exceptional throw of 25'1".



Fourth grader Aria French, the youngest competitor in the meet, had two outstanding performances at the South Laurel Middle School Invitational. In the 100-meter dash, Aria blazed her way to a 14th place finish with an exceptional new all-time personal best of 18.95 seconds. In the 200-meter dash, Aria placed 13th with another incredible all-time personal best of 40.69 seconds.



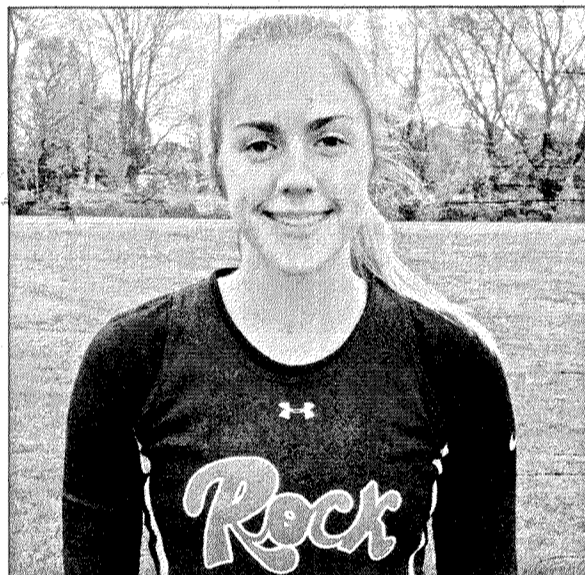
In the United States

#1 Triple Jump mark for a 6th grader

RCMS 6th grader Maliyah Swinney had four outstanding performances at the South Laurel Middle School Invitational. She led all scorers in the meet with 36 points and won the MVP award, leading her team to a 2nd place finish, only 5 points away from the team win. In long jump, she placed 1st with an awesome all-time personal best of 14'8". In the 400-meter dash, she placed 2nd with a great time of 1:08.03. She also placed 2nd in the 200 with an exceptional all-time personal best of 30.12 seconds. Her best performance came in triple jump. She won with an amazing all-time personal best jump of 31'3", the #1 triple jump mark in the entire U.S. for a 6th grade competitor. She's currently ranked 7th all-time in the state of Kentucky in the event for a 6th grader and now has her sights set on the all-time state 6th grade record of 34'7". Her long jump mark also ranks her 7th in the nation among 6th grade competitors.



RCHS senior Valerie Kendrick had two outstanding performances in the throwing events, scoring 15 total points on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County. Valerie won discus by over 13' with an amazing throw of 116'. She also placed 4th in shot put with a great throw of 34'1". Her season's best winning throw of 125'8" at Pulaski County on Tuesday currently ranks her first in the state in Class 2A and second out of all state classes. She also won shot put on Tuesday with an awesome outdoor all-time personal best of 34'8". She currently ranks 2nd in Class 2A in the event.



After placing 2nd at the Pulaski County All-Comers Meet on Tuesday, the RCHS girls' team had a great follow-up meet on Saturday. The Lady Rockets tied for 3rd place overall out of 44 schools that competed and are currently ranked 4th in the state in Class 2A. They're only 1 point away from 3rd and 8 points away from 2nd. Four of the top seven teams in the state in Class 2A are in Rockcastle's region. Junior Allie Martin led the way for the Lady Rockets with several outstanding performances and 17 total points. Allie placed 2nd in the 400-meter dash with an awesome time of 1:02.57. In the 200, she finished 7th with a great time of 28.2 seconds. She qualified for the finals in both of her jumping events. In triple jump, Allie improved upon her all-time personal best by over 1' with an impressive jump of 34'1" and a 7th place finish overall. She also placed 3rd in long jump with a great leap of 16'2.5". At Pulaski earlier in the week, Allie won the 400, placed 2nd in both long and triple jump, and placed 4th in the 200. In the Class 2A state rankings, she currently ranks 3rd in the 400, 4th in long jump, and 5th in triple jump.

RCHS freshman Cayla Marcum had two outstanding performances for the Lady Rockets on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County.



She checked into high jump somewhat late without getting to warm up, but nearly made it over 4'4". She followed that with another solid race in the 100-meter dash, just missing her all-time personal best by only six hundredths of a second with a great time of 15.85 seconds. At Pulaski County on Tuesday, Cayla placed 7th in high jump with an all-time personal best performance. She also had personal best performances in the 100 and 200-meter dashes.

RCMS 8th grader Learin Reagan had two outstanding performances for the Lady Rockets on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County. Learin placed 7th in the 300-meter hurdles with an awesome time of 51.85 seconds. She also placed 12th in long jump with a great jump of 14'6".



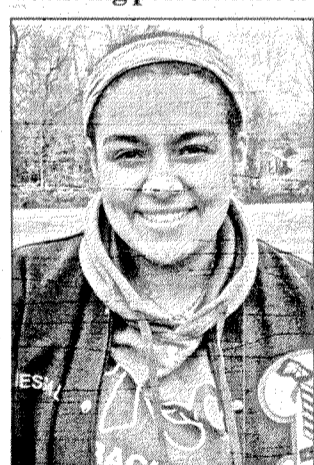
She only missed the finals in the event by 3.5". She just missed getting to compete in her best event, the 100-meter hurdles. At Pulaski County on Tuesday, she won both the 100 and 300-meter hurdles with all-time personal best performances in both events. She also placed 4th in long jump. In the Class 2A state rankings, she currently ranks 2nd in the 100-meter hurdles, 6th in the 300-meter hurdles, and 25th in long jump. At the South Laurel Middle School Invitational on Monday, Learin helped get the Lady Rockets off to a great start with a 2nd place finish in long jump with an exceptional jump of 13'11". Next, she dominated the 100-meter hurdles, but had a hard fall near the end. She managed to get back up after her fall and finish with a great time of 19.04 seconds. After a visit to the emergency room, X-rays revealed that she had sustained a broken collar bone during the race, which will sideline her for several weeks. She will make a full recovery.

RCHS freshman Lexi Dotson led the way for the Lady Rockets in the distance events with two outstanding performances on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County.



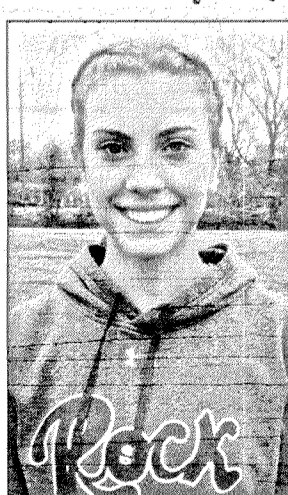
Lexi has been dealing with some tendinitis in her knees for the last couple of weeks and hasn't been able to follow her normal workout routine. She's mostly been doing easy mileage and strengthening exercises. Despite that, she wanted to run the 1600 and see how everything felt. Amazingly, even with no significant practices in the last couple of weeks, she placed 3rd overall and set an awesome new all-time personal best and RCHS record of 5:16.46. She went on to run the 800, placing 7th overall with another incredible time of 2:24.18, only missing her all-time outdoor personal best by only two hundredths of a second. In the Class 2A state rankings, she currently ranks 3rd in the 1600 and 6th in the 800.

RCHS senior Jessalyn Burton had two outstanding performances in the throwing events on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County.



Jessalyn placed 9th in discus with a great season's best throw of 88'5", an improvement of over 4' from her last meet. She also placed 16th in shot put with an impressive throw of 28'7.75", very close to her season's best. At Pulaski County on Tuesday, she placed 3rd in shot put and 5th in discus. In the Class 2A state rankings, she currently ranks 9th in shot put and 11th in discus.

RCHS sophomore Emma Watson had several outstanding performances for the Lady Rockets on Saturday at AJ's Heart of the Bluegrass Track Classic hosted by Mercer County.



Emma placed 8th in the 100-meter dash with an exceptional time of 13.77 seconds, missing her season's best time by only two hundredths of a second. She placed 3rd in the 400-meter dash with an awesome time of 1:03.49, matching her season's best time in the event. In the 200, she placed 9th overall with a great time of 28.22 seconds, not far away from her season's best time. At Pulaski County on Tuesday, Emma placed 4th in the 100, 3rd in the 400, and 5th in the 200. In the Class 2A state rankings, she currently ranks 6th in the 400-meter dash and 16th in the 200.

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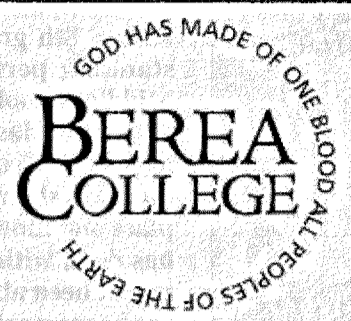
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SUMMARY

This position will perform preventive maintenance and basic repairs to campus owned vehicles, trucks, carts, busses, UTVs, and small equipment. The ideal candidate will be internally motivated and able to schedule repairs and maintenance in a fast-paced environment with multiple repairs occurring simultaneously. Candidate will have experience in general automotive and small equipment repair and preventive maintenance. The mechanic will have secondary responsibility to perform basic preventive maintenance on building HVAC and plumbing systems as well as emergency generators. This includes maintenance tasks such as air filter changes, pump inspections, coil cleaning and pan maintenance, and routine inspections and documentation.

Normal working hours for the position are Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 but occasional overtime and periodic call back time are required. Willingness to work 2nd shift permanently is preferred.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provides scheduled and preventive maintenance for all general-purpose college owned vehicles, carts, and equipment to include oil and filter changes, fluid and grease checks, tire pressure and rotations, safety inspections, and battery checks.
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- Coordinate and schedule more extensive repairs with area service and specialty garages.
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Denny's Towing, 870 Chestnut Ridge Rd. 606-308-3006. A 1995 F-150 VIN#1FTEF14H6SNA72711, TAG#055RPS will be sold for storage and tow bill on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 10 a.m. 10x3

Notice is hereby given that William Terrell Chandler, III, 90 Allen Lake Road, Brandenburg, Ky. 40108 has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of William Terrell Chandler, Jr. on the 8th day of April, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said William Terrell Chandler, III on or before October 11, 2021 at 11 a.m. 11x3

Notice is hereby given that Audrey M. Robinson, 11117 Fanny Brown Road, Raleigh, NC 27603 has been appointed Executrix w/will of the Estate of Dallas E. Morgan on the 15th day of April, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Audrey M. Robinson or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before October 15, 2021. 12x3

Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908, located at 32 Mt. Zion Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 along with its officers: Post Commander William Thomason at 1068 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456; Sr. Vice Commander Chad Oldridge at 250 Valley View Ln., Apt A2, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456; Jr. Vice Commander Jason Slagle at 816 Todd Branch Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, declares its intention to apply for a Quote Retail Drink License, Non Quote-4 Retail Malt Beverage Drink License, and Special Sunday Retail Drink License. This application will be filed May 24, 2021. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverages, 500 Mero Street 2NE33, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, within thirty (30) days (pursuant to KRS 243.430) of the date of legal publication.

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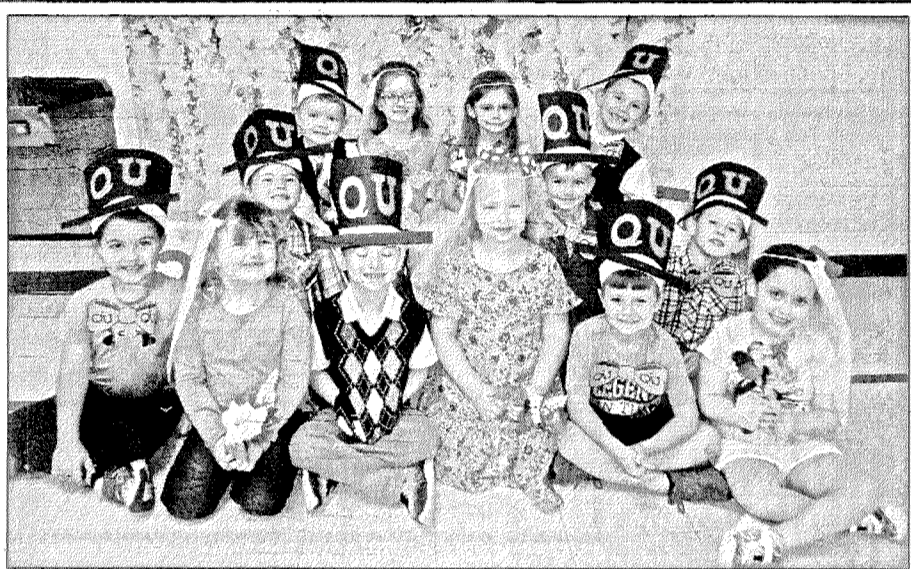
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RCHS All-Region Band Members perform first live concert event
Members of the RCHS Band were recently selected through a virtual audition process as members of the 2021 Bluegrass All-Regional Honor Band. The band members along with top students from across southcentral Kentucky rehearsed in a day long event on Saturday, April 17th at Madison Central High School under the direction of guest conductor Brian Froedge, Director of Bands at North Hardin High School, which culminated in an evening concert for audience members. This was the first time many of the students had been on stage in a live performance since their Christmas concert in 2019. RCHS members chosen are pictured from left with RCHS Band Director Greg Daugherty: Marcos Benge, Euphonium; Allison Dunn, French Horn; Sierra Payne, Flute; Kaylee Deatherage, Trumpet; Devona Smith, Oboe; and Evan Whipple, Percussion.



Kindergarten students at MVES celebrated the wedding of Q & U recently. Pictured is Ms. Kami's class, front from left: Gunnar Lakes, Haylee Burgess, R.G. Smith, Aubrey Smith, Aspen Taylor, and Allie Mullins. Second row from left: Zakk McFerron, Finlee Northern and Cace McClure. Back row from left: Lincoln Ennis, Haven Ledford, Mattaly Northern and Braylin Loudermilk.

Mt. Vernon Message

Thank you to all the families who participated in our Reading for Education fundraiser! We had 89 teachers receive Gift of Reading gift cards which totaled \$3200.00. These cards are given directly to teachers to purchase books and magazines for their classrooms to enrich classroom instruction.

Once again, we so appreciate all the support we received for our fundraiser and are humbled by the generosity of our families.

RES Honor Roll...

- K - Tanya Clark**
- Meggin Couch,
- Ken'trell Johnson, A.J. Jones, Peyton Richmond, Nolan Taylor.
- K - Imogene Williams**
- Eli Brock, Audrina Dooley, Abel Isaacs, Jessa McCollum, Kennedy Merritt, Elijah Martin, Abby Robinson.
- 1st - Michelle Atkin**
- Maycee Abney, Gabi Adams, Olivia Alcorn-Richards, Sofia Blevins-Knable, Travis Burgess, Caly Fortner, Bryer Fuqua, Ava Klave, Liam Leger, Payton Neighbors, Jon Luke Pingleton.
- 1st - Melissa Fairchild**
- Ava Baxter, Kinsli Cole, Weston Mobley, Kash Fowler, Audrey Harding, Jagger Renner, Maddilynn Stamper, Graceson Ward, Cole Zechman.
- 2nd - Ainsley Bussell**
- Camden Bishop, Rylan Bradley, Samuel Brock, Carson Burnett, Wrett Craig, Jasmine Evans, Eli King, Karsynn Kirby, Karter Linville, Kinzie Lohrey, Bryson Marcum, Onna Murphy, Aleena Napier.
- 2nd - Emily Craig**
- Isabella Bowles, Ryan Bradley, Silas Burdette, Kendall Collins, Brylee Dollins, Daemon Isaacs, Elizabeth Johnson, Shayla Prewitt, Hollyann Savage, Trinity Wright.
- 2nd - Cynthia Rogers**
- Kaleb Bacon, Lukas Cain, Zachary Chasteen, Landon Lamb, Dakota McClain, Clay Nelson, Nicholas Peters, Carlee Rice, Lucas Stallworth, Railee Stamper, Maelee Stephens, Parker Zechman.
- 3rd - Jessica Bullock**
- Boaz Bishop, David Burgess, Krysta Chasteen, Melody Garrison, Leah Gregory, Jaylee Howard, Astrid Isaacs, Colten Isaacs, Jase Lear, Ryan Martin, Braxton Owens, Kaylee Robinson, Jeremiah Rowland, Lilah Sizemore-Rankin, Chloe Ward.
- 3rd - Nikki McKinney**
- Avery Gatliff, Lauren Glovak, Eli Hayes, Addilyn Holmes, Jada James, Milanah Keathley, Ariel Lear, Makenna McNally, Cameron Nottingham, Mia Scalf, VivieAnn Short, Wesley Thompson, Eli Williams.
- 4th - Krystal Gatliff**
- Nevaeh Anglin, Dalton Bullen, Lucas Clark, Gabriella Collins, Wyatt Craig, Lucas Huff, Lacey Prewitt, Logan Rogers.
- 4th - Jennifer Peavie**
- Ella Burrin, Eli Chasteen, Becca Dodson, Brycen Dollins, Aria French, Olivia Linville, Jasmyn Savage, Ethan Stallworth.
- 5th - Jennifer Chandler**
- Aaliyah Abney, Evan Hayes, Taylor Jones, Leighton McKinney, Matthew Moore, Lacey Seals, Kinley Shearer.
- 5th - Stephanie Hurst**
- Kortney Coy, Abby Dees, Katelyn Hagen, Marrick Hester, Beatrice Robinson, Cole Rogers, Mason Taylor.



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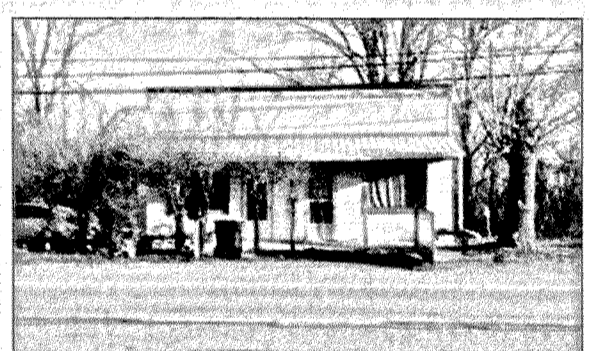
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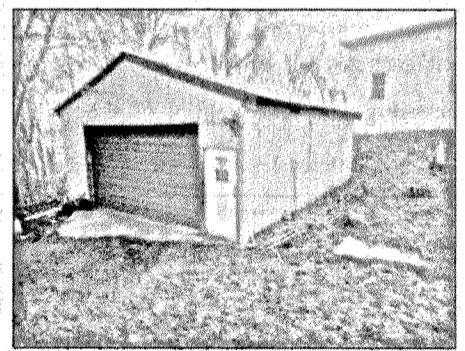
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The building is a masonry constructed 2 story located across from Lumber King. The main floor has 2 large rooms, kitchen, and 1/3 bath. The bottom floor has 4 rooms and bath. The building measures 42' x 31' with a 8' x 16' deck, has vinyl siding, wood floors, central heat & air and in need of some repair.



In addition to the main building, there is a metal garage measuring approx. 24' x 32' with concrete floor and electric. There are 2 additional storage buildings as well. The property is situated on a lot measuring approx. 1.6 acres with approximately 587' of frontage along Hwy 25.

Personal Property includes: 2012 Nissan Altima w/ 33,260 miles, branded title ~ Performance motorized wheelchair ~ Harmar wheelchair lift for automobile ~ 60 gallon air compressor ~ Husqvarna riding mower w/ 17.2 hours, like new ~ motorized recliner ~ lift chair ~ antique display case ~ several concrete molds including animal molds, flower pots, picnic table & benches ~ like new stair lift chair ~ Frigidaire refrigerator ~ saws ~ sanders ~ various hand tools ~ large assortment of fishing tackle ~ rods & reels ~ cedar chest ~ Panasonic microwave ~ cast metal cars ~ telescope ~ metal detector ~ numerous concrete ornaments ~ impact tools ~ hoosier cabinet ~ Edenpure heaters ~ shop vacs ~ aluminum ladders ~ Husqvarna backpack sprayer ~ Hitachi cordless drill & charger ~ come alongs ~ jump box ~ Coleman lanterns ~ Lincoln arc welder ~ floor & bottle jacks ~ kerosene heater and much more.

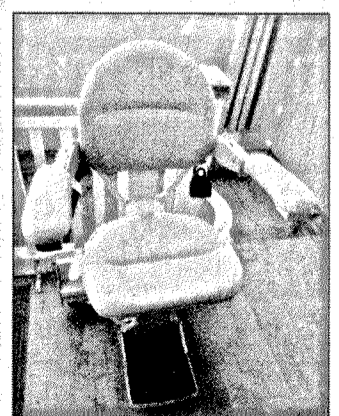


Preview: Thursday, April 22nd & 29th from 2-6 p.m.
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Note: The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property of lead-based paint. The period for inspections begins April 19th through April 28th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day inspection period.

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