



The City of Mt. Vernon held their annual Christmas Parade last Saturday and it was greeted with great weather and a good crowd. In the photo above is the city's float themed "Blue Lives Matter." Riding on the float, and sharing candy, were family members of officers of the Mt. Vernon Police Department. Also on Saturday, the City of Brodhead held their annual EJ Taylor Christmas Parade. In the bottom photo, Crossroads Assembly of God won for Best Decorated Float. Livingston is planning to have their Christmas Parade this Saturday night at 7 p.m. followed by a Christmas reception at the firehouse, which includes refreshments and a visit by Santa with a gift for the children.



Robbery, warrants, fleeing cause three arrests Thursday

By: Mike French Reporter

Employees of the Mount Vernon IGA store had a lot more excitement than usual last Thursday, November 30th when a man, inside the store, was suspected of stealing some items and a fight started between employees and the suspect.

According to an arrest citation issued by the Mount Vernon Police Department, Officer Adam Stallworth was called to the store on a complaint of two men fighting. When the officer arrived, a store employee had Jordon McGuire, 21, of Mount Vernon, on the ground holding him down.

The store manager told police he observed McGuire attempting to leave the store with merchandise in his possession that he had not paid for. Two store employees attempted to stop McGuire but both were shoved away by McGuire. One of the employees, Amber Coffey was injured and police said her ankle was "disfigured." She was transported to the Rockcastle Regional Hospital by EMS.

McGuire had in his possession a Nestle strawberry drink and a bag of chicken. The total items were valued at \$5.97.

McGuire was arrested and taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was

charged with first degree Robbery. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash or property.

In other local police action, troopers with the Kentucky State Police were attempting to serve a warrant on Tyler Mobley, 24, of Brodhead, at Poplar Ext in Mount Vernon Thursday, November 30.

The uniform citation

(See "Arrests" on A7)

Livingston Parade

Don't forget the Livingston Christmas Parade this Saturday, December 9 beginning at 7 p.m. down Main Street.

Anyone who plans to participate in the parade is asked to line up at 6:30 at the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Immediately after the parade, everyone is invited to attend a Christmas Reception at the Livingston Fire House where Santa will be waiting to meet and greet children from "one to 92." Officials also say Santa will have some gifts or treats with him to hand out to the younger visitors.

Mayor Jason Medley said the Livingston Fire Department has been a big help in organizing the event and offering the use of the firehouse afterwards.

Water taste and odor is not harmful to drink

By: Mike French Reporter

Many customers of the Mount Vernon water district have complained recently about a bad taste and a bad odor in the local water. In fact, some have attended city council meetings, called city hall and contacted the

"This taste and odor are in no way harmful to anyone."
Josh Bray

plant complaining. However, Josh Bray, City Administrator, says the city can explain the taste and odor. "There is one type of algae called Bluegreen algae, that attacks our water source every year at this time," he said. "This algae flourishes in warm, wet weather like we had this summer and it

blooms in our lake." But it's not actually the algae that residents are tasting and smelling. "We treat the water at our water plant

and kill the algae. The taste and odor is the by-product of our chemicals that killed the algae."

In fact, the city has been

fighting this problem every year about this time since the fall is when Bluegreen Algae grows.

"Nutrients are washed

into our lake and that feeds this algae," said Bray. "There are several places

(See "Water" on A7)

Kirby agrees to take Alford Plea

A former employee of the Rockcastle County Attorney's office has agreed to take an Alford Plea as a resolution to charges against her, originally involving nine counts of attempt abuse of public trust and one count

of theft by unlawful taking under \$500.

The plea resolves the case in which Patty Kirby, 59, of Brodhead was accused of taking cash pay-

(See "Kirby" on A7)

More enter race for May 22nd Primary

By: Mike French Reporter

Wednesday, November 8th was the first day to register as a candidate for an elected office in Rockcastle County.

Candidates may register for the May 22, 2018 Primary election until the last day of January.

The general election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

There have been some who have filed as candidates for public office since our last publication.

Matt Dees has filed to run for Sheriff.

Michael L. Smith has registered as Magistrate in the Fifth District.

For Constable in District One Teddy W. Rose and Ronald Dale Simpson have added their names to the race.

(See "Election" on A7)

Wildfires rampant in county

By: Mike French Reporter

Local fire departments have been working extra hard the past week, dealing with grass fires and woodland fires in Rockcastle County since the area has

been 12 days without rain.

Officials at most departments say the cause of the extraordinary number of grass fires this year is due to the combination of the recent dry weather and local residents not observing the burn ban.

Brodhead Fire Chief John Dyehouse said his department has been busy fighting fires over the past couple of weeks. Dyehouse also said recent high winds has helped wildfires spread faster.

"Most of our problems

have been people ignoring the burn ban," said Dyehouse. "It would really help if everyone would observe the burn ban and never burn within 150 feet of woods and don't burn

(See "Fires" on A7)



The Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched to this grass fire on Little Clear Creek Road Monday evening. Upon arrival, it was discovered a quickly moving woods fire had also developed. Assisting on the scene was the Brodhead Fire Department. Firefighters were able to drastically slow the fire while protecting multiple structures that were along Little Clear Creek and Fairview Loop. The Kentucky Division of Forestry also assisted on the scene and deployed a hand crew and a bulldozer to help contain the fire. The cause of the fire was determined to be illegal garbage burning. In Kentucky, it is illegal to burn any material other than natural brush and lumber. (Photo courtesy of BRVFD).

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

Had a really good birthday celebration last week. The children decided we should mark the occasion with a trip, for both mine and Jamie's birthday, to Painting With a Twist in Lexington.

This was a new experience for me since I realized many years ago that I couldn't draw a recognizable stick figure. However, the children assured me that there would be plenty of help by instructors and I would be fine - note to children, I wasn't.

It was fun and I have to give kudos to son, Travis and grandsons, Aaron, Alec and Bryce all for being brave enough to attend knowing they would be the only males in a mainly female group. They seemed to enjoy it and their paintings turned out much better than

mine.

I only managed to nail Paige once with my brush, leaving paint on a shirt sleeve, after we were told by the instructor at the beginning that the paint would not come out of clothes. So, now, Paige has some "paint clothes" compliments of me. You're welcome Paige.

I would actually prefer that my birthdays be a little less public. Don't get me wrong, I appreciate everyone I get to celebrate but sometimes the occasional "Gosh, you're older than dirt," look by acquaintances is a little off-putting.

I am sitting here, on Tuesday, writing this and dreading the forecast "winter weather." I have enjoyed our mild weather so far and only wish I could avoid the

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Points East

By Ike Adams



I'm wondering how many of you readers remember, from your elementary school days, a publication called The Weekly Reader? It was a publication that teachers subscribed to, shared with students, and was geared to specific grade levels from kindergarten through 6th grade.

Blair Branch Grade School only had one teacher per 3 grade levels for grades 3 through 8. First and second grade had 1 teacher, grades 3 through 5 had a single teacher as did grades 6 through 8. The building had three rooms for all 8 grades. Our teachers had individual subscriptions for each grade level.

I assume the school board covered the costs of the subscriptions or maybe we students peddled candy bars door to door to raise the funds, but I'm reasonably sure the little magazine came every week and we students took turns reading it while our teacher was busy doing lessons to one of the other classes in our room. It was entertaining to those of us who loved to read and educational in that it gave us glimpses of what life was like in other parts of the country and the world.

The thing I remember most specifically about The Weekly Reader is that it allowed students to participate in both presidential elections that occurred during my grade school days. The first mock election took place in 1956 when Eisenhower polled around 70 votes and Stevenson, 0 at Blair Branch. Even though the magazine had no edition for seventh and eighth graders, I believe those grades were allowed to participate in the mock elections.

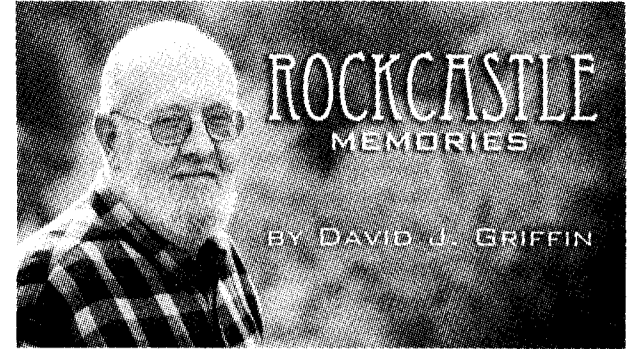
In 1960 Nixon received the vast majority of the votes but JFK received a scant few despite the anti-catholic bias that pervaded Blair Branch and the fact that a lot of its residents claimed that the devil was a democrat. I know at least three people still living there who still make that bigoted claim. But my family and few others subscribed to Life and Look magazines that were replete with photographs of "Jackie" Kennedy. I am one of the few students who voted for JFK simply because I thought she was the most beautiful woman in the world at that time. Thank the Lord for secret ballots and rest assured that I never told my parents or my teacher about my "treachery". I suspect that the other 3 or 4 students who voted JFK will take that secret to their graves and I'm only confessing now because my parents are long deceased.

Anyway, after the election was over, our teachers mailed the results back to the magazine publishing company where they were tabulated with those of thousands of other schools

across the country. I don't recall who won the 12 year olds and under national vote in 1956, but I do recall being secretly pleased with myself when JFK defeated Nixon.

Wikipedia, the internet encyclopedia, says that Weekly Reader mock elections have correctly predicted the outcomes of the

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Tupperware Recollections

When my wife and I joined my brother Al and his wife, Eva, along with the rest of the family for Thanksgiving, I noticed that Eva had several Tupperware containers holding some of her dishes. Seeing those plastic food containers, reminded me of my grandmother, Mommie Katie. I

think she had every different style of Tupperware known to mankind.

The "burping seal" form of containers produced by Tupperware was first introduced to the general population in 1948. The idea belonged to a man by the name of Earl Tupper. In 1942, his idea caught on because, at that particular time, there was an increased interest in hygiene and food storage. Up until then, most women used aluminum foil to cover dishes that were placed into the refrigerator for use at a later time.

Mommie Katie had almost every shape and color in her Tupperware collection. Some were used exclusively for a particular dish that she prepared. For example, I know that there was one container which was only used to serve and store deviled eggs. Another container was designed to hold an entire loaf of bread.

The bulk of Mommie's hoard featured the "Wonder Bowl" design with its burping seal. Like many others, she had various sizes and colors. In her refrigerator, one could often find multiple stacks of these bowls - especially after a celebration dinner or a holiday.

Mommie also owned several of the almost transparent, rectangular, flat boxes. Those containers usually held bacon, sliced meat, or tomatoes - or during some occasions, they held her special chocolate chip cookies. She also had a collection of those colorful "Bell Tumblers," which Mommie used for juice glasses at her wonderful breakfasts. (My wife still has a small set of them today.)

One other Tupperware product that will always be a positive memory for me was called the Shape-O Toy. It was a colored, hard-plastic, ball-shaped toy, smaller than a soccer ball. Ten differently shaped openings were cut into its hard surface. Inside the ball

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I have a core set of values. I was raised with a certain set of them. However, I don't believe what I believe because I was raised that way.

My raising provided me with information and an inside view of those beliefs. Then, as I grew into an adult (still arguable that I ever grew into an adult), I took those values that I was taught and investigated them thoroughly. Then I investigated the opposing views and some tangent views surrounding each topic.

It's from those investigations that I have my core belief system. There was no choice to it. I never chose a side and believed that way because I was supposed to believe that way. Instead, once I learned about the subject, I believed what I believed.

There is no switch on my back that I can flip and suddenly believe that way. I know how my dad wanted me to believe when it comes to politics and social issues and religion such as the death penalty, abortion, once saved always saved, govern-

ment, taxes, gays, keeping your word and all the other issues people face every day.

A few things I disagreed with him about and he would get very angry at me and point out that he "raised me better than that." In fact, he and mom did indeed raise me better than that. They raised me to look into a subject and process that information and then decide how I believed.

First and foremost was religion. Knowing our country was founded on Christian principles, I did a lot of reading about the subject. I read the Bible six times because everytime I read it, I got a different meaning in certain areas. But I also read other holy books that were not Christian. I read a lot about a group of people who believe cows rule the universe and other books that suggest certain planets created everything. I even read one book that explained to me that my ancestor was a glob of goo

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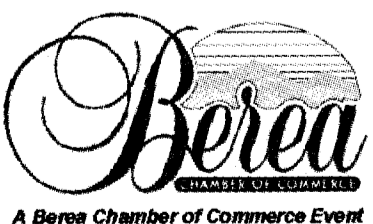
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The next meetings will be at the Rockcastle County Emergency Operation Center, located at 755 Progress Dr., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 at 12:00 p.m. 12/21/2017.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

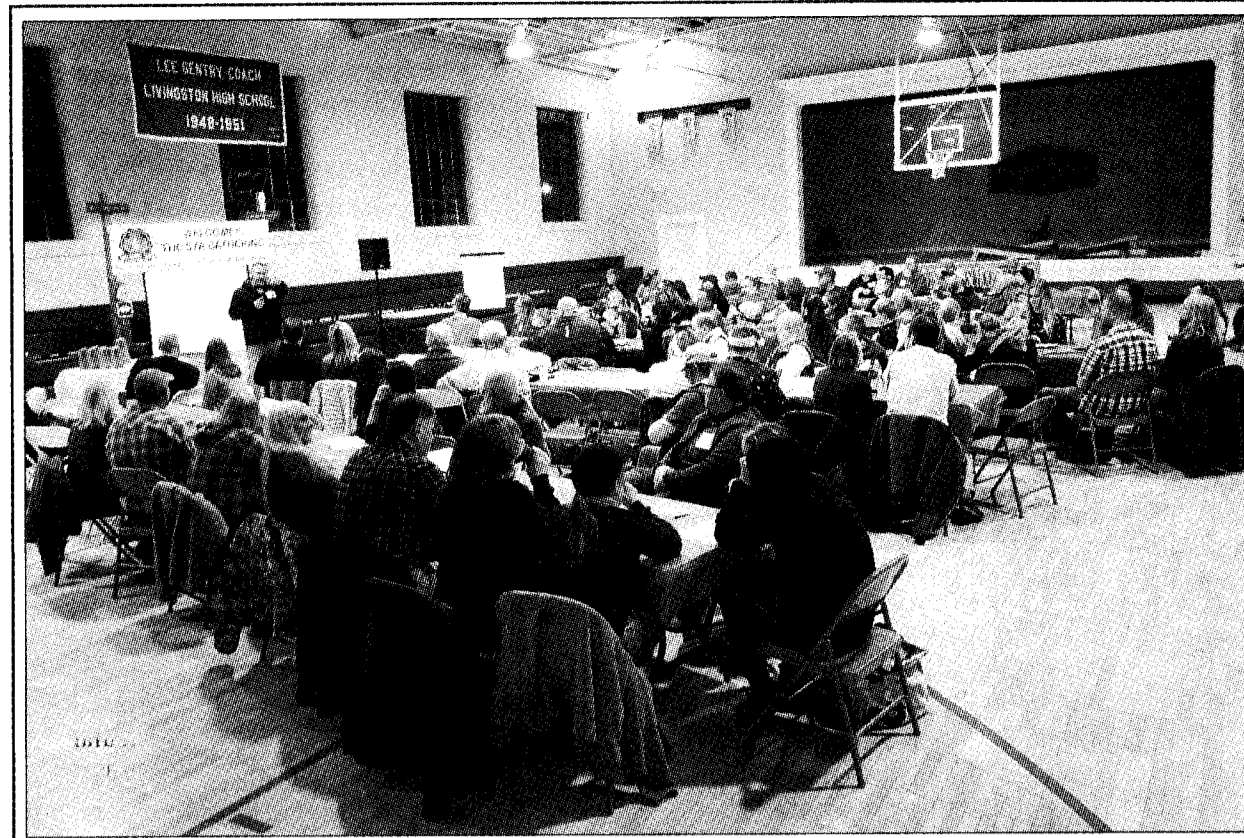
HONEY CARROTS
 1 bag (1 pound) baby carrots
 2 tablespoons honey
 2 teaspoons cider vinegar
 1 and 1/2 teaspoons olive oil
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 Toss together all ingredients in a microwave-safe bowl.
 Cover and microwave on HIGH 6 to 7 minutes or desired doneness.
Pickled Dill Carrots
 7 medium carrots, sliced
 1/4 inch thick
 4 sprigs dill
 3/4 cup white wine vinegar
 3/4 cups water
 1/3 cup sugar
 2 and 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
 1 teaspoon dill seeds
 1/4 coarsely ground pepper

let cool completely. Cover and refrigerate overnight or up to 1 week.

CARROT BREAD
 1 and 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 2 teaspoons baking powder
 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 cup vegetable oil
 1 and 1/2 cups brown sugar
 3 eggs
 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
 1/2 cup canned chunk pineapple, drained
 1/2 cup raisins
 1 cup finely shredded carrot. Preheat oven to 350°. Grease and flour loaf pan. In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, cinnamon and salt and mix well. In a separate bowl, whisk together oil, brown sugar and eggs, pour into flour mixture and stir well (batter will be chunky). Stir in walnuts, pineapple, raisins and carrots. Pour batter into prepared pan and bake 40 minutes or until lightly browned.

Bring a medium pot of water to a boil. Add the carrots and cook until crisp-tender, about 1 minute. Drain and rinse under cold water until cool. Pack the carrots and dill sprigs into a 1-quart jar.
 Combine the vinegar, water, the sugar, salt, dill seeds, and pepper in a medium saucepan; bring to a boil.
 Pour the hot brine over the carrots in the jar and

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Hikers cover over 350 miles

Over 100 hikers from all over the world gathered at Livingston to celebrate this year's hiking class challenge. Special awards were given to all participants the completed hiking the Sheltowee from end to end over 350 miles that spans from Oneida, TN to Morehead.

"Ramblings"

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season entirely. The holidays are nice although I do very little to celebrate them these days. I do enjoy our week off at the end of December. Oh, who am I kidding, with my work week of approximately 20 hours I'm not exhausted by any means.

This has been a hard column to write this week. I usually try to segue into a tirade about the state of our nation but, frankly, I am so worn out with all the allegations of impropriety, skulduggery and general chaos coming out of our nation's capital that I am just about ready to throw in the towel.

I have just about decided that there is nothing I, personally, can do about anything except vote my conscience and hope for the best. After all, I'm now 76. How much longer will I have the energy or mental faculties to concern myself with what I fear, at times, is the last days of our nation as it was founded.

If that dreary statement doesn't put a damper on your holiday spirit then you are truly blessed and I applaud you.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

were ten plastic shapes which matched the holes on the surface. The toy was designed to teach children both shape and color - as well as honing dexterity by putting the right form into its corresponding hole.

I will never forget how my son Andy loved to demonstrate how quickly he could put the toys back into the container. One Saturday afternoon, he showed the toy to several of my coaching friends, who had come to watch a college football game. Later, when Andy had left the scene for an afternoon nap, I noticed that some of the coaches were sitting in a circle on the floor betting on how fast they could put the shapes back into the ball. I kid you not. That same toy was, of

course, passed down to my younger son, Todd. My wife treasures her memories of the two of them playing with it when he was just a toddler and how he would squeal with delight at his own success.

So, I guess you could say that Tupperware has played a rather significant part of most of my life. Therefore, I will use this opportunity to issue forth a hearty "Thank you, Mr. Earl!" for enhancing the quality of our lives with the likes of Tupperware products. Who knew?

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

"Aces"

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that floated up out of the ocean and decided to be a monkey. And millions of people believe it.

If you can convince people of that, then there is no limits to human stupidity.

Once a person studies up on a subject, discovers what others believe and weighs the evidence, there is no decision to be made. You either believe something or you don't. There are some things that I wish I believed because my life would be much easier if I did. But I can't just decide to believe it. Either I do, or I don't.

I can claim to believe something all day long, like many do in churches when they raise their hand and shout in public for the recognition. I can swear to believe something. I can tell myself I believe it. But, none of that changes the fact that I either do, or I don't.

I wonder how many beliefs are completely because a person was raised that way. It has to happen a lot. Billions of people believe what they believe only because they were raised that way. If not, entire countries of the world would not believe in the same God while other entire countries believe in a completely different God.

It's by no means a coincidence that 90 percent of a population believes in the same God while 90 percent of another country believes that country is going to Hell and believe in a separate God. They are not all correct.

Some people believe once a person is saved, they are always saved no matter how much backsliding they do. Others believe one can be saved and then backsliding can cause them to be lost again.

Some believe abortion is murder of innocent children. Others believe an unborn child has no rights and the mother is doing nothing wrong by terminating the pregnancy.

Some believe being gay is a choice and an abomination to God while others believe they are born that way and there is nothing wrong with being gay.

Some believe making guns illegal will stop murders and the Second Amendment is outdated. Other believe it is every American's right to carry a gun to protect themselves and their family.

These are just a very few examples but they are very important issues with completely opposite beliefs. Both sides cannot be right. Beyond all doubt, at least one side is completely wrong on each issue.

I wish people would research a subject before deciding what side of the fence to land on and not simply support a way because their daddy did.

Daddys used to support the idea that the world is flat. Let's all try to make educated decisions. Be well-informed on any given subject before deciding to protest a subject that you know nothing about except that your grandmother hated it.

I believe what I believe and I am certain that I am

right. I guess one would call that "set in my ways." and I am always open to new information. But I can't help what I believe. It wasn't a choice.

"Points East"

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real presidential elections 13 out of 14 times. The lone exception was 1992 when elementary school students cast slightly more votes for George W. Bush than they did for Bill Clinton. I don't believe they did a mock election in 2016 because the print publication shut down in 2012 when it merged with a periodical called Scholastic News.

I'm not sure if my kids were exposed to The Weekly Reader when they were in school and as I sit here writing this column, already past deadline, there's no way of finding out because they would be upset if Dad called them at work for anything short of a dire emergency and even then they would want to know why it couldn't have waited until they got home.

Loretta says that she remembers the magazine well from her days at Kingston Grade School (Madison County) in the 1950s. I'm simply wondering whether or not other folks remember The Weekly Reader and enjoyed it as much as we did. This is nothing more than idle curiosity but I would appreciate your dropping me an email to ikedams@aol.com if you have such memories. There's no sense trying to call me because Mr. Parkinson rarely allows me to have a phone conversation. Email is about the only way I can communicate unless we're standing face to face and even then you'd have to put up with "what? Would you say that again." Please believe me, it's more aggravating and embarrassing to me than it is to you.

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KRP Meeting December 12th

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, December 12th at The Golden Corral Restaurant (next to Wal-Mart) in London. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be Jerry Powell, the CERS representative for the Kentucky Retirement Systems Board of Trustees. Any retiree (and spouse) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS is welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post Item

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

***Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead:** Located in the Community Outreach Center (next to Fairgrounds), every Monday, 6 to 8 p.m. 606-308-3368 or 606-308-3099.
 ***Celebrate Recovery-Northside Baptist** every Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m. 606-256-5577.
 ***Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies.** Northside Baptist, Wednesday at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577.
 ***Broken Chains Bible Study** at Cruisers Motorcycle Sales on Hwy. 25 North, 4 miles north of Mt. Vernon every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. 859-302-2431.
 ***Celebrate Recovery-Livingston** at Livingston School cafeteria. Friday, 6 to 8 p.m. 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.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings

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

Historical Society Hours

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

American Legion Post 71

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

Obituaries

Karen Kay King

Karen Kay King, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at home surrounded by family and friends. She was born July 10, 1953 in Cincinnati, OH, a daughter of the late Leroy Mason Brown and Virginia Faye Cash Brown. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon, and the Kiwanis Club. She had previously served the City of Mt. Vernon as Mayor. She will best be remembered as a having her own tax accounting business where she assisted many people. She found great joy in gardening, reading and games.



Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, David Lynn King II and his wife, Wendy Michelle of Mt. Vernon, and Talona King Rogers and her husband, Kevin of Richmond, VA; her grandchildren, Carson David King, Addalyn Elizabeth King, Beckett Rogers, Paxtyn Rogers, Knox Rogers and Mercy Rogers; her brothers, Michael Mason Brown and wife, Patricia of Brodhead and Gregory Allen Brown and wife, Nicole Lynn of Russell Springs; her sister, Sharon Faye Brown of Brodhead; and special friends, Holly and Mick McGuire and Precia Bowling.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, December 1, 2017 at the First Baptist Church with Bro. Kevin Rogers officiating.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hospice Care Plus, 208 Kidd Dr. Berea, KY. 40403.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Pauline Shepherd

Pauline Shepherd, 82, of Livingston, died Friday, December 1, 2017 at her home surrounded by family. She was born December 24, 1934 in Piney Branch, to the late John Earl and Kitty (Smith) Sams. On February 23, 1952,



she was united in holy matrimony to Roy Shepherd and from that union came Orville, Elaine, Jennie, John and Kitty. She had retired from the Wal-Mart in Berea with 15 years of service as a sales associate. She had attended the Pine Hill Holiness church and very much loved her family and tending to her flowers.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Orville (Martha) Shepherd of Livingston, Elaine (Marty) Mullins of Mt. Vernon, Jennie Martin of Renfro Valley and John (Nikki) Shepherd of Winfield, TN; grandchildren, Jessica Shepherd, Jay Shepherd, Nicole Nicely, Kimberly Gibson, Jamie Phillips, Tawana Collins, Tori Smith, Samuel Martin, Daniel Martin, Sarah Smith, Abby Shepherd, Alivia Shepherd and Landyn Shepherd; 19 great grandchildren; brothers, Wade Sams, Charlie (Sadie) Sams and Vernon (Pam) Sams, all of Richmond, IN; sisters, Janet Miller of Jackson, Cora Gray and Joyce Tipton (Jesse), both of Richmond, IN; as well as many nieces and nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Roy Shepherd; daughter, Kitty Phillips; grandson, Stacey Mullins; and brother, Buster Sams.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Allen Hensley officiating. Burial followed in the Sams Cemetery in Livingston.

Casketbearers were: Blaine Collins, Trevis Gibson, Daniel Martin, Billy Mason, John Shepherd, Orville Shepherd, Ryan Roberts and Marty Mullins.

Honorary casketbearers were: Doug Smith, Samuel Martin, Jamie Phillips and Willie Martin.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Ernestine "Tina" Wolfe

Ernestine "Tina" Fisher Ponder Wolfe, 89, of Berea, died Saturday, December 2, 2017 at the Berea Health & Rehab Center following an illness. She was a Haldeman native (Rowan County) born May 29, 1928, daughter of the late Ernest and Myrtle Hamm Fisher, homemaker, former secretary, loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother, and attended the Church of God. She was a resident of Dayton, OH until 1969, and a resident of Livingston until 1992 when she moved to Berea.

Survivors include: her daughter, Marsha (Jim) Jones; son, Larry (Rebecca) Ponder; granddaughters, Jamie (Jim) Kiefer, Nichole (Chad) Lashmett, Amy Crutcher and Kari Adams; great grandchildren, Riley, A.J., Ben and Jacob; and step daughter, Gail (James) Cope. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Fred Ponder, Jr.; second husband, Burl Wolfe; son, Terry Ponder; and brother and sister-in-law, Murvel and Mary Fisher.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at Reppert Funeral Home with Bro. Jack Martin officiating. Burial was in Red Hill Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

www.reppertfuneralhome.com

George A. Poynter

George A. Poynter, 78, of Richmond, died Thursday, November 30, 2017 at the Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington. He was born in the Boone community of Rockcastle County on May 16, 1939 to the late Laney and Agnes Lambert Poynter. He was a self-employed dental technician. He enjoyed spending time in his garden raising vegetables but he also loved to sow the seeds of love and generosity to everyone who came into his life. He was a member of the Fairview Baptist Church of Conway and the Calvary Baptist Church in Richmond.

Survivors include: his wife of 53 years, Wilma J. Poynter; one son, Mark (Julia) Poynter; one daughter, Sharon Poynter (Denise Shook); two brothers, Russell Poynter and David (Shirley) Poynter; two grandchildren, Kellis Poynter and Spencer Poynter; as well as a host of extended family and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: seven brothers, Warren, Marion, Robert, Delbert, Laney Jr., and Donald Poynter, and Clay Osborne; and a special mother-in-law, Agnes Good.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 5, 2017, at the Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home with Bro. Bobby Greene and Rev. Vaughn Rasor officiating. Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mr. Poynter are suggested to the Madison County Humane Society, PO Box 2094, Richmond, KY 40476.

Ada Mae Roberts

Ada Mae Roberts, 86, of Brodhead, died Friday, December 1, 2017 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center. She was born December 30, 1930 in Rockcastle County, to Thomas Green and Anna Mae Barnett Roberts.

She was a homemaker and a member of Union Chapel Holiness Church.

She is survived by: her brother, Robert "Rob" Roberts of Mt. Vernon. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: four brothers, Bill, Ebb, Ern and Wayne Roberts and four sisters, Bertha Southard, Hazel Whitaker, Juanita Lunsford and Edith Lunsford.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 4, 2017 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Troy Roberts and Bro. Billy Southard. Burial followed in the Roberts Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Anthony Roberts, Timothy Roberts, Gary Whitaker, Tommy Lunsford, Jason Roberts and Mark Lunsford.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

An encouraging word:

A Reliable Guiding Force

By Howard Coop



After arising one mid-December morning, I quickly noted that it had turned cold, much colder, during the night, but the grass on the lawn was still green. By noon, it was white, and a short time after the quick freeze, it was brown. What a change!

Observing that unexpected change in the pattern of the weather, I remembered that change in life is more than a weather-related phenomenon. Nothing stays the same. Change is everywhere, and it is in everything. What is at the moment doesn't necessarily remain. In life, things may, and often do, change rapidly. What was yesterday may not be today, and what is today may not be tomorrow. In 1847, Henry F. Lyte got it right when he wrote, "Change...in all I see." Sometimes change is hardly noticeable, and it has little significance, but it is still there. At other times, it is enormous and dramatically noticeable; you can't miss it. Such change has a tremendous impact on almost everyone and everything.

Change can, and often

does, come rapidly and unexpectedly. I know, for I have experienced it. I will never forget Sunday, November 21, 1996. That was a beautiful day, and that Sunday I did what I wanted to do and enjoyed it immensely. At the end of that pleasant day, I went to bed early expecting a good night of rest that would bring renewed energy for the work of the new week that was ahead, but in about an hour, I was in the hospital where I was diagnosed with a heart attack that led, on Friday, November 26, to quintuple by-pass surgery. Now, that's rapid, and unexpected, change that impacts life and, forever, makes everything different.

About two thousand years ago in a world of change, some Wise Men from the East followed a star to Bethlehem in Judea where they knelt before a baby who had been born in a cattle stall. There they found a reliable guiding force to direct them in an ever-changing world. Since that moment, countless others have made the same discovery.



Let the Bible Speak

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

First Christian Christmas Events

First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon invites everyone to their Christmas events on December 17th. At 11 a.m., the choir will present "Glorious Song, Marvelous Light" a Christmas Celebration.

That evening, at 6 o'clock, the annual youth Christmas program will be presented.

For more information, or a ride, call 256-2876.

Special Service

On Friday, December 8th, at 7 p.m., Berea Gospel Tabernacle will have a special service with Bro. Randal Adams speaking.

Ralph Chasteen and congregation invite everyone.

Gospel Singing

Red Hill Baptist Church at Livingston will have a Gospel Singing on Saturday, December 9th at 6 p.m., featuring The Murphy's, along with our wonderful local gospel singers.

Come and enjoy heart-warming gospel music.

Singing

Mt. Vernon Church of God will have a Singing on Sunday, December 10th, be-

ginning at 10 a.m. Featured singers will be The Massey Family from Glasgow.

Pastor Bobby Owens and congregation invite all to attend.

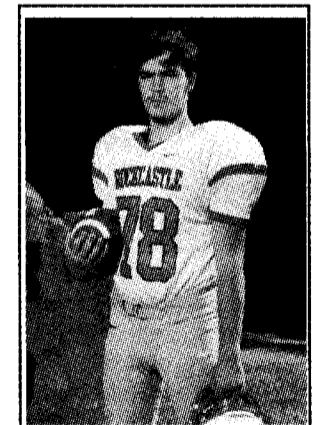
Philadelphia United Baptist Church

•Sunday School - 10 a.m.
-Worship Service at 11 a.m.
•Sunday night Service - 6 p.m.

•Wednesday Bible Study at 7 p.m.

•Church service at the Brodhead nursing home the first Sunday of each month.

•Church Singing every fourth Sunday at 6 p.m. Come out to sing or be with us. Everyone welcome.



Happy 17th Birthday
Dylan Blake Bullock
We love you!
Your Family

Ponder recognized by Hospice Care Plus at annual dinner

Several individuals, groups, and businesses were honored November 16 at Hospice Care Plus's annual dinner, held in November to celebrate National Hospice Month.

Rockcastle County's Jennifer Masters Ponder was the winner of one of five employee awards. Ponder was presented

with the Directors' Award, given to employees who have a long-term commitment to the organization and are strong advocates for hospice care.

Also winning awards were Denise Sparks, admission nurse, who took home the Aspire Award for new employees; Sally Iseral, chaplain,

who earned the Compassion in Action Award; and Teresa Turner, nurse practitioner, who was presented with the Excellence in Care Award. The Synergy Award, intended for teams, was won by the team caring for hospice patients in nursing home settings, including the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Cen-

ter.

Hospice Care Plus also presented its community Above and Beyond Awards during the Nov. 16 dinner. This year's winners were the Baptist Health Lexington Palliative Care Program, Beattyville Christian Church, the ECU Student Alumni Ambassadors Program, and Peytown Baptist Church. These awards are presented to businesses, groups or churches that, for at least two years, have gone to great lengths to support the Hospice Care Plus mission.

Hospice Care Plus is a non-profit organization providing home hospice and palliative care to Rockcastle and five additional counties. The organization also owns and operates the Compassionate Care Center for inpatient hospice care. To learn more about Hospice Care Plus, visit hospicecareplus.org.



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Forgiveness

Jesus' parable of "The Prodigal Son" is recorded in Luke 15:11-32. This parable of Jesus is often used by ministers to show spiritual forgiveness. Most Christians have read the story many times. The father in the parable is a great example of a forgiving spirit.

The Word of God presents certain principles of forgiveness in this parable that we can learn and practice in our everyday lives. The younger son was thinking of only 'self' when in verse 12 he demanded of his father, "Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me". The younger son represents all today who have not yet obeyed the gospel of Christ. In order for one to obey the gospel, there must be a death of self.

The younger son wasted all his goods, then lost all his friends. Luke 15:14 says 'he began to be in want'. He would have starved to death, but got a job feeding the swine and 'ate the husks that the swine did eat'. The most important lesson of the parable is in verse 17 'and he came to himself'. He remembered his father's servants have bread to spare, and 'I perish'. He ask his father to return as a servant.

This is an example of true repentance. The lost son took action, left the pigpen and returned home. In taking these steps he was able to receive the father's forgiveness. We must remember the conditions of forgiveness. Repentance and obedience to the gospel are conditions of forgiveness. Christians should welcome the forgiven one back into the fold (verse 22-24).

Come visit us at the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ.

This was submitted by the...

Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ

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

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
bhopp@gmail.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
Associate Pastors/Youth:
Bro. Jeremy Ellis
Secretary: Jo Roberts
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
Gary Reppert, Doug Hawkins
Marcus Reppert
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert
199 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-308-2794
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 Church
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 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.
Tim Owens, Pastor

Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd. (Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday School 10 a.m.
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 7:30 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 Christ
758 Hwy. 3245 • Crab Orchard
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Conway Missionary Baptist
116 Meadow Lark Lane
Berea, KY 40403
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship
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

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Steven Vanhook, 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
Dixie Park Cornerstone
700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Vanwinkle, Pastor
Fairground Hill
Community Holiness Church
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
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
Jesse Wright, Assoc. Pastor/Youth
website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmvemon@newwave.net
Sunday Services: 8:20 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesdays: AWANA and Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Live Broadcast WRVK 1460AM
Sundays at 11 a.m.
Broadcast on New Wave Cable Channel 3 Tues., Thurs. & Sunday at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 8 p.m.

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.

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting & Youth/Children Classes 7 p.m.
www.freedomsbc.com
606-256-2968

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

Lighthouse Assembly of God
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
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Gary Parker, Pastor

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
6567 Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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.
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.
Jerry Ballinger, 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. Vernon Church of the Nazarene
40 Fair Street • Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
David Smith, Pastor

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
Jon Burdette, Lead Pastor
Steve McDaniel, Worship Leader

New Hope Baptist Church
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.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

Northside Baptist Church
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
515 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.

Fr. Michael Flanagan, Pastor
Sister Joyce Moeller, Pastoral Associate
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 5 p.m.
1st Sunday in Month Church at 2 p.m. at Rockcastle Respiratory Care

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

Providence church of Christ
1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618
758-8524
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 Church
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 Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor:
Bro. Dennis Hammack
Everyone Welcome!

Union Chapel Pentecostal
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.

United Gospel of Christ
Church welcomes everyone
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Valley Baptist Church
4482 Copper Creek Rd.
Berea, Ky. 40403
Organized in December, 1908
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Jeff Draper, Pastor
Wildie Christian Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.
Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

Brodhead Pharmacy
Main Street • Brodhead
R 606-758-4373 R

Howard Saylor Pharmacist	Open: 9:30 to 6:30 Mon. - Fri.	David Collins Owner
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SPORTS

Lady Rockets beat Estill; lose to Lincoln

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets are 1-2 in their first three outings of the 2018-19 season.

Their first win came Tuesday night at home against the Estill Lady Engineers.

The Lady Rockets jumped out to an early 13-8 first quarter lead, but were down 26-25 at the half. But, in the second half, it was all Lady Rockets for the final 58-48.

Sophomore Shelby Newland led her team in scoring with 19; Senior Mackenzie Payne got 11; sophomore Kenzi Himes and freshman Casey Coleman scored nine points each; senior Emily Adams and junior Kassie Lay each scored three points and junior Emma Bullen and freshman Lindsey Jones got two points each.

Last Friday night, the Rockets and Lady Rockets traveled to Lincoln County to take on the Patriots and it turned out to be a long night for both teams.

Lady Rockets Head Coach Chrysti Noble graduated her entire starting line-up last year and the Lady Patriots obviously don't have the same problem since they immediately took over the game.

The score was 10-0 before the Rockets got on the board at the 3:18 mark of the first quarter on a basket by freshman Casey Coleman. The scores at the quarter stops were 19-5, 41-15, 57-28 and the final 70-30.

The Rockets were not the only ones demolished this young season by the Lady Patriots since they also put a 75-22 beat down on the Pulaski Co. Lady Maroons.

Coleman was the only Lady Rocket in double figures for the game with 11 points; Himes got six; Newland scored three points and senior Lea Ellen Rogers, Payne, Lay and Jones all scored two points each.

Turnovers plagued the Lady Rockets, 23 to Lincoln's nine and the Lady Patriots also sank seven three point shots to the Rockets one.

The Lady Rockets will take on the Somerset Lady Briarjumper Friday night, at home, in a district game doubleheader with the Rockets.

Next Tuesday night, the Lady Rockets will host the Jackson County Lady Generals.

Rockets lose to Estill and Lincoln

Rocket Head Coach Benny Blanton lost his entire last year's starting line-up to graduation and this year's team is having a little trouble getting on track.

In their last outing, Tuesday night at home, the Rockets hung on to the last second before finally losing by two, 51-49.

The Rockets were ahead 6-4 at the end of the first quarter, behind 18-17 at the half and down 33-37 at the third quarter stop.

Senior Devin Mullins led the scoring for his team with 17; junior Isaac Stratton got 13; sophomore Logan Noel scored eight; sophomore Josh Thacker got 5 and sophomore Trevor Todd and junior Cade Burdette, accounted for three points each.

The Rockets fared a little better at Lincoln County last Friday night, staying with the Patriots pretty much through three quarters, trailing 20-17 at the first quarter stop, 31-27 at the half and

46-38 at the end of the third period but, in the final quarter, the Patriots outscored the Rockets 29-10 for the final 75-48.

Turnovers also plagued the Rockets with 15 to Lincoln's 10 but the Rockets made six three point baskets to the Patriots three.

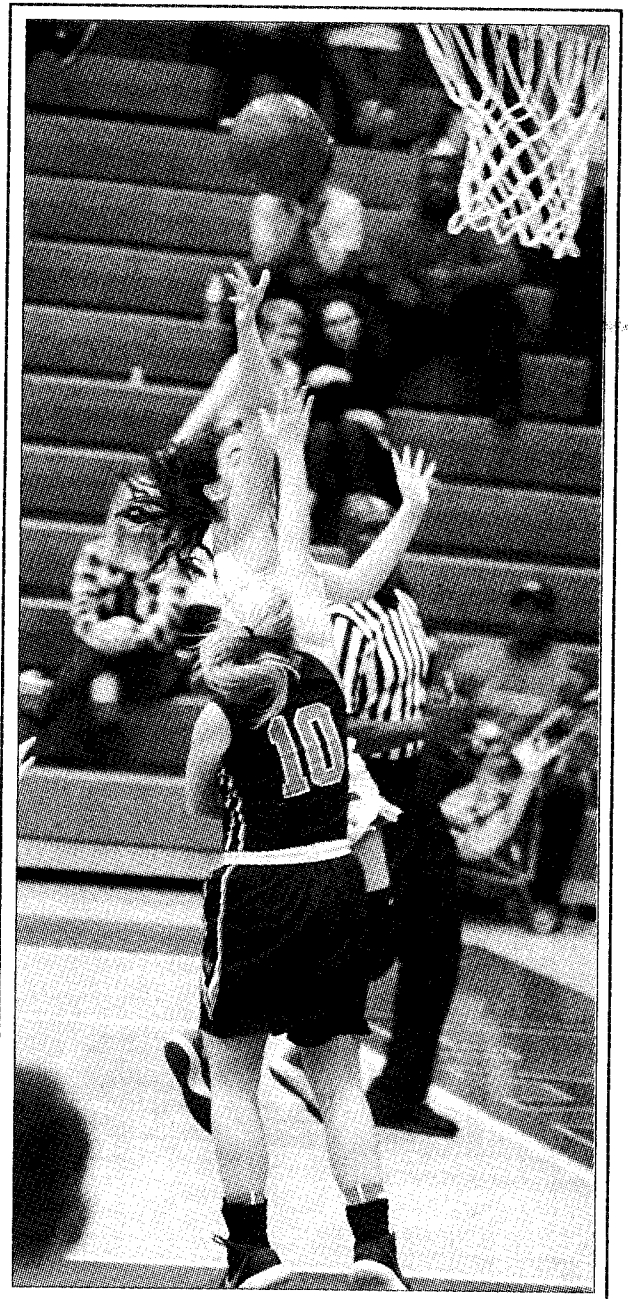
Stratton and Noel led the scoring for their team with 11 points each; Burdette got nine; Thacker scored six; Mullins got five points and seniors Nick Dillingham and Cameron Cornelius and sophomore Josiah West scored two points each.

Friday night, the Rockets and Lady Rockets will play in their first district game of the season when they host the Somerset Briarjumper.

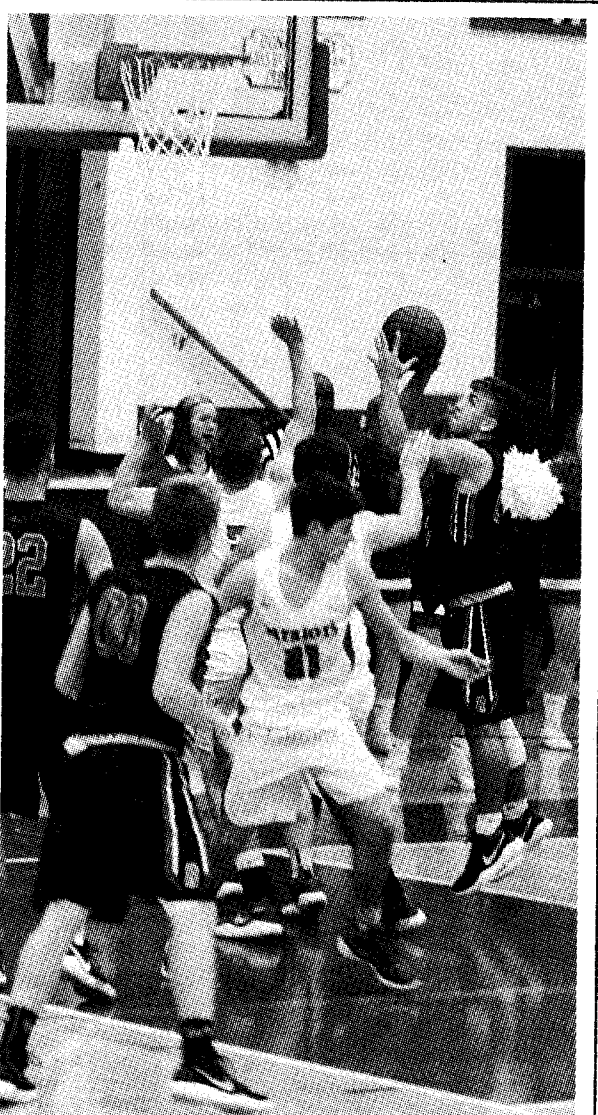
The Rockets will then take part in the PRTC Classic at Jackson County where they are scheduled to take on Phelps in their first game on Saturday, Dec. 9th at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday night, Dec. 12th, the Rockets will travel to Anderson County.



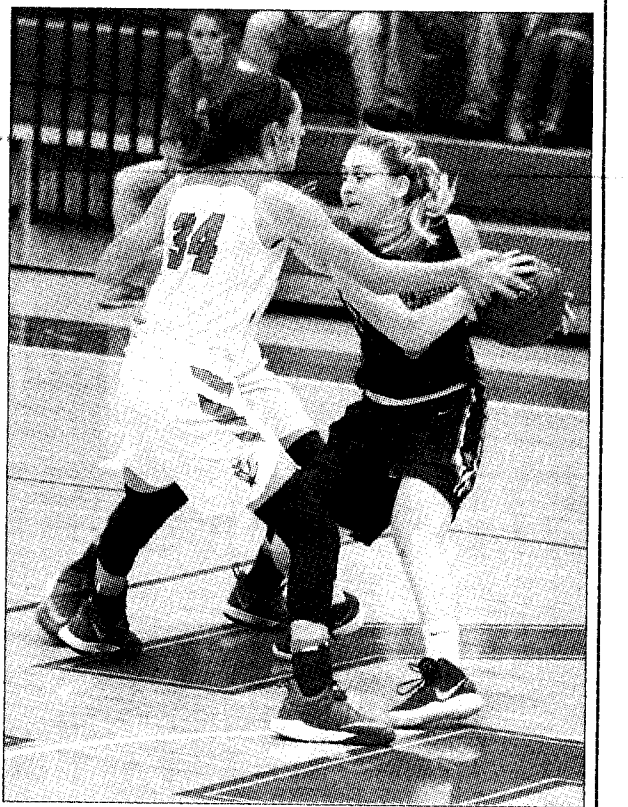
Senior Lady Rocket Lea Ellen Rogers looks for a teammate in the Lady Rockets' loss to Lincoln County last Friday night. The girls picked up their first win of the season Tuesday night over Estill County.



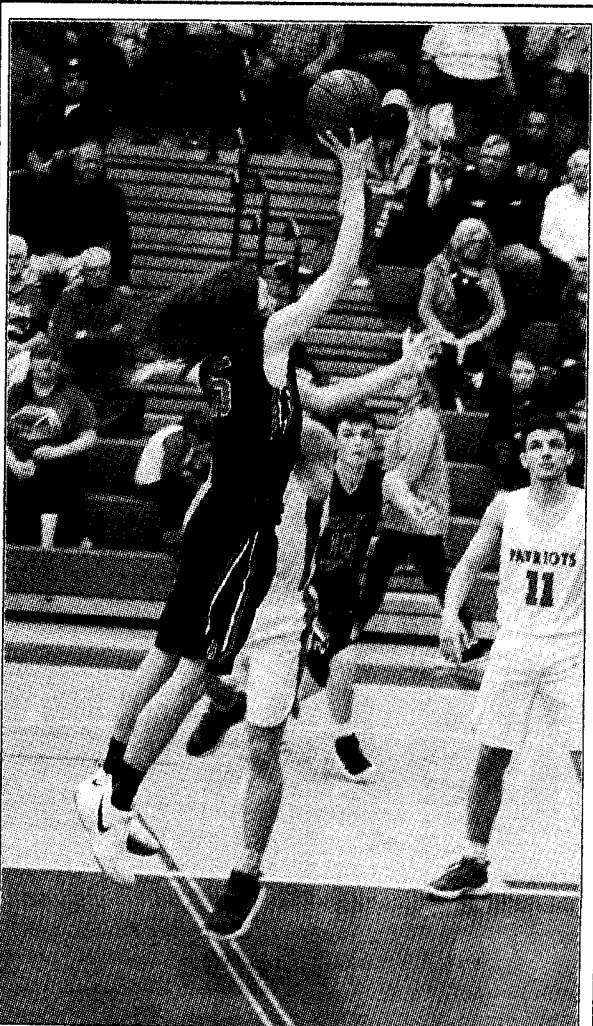
Senior Lady Rocket Mackenzie Payne applies defense to a Lincoln Patriot in the Lady Rockets' loss Friday night. Payne scored 11 points in the Lady Rockets win over Estill County Tuesday night.



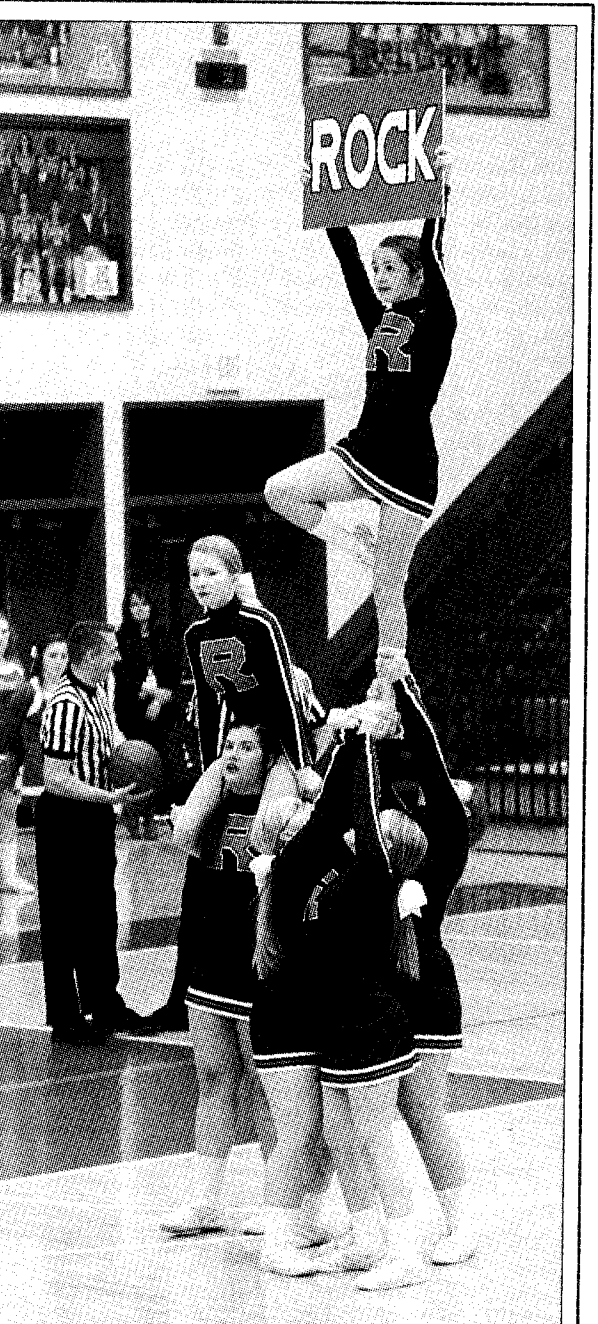
Josh Thacker puts up a jump shot in the Rockets' loss to Lincoln County Friday night. The Rockets lost a close one Tuesday to Estill County, 51-49.



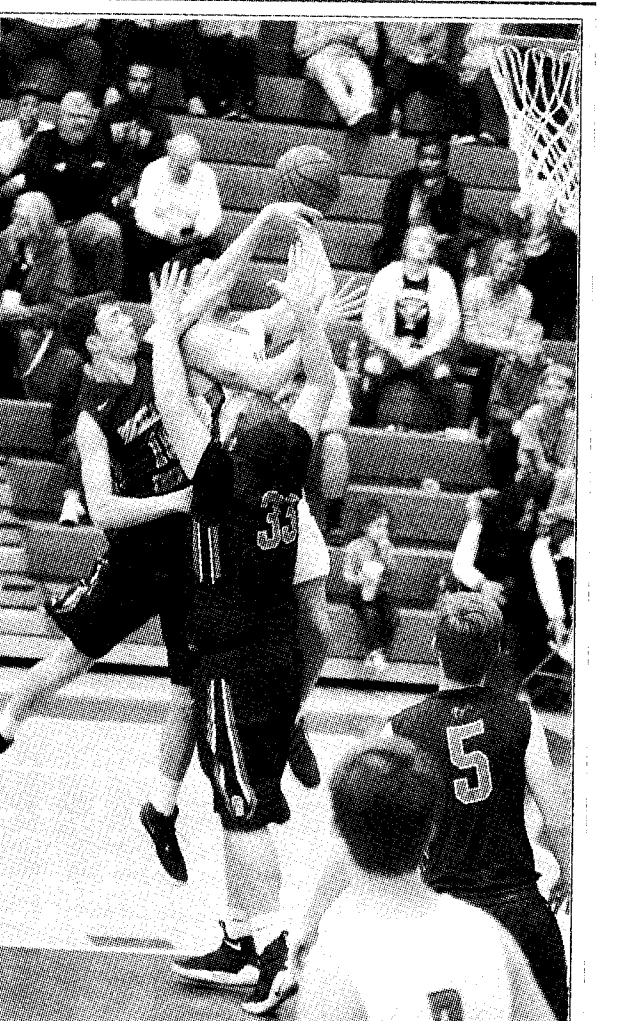
Shelby Newland works to get out of a double team in the Lady Rockets' loss to Lincoln Friday night. Tuesday night, Newland led the Lady Rockets with 19 points in their win over Estill County.



Isaac Stratton goes up for two of his 11 points in the Rockets' losing effort to Lincoln County last Friday.



The Rocket cheerleaders have been busy cheering on the Rockets and Lady Rockets in the very young basketball season. Both teams will host Somerset this Friday night. First game begins at 6 p.m.



Seniors Devin Mullins and Nick Dillingham put defensive pressure on a Lincoln Patriot Friday night. The Rockets came out on the losing end. Tuesday night, the Rockets lost a close one to Estill County, 51-49. Mullins led his team in scoring with 17.

Donate 500 toys to Grateful Threadz

Berea College students honor friend's memory



Jessi Adams and Isabella Gormanson, both students in Child and Family Studies at Berea College, helped Santa distribute toys at Christian Appalachian Project's Grateful Threadz annual Santa Day. Adams and Gormanson collected 500 toys in honor of their friend BriAnna Cowden, age 22, who passed away in early November after being involved in a head-on collision with a drunk driver. Pictured from left are: Mrs. Claus, Santa, Isabella Gormanson and Jessi Adams.



Rockcastle County Farm Bureau recognized

Rockcastle County Farm Bureau was recognized during the 98th Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB) annual meeting in Louisville for its outstanding membership and program achievement in 2017. The award honors county Farm Bureau offices who meet the company's profitability requirements and whose insurance policy growth meets or exceeds its annual growth goal.

Pictured above: Terry Lawson, President of Rockcastle County Farm Bureau (center), accepts the award from John Sparrow, Chief Executive Officer of KFB Insurance Companies (left), and David S. Beck, Executive Vice President of the KFB Federation (right), during a December 1 recognition and awards program.

"Arrests"

(Continued from front)

says Troopers Scottie Pennington and Derick Combs were at 325 Poplar Ext clearing the home while Mobley was hiding in a bedroom of the house.

The citation says Tesla Pearson, 19, of Mount Vernon, locked the bedroom door and allowed Mobley to escape out a window.

The citation goes on to say Mobley was not dressed when he exited through the window but police caught up with him on Lawrence Lane in Rockcastle County a little over an hour later.

Pearson was arrested and charged with hindering prosecution or apprehension second degree and lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center. Her bond was set at \$2,500 cash or 10% to be released.

Mobley was taken to the jail also and charged with public intoxication of a controlled substance, fleeing or evading police second degree, disorderly conduct second degree and resisting arrest.

Mobley is being held on a \$1,000 cash/property bond.

"Water"

(Continued from front)

where our lake is fed and these nutrients are perfect for this particular algae to grow."

However, according to Bray, the water is safe. "Our water is 1,000 percent safe. We test it every single day and treat it constantly and maintain everything at the plant," he said. "This taste and odor are in no way harmful to anyone. It's just inconvenient to our customers."

Bray said the city and Frank Baker, Supervisor of the water plant, are "passionate about providing safe, healthy water" to every customer. "Safety is our first priority. And next is trying to eliminate that taste and odor."

To do that, Bray said the city and plant workers are experimenting with several ideas to find the best way. "There are a number of ways to attack this problem and we have tried several ways. The only sure fire way to fix it is to replace our water plant, that was built in the 70s, with a new plant that would cost over \$20 million," he said. "Since we don't have \$20 million to spend, we are trying many other avenues and we have state workers and engineers and technicians

and specialists looking at the problem constantly."

Another way officials are trying to solve the problem is to locate the source of nutrients that are feeding this particular algae and stop the nutrients at the source and starve the algae.

One of the others methods would include feeding carbon into the system, according to Bray. "We are looking into this program that would introduce more carbon. Most experts think this would help the problem greatly. But it is taking a chance. There is no guarantee that it would work and that's thousands of dollars to try it."

In the meantime, the city is looking at several ideas that may help the problem. After November, the taste and odor usually leaves the water as the bluegreen algae dies out but, unless something is done, it will only return next fall.

"Everyone should know that we are very aware of the problem and are addressing it every day," said Bray. "With our antiquated water plant, we are trying everything we can come up with to help and we won't give up. Frank is constantly attacking the issue. He is doing everything he can to fight the problem and so is the City of Mount Vernon."

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Adams and Gormanson are members of the Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society for exceptional students of Child and Family Studies, where Cowden served as president last year.

"Children were really close to her heart," Gormanson said. "BriAnna always had the biggest heart for everyone and just loved to help others. So, I think she would be really happy seeing all the faces of these kids light up."

The friends had been discussing ways to honor their Cowden this holiday season, when, by chance, Adams saw a Facebook post asking for donations to help the Grateful Bread Food Pantry and the Grateful Threadz Thrift Store.

"These toys came at a much-needed time," says Sherri Barnett, manager of the thrift store. "CAP has been so blessed by the students at Berea College. It is these types of generous partnerships that help us serve children and their families in Central Appalachia during the Christmas

season and all year long."

The graduating seniors wanted to have an impact beyond this inaugural event and they used the experience as a service project for their youngest students by partnering with Berea College's child development laboratory. Parents were encouraged to teach their children about helping others by choosing toys to donate.

"This was a great way for parents to teach their children about giving back," said Adams. "We were amazed at the response from the Berea community. We had so many toys, we were running out of space to store them."

Both young women reminisced how this was also a full-circle moment having both benefitted from food pantries and thrift stores when they were children.

"We had no idea how many people were impacting our lives when we were growing up," Adams said. "Now, we have an opportunity to help make another child's Christmas special like someone did for us."

Gormanson added, "We wanted kids to feel that Christmas joy. This was a great opportunity for us to give back to families in our community."

Karen Bradley brought her three-month-old grandson Taytum to Santa Day to get his first photo with Santa. "I've bought baby clothes here for my first grandchild. I was so glad

they were offering free photos with Santa. I wanted to take a photo to have on the tree so we could have memories to pass on for years to come."

Pam Napier, a volunteer at Grateful Threadz, and her husband, Eddie, who volunteers at Grateful Bread, brought their two granddaughters. "The Gratefuls do a lot for the community. This is great event for the whole family."

Barnett said that over 200 children attended Santa Day where they had the opportunity to meet Santa, get pictures with him, and tell them what was on their wish list. The toys donated by Adams and Gormanson helped fill each gift bag presented to every child at Santa Day. Holiday cookies were an added treat for kids who came to visit Santa.

Cowden, who loved helping children, graduated from Berea College in May 2017 and received a Bachelor of Arts in Child and Family Studies. During her time as a student there, Cowden worked as a teaching assistant in the Child and Family Studies Department and at the college's child development laboratory. Adams and Gormanson plan to promote the toy drive again next year.

To learn more about service opportunities at the Grateful Threadz or Grateful Bread or to find out more about Christian Appalachian Project, visit christianapp.org.

"Fires"

(Continued from front)

until after 6 p.m. and keep the fire small and manageable." Dyehouse also suggests that residents never burn during high winds even if it is during acceptable hours for burning.

Livingston Fire Department Chief Chris Mason said his crews have been very busy as well. "We have had seven grass and woodland fires since last Saturday. A lot of ours is caused by ATVs backfiring in the woods."

Mason suggests ATV riders avoid dry areas and keep clear of combustible materials

Mason agreed that many of the fires that have gotten out of control are due to carelessness. "If people would pay attention to the burn ban, it would reduce the number of fires that get out of control."

David Bales, Chief of the Mount Vernon Fire Department said the city department has not had as many calls concerning brushfires. "We have been really lucky in Mount Vernon. But most departments outside the city limits have been covered up with grass fires, especially Climax."

In fact, the Climax Fire Department has had days with more than one grass and woodland fires.

Climax Fire Chief Brian Wynn said his department has been overrun with grass and wood fires recently. "We were certainly glad to

see this rain (Tuesday)," he said. "It has been so dry and windy that even tossing a cigarette out a car window could cause us to lose acres of land."

In fact the Climax responded to two separate fires on Burnt Ridge Road, in one day this past weekend that burned over 20 acres of land.

But the biggest fire fight of all came Monday when the Climax Fire Department was called to Green Pond Ridge Road.

Wynn said the division of forestry helped with the fire and there were two bulldozers and a helicopter fighting the blaze.

"It was quite the scene up there fighting that one and when it was put out we had lost between 80 and 100 acres of forest," said Wynn.

Wynn agrees that most fires in the wild are caused

by carelessness or not observing the burn ban. "People need to obey the burn ban even if it is raining," he added.

The ban lasts in Rockcastle County until December 15 and makes it illegal to burn between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. or within 150 of brush or wooded areas even if the burn is in legal hours.

"Election"

(Continued from front)

In District Three Kevin Begley is now running for Magistrate.

In District Four, Donnie Cope entered the race for Magistrate.

All who have registered are listed as Republican candidates.

There are still no candidates registered for Coroner or Circuit Clerk.



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"Kirby"

(Continued from front)

ments for fines, keeping the cash and doctoring office records.

Kirby agreed Wednesday, November 29th, in district court, to take the Alford Plea, which means that she does not admit guilt of the charges, but does admit that the prosecution could likely prove the charges in court, to one count of attempt abuse of public trust.

She must pay restitution of \$665 by the time of final sentencing, set for May 23, 2018. At that time, she will be permitted to withdraw her guilty plea with prejudice which means that the charges, including the one of theft by unlawful taking, cannot be brought again at a future date.



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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, December 7, 2017



Triangle Park in Mount Vernon was lit up Thursday night during the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony.



Kiwanis Club members Glenda McFerron, Tammy Cox, Keith Pierce and Gary Mink hand out goody bags during the Tree Lighting Ceremony last Thursday.



The RCHS Brass Band, under the direction of Mr. Greg Daugherty, performed during the Tree Lighting Ceremony Thursday night.

Visit Santa Claus this Friday night



Bring the children out to visit Santa Claus and enjoy the decorations Friday night starting at 7 p.m. at the home of Sam and Dana Singleton in Houston Point Subdivision on Cedar Rapids Rd.



Mailbox for Letters to Santa

Santa Claus installed a large red mailbox at Triangle Park in Mt. Vernon. Children that send Santa a letter will receive a response letter from their jolly friend. Just have your child write a letter, include your return mail address and drop it into the "Santa Letters" mailbox before December 20th. The Rockcastle County Development Board, Rockcastle Chamber and the Rockcastle High School Key Club partnered with Santa to provide this service to our children.



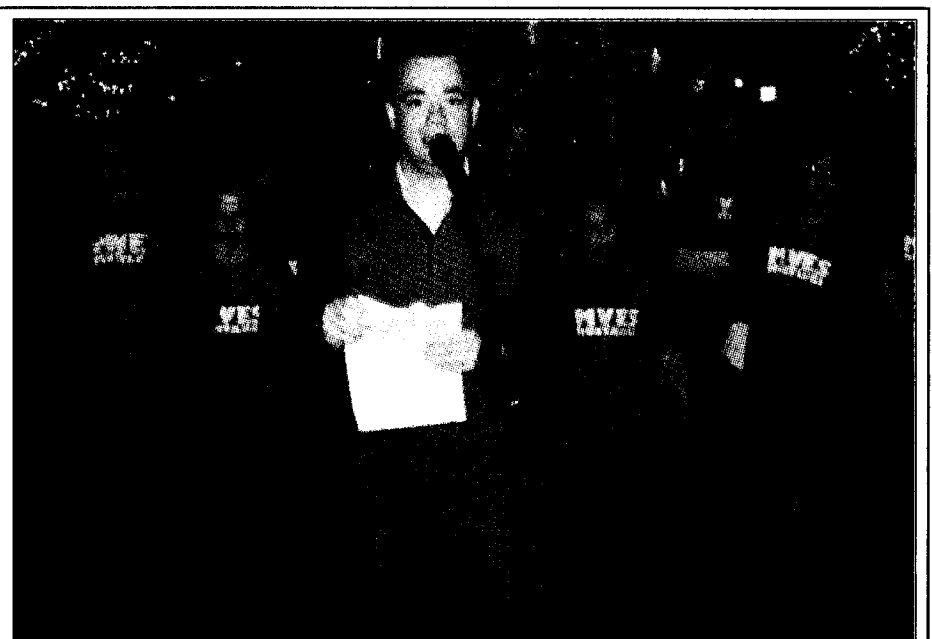
Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant spoke during the Tree Lighting Ceremony held last Thursday night in Triangle Park. The ceremony was coordinated by Kiwanis Club member Martha Cox.



The Mount Vernon Pentatones, under the direction of Mrs. Jamie Cornelius, entertained the crowd during the Tree Lighting Ceremony Thursday night.



RCHS senior Maggie Franklin sang "Mary Did You Know" during the ceremony Thursday night at Triangle Park.



Kiwanis Club member John Lambert welcomed those in attendance to the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony held in Triangle Park.



MVES Pentatone member Miss Lila Holt led the crowd in prayer during the festivities.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Cali Marie Parker, 22, Brodhead, social worker and Andrew Harvey Pensol, 25, Mt. Vernon, ambulance service director. 11/27/17
 Katessa Star Daulton, 34, Eubank, nurse and Greg Farmer, 36, Eubank, laborer. 12/1/17
 Carly Janie McClure, 25, Mt. Vernon, SRNA and Kenneth Lee Mason II, 28, Mt. Vernon, dispatcher. 12/4/17

Circuit Civil Suits

Cecil Smith v. Scottie Cotton, et al, verified petition for custody.
 Allyson Hoskins v. Grace A. Devine, et al, complaint.
 Kentucky Housing Corp. v. Amanda Stevens, et al, \$54,176.59 plus claimed due.
 Heights Finance Co. v. Tiffany Paks, \$5,148 plus claimed due. CI-00273

Deeds Recorded

Janet Elliott, Executrix and Kathy and Ed Arsenia, property on waters of Renfro Creek and Clyde Barnett Road, to David James Woodson and Janet Elliott. No tax
 Luke and Sherry Linville, property in Lear Crest Subdv., Mark and Deanna Carpenter. Tax \$10
 James E. Bradley, property in Rockcastle County, to Masters Vintage Toys, Inc. Tax \$233
 Jones Kevin and Linda Hamm, property on old US 150, to Jarret Kevin Hamm. No tax
 Fernese Blevins, property in Brodhead, to Dan Epperson, Jr. and Ruby M.

Epperson. Tax \$77
 Robert L. Gray, property on the waters of Buffalo Creek, to Robert L. Gray, Jr. No tax
 Donald Littrell, Trustee, property on Charlie Hasty Road, to Kimberly Jo and Matt Dees. Tax \$185
 Ruby and Jeanitta Marie Montano, property on Copper Creek Road, to Richard A. Birney. Tax \$11
 Benjamin Eugene and Candace E. Scheid-Caldwell, property on Hummel Road, to Clinton W. and Tonya N. Mansfield. Tax \$150

Scott Mullins, property in Benton Bullock Subdv., to Robert S. Mullins. Tax \$1
 Jeff and Alicia Wilson, property in Rockcastle County, to Renae Gadd. Tax \$18
 Oscar William and Ruby Day, property on US 150, to David Lawson and Jennifer Dyan Whitt. Tax \$65
 Sarah Miracle, property on US 25, to Cody and Brittany Wallin. Tax \$62.50
 Wanda Faye Lamb, property near Level Green, to Dennis and Donna Doan. Tax \$20
 Edward and Eliza Barnett, property in Rockcastle County, to Andrew Jones. Tax \$22.50
 Danny and Wanda Allen, property in Rockcastle County, to Samantha Jolene and Justin Miller. No tax

District Civil Suits

Heights Finance Co. v. Jesse Martin. \$4,055 plus claimed due.
 JH Portfolio Debit Equities v. Charlotte Broughton, \$4,191 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding v. Carri McKnight, \$1,914 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank v. Carri McKnight, \$1,854 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank v. Debbie Owens, \$1,141 plus claimed due.

Heights Finance Co. v. Ernest Cromer, \$2,214 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding v. Virgil Mullins, \$746 plus claimed due.
 LVNV Funding v. Vickie Burdette, \$823 plus claimed due.
 LVNV Funding v. Ryan Kinney, \$1,159 plus claimed due. C-00394

District Court

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Julia B. Brock: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/SECURITY, license to be in possession and no operators/moped license, 10 days in jail, each count/concurrent plus one costs.
 Travis Aron Debord: public intoxication, 10 days in jail, plus costs.
 Lindsey Belew: no/expired registration plates - receipt, no operators/moped license, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Jeffrey Chesnut: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, \$500 fine/suspend \$400 on condition plus costs; operating vehicle w/expired operators license, \$25 fine.
 Anthony Dylan Coomer: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 Jerry Lee Denny, Jr: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, improper registration plate, failure to wear seat belts, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, one headlight, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 David Durham: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; obstructed vision and/or windshield, \$25 fine.

Robert Shane Fain: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Shelly Looney: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, disorderly conduct, bw issued for fta.
 Valerie Tamar Thompson: speeding, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Samantha A. Baldrige, Jacob Elisharay Blevins, Kevin-Ray Michael Dawes, Dustin Ryan Hines, Jacob Wayne Witten, Dereck Jeremy Cameron, license suspended for fta; Kassandra Lynn Justice, William J. Richardson, paid; Corey A. Thompson, action slip; Valerie Thompson, \$18 fine plus costs;
 Edward S. Wentz: failure to wear seat belts, speeding, Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor Vehicle, license suspended for fta.
 Richard C. Young: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor Vehicle, paid.

Ian D. Bryant: Ot 393, Federal safety Regs, Parts Needed for Safe Operation, Pt 396, Fed Safety Regs Inspect/Repair/Maintenance, Pt. 395 Fed Safety Regs 1-Hours of service for drivers, bw issued for fta.
 Thomas Wayne Daugherty: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 Jose Duarte-Cala: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg, Driving of Motor Vehicle, bw issued for fta.
 Earl G. Feathers: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Christopher Eugene Flannery: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Faith Allison Shannon: failure to wear seat belts, paid.

Eddy Soto: failure to wear seat belts, paid.
 Donald Abney: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$50 fine; no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; license to be in possession, \$50 fine; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.
 Daniel Norman Blackburn: possession of

marijuana, 30 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Sad Tait Capresha: unauthorized use of motor vehicle, possession of marijuana, bw issued for fta.
 Juan Manuel Casarubias: improper registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, operating under influence of alcohol/drugs, no operators/moped license, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Paul Daniel Clark: improper equipment, failure to notify address change to Dept. of Transp., driving DUI suspended license, bw issued for fta.

Brian D. Fleenor: disregarding stop sign, \$25 fine; operating ATV on roadway, \$25 fine plus costs.
 Tamia Nishay Good: unauthorized use of motor vehicle, possession of marijuana, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.
 Joshua J. Greenwell: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, possession of marijuana, 30 days (each count/concurrent), probated 24 months on condition plus one cost.

Adam Herrera: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs. \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension plus ADE.
 Jesus C. Alain: speeding, \$50 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; no operators/moped license, \$100 fine; reg & title requirements

veh. not oper. on hwy, \$50 fine plus costs.

Ernesto Maldonado-Colon III: careless driving, license suspended for fta.

Kim McPherson: failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, license to be in possession, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Stephanie Miller: no/expired registration plates, \$50 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$50 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, \$500 fine; license to be in possession, \$50 fine; failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., \$50 fine; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, \$50 fine plus costs.

Thomas Laney Poynter, Jr: assault, falsely reporting an incident, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

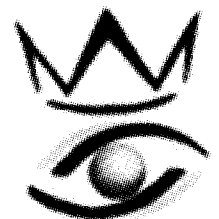
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Rayshawn M. Wilson: possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, 60 days (each count)/probated 24 months on condition plus one cost.

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Sponsorships and money due by December 19th.

Flight Times for: RCHS: Friday, Jan. 5th at 5:00pm.

RCMS: Friday, Jan. 5th at 5:00 and 6:00pm.

MVES, Friday, Jan. 5th at 6:00 and 7:00 pm.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids will be received, opened, and immediately read aloud at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 19, 2017 for the Rockcastle County High School - HVAC/Roof Replacement Project. The bids will be received at the Rockcastle County School Board of Education, 245 Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

The project site is located at 1545 Cumberland Lake Pkwy, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. The bid is to furnish all necessary labor, materials, tools, machinery, warranties, and all other items required to renovate the HVAC System, Replace Roof and E.I.F.S., Extend Drive Lane and repave existing parking lot to meet plans and specifications. Work to include, but not limited to; ceilings, lighting, electrical, hvac, roofing, E.I.F.S. and minor site grading, new asphalt paving and striping.

The project is separated into the following Bid Packages:
 Bid Package No. 1 - Roof and E.I.F.S. Replacement
 Bid Package No. 2 - HVAC Replacement
 Bid Package No. 3 - Asphalt Paving
 Bid Package No. 4 - Combination BID

Interested Contractors shall attend a mandatory pre-bid conference on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. at the project site, 1545 Cumberland Lake Pkwy, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening. Each bid must include a bid security in the amount of 10% of the total bid in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or surety company bond made payable to the Rockcastle County School Board of Education.

If a bid security in the amount of 10% of the full bid amount is submitted with the bid, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and payment bond and labor and material bond from an acceptable surety in the amount of 100% of the full contract amount. If a bid guaranty bond in the amount of 100% of the total bid is submitted with the bid, performance and labor and material bond will be required.

The contract documents have been prepared by N3D Group, 1204 Winchester Road, Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40505. For additional information or questions, send email inquiries to HYPERLINK "mailto:snoel@n3dgroup.com" snoel@n3dgroup.com or phone 859-303-5708. Copies of the documents may be purchased from Lynn Imaging, 328 East Vine Street, Lexington, KY, 40507, (859) 255-1021 or www.lynnimaging.com.

All provisions of the Kentucky Revised Code as it relates to bid guaranty's conditions, liabilities, and withdrawal of a bid are applicable to this contract. The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to accept any bid which is deemed most favorable. The owner also reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the owner: Rockcastle County School Board of Education



RCHS JV Academic Team places second overall

The RCHS JV Academic Team placed second overall in the Section 10 JV Challenge competition held at Rockcastle County High School. The Quick Recall team finished second and the following students placed in Written Assessment: In Math, Autumn King placed third. In Science, Jonathan Cain placed third. In Social Studies, Drew Bullock placed first. In Language Arts, Audrey Childress placed third and Kristen Taylor placed second. In Arts and Humanities, Aden Amburgey placed third. And, in Composition, Kristen Taylor placed fifth.

Members of the RCHS JV Academic Team celebrating their strong performance at JV Challenge are front from left: Lydia Whittworth, Kristen Day and Brianna Owens. Back row from left: Drew Bullock, Jonathan Cain and Hayden Robinson. Not pictured: Aden Amburgey, Audrey Childress and Autumn King.



RCHS Band Members advance to final round of All-State auditions

Congratulations to members of the RCHS Band who auditioned at the district level for the 2018 KMEA All-State Band. The band members will represent District 11 in the finals rounds of auditions held at John Hardin High School on December 9th. Members include Abigail Fletcher on Tuba, Tarrylton Dunn on Alto Saxophone, and Brooklyn Lane on Clarinet.

Rockets archery season underway

The RCHS and RCMS Archery Teams began their season on Saturday at the Caudill Reindeer Shoot in Richmond. Congratulations to both teams on great beginnings during their first competition of the season.

For the RCHS Rockets, senior Sam Brickley led the team with 12 bullseyes and his all-time personal best score of 277. Sam finished 13th overall out of 95 male high school archers. Maggie Franklin led the girls with her personal best score of 275. Freshman Gentry Phillips also had his all time personal best on Saturday with 267, as did CJ Cameron with a score of 264. Freshmen Jillian Wallin and Brooke Renner achieved their top scores ever as well. Rounding out the top twelve for the team's final score were: Brylee Gill, Jackson Cromer, Megan Taylor, Sarah Allen, Kim Wheat, and Joseph Cowan. Brylee, Maggie and CJ each had 10 bullseyes. Congratulations to freshman Naomi Co on her good shooting during her first ever tournament.

It was a great performance for the RCMS team as well. 8th grader Emily Maupin led the middle school Rockets with her top score of 269 which finished her as 14th out of 80 middle school female shooters at the tournament. Emily hit the bullseye 10 times. TJ Ramsey had the most bullseyes for the team with 12 and led the male shooters for RCMS with a score of 266. Next in scoring for the Rockets were 7th graders Allison McCoy who scored her best performance ever with a 250 and Ethan Cromer who did the same with a 247. Other team members exceeding their previous bests were J.T. Kelley, Trace Boone, Cody Kirby, Adam Kimsey, Joseph Elam, and Kylee Rodefer. Other archers finishing in the team's top 12 and adding to their total team score were Liz Renner, Daejeon Dean and Alex Robinson.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on December 6, 2017 Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") have filed an application with the Public Service Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky for approval of revisions in its Demand-Side Management and Energy-Efficiency ("DSM-EE") program portfolio, as shown in KU's Adjustment Clause Demand-Side Management Cost Recovery Mechanism ("DSM") tariff and the resulting changes in its DSM Cost Recovery Component ("DSMRC") charges. In its application, KU will notify the Commission that the revised DSM tariff sheets are proposed to become effective on and after January 5, 2018; however, because KU anticipates the Commission will suspend the proposed changes in the DSM tariff to conduct an investigation of the proposed changes, KU will ask the Commission to approve the proposed changes in its DSM-EE program portfolio and resulting charges under the DSM tariff to be effective on January 1, 2019.

The proposed changes to the DSM-EE program portfolio, if approved, will result in changes to the DSMRC calculated under the DSM tariff for all affected electric rate classes as follows:

Rate RS, RTOD-E, RTOD-D, and VFD			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00290	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00104	Difference per kWh -\$ 0.00186	% Change -64.1%
Rate GS			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00142	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00106	Difference per kWh -\$ 0.00036	% Change -25.4%
AES			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00095	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00357	Difference per kWh +\$ 0.00262	% Change +275.8%
Rate PS, TODS, TODP, RTS, FLS, SPS, STOD, and OSL			
Current charge per kWh \$ 0.00059	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00067	Difference per kWh +\$ 0.00008	% Change +13.8%

KU proposes also to make available DSM-EE program to, and to apply DSM charges to, industrial customers. KU is also revising its definition of "industrial" for the purposes of DSM to include only those customers engaged in activities primarily using electricity in a process or processes that involve either the extraction of raw materials from the earth or a change of raw or unfinished materials into another form or product. KU is also proposing an opt-out for industrial customers' meters serving energy-intensive loads, defined as any meter served under Rate TODP, RTS, or FLS. To be eligible to opt out, an industrial customer must state it has implemented cost-effective energy-efficiency measures not subsidized by other rate classes for the loads served by the meters to be opted out. Customers choosing to opt out eligible meters must submit an opt-out form to KU; properly completed and submitted opt-out forms will be processed and opt-outs implemented by the second full billing cycle following form submission. Opt outs will be effective indefinitely, though a customer may seek to opt back into DSM charges and DSM-EE programs for opted-out meters as soon as one year after opting out. Any opted-in meter or meter that serves load that has participated in a DSM-EE program may not opt out for at least three years after most recently opting in or participating in a DSM-EE program, whichever is later.

In addition, KU proposes to include DSM in the Adjustment Clauses section of Rate FLS because such customers will now be able to participate in DSM-EE programs and be subject to DSM charges unless meters served under Rate FLS are opted out.

The estimated amount of the annual change and the average monthly bill to which the proposed DSMRC charges will apply for each electric customer class is as follows:

Electric Rate Class	Average Monthly Usage (kWh)	Annual \$ Increase	Annual % Increase	Average Monthly Bill \$ Increase
Residential	1,179	(11,001,457)	(63.9)	(2.19)
Residential Time-of-Day	1,171			(2.18)
General Service	1,805	(618,661)	(25.2)	(0.65)
All Electric School	21,341	364,440	275.8	55.91
Power Service	41,148	431,732	15.2	3.29
TODS (Secondary)	245,336			19.63
TODP (Primary)*	1,241,109			99.29
Retail Transmission*	4,180,317			332.83
Fluctuating Load*	46,076,486			3,686.12
School Power Service	46,098			3.69
School Time-of-Day	118,621			9.49
Outdoor Sports Lighting Service	6,056			0.48

* KU formulated the DSMRC Charges applicable to Rates TODP, RTS, and FLS assuming that industrial customers taking service under those rates will choose to opt out eligible meters. Therefore, KU does not anticipate such customers will actually incur the costs shown; however, the table above reflects the impacts to such customers if they elect not to opt out, though the DSMRC Charges, and particularly the DSM Billing Adjustment, may change to reflect the additional revenues from such customers' load paying DSMRC Charges.

Complete copies of the proposed tariffs containing text changes and proposed rates may be obtained by contacting Kentucky Utilities Company at 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 1-800-981-0600, or visiting Kentucky Utilities Company's website at www.lge-ku.com.

Notice is further given that a person may examine this application at the offices of Kentucky Utilities Company, 100 Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, and may also be examined at Kentucky Utilities Company's website at www.lge-ku.com. A person may also examine this application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission, by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by sending an email to the Commission's Public Information Officer at psc.info@ky.gov. All comments should reference Case No. 2017-00441.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company, but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or mailing of the notice, the commission may take final action on the application.

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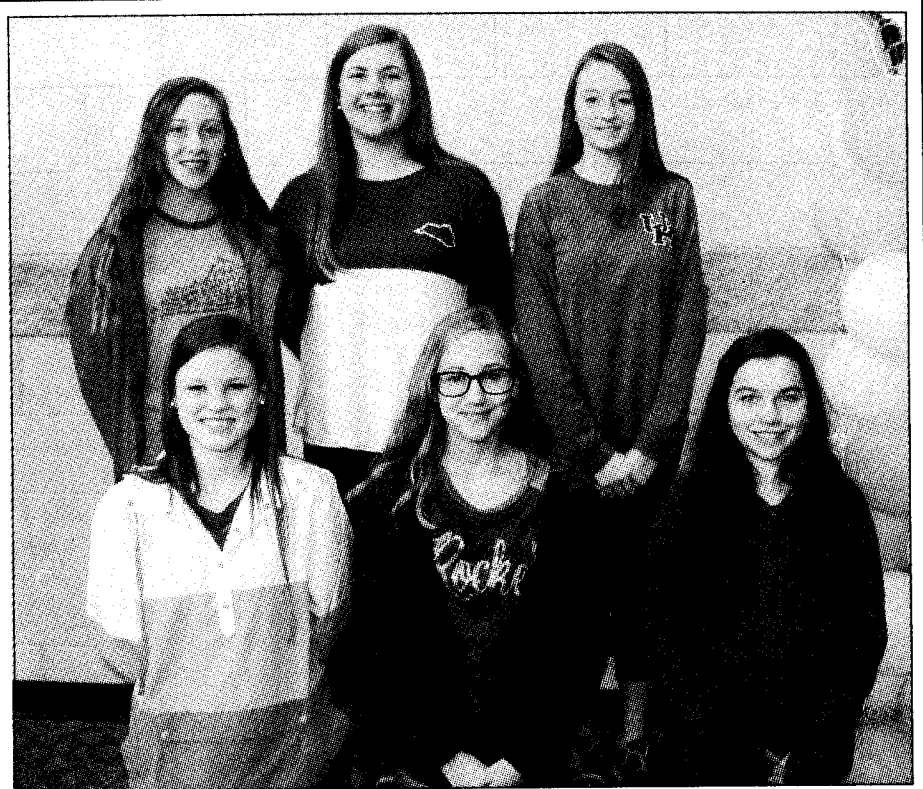
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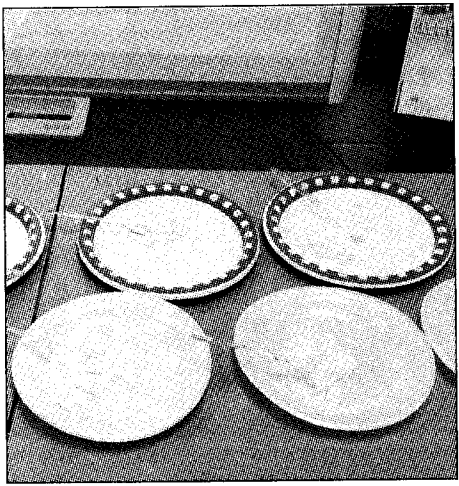
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MVES. Academic Team has practice on Monday, December 11. If you haven't paid your archery dues please send this in by December 9th. 4-H Speech Contest will be Tuesday, December 12 at MVES at 6:00 p.m. MVES Pentatones Christmas Concert will be Friday, December 15 at 1:30. Christmas Break begins

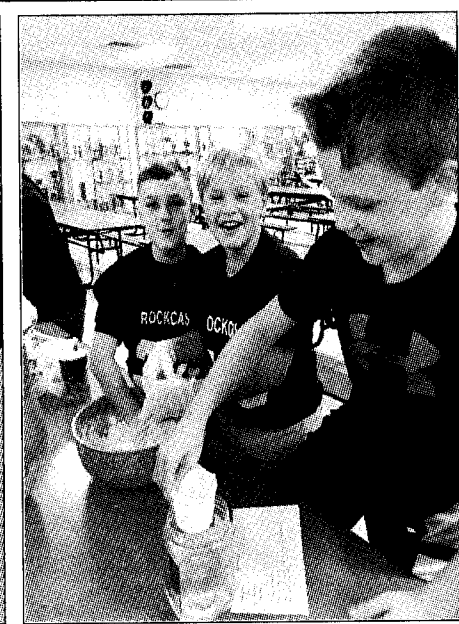
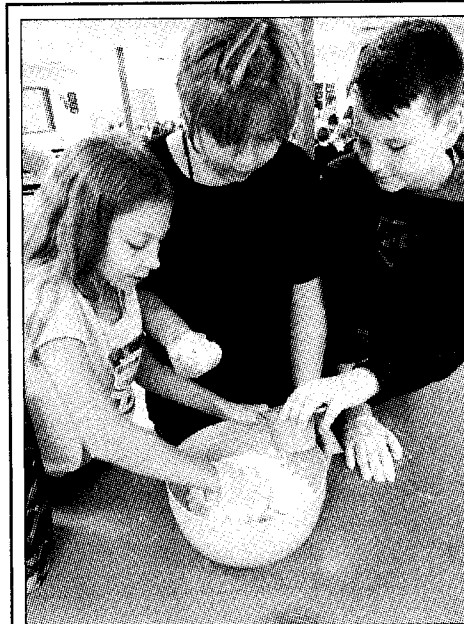
Wednesday, December 20. Students will return on Wednesday, January 3, 2018. **FRC News** Christmas present pick up is Wednesday, December 20 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. **Class News** 5th Grade Gifted and Talented students researched recipes and prices to make salt and flour dough for our preschool students. A good time was had by all!



Students from Rockcastle County Middle School recently participated in Girls Exploring Math and Science Conference (GEMS), at Somerset Community College. GEMS was created as a way to encourage female students to consider mathematics-oriented and science-oriented careers, to gain confidence in doing mathematics and science and to take advanced level mathematics and science courses in high school. Pictured front from left are: Emma Hackworth, Molly Craig and Caroline Brickley. Back row from left: Laney Bryant, Darby Smith, Hope Sowder.



Mrs. Kathy's and Mrs. Kaci's first grade classes at MVES enjoyed making butter last week. We had to shake the cream for a long time, but the butter was delicious.



Mt. Vernon Elementary Fifth Grade Gifted and Talented students researched recipes and prices to make salt and flour dough for our preschool students.

Money Tip for Students

Here's how to get in trouble with credit card debt

Students can get into trouble with credit card debt if they don't take time to think about what they're doing, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). One quick way to get into trouble is to carry a high balance and pay only the minimum payment each month. If you have a \$1,500 balance, your minimum payment might be \$30 a month, since many credit card companies set the minimum payment at 2 percent of the balance. Let's say your card carries a 22 percent interest rate. If you only pay \$30 a month and don't charge anything else until you pay off the entire balance, it will take you more than 11 years to pay your balance

down to zero — and you'll pay \$2,600 in interest. It's worse, of course, if you pay the \$30 and turn around and charge another \$30. That circle is especially bad for students. Many college officials say more students drop out because they have to go to work to pay off their credit cards than because they flunk out. Before using your credit card, ask yourself if you really need what you're buying and if you can afford it. And if you can't pay off the entire balance, pay as much as you can, not just the minimum. KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky

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

DAR past national officer visits Rockcastle Chapter

NSDAR Past Registrar General and KSDAR Honorary State Regent, Sharon Withers was the guest speaker of the Rockcastle Chapter DAR. Her presentation was "War and Pestilence- 1918 Influenza Pandemic." Mrs. Withers' presentation focused on ground zero of where researchers think the epidemic began and how the spread of the influenza virus affected communities both here in Kentucky and abroad. Her presentation also focused on how the transport of the WWI soldiers to Europe and back home contributed to the spread of the virus. Mrs. Withers' presentation was part of the World War I centennial celebration of the DAR and one of the first events for the Rockcastle's yearlong "Paint the Town Red" themed program. Proclamations, preservation and restoration of WWI veterans' graves and planting of poppies throughout the county are just some of the events planned by the local chapter.



Chapter Regent, Debbie Brown and NSDAR Past Registrar General, Sharon Withers.

Minds in the Middle

The 8th grade class will be selling candy grams on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Those will be delivered on Friday, December 15th. The cost to send a candy cane to a friend is 50 cents. Profits will go toward their 8th grade trip. The RCMS spring musical will be performing Beauty and the Beast Junior. Auditions will be December 13th after school until 4:30. Any student interested should see either Ms. Smith or Ms. Hunt for an information sheet and permission form. Remember to purchase your yearbook. The cost is currently \$30 but will increase after Christmas break. If you are a parent/guardian of an 8th grade student and are interested in purchasing an ad for your child, those will be available until December 13th. Forms are available in the office. The Builders Club is conducting a toy drive for needy kids in our community. The deadline to make a new toy donation is December 13th. The homeroom with the best effort will receive a pizza party.

The after-school dance originally scheduled for December 8th has been cancelled. On Wednesday, we will be giving away two bicycles to a lucky boy and girl. There will be a drawing from among the students who had perfect attendance during the first semester. Thanks to Clifford Collins Backhoe for purchasing those bicycles and supporting our kids!

The Choir and Band will hold their annual Holiday Concert on Tuesday at 6:30 for the public. The concert will repeat for our students on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Thank you to our Kind Kids for this week: Jamie Gray, Rebekah Daniel, Silas Durham, Connor McGuire, Makenzie Lopez, Joe Pickle, Dalton Simpson, Andrew Cope, Landon Gray, Ashton Sanders, and Halli Bales.

Notice of Change Fiscal Court Meeting

December 14th • 1 p.m.
3rd Floor Conference Room
Courthouse
Please note the regularly scheduled December meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court has been rescheduled from December 12th to December 14th

DINNER DOCTOR

ROCKCASTLE REGIONAL

You're invited to a free catered dinner and presentation on:

"Pre-Diabetes & Prevention"

Guest Speaker: Dr. Parsons Woods, APRN

ROCKCASTLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER

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