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COVID increase

Rockcastle County is still in the red zone this week, with an incident rating of 41.4, according to the Kentucky Covid-19 official website. In the past seven days there have been 16 confirmed new cases and 33 probable new cases in the county, according to the Cumberland Valley District Health Department.

Community meeting

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club Yearly Community Meeting is planned for today, Thursday, December 2 at 11:30 a.m. at the Limestone Grill in

Mount Speakers for the event will be State Senator Jared Carpenter and Kentucky State Representative Josh

Bray. Lunch will be \$12 per person, with drinks and tip included. The public is invited to attend.

Operation Give Hope planned

The Rockcastle **Baptist Association** and the Community Mission Team will hold this year's Give Hope ministry on Saturday, December 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the RCHS parking lot. Each child will receive a filled backpack for Christmas and each family will receive a blanket. The child must be present to receive a backpack... For more information, contact Katheryn Pope at 606-308-3099.

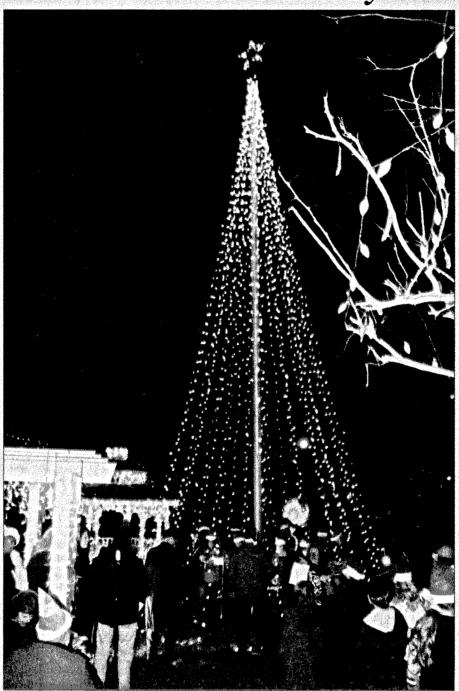
Noel Night Market

The 3rd annual Noel Night Market is planned for Saturday, December 4 from 4-10 p.m. The event will include arts and crafts, vendors, food trucks, a parade (4 p.m.), an ice skating rink and a petting zoo.

Livingston parade

The Livingston Christmas Parade has been scheduled for Saturday, December 18. at 6 p.m. Children are invited to have hot chocolate with Santa after the parade in the old school gymnasium

Christmas events underway in Rockcastle County



The RCHS Brass Choir performing for the crowd immediately after the annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony held at Triangle Park Monday evening in Mount Vernon. Mayor Mike Bryant told the crowd he was proud to see people gather for such events once again. The Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club shared bags of fruit with children in attendance.

By: Mike French Editor

Holiday celebrations kicked off this week as the Kiwanis Club and City of Mount Vernon held the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony Monday in Triangle Park. Mayor Mike Bryant flipped the switch that lit the tree and of Mount Vernon have the park, kicking off the put together a six hour

This Saturday, the cities of Mount Vernon and Brodhead will celebrate a "Country Christmas" with parades and visits from Santa.

The Rockcastle Arts Association and the City

event that officials say will entertain the entire community.

The day's events will begin at 2 p.m. as the Brodhead Christmas Parade will head down Main Street, tossing (See "Events" on A6)

Local man is charged in child exploitation case

By: Mike French Editor

Raymond A. Hullings, Jr., 65, of Mount Vernon, was arrested on charges related to child sexual abuse materials, according to the Kentucky State Police (KSP) Electronic Crime Branch.

According to reports, an undercover investigation by the KSP branch revealed that Hullings had uploaded photos and/ or images of child exploitation online. In fact, reports indicate police have charged Hullings with 20 counts of possession of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor. Each charge is a Class D Felony.

The KSP Crime Branch began the investigation after undercover operators discovered Hullings had uploaded the photos.

Police obtained a search warrant for a residence in Mount Vernon on Greenfish Road, and executed the warrant last Monday, November 22. Police discovered the equipment apparently used to upload the material and seized all related devices for forensic laboratory examination.

According to the uniform citation, Hullings admitted the computer and equipment does belong to him.

The Kentucky Internet Crimes Against Children (KIAC) Task Force includes local, state and federal agencies and has set its mission to assist law enforcement agencies in developing response to cyber enticement and child sexual abuse materials investigations.

According to Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, Hullings bond was set at \$50,000 cash. He was arraigned Monday and his preliminary hearing is set for next week.

Scam calls still happening in Rockcastle Co.

By: Mike French Editor

Unfortunately, along ith the festivities of the holiday season, comes those who wish to scam and steal from others. Rockcastle County Sheriff Shannon Franklin said this year has been no different.

"Police officers see the worst side of society every day but I am still amazed at people who would try to take advantage of our older folks at this time of year," said Franklin. "It's a shame that our elderly population has to worry with that kind of thing."

Franklin says scam artists are not only focused on the elderly and every age can be a target, but more often, older citizens are contacted by scam art-

Franklin says scam calls increase every year around the holiday season. However, there are some steps that can be taken to help prevent holiday thieves from succeed-

Franklin says when purchasing Christmas gifts, citizens should never leave those gifts in their vehicle unattended.

"A wrapped package with a big red bow on it is a tempting target for a would-be thief," he said.

Franklin also suggests parking a vehicle in well lit areas and double checking that all the doors are locked.

Scam phone calls are also on the rise, according to Franklin.

"Rockcastle County residents continue to receive phone calls from persons identifying themselves as 'Rockcastle County Police' or other law enforcement agencies," he said. "They want your bank account or personal information but these are scam calls. DO (See "Scam" on A6)

New Rockcastle Co. website now online with help of SKED/ARC

Bringing more businesses and companies into Rockcastle County and growing the economy are two of the biggest goals of the Rockcastle County industrial Development Authority (RCIDA). But unless such companies are aware of what a community has to offer, they may never show an interest in locating in the commu-

Cash Express invites

everyone to join them in

the celebration of giving

ing with a local school to

become a blessing to

families in the commu-

nity. The group will be

accepting toys, coats,

shoes (washable), cloth-

ing and non-perishable

Cash Express is pair-

once again this year.

17th toy drive for

children underway

Thanks to the efforts of the RCIDA members and **Executive Director Jeff** VanHook, companies, businesses, industry and citizens around the world are now better aware of Rockcastle County and all it can offer.

The RCIDA is debuting a new website, thanks to funding from the Appalachian Regional Com-

food items in many drop

off locations in the area.

donations be received by

December 15 in order to

have them delivered in

to thank everyone willing

to support this effort to

bless our community.

The two entities wish

(See "Toy" on A6)

time for Christmas.

The group asks that all

mission (ARC) and the collaborative efforts of Southeast Kentucky Economic Development Cor-

poration (SKED). RCIDA wanted to up-

date and improve its cur-(See "SKED" on A6)

Shop with a Lion

Lions Club adapts to changes but will continue program

By: Mike French

When it comes to helping children, the Lions Club never gives up.

There is no "Shop with a Cop" program anymore, due to red tape and more government regulations, according to local police officers. But when members of the Lions Club discovered the program could not continue, they organized "Shop with a Lion" and kept police officers in the center of the

program. The program was changed to "Shop with a Lion" several years ago so that children in need could continue to receive needed coats, clothing and other gifts, without bending the new regulations against the "Shop With a Cop" pro-

gram. Former Rockcastle County Sheriff Mike Peters said the program remains basically the same except the Lions Club

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by; perlina m. anderkin

Resident Biden's alllout push for the vaccination of all children just recently got a big boost. to his way of thinking. The latest "scariant," Omicron, discovered in South Africa, is supposedly very dangerous, especially to children.

However, according to Dr. Jacqueline Coetzee, head of the South Africa Medical Assn., who discovered the variant, the variant has mild symptoms and is easy to treat at home.

If you remember, it was reported that African nations have the lowest vaccination rates in the world and the lowest Cornonavirus infection rates. Maybe due to the fact that they take Quinine constantly to fight against Malaria?

Be that as it may, Democrats rarely let a crisis go to waste and New York's recently installed mayor Kathy Hochul has now cancelled all elective surgery in the state, regardless of the fact that there is not one

single reported case of the variant thus far.

And, if Quinine is so effective in Africa in the prevention of C-19, then maybe thousands of people would not have died in this country if our politicians had not banned the use of Hydrochloroquine and Ivermectin in the treatment of Covid. And, also, there's that little fact that several blue state governors killed thousands of elderly when they put the infected into nursing homes.

Anyway, the mandate about healthcare workers has reached our area with the loss of at least one local doctor who refused the vaccine mandate. This week will be Dr. William Stewart's last week of practice from Rockcastle Regional. It's not the hospital's fault, the mandate was put into place by our dear leader, Biden and the hospital had no choice but to com-

I feel this personally (Continued on A3)

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There are a lot of things I disagree with. A lot of things I dislike. But very few things I actually hate!

I hate that McDonald's runs out of cinnamon rolls and it takes weeks to get more. Someone can surely order cinnamon rolls and large coffee

I hate that government can make rules and then exempt themselves from those rules. I hate winter. I hate that grandpas have to die. And I

hate a thief. I like to think my hatred isn't spawned only from my lessons as a lad. I like to think I hate thieves just because it takes a true low-life kind of person to be one. I like to think my own logic and moral values have placed that hatred in me and not just a passive lesson from my parents.

I was actually taught to hate no one. "Hate" is a bad word I was told.

I am told often that if I were in their shoes, I might steal too. If it came down to, "steal or my child dies of starvation," then yeah, I guess so.

Of course I still have the question, what kind of person puts their child in such a position that they will starve unless their parent becomes a thief?

I was raised to believe that unless you earn something, it doesn't belong to you and you leave it alone. 1.0

This is part of my hatred for government So many elected officials begin to view the general fund as their own personal bank account. They use OUR money for things THEY want, whether the people paying for it wants it or not. That's pretty close to stealing it,

For years I have disagreed with the attitude that if you leave something in your yard and it gets stolen, it is your fault. It is not.

I understand that in reality, one should be conscience that thieves exist and, unfortunately, we have to face that reality. But, the truth is, if I leave a brand new Corvette with the engine running on Main Street for a weekend with the top down, it STILL should not be stolen. It does not belong to a thief, the thief didn't work for it, he didn't save for it, he didn't sacrifice for it and didn't earn it. Just because it is there does not give anyone the right to take it.

> Knowing this, the (Continued on A3)

Sparks of Golden Oldies

While watching television ads (that seem to be ever-expanding in time) can be rather boring (if not aggravating), my wife and I take a small delight when they feature songs from our by-gone eras. We have noticed quite a few lately. Among others, they include the following:

The song "It's Alright" is being utilized by Google. It dates to 1963. It was written by the great Curtis Mayfield and performed by the Impressions. The single was the most successful of the group's career and has been covered by names like Etta James, Phil Collins and Bruce Springsteen. The most recent version is by the award-winning Jon Batiste in 2020 for the film Soul.

WalMart is using the hit song from 1965 "I Go You Babe." Anyone from that time recognizes the tune so intricately linked to Sonny and Cher. As a matter of fact, Sonny wrote the song late one night on a piano in his garage.

The 1981 hit by Dary Hall and John Oates, "You Make My Dreams Come True," is being employed in commercials for T. Maxx. This song was also featured in one of our most favorite comedy films, I Love You to Death, which was re leased in 1990.

Another of our favorite groups is The Temptations, whose "Get Ready" is showcased in ads for Ford. The song was actually composed by Smokey Robinson and was released in 1966 (a grea year for music). In 1970 Rare Earth issued a popular cover version.

A song that is rarely heard these days, even or radio stations for boomers, is the Beatles "From Me to You," which has been returned to our attention in ads for Kohl's It was only the third single release by the Beatles ir the U.S in 1963. Writter by the duo of Lennon-McCartney, it features John Lennon playing harmonica. His bluesy style is a reflection of the fac that he learned to play from Delbert McClintor (another favorite of mine.)

> Another oldie showing (Continued on A3)

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

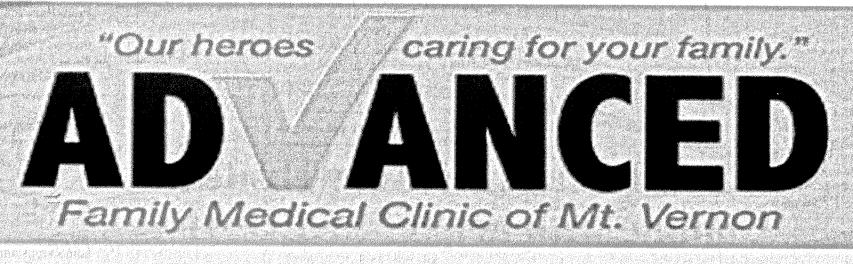
Preparing for Thanksgiving...O, God, I Had to Go to Walmart Dear Journal,

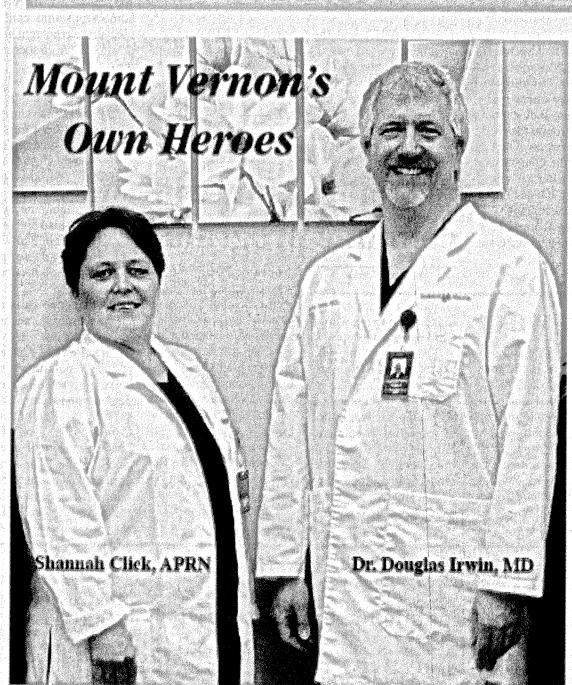
Well, Thanksgiving is now upon us, the beginning of the crazy holiday season. It is the season that we all either just love or dread with a passion. Since it is almost here, I thought that I might as well prepare for it. I'm not doing Christmas but I did go to my favorite place in the world to go, Walmart. I hate that place

but it seems that is where I end up at least once or twice a week. I got all of my Thanksgiving gifts from there in about an hour and a half last week. Poor Stanley is yet to go.

Our family is all double vaccinated for COVID this year except one adult that is still unsure about the vaccine's safety and one child too young to get the vaccine. Some of us even have our flu shots. We are get-

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"ramblings"

(Continued from A2) since Dr. Stewart has been my doctor since the retirement of Dr. Griffith and he is an excellent, caring doctor.

A federal court this week halted the vaccine mandate for healthcare workers in 10 states: Alaska, Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, New Hampshire, Nebraska, Wyoming and North and South Dakota.

I don't know why it was limited to these states unless they were the ones to file suit against the mandate originally. It's a shame that Kentucky didn't do so but I'm pretty sure that AG Daniel Cameron joined the suit against the private businesses mandate involving a 100 or more employees. This mandate has also been halted but Biden is encouraging businesses to proceed although he moved the deadline to early January to help businesses through Christmas.

I have said it before and I'll say it again, until EVERY person is covered by the vaccination mandate then it should not be mandated for ANY ONE!!

What do you think Biden is thinking, that Covid doesn't attack the 648,000 postal workers exempted? or members of Congress? Whitehouse employees? or employees of the pharmaceutical companies who developed the vaccines? or welfare recipients? or those over a million illegal immigrants who have crossed our southern border since his inauguration?

Oh, and by the way, House Democrats voted recently to make the \$450,000 payments to illegal aliens law. It's now up to the Senate to bring some semblance of sanity back to our government. I'm not sure they're up to the task but we'll see.

Anyway, I'm on deadline and will have to try to calm myself for another week. But, I want to leave you with a quote by Polish Author Monika Wisniews. "The vaccine mandate should be tried on politicians first. If they survive, it is safe, if they don't then the country is

"Aces"

(Continued from A2)

scum that would take it should receive the same penalty as the thief that breaks into a home and steals items. Both are low life thieves, unwilling to earn their own way in life. The amount of trouble they had to extend to steal does not matter. They are still a thief.

It takes a certain mentality, in my opinion, to look at something and decide that you are going to take it away from someone who owns it, just because you can. It takes a lower form of life to stoop to stealing what belongs to others just because one is too lazy to work and acquire possessions honestly.

Then there are those even lower. Those who prey on elderly and sick people because they are weaker and easier targets. Those people should not be seen in society for many years.

I ordered a part for mom's hospital bed Friday. Immediately afterwards, my phone rang and it was a scam artist going through very technical and complicated steps to steal my bank card numbers because they thought I was an elderly person.

I was almost fooled, and nearly gave up information I shouldn't have. Luckily, a dog barked in the background and I heard a man yelling at the dog to be quiet. This was no bank office.

It was a well-thought out scheme and sent me through hoops that some elderly person may not have caught on to. They steal entire accounts from elderly people, not because they are smart but because they are trash.

The thugs looting across this country are no better. They are useless in society as they grab loads of other people's stuff and laugh and joke and fist bump each other like some kind of animal instinct led them there.

The politicians that support them, and refuse to condemn them, are on the same level as the thief themselves in my opinion. Law and order must prevail. If not, our country is gone because we have no rule of law.

Those who steal at Christmas are a special kind of low life.

Be careful this year. Scams are on the upbeat a lot and thieves are among us. As long as politicians refuse to punish them properly, there always will be.

"Memories" (Continued from A2)

up is "Build Me Up Buttercup" by the Foundations, which is used in Geico commercials. It was released in 1968 from what was at the time an unusually diverse group of musicians: white Brits, West Indians, and Sri Lankans. It was the follow-up to their "Baby, Now That I've Found You."

Most everyone recalls some version of "Make the World Go Away," which is in ads for Can-Am. The original version was by Ray Price in 1963, but many fondly recall the 1965 version by Eddy Arnold. Such a classic, it has been covered by countless musicians, including Elvis, Dean Martin, The Osmonds, Tom Jones, and Martina McBride.

And last, but not least, our favorite of the ads is for Alexa. The beginning is a young couple on the dance floor, which then transforms to the old couple dancing in their home while listening to "I Only Have Eyes for You." Although the hit version of the song was by The Flamingoes in 1959, the tune actually dates back to 1934. The Lettermen rendered their version in 1966, and Art Garfunkel recorded it in 1975. A very oldie which will always be a goodie.

I may be an old-timer, but in my humble opinion, the music from our days could never be surpassed. Even if it is being used to sell product, it sure is nice to hear

(You can reach me at themtnman1962@gmail.com or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments.)

"T.J.'s" (Continued from A2)

ting together over at London and bringing an or-

ganized potluck. We will be having the traditional ham and turkey with all of the usual sides and then some. My portion of this meal is my famous corn pudding, apple salad and the desserts. I'm taking an apple pie, a pecan pie and of course the traditional pumpkin pie. My mom and stepdad used to make their famous pumpkin cake, especially at this time of the year so I'm bringing it too. I haven't had one of them in several years. It is so moist that you can just put a bite in your mouth and swallow it down...delicious. It has cream cheese icing. I'm bringing some cranberry relish as well and some eggnog.

I've been hearing that there will be some shortages on some items this year so I decided that I might as well get on over to Walmart and get what I could and "make do" with the rest. I've learned to be the Queen of "Make" Do". I just wondered what I couldn't get. I would bakemy pies but my oven is on the fritz. They had the apple and pumpkin pies but no pecan. All of a sudden there came a lady from out of the back that had a cart full of all kinds of pies to restock. I got my pecan pie. She must have been the pie fairy. The Grind is doing my pumpkin cake. They really do a wonderful job.

Traveling on through the store, I came to the Cool Whip section. I got the last two containers in the store. I got my corn for the pudding (casserole), the sour cream and all of my other stuff with no problem. I've had no problem in getting my things for Thanksgiving that I needed.

The weather is turning cold and I've decided that I'm tired of freezing. I'm getting another electric blanket. My old one quit about lastFebruary. They were out except for some electric throws. I got two last week as gifts for about \$23.00 but the ones they have this week are

about \$35.00. I left them on the shelf. I had been shopping for some women's thermal long johns. In the catalogues they are about \$30.00 for a set. At Walmart, I couldn't find any for women, so I went to the men's section. They had plenty all for under \$10.00 a piece. I got a set. I sure hope that I'm not out somewhere in a car wreck and taken to the hospital. The rumor on the street will be that. "You know that Tonya Cook, that woman that writes in the Signal, well, she wears men's underwear...long johns at that". Maybe they will be clean too, like Mom always told me to do for such instances. I wonder if all mothers tell their kids the same thing? That reminds me of a favorite episode of MASH. Hawkeye got a pair from back home and they passed through almost everybody at the camp. I think I'll wear them for Thanksgiving. I'll probably go back and get some more later.

At Thanksgiving time, I always reflect and remember the things in life I'm truly thankful for. Some years there are more than others. Our immediate family is still intact and none has succumbed to the COVID, although some of us have suffered through it. We all have enough of everything that we truly need and a great many other things. After the Civil War, when our nation was suffering through a great many things our nation is going through currently, President Abraham Lincoln urged the nation to have a day of prayer, the very first Thanksgiving. Our country is divided as I've never seen it for many years, probably ever; there is much need and want, sickness, problems and a general sense of insecurity. I pray that God will bring about miracle of a great healing upon this nation as He never has before, nationally and individually.

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Monday, Dec. 6th: Brodhead and Copper Creek. Tuesday, Dec. 7th: Green Hill, Fairview, Brindle Ridge. Wednesday, Dec. 8th: Cave Valley Apartments. Christmas Bazaar at Broughtontown

Broughtontown Community Center would like to welcome all to their Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 11th, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.. The community center is located at 8305 KY 1781, Crab Orchard. Santa will be on hand and their will be lots of vendors plus conces-

sions will also be available. **Retired Teachers Assn. Notice**

The Rockcastle County Retired Teacher Assn. will NOT

meet again until February 16, 2022.

Kiwanis Club

The Rockcastle County Kiwania Club meets each Thursday at noon at Limestone Grille. Kiwanis is a service organization working to improve the lives of children. The public is invited.

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 5908

Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members, those qualified to be members and family members. The post is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday frm 5 p.m. to close. The 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, the post hosts a Vet Help group for those veterans who are struggling. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd 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, Post Commander Glenda Botellos at 606-386-9360 or Service Office Micah Shuler 859-358-6606.

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-

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-

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon: Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Tuesday, 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828.

Tuesday-Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Mount Vernon City Park. Contact 859-308-8900

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Rd., Mt. Vernon. Wednesday, 6 p.m. Contact: John Burton 606-308-8226, Frankie Woodall 606-308-2382 or Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190.

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

Thursday-Alcohol Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 35 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Call 606-308-8900.

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

Sunday - Celebrate Recovery Step Studies-COED 6 p.m. Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: Jason DeBord 606-386-0646 or J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828.

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Bituaries

Charlotte Kaye Miracle

Charlotte Kaye Miracle, 78, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, November 22, 2021 at Jewish Hospital in Louisville. She was born January 21, 1943 in

Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Clyde and Minnie Lee Parrett Barnett. She was a retired pharmacy technician, enjoyed cooking, U.K. Basketball, talking with family and friends, spending time with her grandchildren, and great grandchildren, she loved her church and her dogs, Sassy, Lance, and Penelope, and was a member of the Northside Baptist Church.



Survivors are: two sons, James Earl Miracle and Lori of Bimble and Raymond Lynn Miracle and Ryanne of Shelbyville; one sister, Ruby Mahan and Bill of Leesburg, FL; two grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Jimmy Miracle; and two brothers, Roland, and Rick Barnette.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 26, 2021 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Jerry Owens and Bro. John Tuttle officiating. Burial was in Cresthaven Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Derrick Singleton, Steve Halcomb, Larkin Prewitt, Johnny Boone Saylor, Howard Saylor, and Jeff Miracle. Honorary pallbearers were: Lori Miracle, and Kay Miracle.

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

Alfred Ray McNew

Alfred Ray McNew, 77, of Mt. Vernon, husband of Mary McNew, died Saturday, November 27, 2021.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial was in Berea Cemetery.

The family requests contributions to the Mt. Vernon Lions Club, PO Box 34, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 or to the Rockcastle County Veterans Honor Guard, PO Box 148, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary,

Christine Kirby

Christine Kirby, 81, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, November 26, 2021 at her home. She was born July 11, 1940 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Joe and Sybile Vance

McClure. She was a homemaker, enjoyed gardening, cooking, spending time with family and friends, and was a member of the Church of Christ.



Survivors are: one daughter, Mrs. Sheila Dykes of Mt. Vernon; one sister, Mrs. Wilma Renner of Mt. Vernon;

two grandchildren, Richard Kirby and Renee Kirby: two great grandchildren, Kaylee and Ryder; several nieces and nephews; and one sister-in-law, Delores McClure. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, William Dean Kirby; one son, Ricky Kirby; four brothers, Ovie, William, Howard, and Floyd; and five sisters, Marie, Leiza, Laura, Jonette, and Renna.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Marcus Reppert officiating. Burial was in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Anthony Lee Hunt

Anthony Lee Hunt, 66 of Somerset, died Thursday, November 25, 2021 at his home. He was born in Danville on February 11, 1955, the son of Clarence

Arvil and Dorothy Bernice Reese Hunt. He had been a self-employed painting contractor. He was an avid muscle car enthusiast and enjoyed flying remote controlled airplanes.

wife of 47 years, Rose Ann Stokes Hunt; a son, Andrew Lee Hunt and wife Kelly of Somerset; three

He is survived by: his grandchildren, Wyatt Hunt, Drew Hunt, and Hayley King; a sister, Janice

Hunt Cantey of Raleigh, NC; and a sister-in-law, Lydia Hunt of Ruckersville, VA. Several nieces and nephews also survive. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Kelly Hunt. The family will hold Celebration of Life Services

at a later date.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

Brian Keith Johnson

Brian Keith Johnson, 54, of Brodhead, died Thursday, November 25, 2021, in Louisville. He was born July 22, 1967, in Georgia to Sylvia (Shaw) Johnson. He enjoyed antique cars

and watching sports.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Debbie Burton Johnson; children, Allie Padgett and husband William of Winchester, Matthew Bustle and wife Crystal of Brodhead, Daniel Bustle and wife Elizabeth of Georgetown, and Courtney Mills and husband Aaron of Brodhead; grandchil-



dren, Jaxon Bustle, Adalyn Bustle, Alaina Bustle, Carlee Bustle, Carson Bustle, Paisley Mills, Mia Mills, and Emmett Mills; his mother, Sylvia Johnson; and one sister, Karen Johnson of Louisville, KY.

Brian was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Raymond and Pauline Shaw.

Services were held Monday, November 29, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Arthur Hunt officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Terry Burton, Matthew Bustle, Daniel Bustle, Will Padgett, Aaron Mills, and David Burton.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Susan Marie Hopkins

Susan Marie Crissen Hopkins, 56, wife of Mark, of Crab Orchard, died Thursday, November 25, 2021, at her residence. She was born October 30, 1965, in



Indianapolis, IN, to the late John Richard Crissen, Sr. and the late Shelby Jean Gill Hodge. She and her husband, Mark, were owners of Brodhead Farm Mart. She was a member of the Crab Orchard Church of God. She enjoyed her church family, spending time with her family, crafts, farming, flowers,

and gardening, not series.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband of 36 years, Mark Allen Hopkins; one daughter, Shana Lynn Hopkins of Crab Orchard; three grandchildren, Gage Allen, Raelynn, and Layne; one sister, Freda Lynn Parsons and husband Harvey of Somerset; two brothers, Finley Crissen and wife Carol of Indianapolis, IN, and Robert Blevins and wife Elizabeth of Louisville; two sisters-in-law, Sherry Crissen, and Terry Crissen; as well as many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by

one brother, John Richard Crissen, Jr.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 28, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Steven Vanhook officiating, Burial was in Crab Orchard Cemetery.

Casket bearers were: Jeff and Andy Reynolds, Harvey Parsons, and Josh, James, and Johnathan Crissen.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Susan's honor to St. Jude's.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Donnie Ray McFerron

Donnie Ray McFerron, 67, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. He was born in

Rockcastle County on April 27, 1954, the son of Delbert and Dorothy Barron McFerron. He loved serving the Lord and reading his Bible and was a member of Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. He enjoyed fishing and spending time with his grandsons, whom he loved dearly.



He is survived by: his wife, Wanda Rowe McFerron; a daughter, Kayla Noble and John Worthington of Mt. Vernon; grandsons, Bobby Noble and Eli Noble, both of Mt. Vernon; a brother, Phillip and Betty McFerron of Science Hill; a sister, Bonnie Rowe of Mt. Vernon: a step-brother, Larry Joe and Pam McFerron of Mt. Vernon; and a step-sister, Sharon Abrams of Mt. Vernon. Several nieces and nephews also survive. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: a daughter, Ginger McFerron; his step-father, Walter McFerron; and step-sisters, Alice Fay Cromer and Sue Hundley.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 29, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Ova Baker and Dale McNew. Burial was in the Rowe Cemetery at Blue

Pallbearers were: Tony Barnes, Mickey McClure, Larry McFerron, David Rowe, Terrell Rowe, and John Wethington.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

Students invited to enter KDA annual Poster and Essay contest

Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles invites Kentucky students to enter the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's (KDA) annual Poster and Essay Contest.

The theme of the 2022 contest is "Kentucky Agriculture Sustains Me,' encouraging contestants to reflect on the importance of Kentucky agriculture in their everyday

"Without agriculture, we don't exist. It's that simple," Commissioner Quarles said. "Every student knows they must eat to live, but many may not realize the importance of agricultural products to our everyday lives. This year's contest is a nod to those who provide the products that sustain our very lives."

Students in grades K-12 may submit a poster, an essay of 500 words or less, or a digital entry, which may be photos or original digital artwork. Each entry must include the actual written theme and be postmarked by Monday, March 7, 2022.

Winners will be notified by Friday, April 15, 2022. Winners in the poster and essay competitions will be selected in each grade. One statewide winner will be selected for digital artwork. Each winner will receive a \$100 award from Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom and will be recognized at the 2022 Poster and Essay Contest Awards Ceremony next year. Winning entries will be displayed in Commissioner Quarles' Frankfort office and at the 2022 Kentucky State Fair in August in Louisville.

For more information. including complete contest rules and an entry form, go to https:// www.kyagr.com/marketing/poster-essaycontest.html or contact Elizabeth Gordon, director of the KDA's Education and Outreach Division, Elizabeth.Gordon@ky.gov

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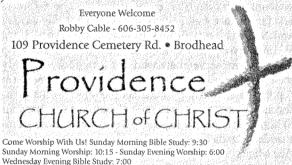
Consecrate Yourselves, What Does That Mean?

In Joshua 3:5, when Joshua had led the children of Israel from the wilderness to Canaan to the promise land, they had to first cross the Jordan River. In their eyes this wasn't going to be easy because of the size of the river, the dept, the width, the swiftness of it. But Joshua tells them this, consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.

What does one do to consecrate themselves? It is much like the word sanctify. One thing that one must do is trust God. God will always do his part but in this text, it says consecrate yourselves putting specific instructions on the children of Israel to get their hearts right with God, before they crossed the Jordan river. We would have to conclude that they were going to play a critical role in their success or failure, based on whether they consecrated themselves

So, if we consecrate ourselves unto God, we must examine our hearts and then submit our will unto his. We won't question God, we will simply believe him and put our faith in him and his word.

If you read on there in Joshua, you will see that Joshua led the Israelites into the Jordan river, behind the priest who were transporting the ark of the covenant. The river stops flowing and God's people crossed on dry land. I would say that they had consecrated themselves and that God truly did do amazing things among them, wouldn't



Four Fools

Have you ever been called a fool? Have you ever called anyone fool? Matthew 5:22 Jesus said But I say unto you who ever is angry with his brother, without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement. And whosoever says to his brother Racca, shall be in danger of the council. But whosoever shall say, You fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. Racca, means to be empty headed, to show disrespecta-

However, if God calls one a fool, there is no doubt he is. One who denies there is a God is a fool. Psalms 14:1 The fool has said in his heart there is no God. Why does God call the atheist a fool?

1. The atheist goes against common sense.

A. Does a nest create a bird to sit in it, or does the bird create the nest? B. Does a car create a man to drive it, or does the man create the

car?

C. Does the universe invent a God to rule over it, or does God create the universe?

2. One who leaves God out of his planning is a fool.

A. Luke 12:18-19 I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many goods, laid up for many years, take yours ease, eat drink and be merry. God call him a fool for that very night his soul was required of him. Why did God call this man a fool? He left God out of all his planning; Therefore, he was a fool.

3. One who is not prepared for the Lord's return is a fool. Jesus taught a parable of ten virgins Matthew 25:1-13 Five of the virgins were prepared and five were not, the five virgins that were not prepared, were called foolish. This is sad but this will be true for so many, they are not ready for the bridegroom to come back and to take the bride to Heaven,

4. The apostles were fools for Christ's sake.

A. 1 Corinthians 4:9-10 The apostle Paul said: We are fools for Christ sakes, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak but you are strong. 1. According to the world, the apostles were fools. Because they

gave up everything to serve the Lord, A. They struggled to survive while preaching the gospel.

B. They suffered abuse and ill treatment.

2. One must be a fool for Christ's sake to have eternal life. 1 Corinthians 1:18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but to them that are saved, it is the power of God.

Are you saved? Have you obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ? Jesus said in John 3:5 That a man must be born of the water and the spirit, to enter the kingdom of God.

Thank you for reading I pray you have the things you need, and you include God in everything you do. If you would like to get in touch with someone from the church, you can reach us at these #606-224-1480 or 859-582-4021.

Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ

Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. * Everyone Welcome Bro. Ova Baker 606-878-8104 • Bro. Dale McNew 859-582-4021 Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25 National Native American Month

The Lumbee Tribe of the future

By Tonya J. "Whitefeather" Oxendine Cook

As Native American Recognition Month draws to a close, this series of articles about the Lumbee come to a close as well. The origins of the Lumbee tribe was the focus of the first article, then the era around the Civil War and the Lowery War and even the defending of the tribe against the KKK in the 1950's. The decades following the 1950's have brought change and progress to the Lumbee people. Their main focus was and always will be to protect and preserve their way of life.

The Lumbee home county of Robeson remains to be the poorest in all of North Carolina. Almost fifty percent of the county is of the Lumbee Tribe as well as a huge percentage of surrounding counties. They are largely a rural farming community with a few factories, various businesses and tourism. Tobacco and cotton are the primary crops.

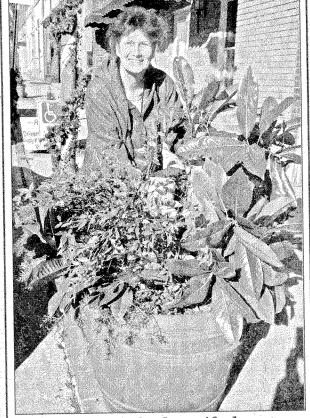
In recent months and years, the Lumbee have been fighting for their rights to be recognized by the Federal Government, COVID, damage from Hurricane Matthew in 2016 and the everpresent racism problem. The tribe has been staterecognized since back in the 1800's, making them eligible for some grants and programs but the tribe could better their lives with the federal recognition decision. There are various programs already in place such as housing, health, education, youth, gardening their own food, programs for the elderly, drug

abuse, the new welcome center, and various help for the needy programs. The University of North Carolina at Pembroke has been primarily a Native American college for decades. There is an Oxendine Building on Campus. The tribe has tradi-

tionally voted Demo-

cratic but voted strongly

for Donald Trump in the 2016 race. He supported their desire for federal recognition, but nothing materialized in his four years in office. According to ABC News, the tribe had been promised eight billion in COVID relief, but so far the tribe has never received any funding. However, there are the existing programs already in place under the guidance of Tribal Chair Harvey Godwin. In addition to these programs there is a Lumbee Cultural Center, a housing development for the military, "Warriors Way", and an affordable housing development area, the "Dream Catcher Community" with more to be built in the future. There are at least four job development programs in the county. It is not the desire of the Lumbee people to live on charity and handouts. The Lumbee are an ancient and proud people who only desire to help themselves. Every summer, the Lumbee pride and culture is put on display during Lumbee Days. It is a festival of Native food, dancing, singing, and the culture in general. It lasts for about three or four days in Lumberton, North Carolina. For further information of the Lumbee people check the various web sites on the internet and You Tube.



Garden Club helps beautify downtown Teresa Isaacs, a member of the Rockcastle Garden Club, finishes filling her pot with greenery in the Club's project of decorating the flower pots on Main Street for the holidays. Last spring individual members and some volunteers bought plants to fill the pots. The flowers were beautiful all summer and well into fall. Also, Teressa and Pat Allen were in charge of the Garden Club's bulb project. The Club purchased and the two members made the bulb selections and planted the \$300 worth of spring bulbs for the new downtown History Garden.

Toy drive underway

or to donate, contact

Ashley, Izzy or Ashton at

75 South Wilderness

Road in Mount Vernon,

or call 606-256-0886

Cash Express invites everyone to join them in the celebration of giving once again this year.

Cash Express is pairing with a local school to become a blessing to families in the community. The group will be accepting toys, coats, shoes (washable), clothing and non-perishable food items in many drop off locations in the area.

The group asks that all donations be received by December 15 in order to have them delivered in time for Christmas.

The two entities wish to thank everyone willing to support this effort to bless our community.

For more information



Drug Tip Hotline 1-866-424-4382

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

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

HAM PINEAPPLE BALL 1 cup cooked, chopped ham

1/4 cup finely chopped green pepper

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1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt 1 can (8 ounce) crushed pineapple, drained

2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened 1 and 1/2 to 2 cups chopped nuts

Combine chopped ham, green pepper, onion, salt, and drained pineapple in a bowl. Mix well with spoon and add 1/2 cup chopped nuts. Mix cream cheese with a mixer and fold in other ingredients with a spoon. Use your hands to shape into two round balls. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for a couple hours. Remove from fridge and roll in chopped nuts. Serve with your favorite crackers. This makes 2 good sized cheese balls. Each one feeds 6 to 8.

HAM AND CHEESE BALL

2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened 1 cup diced cooked ham 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1/2 teaspoon garlic salt 1/2 teaspoon onion powder 1/3 cup chopped green onions

3/4 cup chopped pecans

Place cream cheese, ham, cheddar cheese, garlic salt, onion powder, green onions in a mixing bowl. Beat together on medium speed until ingredients are mixed. Using a spatula or your hands, shape into a roundedball. Roll in toasted pecans until evenly covered. Cover with plastic wrap until needed. Serve with your favorite

HAM CHEESE BALLS 1 pound cooked ham

crackers and vegetables.

chopped 3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese

3/4 cup shredded Swiss cheese

2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened

1 tablespoon Dijon mus-

1 T Worcestershire sauce 1 tablespoon brown sugar 1/4 teaspoon onion powder

1 cup finely chopped pecans as Emperation for the

2 teaspoons dried parsley Combine all ingredients except the pecans and dried parsley. Divide mixture into two portions and shape into balls. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate until firm. Remove cheese balls from plastic wrap and roll in chopped pecans and parsley. Serve with crackers or vegetables.

Cindy's Place

Largest



of the season

Friday, Dec. 3rd - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4th - 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.



Every Item In Store

Candleberry will be included

Bonus Buys • Free Gifts for Children Sweets & Cider will be served

Christmas Parade begins at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday followed by Noel Night Market until 10:00 p.m.

Come see Santa in front of Cindy's Place after parade!



Noreitta Thompson, Cindy Lou Noe, Ercel Cromer 260 East Main St. - Mt. Vernon, Ky. - 606-256-3431

Lucille Stewart

We were roomates at the nursing home and I lost you a year ago this week.

In memory

I miss you

... Charlene Reynolds

HOUSE & LOT & GARAGE FURNITURE – GLASSWARE & PERSONAL PROPERTY

DS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH @ 6 P.M. 239 ELM ST., CRAB ORCHARD, KY

The owners of this well located home have authorized our firm to sell it at

This house has living room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and bath. It has baseboard electric heat, window air unit, carpet and vinyl flooring, washer & drye hockup, concrete drive, shingle roof, storm doors & windows and more.

in addition to the house, there is an attached carport and a detached garage All of this is situated on a nice level lot measuring 75' x 165'.

PERSONAL PROPERTY includes: 4 piece Davis bedroom suite - small Davis table - Cherry poster bed - antique Oak table w/ ball and claw feet - Cherry nightstand - Oak buffet - several prints - like new sectional sofa - side chair - Maytag washer & dryer - several lamps - electric glasstop range - refrigerator - 4 Bentwood chairs - large wall mirror - Weller vase - Fenton glassware - quitts & throws - Longaberger baskets - dishes & utensits and more.

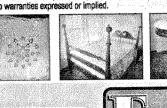
PREVIEW: Tuesday, November 30th & December 7th from 3-6 p.m. PICKUP: Wednesday, December 8th from 12-6 p.m.

MOTE: 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 November 27th through December 5th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day inspection period.

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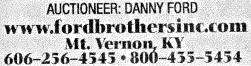
















Community Trust Bank Manager, Betty Frederick, right presented American Legion Commander, Don Gabbard, and Kathy Bobo with a \$500 donation to help kick off the Veterans Park.

"Lion"

(Continued from front) raises the funds and the name was changed due to "political correctness."

Then COVID came along and the ability to solicit donations door to door and shop with children was suddenly sounacceptable cially again.

"There will be no 'Shop with a Lion' this year," said organizer and Lion's Club member Sandy Dowell. "But, the kids will get their gifts. We will see to that.'

And that they did. Dowell, Rose Brown and Judith Smith, all Lions Club members, used what donations they had and some of the general funds and went shopping anyway. "Some of these kids don't have a coat. That won't do," said Dowell.

Realizing donations were well below normal, due to COVID restrictions over the past year. Dowell, and past President Mike DeBord, said the club "had to improvise." Dowell said workers in the family resource centers at the local elementary schools chose the children with the most need and submitted a "wish list" with sizes and family members to the club. Then the three ladies took what funds they could get their hands on

and "we went shopping." Following all the new guidelines by the Kentucky Department of Education, and the State of Kentucky, the three ladies then went home and wrapped each and every gift. Those gifts will be delivered to the family resource centers at the schools and be disbursed

from there. "Things were different this year but the most important part is taken care of," said Dowell. "The kids got their gifts and they will be warmer and have something to open this Christmas.

The future is impossible to predict and regulations that limit what groups and clubs and police can do to help others may change again. But as long as there are groups like the Lion's Club who will never give up, children will not do without a coat, a gift, a toy or a smile.

"Events"

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candy to those with a sweet tooth. Officials say even Santa may show up for the event.

At 4 p.m. the Mount Vernon Christmas parade will head down Main Street in Mount Vernon and everyone is invited to attend.

The Arts Association will be offering first and second prizes of \$75 and \$25 for the best parade entries. Anyone interested in being eligible for the prizes should contact the Rockcastle Arts Association

rockcastlearts.org. But one does not have to register to be a part of the parade. Officials say anyone interested in participating in any of the three parades may drive ride, walk or pull a float by just lining up before the parade begins. Line up for the Mount Vernon Parade will be at the Mount Vernon Elementary School at 3 p.m.

This year, an ice skating rink will be located in the parking lot next to Vintage Charm Boutique and will be operated by the company providing the rink. Skates will be provided and skaters may be on the rink for 10 min-

After the parade, Santa will be available outside Cindy's Place and downtown businesses will be open throughout the Noel Night Market event. The petting zoo will be near the Rockcastle County Courthouse. There will be a live Nativity Scene, including a live camel.

This year's theme "A Country Christmas" will be the focus throughout the evening as the Mount Vernon parade rolls down Main Street and during the Noel Night Market event immediately after the parade.

The Noel Night Market will include vendors and food trucks. Officials also say guests should be on the lookout for the Grinch this year.

Livingston will have their annual Christmas Parade and celebration on Saturday, December 18 beginning at 6 p.m.

Immideately after the parade, everyone is invited into the old school gymnasium for Hot Chocolate with Santa and officials say gifts will be given to children at the event.

The public is invited to all these free events.

Rockcastle Christmas Saturday, December 4 **Brodhead Parade** 2 p.m.

Mount Vernon Parade 4 p.m.

Noel Night Market 4p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, December 11 Christmas Bazaar **Crab Orchard** 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, December 18 Livingston Parade & hot chocolate with Santa 6 p.m.

"SKED"

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rent website and update its online presence to serve its existing clients better and increase job recruitment efforts in the south-central Kentucky community, according to VanHook.

A marketing team at The Center for Rural Development was selected, following a region-wide Request for Proposals effort, to lead the RCIDA's project. After an initial branding session, and months of web design, logo, and marketing material creation, the new marketing materials and website were revealed this month.

VanHook said the RCIDA Board had discussed the need and desire to update its website, but the cost estimates were a barrier to work around and did not allow them to move forward.

"I want to express my gratitude to the SKED staff and Executive Director Brett Traver for the vision and leadership in the development of this unique opportunity to rebrand and update our online presence to the world," VanHook said. "I also want to say thank you to ARC for its approval of the website initiative for our collective group of communities."

VanHook further explained that the project fits right into the RCIDA budget.

"Imagine how wonderful and exciting it is that we got the opportunity to be a part of such a great regional initiative with the ARC Grant, which at an 80-20 match made our goal both achievable and affordable," he said.

SKED was awarded the funds in late 2020 to work with four economic development organizations within the nonprofit economic development organization's service territory and the ARC region. The grant was designed to complete branding, website development and collateral material for each organization.

The four organizations are the Southern Kentucky Economic Development Agency, the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, the Morehead-Rowan County Economic Development Council, and the Ashland Alliance/East Park Industrial Development Center. These economic development organizations have made significant investments in economic development resources, such as industrial parks and buildings through the years, VanHook said. However, the funding for the brand, website, and collateral development was not readily available.

All four organizations debuted their updated websites this Fall.

ARC Federal Co-Chair Gayle Manchin, wife of Senator Joe Manchin (D-W VA), said this funding gave each community the resources needed to compete with other larger communities across the region. "We at ARC are dedi-

cated to ensuring that our partners have the tools needed to fulfill their roles as critical partners in boosting the economic vitality of the communities they serve," Manchin said. "This initiative will not only enhance the organizations' communications with other colleagues but will aid in the long-term revitalization of these growing Eastern Kentucky communities.'

Kentucky's Department of Local Government Commissioner Dennis Keene said the project is an excellent opportunity to improve economic growth in the region.

"For us to continue to move Eastern Kentucky forward, we must think outside the box and work collaboratively in our efforts," Keene said. "This grant is the foundation of the efforts of the Southeast Kentucky Economic Development Corporation to move the region forward. By thinking regionally, we have a greater opportunity to bring prosperity and eco-

nomic growth to the area. I want to thank the Southeast Kentucky Economic Development Corporation for their continued support in the region, and I look forward to continuing to work with them and seeing the new opportunities that come from this collaboration."

Fifth District Representative Harold "Hal" Rogers calls the project another positive step forward in attracting and encouraging growth in the region.

"With more access to broadband than ever before, and efforts to expand fiber even further, Southern and Eastern Kentucky are ready for new high tech businesses and growing our e-commerce. These new websites will help define availability in our industrial parks, incentives for businesses and areas that are shovel-ready for growth and expansion," said Congressman Rogers, who launched SKED in 1986. "We have the best workforce in the country and now employers can easily find the vast resources that we have available for new industries in our beautiful

region." SKED Executive Director Brett Traver says small, regional economic development organizations simply do not always have the funding to sell themselves and compete on a bigger stage. The goal of this funding

is to give them an extra edge.

"All of these economic development organizations have made significant investments in economic development resources such as industrial parks and buildings through the years," he explained. "However, the funding for branding, website and collateral development has not been available. DLG and ARC recognized that and provided funding to make it happen. At the end of the project, the organizations have a design that amplifies their reach and a messaging strategy that drives action."

To learn more about how SKED is involved in other Southern and Eastern Kentucky businesses and communities, check out other success stories at www.skedcorp.com.

"Scam"

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NOT give your banking or your personal information to anyone that you do not know personally."

The Sheriff asks that you call his office at 606-256-2032 if you receive such a call,

"Toy"

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For more information or to donate, contact Ashley, Izzy or Ashton at 75 South Wilderness Road in Mount Vernon, or call 606-256-0886



Marching Rockets become Marching Colonels

On Saturday November 20th, members of the RCHS Marching Rockets had the opportunity to perform in the EKU Marching Colonels For A Day Program. This performance at the EKU vs. Jacksonville State halftime featured a salute to Veterans including a performance of taps played by RCHS Marching Rocket alumni student Kaylee Deatherage who is a freshman trumpet player in the EKU Marching Colonel Band. Students from Ohio, Tennessee, Indiana, and Kentucky had the opportunity to perform for the home crowd as part of the halftime show festivities. RCHS Marching Rockets members who performed were: Allison Dunn, Emily Sturgill, Marcos Benge, Sierra Payne, Ethan Cromer, Haylee Miller, Levi Lovell, Robert Rhodus and Marching Colonel Kaylee Deatherage. and the second was to have be the property of the second recognition.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

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Underserved produc-

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Voting is now open for the USDA's Farm Service Agency's (FSA) Rockcastle County Committee.

It is important that every eligible producer participate in these elections because FSA county committees are a link between the agricultural community and the USDA. The 2021 election in Rockcastle County will be conducted for the representative for Local Administrative Area (LAA): 2, The Southeastern section of Rockcastle County bound by Pulaski and Laurel County. Highway boundaries are Hwy 70, Hwy 150, and Hwy 25. County committee

members are a critical

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be comprised of members

who reflect the diversity

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election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters beginning Nov. 1, 2021. The last day to return completed ballots to the Dec. 6, 2021.

Rockcastle County **USDA** Service Center is

For more information

on eligibility to serve on

FSA county committees, visit: fsa.usda.gov/elections.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: January 5th 2022 8:30 A.M. at the Mount Vernon USDA Service Center.

Important program dates and Interest Rates

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 1.750%Farm Ownership Loans-Direct= 2.875% Limited Resource

Loans= 5.000% Farm Ownership Loans-Direct Down Pay-

ment= 1.500%Emergency Loans= 2.750%

Farm Storage Loans= 3 yrs. = 0.625% - 5 yrs.=1.000%, 7 yrs. =1.375% 10 yrs. = 1.500%, 12 yrs.= 1.625%, 15 yrs. =1.750%

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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 Phillip Permenter Eric Bullock Contact Info:

Marcus Reppert 606-308-2794 223 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. 3245 • Brodhead 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 Hwv. 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 Mink, 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.

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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.

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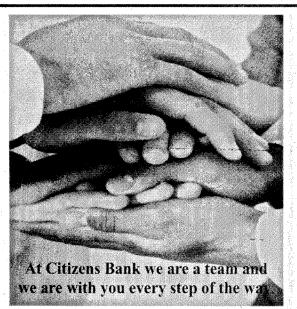
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606-355-7595 CrossPoint Church of God 211 Industrial Park Rd. Mt. Vernon, KY

Sunday 2 p.m. Thursday Evening 7 p.m. Pastor: Matt Griggs 859-582-2553 Crossroads

Assembly of God Hwv. 150 . Brodhead Bro. Ralph Reynolds, Pastor Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship II 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 р.т. 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 Rasor, 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.fbcmvkyorg email:fbcmtvemon@kyn.twcbc.com Every Sunday: Morning Worship: 9 & 11 am

Sunday School/Growth Groups 10 am WRVK 1460AM at 11 a.m. LiveStream at fbcmvky.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 Praye 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**

Mt. Vernon Chris Davidson, Pastor Sunday 11 am & 6 pm Wednesday 7 pm Bus Ministry call 606-392-8777

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God Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky. Tim Hampton, Pastor 606-256-4884 • 606308-2342 Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship

Lighthouse Assembly of

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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

Pastor: Josh Hasty 606-392-3809 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Church

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

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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 Rro Jorry 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. Maretburg 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.maretburgbaptist.org maretburgchurch@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)

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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. John McPheron 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

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Baptist and amount 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 II.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.WhatSaithTheScriptures.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 Cane 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

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Wednesday: 6:00 pmo and Pastor: Clyde Hodge Union Chapel Pentecostal Pastor: Eugene Webb 1505 Union Chapel Rd. Brodhead, Ky.

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Jeff Draper, Pastor Wildie Christian 1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie 606-256-4494 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m. Family Fellowship 6 p.m.

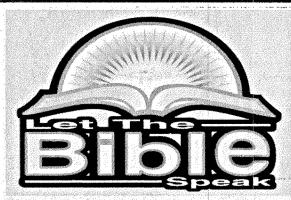
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12/12 - #1331 Unrequited Love (Malachi 1)

12/19 - #1336 John the Immerser (Malachi 3:1) 12/26 - #1332 Will a Man Rob God? (Malachi 3:8) The Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ invites you to their worship

services at 10 a.m. Sunday mornings and 7 p.m. Wednesday evenings. You may also stream us live on Facebook:

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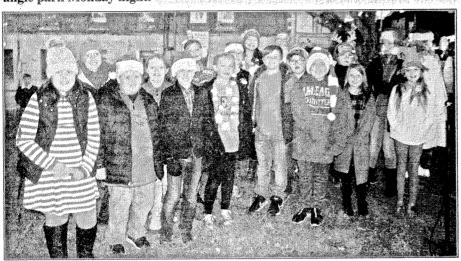
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Second Section

Thursday, December 2, 2021



Members of the RCHS Brass Choir, above, and the MVES Pentatones, below, entertained those in attendance at the annual Christmas tree lighting held in triangle park Monday night.

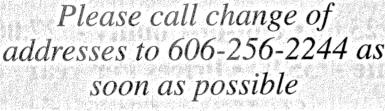






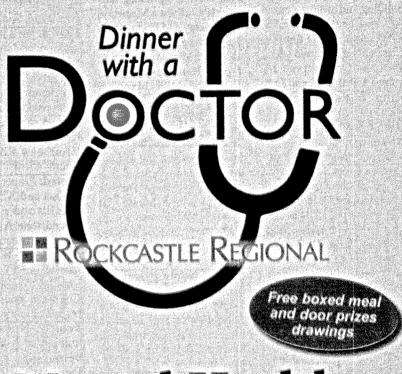
Tree lighting held in Triangle Park

Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant and Kiwanis Club of **Rockcastle County** President Eliza York-Hansel spoke at the annual Christmas tree lighting held Monday night in Triangle Park in Mount Vernon. Saturday is the annual Noel Night Market from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. with festivities kicked off with the Christmas Parade at 4 p.m. Brodhead's Christmas Parade is at 2 p.m.





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4:00-10:00 PM

Posted: No hunting or tres-

passing on farms, belonging

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to Orville and Bernice

Burkhart on Cove Branch,

Livingston, Mt. Vernon.

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Posted: No trespassing of

any kind on land belonging

to Eugenia Cykowski

Heir(s) at 402 Albright St.,

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passing on land belonging

to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix

River Branch Road,

Brodhead. Violators will be

Posted: No trespassing on

Crawford Place - Old

Brodhead Road. Danny

Posted: Property belonging

to Don and Kitty Reese on

Smallwood Road at

Roundstone. All trespassers

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Posted

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Victor and Debbie Francisco and located at 7194 S. Wilderness Road, Calloway in Rockcastle County. Violators will be prosecuted. 41x4

Posted: No trespassing on property belonging to Bobby and Clara Renner on Schoolhouse Hill Road in the Sand Springs area, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 42x5

Posted: No trespassing on property owned by Shannon Hellard on Cove Branch Road in Rockcastle County. All violators will be prosecuted. 28x26

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Notice is hereby given that Nelson McFerron, 122 Black St., P.O. Box 333, Livingston, Ky. 40445 hs been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Kimberly L. McFerron on the 17th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Nelson McFerron or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 43x4

Notice is hereby given that Wanda Coffey, 1455 McHargue Branch Rd., P.O. Box 1414, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Clifford Earl Howard on the 17th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Wanda Coffey or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 225 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before

May 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 43x4

Notice is hereby given that Karen Louise Flaherty, 42 Hilltop Road, Floyds Knob, IN 47119 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Edna Wilmoth Todd Abney, deceased, on the 22nd day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Karen Louise Flaherty or to Hon. James P. Freel. 400 Richmond Road N, STE C. Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before May 23. 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 43x3

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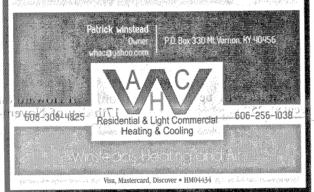
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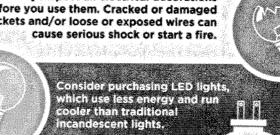
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