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Lions Club volunteers raised funds throughout the year to take children Christmas shopping at Walmart in Berea this past Saturday. Approximately 23 children enjoyed shopping and ending the day with a meal at McDonald's. Local police help with the effort and the Lions Club would like to thank all who donated to the cause throughout the year. Shown with the children are Sheriff Mike Peters, Rick Brummett, William Thomason, Connie Bullen, Josh Haines, Sam Brock, Kurt Mays, Mike Deborde, Ryan Messinger and Alfred McNew.



On Tuesday, December 12th, Kentucky State Police Post 11, London and the Kentucky State Police Professional Association Chapter 11 held its annual "Shop-With-A-Trooper" program at the London Wal-Mart. The program, which operates solely from donations, was able to help 14 children from our community have a better Christmas. The KSP appreciates the local businesses and special friends throughout the community that help in this endeavor. Troopers shown with the local children were: Darren Allen, Scottie Pennington, Chris Pruitt, Adam Hensley and James Royal.

## Fiscal Court okays MOU for sale of Anchor building

At last week's regular meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, the court approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with principals of Eagle Manufacturing of North America, Inc. for the purchase of the former Anchor building over a five-year period. The MOU sets forth a purchase price of \$2,924,000 and an immediate non-refundable deposit of \$60,000 has already been made by the company which will go against the purchase price of the building. The company will also pay CSX Railroad the \$25,000 rail spur fee for 2017 which will also be credited to the purchase price. The company will also be responsible for all future rail spur fees. Under the terms of the agreement, Eagle will not have to make any further payments for the first twelve months of the agreement. Beginning in the 13th month, the company will pay the county \$18,000 per month which will be credited towards the purchase price. At the end of the five year period, Eagle Manufacturing (See "Court" on A11)

## Elaborate marijuana growing operation busted in Livingston

By: Mike French Reporter  
There will be a lot less marijuana circulating around Livingston this holiday season, thanks to the efforts of KSP Trooper Darren Allen and an ongoing investigation into illegal drug activity across the state. According to an arrest citation, Allen executed a search warrant last Wednesday, December 13th, at 100 Birch Hollow Road in Livingston, at the home of 42-year-old Matthew Green. Upon arrival at the residence, the citation says an elaborate two-stage indoor marijuana-growing operation was discovered in a separate building on the property. Police discovered 183 marijuana plants in various stages of growth and a search of the property, lasting several hours, turned up much more illegal drug materials. Police say they also found a total of 1.5 pounds of packaged marijuana in- (See "Busted" on A11)

commission the sheriff's department collects on property tax bills during December. (See "Sheriff" on A10)

## Two men arrested after contacting police officers

By: Mike French Reporter  
Two men were arrested this week in Brodhead after they each went out of their way to contact police. One of them had outstanding arrest warrants and the other had heroin on his person. Brodhead Police officer Travis Davis was dispatched to West Main Street in Brodhead Monday, December 18th, after a call to the 911 dispatch center was disconnected. According to the citation, the caller was John Chris Newland III, 45, of Brodhead, and Davis made contact with him in reference to a complaint he had made during the phone call to 911. However, when Davis attempted to explain what Newland should do to re- (See "Arrest" on A10)

### Among other items of business

## Court increases aid to sheriff's department

At last Thursday's regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, Deputy Sheriff Dale McNew presented the court with Sheriff Mike Peters figures for the office's 2018 budget. The budget shows ex-

pected income of \$605,356 for 2018, compared to \$538,436 for 2017. The difference comes primarily from an increase (to \$63,858

from last year's \$30,000) for three additional court security officers which are expected to be hired in January of 2018 to provide man-

power for the new court security system in the judicial annex building. These base funds will be provided by the Administrative Office of the Court (AOC). The other largest increase in income for the sheriff's department is an increase in the county's monthly contribution to the department from \$13,256 to \$15,970. McNew told the court the increase was being requested because of the increase in payroll brought about by a pay raise given to county employees in October of this year of \$1 an hour. The court approved the request for the increase in their monthly contribution.

The court also approved up to \$25,000 to cover an expected shortfall in income for 2017, \$14,000 of which, McNew said, is due directly to the pay increase. The exact amount will be determined by the amount of the

## Indictment released on teen accused of murder complicity

By: Mike French Reporter

The October 13 indictment for the Rockcastle County teen, who will be

charged as an adult in the double murder of her parents, has now been released.

Sixteen year-old Brooklyn Reynolds, whose name had not been released until last week because of her age, was indicted on two counts of complicity to commit murder.

On June 8, 2017, Chara Bryant, 35, and her husband,

(See "Teen" on A11)

## December 31 deadline to change party registration

If you have an urge to change your party affiliation, the last day to do so for the upcoming primaries, is December 31st. During the May primaries, voters may only vote according to their registration.

To change your affiliation, voters may either go to the second floor of the Rockcastle County Court House and fill out a card, or go online and change it

(See "Party" on A10)

## Lake Linville Duck hunting on agenda

Some controversy has arisen recently concerning duck hunting around Lake Linville and some residents are asking the Mt. Vernon City Council to change the existing ordinance to make such hunting illegal on the lake shore.

Though hunting is already illegal around some of the lake, the existing ordinance

(See "Duck" on A11)

## New candidates register for the May Primary

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.

Adding their names to (See "Election" on A11)

## 27 indicted locally

27 individuals were named in 28 indictments returned on Friday, December 8 by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury.

Indicted were: Thomas D. Cromer, 76, of Mount Vernon - tampering with a witness. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/

property; Gerald D. Robbins, 65, of Brodhead - wanton endangerment, first degree. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property; Amanda Brooke Slusher, 33, of Livingston on five

(See "Indict" on A11)



Workers with Eagle Manufacturing began unloading the first equipment to be installed in the former Anchor Packaging building last week and more equipment was installed this week. Shown with principals of the company were Magistrates Shannon Bishop and Billy McKinney and County Judge-Executive Doug Bishop.

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## Aces Over

By: Mike French



The people of Mount Vernon have been very good to me. I love it here.

I was born and raised in Madison County but, to be honest, they usually vote the wrong way over there to keep me happy. I like Rockcastle much better. I feel like a life long resident here.

I have a very visible job and at most events that I attend, I'm standing out in front of people taking pictures for our readers and do my very best not to get in the way of police or fire or EMS workers.

They have all been so good to me and given me access and information to give the public every week. It's not only because we get along very well and they can see my respect for their job and appreciation for their work, but also because they are transparent and want the public to know what's going on in their county.

Public officials have also been very good to me. I have made pretty good friends with a lot of people you elected for office in the county. Judge Bishop and Mayors Bryant, Medley and Cash have been nothing but helpful to me and I appreciate their efforts so much. They don't hold back anything and keep the public very well informed.

Council members and Jailer Carlos McClure are also very open and honest with me and make my job so much easier by always answering any question I put to them.

Local residents should know how lucky they are to have such officials. I have worked in counties where getting information out of elected officials is like pulling hen's teeth.

David Pensol and the school board are the same way. I have never called them that they weren't willing to help. Becky at the school board, Becky at city hall in Mount Vernon and Becky at Brodhead City Hall help me get information for the public that would otherwise be difficult to find. I must get along well with people named Becky.

I know how busy police are. I've seen them in action. But Mike Peters and Brian Carter and Joe Rush and Travis Richardson and William Harris have never failed to answer their cell phone when I call. They are more than happy to cooperate with the press which is basically saying they want you to know how your tax dollars are spent and what your officials are doing in your city. That's saying a lot in my opinion.

The deputies and assistants are also always willing to help.

The principals, teachers and staff at our schools answer my every question about the schools that your children attend and they work diligently to provide safe, clean, education for

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## Points East

By Ike Adams



Last Monday evening Loretta and I were among the several hundred parents and grandparents who attended the B. Michael Caudill Middle School Band's Holiday Concert at EKV's Center for the Performing Arts located on the Campus of Eastern Kentucky University.

I am not sure what we were expecting but I can tell you, for sure, that what we experienced was far, far better and so much more impressive that words fall short in describing the difference. Suffice to say that I can't recall the last time I was as emotionally moved by a live musical performance as I was by these 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade student musicians.

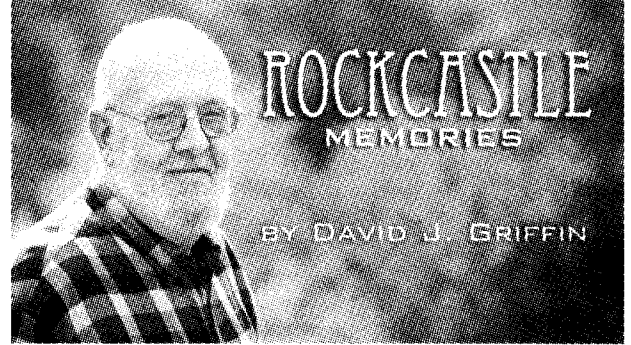
The entire "Band" would not have fit onto the stage at one time. Instead, there were three bands; one for each grade level. Assuming my math is close to accurate, there were 106 members of the 6th Grade Band, 70 7th, and 74 8th Graders or more than 240 all told. The 6th Graders as a group made for a very full stage.

Prior to this exposure to music in our public schools

at these grade levels, my mindset was on the most basic of beginner instruments—flute phones and the like and, perhaps, some beginner keyboards and the like.

I was not expecting the entire realm of real, adult, brass, woodwinds and percussion instruments one would expect to see in a high school or college con-

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A couple of hunting buddies

"All too soon our bookmark moments of Christmases past are edged in poignant thoughts of loved ones no longer with us." Byron Crawford's leading sentence in his most recent column (Christmas Train) was outstanding. It took me back to a special time with my grandfather (Pop).

When I was ten-years-

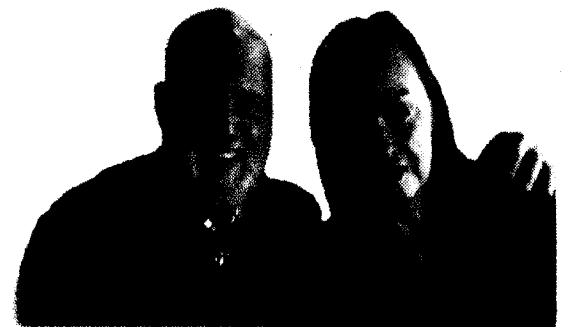
old, Pop purchased for me my first shotgun, a Stevens, single-barreled, 20-gauge, with a 30-inch barrel. As soon as he gave me this special gift, he and I began to squirrel hunt in the woods behind his house. He provided all the correct lessons on correctly using a firearm.

Later that same year,

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May the joyous spirit of Christmas reside in your heart throughout the holiday season and beyond.

Merry Christmas



Mayor Mike Bryant and Carol



## LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR

### Christmas Wonderland a success at RES...

Dear Editor,

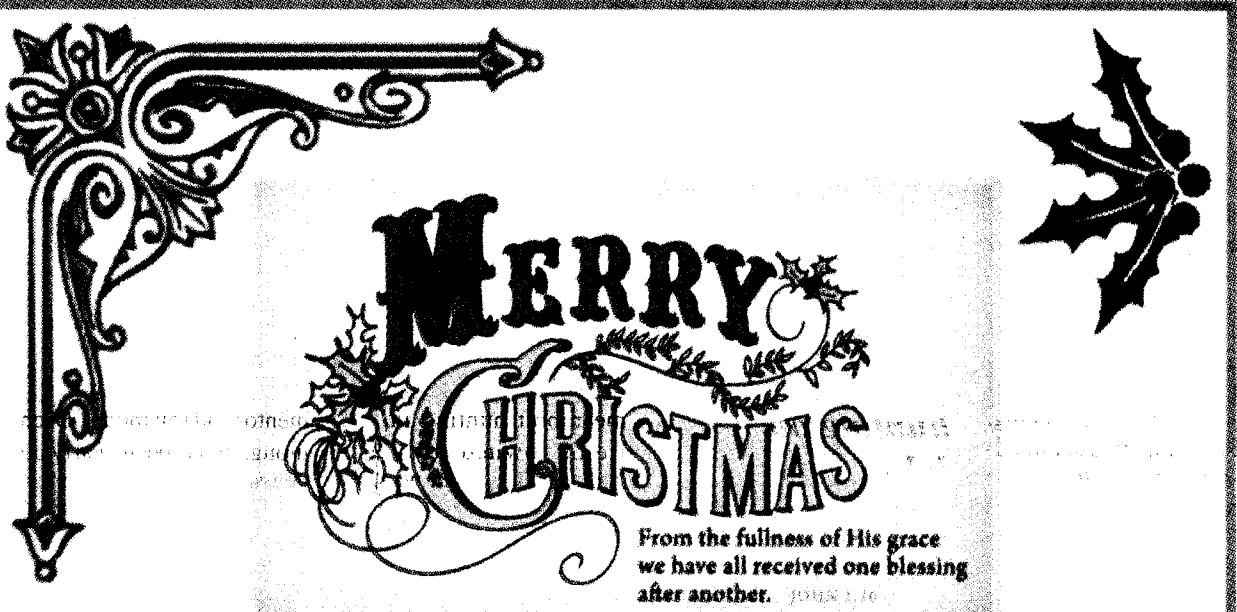
Roundstone Elementary School's Christmas Wonderland was a huge success! For the third consecutive year the Christmas Wonderland has allowed each student at RES to select two gifts and pick a gift for each sibling. They also got to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus and take a class picture and individual picture with them. Roundstone Elementary would like to thank several people and businesses for their time, effort, planning, and donations to enable this to happen.

First, a big thank you to Ms. Tanya Clark for planning, preparing, and having the vision to make this happen. Helping her in every step of the way was Ms. Becky Harding and taking photographs of each student was Ms. Tena Pigg. A special thanks goes to Mr. Ronnie and Ms. Helen Reppert for sharing the spirit of Christmas in their heart.

We also want to thank two local businesses for their generosity and kindness they have given to our students. The Dollar Store of Brodhead, and manager Amy Gilleand and cashiers, collected and donated the toys for our students and siblings to enjoy. Rite Aid and manager Jan Troxell developed our pictures so each student got their own at no charge. Also a huge thanks goes to the ladies from the Dollar Store of Brodhead and volunteers for our Eagles Nest Parent Group for coming to school and wrapping the sibling presents. They were Ashley Ashton, Karen Barron, Stephanie Blevins, Lisa Bloom, Ashley Brasher, Rachel Caldwell, Lois Dees, Amy Gilleand, Jackie Gleissner, Lori Hart, Laura Kidwell, Tiffany Pingleton, Chrystal Rice, Miranda Shearer, Natalee Taylor, and Tabitha Ward.

I would like to thank all

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From the fullness of His grace we have all received one blessing after another. JOHN 1:16

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**“Points East”**

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 cern band.

But there he was among the 6th Grade Band, our grandson, Braden Ochs, lugging a tenor saxophone more than half as big as he is and playing it far more proficiently than I would have come close to imagining.

As far as I know, Braden had never even touched a saxophone before last August. I'm betting that the flute, trumpet, clarinet, oboe, trombone, French horn, tuba, percussion and all the instrument players I'm leaving out also had their first meaningful contact with the instrument of their choice less than 5 months ago. If any of them had any contact with these very real instruments while they were in elementary school they sure kept quiet about it.

But there they were, up on the stage of one of the largest indoor concert venues (over 2,000 seats) in the state where you normally expect to see entertainers like The Doobie Brothers, The Oak Ridge Boys, Tim McGraw and Faith Hill, some big city orchestra or name your favorite concert entertainer. I would have thought the kids would consider this very heady stuff but they did not act like it was anything outside the ordinary.

These kids looked like they belonged there. Decked out in semi-formal black pants, white shirts and blouses, they looked as professional as an adult orchestra, and, at least to my ear, the music they made was far more impressive. I expect adults and even high school age bands to sound reasonably proficient. But I was not expecting to hear middle school kids perform, darn near flawlessly, relatively complex and sophisticated arrangements of traditional holiday music anywhere near the level we experienced last Monday evening.

I am embarrassed to admit that I failed to get the names of the adult teachers and directors who have taught these children to play very real music on well over

a dozen individual instruments and orchestrate it so incredibly well in such a short period of time but my hat is off to them. I am almost as impressed with the kid's level of confidence in themselves as I am with the music and that, too, reflects very highly on their adult leadership. If anyone among the performers was nervous, it certainly did not show.

So, I'm hooked. If your middle school has a band and has a concert scheduled between now through Christmas of 2018, please drop me a note. If middle school kids all over are performing like the ones at Caudill, I could become a big time fan.

**“Letters”**

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these individuals and businesses, along with the Roundstone staff for making this such a special event for the students of RES.

Sincerely,  
 Chris Bishop, Principal  
 Roundstone Elementary  
 School

**When was ordinance changed?**

Dear Editor,

After reading the letter to the editor on duck hunting, it reminded me that, at one time, there was an ordinance against hunting on the main body of the lake. Only Hysinger Hollow was specified for duck hunting.

Who changed the ordinance?

I have heard that the fish and wildlife personnel said hunters could hunt on any part of the lake.

Are they allowed to change Mt. Vernon's ordinances?

It is sad that people blatantly disobey a law.  
 Polly Abney

**Ordinance 15-90 governs duck hunting on lake...**

Dear Editor,

It has been brought to my attention the No Hunting sign, by the Lake Linville

Marina, is under City of Mt. Vernon Ordinance 15-90, written in 1991. It states, in part, that waterfowl hunting is legal on the shoreline from Hysinger Hollow to KY 1326.

A lot of that area is legally too close to the road and houses to be hunted in 2017 (and beyond).

There are many homes along Rose Hill Road that were not there in 1991 and perhaps the distance in which one can legally hunt from the road needs to be changed.

I am hoping the mayor and other officials will ride out Rose Hill Road and decide if they would like to live in an area, where it is legal to hunt waterfowl, being that close to their home and road.

I'm also hoping officials will consider the size of the lake as being too small to have a significant amount of waterfowl that needs to be killed each season.

For example, a hunter is allowed 15 coots/day. At that rate, the coots here would be wiped out in a few days. Further, if there were a few boats of hunters hunting at the same time, it would be dangerous for the hunters in such a small area.

Lastly, waterfowl hunting does not bring in enough revenue to justify it being legal in 2017 (and beyond).

The ordinance imposes a \$50 fine for hunting outside the designated area (apparently our game warden doesn't know the waterfowl laws for Lake Linville).

City officials -- please put an end to waterfowl hunting on Lake Linville ASAP!

Sincerely,  
 Kathy Horrar

**“Memories”**

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1954, during Christmas break from Mt. Vernon Elementary School, he took me rabbit hunting in the fields owned by Dee Ramsey. This area was directly behind my mother's (Bee) house.

As we slowly walked in those fields, it was snow-

ing, with a few inches already on the ground. Because this was my first time to hunt “cotton-tails,” Pop instructed me to stay a few steps behind him and to watch for movement in the clumps of briars in the field.

Because of the falling snow and the frigid temperatures, we were bundled to the hilt. I suppose I never felt closer to him than I did on that special day. As we gently walked through that hilly field, I could tell that he was more interested in teaching me the correct skills than he was in bagging a rabbit.

All at once, Pop pointed his 12-gauge toward a briar patch and whispered, “Walk slowly over that way and be ready to fire.” I did as he suggested, and a rabbit quickly ran from the area down the hill toward the woods. I fired my 20-gauge, and the rabbit was mine. The look on Pop's face displayed a fullness of pride and satisfaction. I think he was more pleased than he would have been had it been he who had fired the shot. We picked up the rabbit and continued to stroll through the fields.

About 20 minutes later, I saw Pop pull his shotgun up and fire. Once again, a rabbit fell, and we gathered our second “cotton-tail.” Although we continued the hunt for about an hour longer, we made the decision that two rabbits were sufficient for our small family. Cold and wet, we headed back to his house, where we cleaned the rabbits in preparation for Mommie Katie's cooking magic.

While Mommie Katie busied herself in the kitchen, Pop and I sat by his big Warm Morning stove drinking a mug of hot tea. We needed to warm up from our walking in the snow. We were a couple of buddies who were pleased with their hunt, and we discussed the details of our day. At that moment, even though I was a mere ten-years-old, I sure felt like a man.

Pop was a wonderful mentor and roll model. Even though it has been nearly 60 years, I have such wonderful memories of that special, snowy day with him in those fields. This one is a special Christmas memory—one that I revisit in my mind every year.

(You can reach me at themtnman@aol.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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all students. They are so dedicated it amazes me.

Chiefs Bales, Dyehouse and Mason and all firefighters also help me above and beyond the call of duty.

Liza and Danetta are also among those who help me every week and never get tired of me asking questions or displaying my ignorance on any given subject.

This is a very special town. I know everyone thinks that about their own town but I have a rare insight since I have done this job in other counties as well.

Of course (in all mod-

esty) I do my best to work with them as well. At practically every single meeting or interview, someone of authority says “don't write this part down Mike.”

But, the reason has always been for the benefit of the county or city and as long as it's not just something they don't want you to know about, I don't print it.

For example, in some cases if I publish the name of someone being investigated for drug distribution, they will read it and warn their buddies who are selling drugs on our streets and police would never be able to stop them and protect our children.

It's information they didn't have to tell me in the first place but they know that if I am familiar with the situation, I can provide our readers with much more ac-

curate, detailed information afterwards. Everyone wins.

Anyway, I just wanted to use this space in our Christmas issue to point out a few of the many who work hard to keep the public informed, our streets clean and our city and schools in good shape.

I know I will get home tonight and realize I left out some very important, helpful officials who deserve accolades for their dedication to our county, but that's just because I am getting old. Not because I meant to.

I personally wish every county and city official and first responder the merriest of Christmases and happiest of New Years.

It has been my pleasure to work with you every week and I look forward to about 40 more years of it. I may retire at 97.....nah.

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



Tea at the Tavern  
 Dear Journal,  
 I think Stanley and I have instituted a new tradition. Earlier this month we had an opportunity to attend a tea at Boone Tavern in Berea. The teas are held quarterly in the dining room of the tavern and are arranged by

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**Bookmobile Schedule**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 27th:** Wayne Stewart Center, Day Health/Senior Citizens, Cave Valley Apartments, Bryant Ridge, Hwy. 3245. **Thursday, Dec. 28th:** Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Wednesday, Jan. 3rd:** Green Hill, Fairview, Lambert Road, Brindle Ridge. **Thursday, Jan. 4th:** Brodhead and Copper Creek. **The library will be closed Mon., Dec. 25th and Tues., Dec. 26th and January 1st and 2nd.**

**Rockcastle Co. Health Dept.  
Holiday Hours**  
 The Rockcastle Co. Health Department will be closed December 25th and 26th, will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 27th and 28th and will be closed Friday, December 29th. The office will also be closed Monday, January 1st and will be open Tuesday through Thursday, January 2-4 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Friday, January 5th from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**County Extension Office Holiday Hours**  
 The Rockcastle County Extension Office will be closed December 25th-January 1st and will reopen on January 2nd.

**Change in Permit & License testing**  
 Beginning in January of 2018, all testing for permits and licenses will no longer be on Fridays but will instead be on Thursdays. Written permit testing begins at noon. Road test is given at 8 a.m.

**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.

*Merry Christmas*

*May the peace and blessings  
of Christmas be yours,  
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# Obituaries

## Wanda Boswell

Wanda Alene (Elder) Boswell, 56, of Eubank, died Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington. She was born in Stanford on May 21, 1961, to David Wayne and Edna (Cottrell) Elder. She had worked as a seamstress for Palm Beach. She was a member of Fairview Church of Christ.



Survivors include: daughter, Starr (Greg) Farmer; parents, David and Edna Elder; sister, Linda (Danny) Dillingham; sister, Brenda Shackelford; brother, Harold (Barbara) Elder; brother, Wayne (Jeannie) Elder; several nieces and nephews; two grandchildren, Dreama Dawn and Mason Kyle Daulton; and one step grandson, Layne Farmer.

Pallbearers were: Matt, Bo and Dillon Elder, Jamey Waters, Chip Dagley and Mason Daulton.

Honorary pallbearers were: mom and daddy, and Harold and Wayne Elder.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 16, 2017 at Fairview Church of Christ with Bro. Curt Herrington officiating. Burial was in Fairview Church of Christ Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made towards Wanda Boswell Memorial Fund at McKnight Funeral Home at P.O. Box 97 Crab Orchard, KY 40419.

## Edna Mullins Beard

Edna Mullins Beard, 92, of Huntington, WV, died Saturday, December 16, 2017 at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House. She was born in Mt. Vernon on June 24, 1925, the daughter of Alfred Bentley and Edna Davis Mullins. She graduated from Mt. Vernon High School and retired from the banking business and the State of Kentucky.

She is survived by: her children, Christine Beard (Edward) Miller of Huntington, WV, and Charles Stoner (Priscilla) Beard of Naples, Italy; a sister, Barbara Bird Pennington of Frankfort; three grandchildren, Erin Miller (Kevin) Meehan of San Diego, CA, Sarah Miller (Ken) Kerr of Pensacola, FL, and Clara Beard of Dana Point, CA; and five great grandchildren, Jack Meehan and Mary Meehan of San Diego, CA, and Carter Kerr, Cameron Kerr, and Charles Kerr of Pensacola, FL. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Stoner Beard of Los Angeles, CA; and a brother, Charles Alfred Mullins of Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Bruce Ross. Burial will follow in Elmwood Cemetery.

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

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) to view online obituary.

## Marie Lonetta Faulkner

Marie Lonetta Faulkner, 80, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Philadelphia, PA on January 4, 1938, the daughter of Cornelius and Ellen Brown Rayzis. She was a homemaker and a member of Bible Baptist Church. She enjoyed writing, traveling, and reading.

She is survived by: a son, Joseph Robert Martin of Williamstown, NJ; and a daughter, Joyce Terwilliger of Waverly, NY. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Debbie Martin.

Memorial services will be Thursday, December 21, 2017 beginning at 6 p.m. at Bible Baptist Church.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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## Connie Sue French

Connie Sue (Adams) French, 68, of Crab Orchard, died Sunday, December 17, 2017 at her residence. She was the wife of Paul T. French, whom she married on November 24, 1965. She was born in Crab Orchard, on May 12, 1949, a daughter of the late George "Bud" and Anna Francis (Brock) Adams. She was a member of the Crab Orchard Baptist Church and enjoyed travelling to Florida, going yard selling collecting antiques and making new friends.



Survivors include: husband, Paul T. French; son, Ricky (Monica) French; daughter, Paula Hardy; sister, Georgia (Grady) Gilbert; brother, Buddy (Debbie) Adams; sister, Clydia (Larry) Akins; three grandchildren, Gibson French, Andrew Hardy and Tevin Holcomb; aunt, Bonnie Lee; uncle, Nathaniel (Edna) Brock; aunt, Betty Fields; special caregivers, Norma Decker and Janice Southard; and many friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, George and Kenneth Adams.

Funeral services are at 1 p.m., Thursday, December 21, 2017 at Crab Orchard Baptist Church with Bro. T.J. Godbey officiating. Burial will follow in Crab Orchard Cemetery.

Pallbearers are: Jimmy Hiatt, Chris Carter, Jay Smith, Paul Playforth, Larry Pettit, and David Osborne.

Honorary pallbearers are: Anthony Carpenter, Johnny Holcomb and Shayne Adams.

Visitation was held Wednesday, December 20 at Crab Orchard Baptist Church and visiting hours on Thursday are from 8 a.m. until funeral time at the church.

## Blood Drive is next Tuesday

The need for blood doesn't take a holiday.

However, officials say blood donations can slow during this time due to travel and other holiday events.

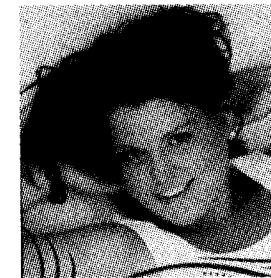
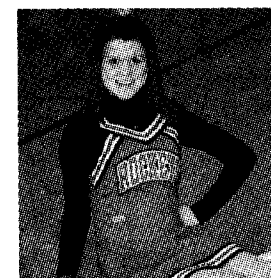
This month, the Kentucky Blood Center, (KBC) is asking everyone to roll up your sleeves and be a holiday hero for a Kentucky patient.

A blood drive will be held Tuesday, December 26th from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon in the gym.

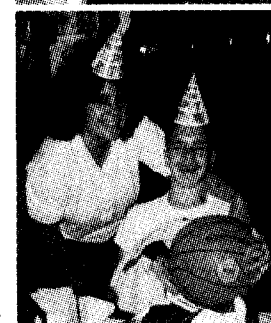
Anyone who registers for the drive will receive a KBC hoodie.

To schedule your appointment, or to get more information, call 800-775-2522, ext. 3758. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Donors must be at least 17 (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health, show an I.D. and meet other requirements..



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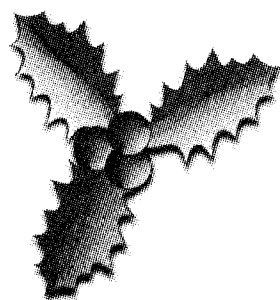
# Merry CHRISTMAS

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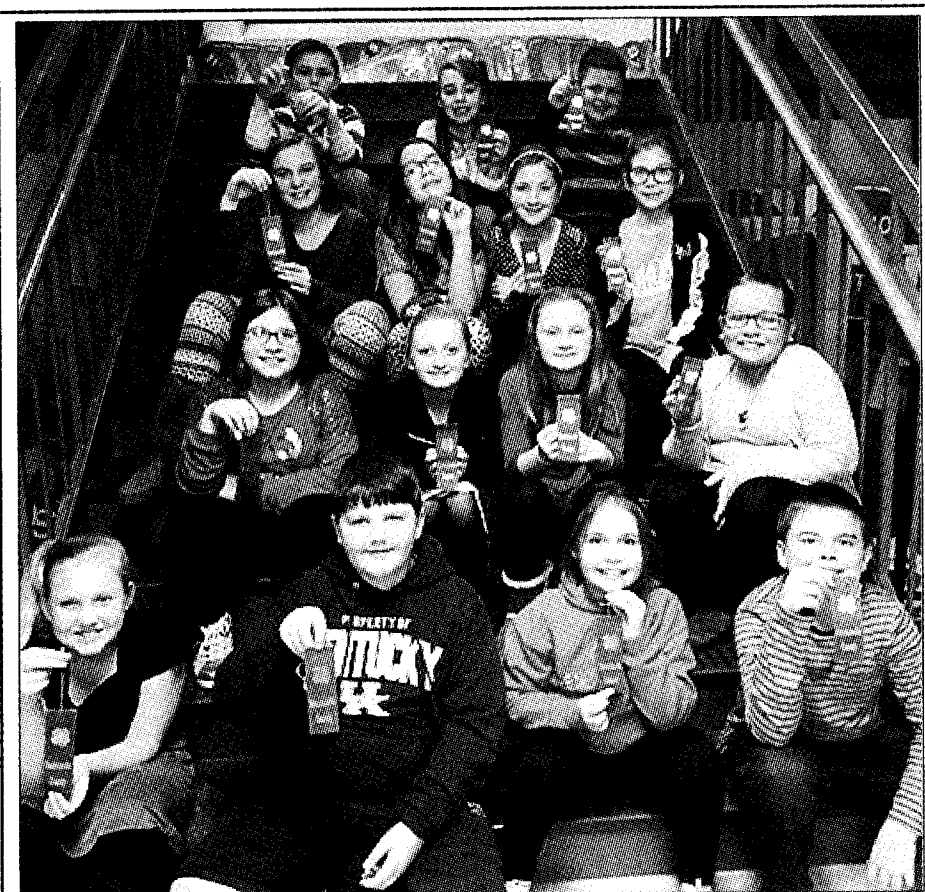
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# 4-H Speech Contest

Rockcastle County 4-H Speech Contest nine year old participants are shown at left: Hannah King, Bailey Adams, Julissa Alcorn, Susanne Mullins, Samuel Rowland, Aurora Reyes, Cailee Mullins, J'Lena Diaz, Dalton Deborde, Emma McCoy, Brooklyn Ledford, and Santana Hacker.



Rockcastle County 4-H Speech Contest 10 year old participants: Madison Hayes, Damien McGuire, Ally Hayes, Anna Chaliff, Ally Chandler, Kendra Barnes, Jaydon Bowles, Ella McKinney, Shawntel McGuire, Victoria Munguia, Madison York, Will Miller, Chloe Morris, Ethan Mills, Haley McClure and Makyla Hester. Not pictured: Liza Perrin.



Rockcastle County 4-H Speech Contest 11 year old participants from left: Ella Vance, Brylee Mullins, Justice Flora, and Bethany Chasteen.



Rockcastle County 4-H Speech Contest winners of the 9 and 10 year old age group are from left: First Place 10 year old - Haley McClure; Second Place 10 year old - Makyla Hester; 9 year old First Place winner - Dalton Deborde, and Second Place - Santana Hacker.

## "T.J.'s"

(Continued from A-3)

Linda Jennings. She has traveled to England on a few occasions and has studied the art of the tea. I, of course, admire her very much. She is considered a "tea master".

These teas are held in each season with that season in mind. I attended a spring tea about a year ago. It was just wonderful. Stanley's cousins, Cathy and Diana, went, too, and we all had such a good time. I've heard that the winter tea was the one not to miss, so I called to get tickets.

This time, I took Stanley along, thinking he would not like it very much. You know how we ladies drag our husbands here and there. As it turned out, he really enjoyed it.

We arrived a little early and waited in the lobby. Boone Tavern is one of my favorite places, with its beautiful colonial porch and inside décor. I just travel back in time

and soak it all in every time I go. My Mom attended Berea College as a young woman and worked, as all students must. She worked in the kitchen and hated every minute of it.

Finally, we were ushered to our reserved table. It was so outstandingly beautiful. There were tables with crisp, white table linens decorated with folded red linen napkins, and a fresh red rose in a vase with pine and holly adorned each table. There were chargers and china, too. All of this was set in a pastel blue colonial dining room. To add to the mystique, flakes of snow were falling outside. We could see, through the snow, the faint outlines of century-old buildings dedicated to learning.

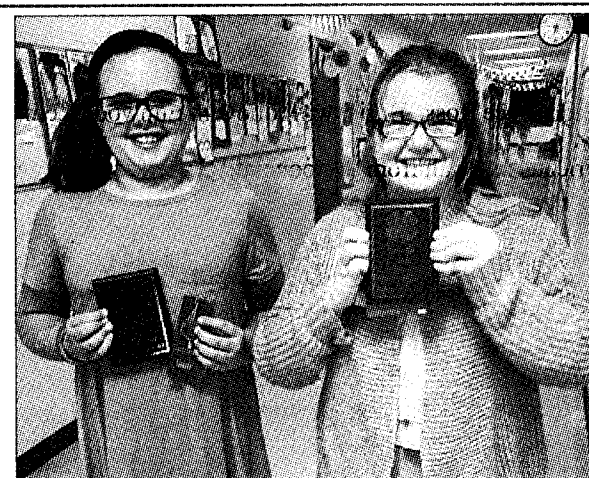
Soon, the tea was poured and the "savories" were served. Each savory was delightful in its own way; I couldn't decide which one I liked better. Everything had been prepared by a fine chef. Another kind of tea was served (we were given a

choice of four or five kinds). I preferred a special blend called Christmas un a cup.

The tower of desserts were brought to the table. The desserts were so very well done. There were at least seven or eight kinds of delectable delights, each one as good or better than the "savories". Champagne with a raspberry was served, also. Soon after being seated, I saw a table near us where several of our friends were seated. The Hunt girls, Mary Alice and Virginia, were there, and the Poynter girls, Judy, Joan, Jill, and Jennifer. It looked as though they were having a wonderful time.

Soon the afternoon drew to a close and it came time to leave this enchanting scene. Stanley was afraid that he wouldn't like it and that there wouldn't be any men there. A few men were there and he enjoyed himself. I think we will be attending again next year. It is simply impossible not to enjoy a good tea.

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Rockcastle County 4-H Speech Contest 11 year old winners are from left: Brylee Mullins - First Place and Ella Vance - Second Place. They will advance on to the District 2 4-H Speech Contest in May 2018.



*May God bless each and everyone during this season and all year 'round.*

*Merry Christmas to everyone from the Burdettes Jeff, Twila, Thomas and Zoe*

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Free Bible Courses

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

## Let the Bible Speak

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

## Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

**\*Celebrate Recovery-Broadhead:** 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.

## Watch Night Service

A Watch Night Service will be held at Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church on Sunday night, December 31st, starting at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome.

## Crab Orchard Pentecostal Note

There will not be a service on Christmas Eve at Crab Orchard Pentecostal Church. *Have a Merry Christmas! Bro. and Sister Donald King and congregation.*

## Christmas Eve Mass

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon would like to wish you a Blessed Merry Christmas and invite you to our Christmas Eve Mass at 10:30 p.m. on December 24th. Please come and celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Medley Boys will be guest musicians, providing music before and during the service.

## 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 Broadhead 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.

## Fellowship Meeting

Crab Orchard Pentecostal Church will have their Fellowship Meeting January 1, 2018 at 7 p.m. Brother Randal Adams will be our speaker this month. Brother and Sister Donald King and congregation welcome all.



New member, Maria Creel (left), took the oath of membership in a welcoming ceremony during the DAR Rockcastle Chapter's annual Christmas meeting on December 4th. Regent, Debbie Brown and Chaplain, Tonya Cook presided over the ceremony. Ms. Creel's patriot is Private Nicholas Houck of North Carolina.



Volunteers for Adopt-A-Basket were busy this past Friday handing out baskets to families at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. This year, Adopt-A-Basket helped around 200 families in need. The program was started 15 years ago by Peggy Snyder, and has helped over 1,500 families since its beginning. Volunteers pictured below are from left: Aaron Fleming, Peggy Snyder, Susan Mitchell, Jackie Linville and Darren VanWinkle.



## An encouraging word:

### A More Important Fact

By Howard Coop



The church was decorated beautifully, the music was outstanding, and the congregation responded joyfully. When the pastor began his message, he talked for a long time about what "we don't know" about the first Christmas night.

After a while, the thought came to my mind: It's true that we don't know some things about Christmas, but that's not really important. We do know certain things, and that's what matters.

It happened when Caesar Augustus was Emperor of the Roman Empire, Quirinius was governor of Syria, and Herod was king. A decree went out that "all the world should be enrolled" and Joseph and Mary "went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled."

When Joseph and Mary arrived in Bethlehem, there was no room for them in the inn, but an innkeeper gave them a place to stay in a cattle stall. "While they were there, the time came for (Mary) to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger."

That humble birth did not go unnoticed. Shepherds, while watching their flock by night, were alerted by an angel. Then, leaving their flock unattended, they went to Bethlehem and "found the babe lying in a manger."

Likewise, "wise men from the East," led by a star, came to Jerusalem. When they were given direction, they went to Bethlehem where they found the child, "fell down and worshiped him," and "offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh." After that experience, those wise men were redirected and "went to their own country by another way."

History records another fact. "When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him." "In a furious rage," he "sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under."

But there is another fact that is more important. Like the wise men that were redirected, across twenty centuries, countless individuals, encountering the manger child of Bethlehem, have had their lives redirected, and they, too, went on "by another way."

## The Mission of the Church

The mission of the Church may seem apparent to some but is not known by many people in the world. "The Church" means nothing more to many people than a place where the community gathers for recreational activity. Still others see the Church as a social service organization that distributes food and clothing to the poor. The increasing trend in the world is to socialize the church services.

What then is the Mission of the Church? The mission of the Church provided by God is for three (3) actions. The first duty of the Church is Evangelism. Christ commanded that the gospel be preached in Mark 16:15-16. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Similar passages are found in Matthew 28:18-20 and in I Corinthians 1:21 and other passages.

The second duty of the Church is Edification. Edification refers to the duty of the Church in developing and growing its spiritual strength. Paul wrote in Ephesians 4:16 "... Maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love." Hebrews 5:12 says "For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God." The Church may edify its members through worshiping in spirit and in truth. (Hebrews 10, Colossians 3, and I Timothy 3). Edification is also through proper Church discipline (2 Thessalonians 3, 1 Corinthians 5: 1-13).

The third duty of the Church is Benevolence. The Church cannot be responsible for the whole world, however the Church is responsible for certain needy saints (I Timothy 5:16 "If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed." The early New Testament Church relieved the need of its destitute (Acts 2) and widows (Acts 6).

The Church that works to fulfill its God given mission will grow and prosper. We witness an alarming trend of young people neglecting the Church. Many Churches are closing their doors because no leaders are prepared to take over the leadership of the Church. God will not bless the Church that operates in fields of endeavor that are not part of 'The True Mission of the Church.'

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Join us as we worship and praise our Heavenly father for the gift of His Son. Please come and celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Christmas Eve Mass

Sunday, Dec. 24 @ 10:30 p.m. at

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church  
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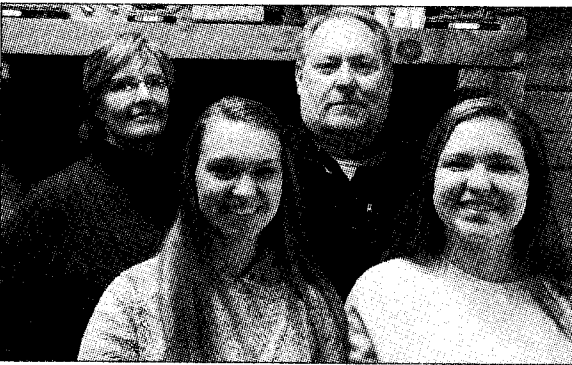
Special music prior and during service by the Medley Boys

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church would like to wish you a Blessed Merry Christmas and a Faith Filled New Year.

## Christmas Blessings

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given, And the government will be upon His shoulder, And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

With best wishes to you and yours this holiday season



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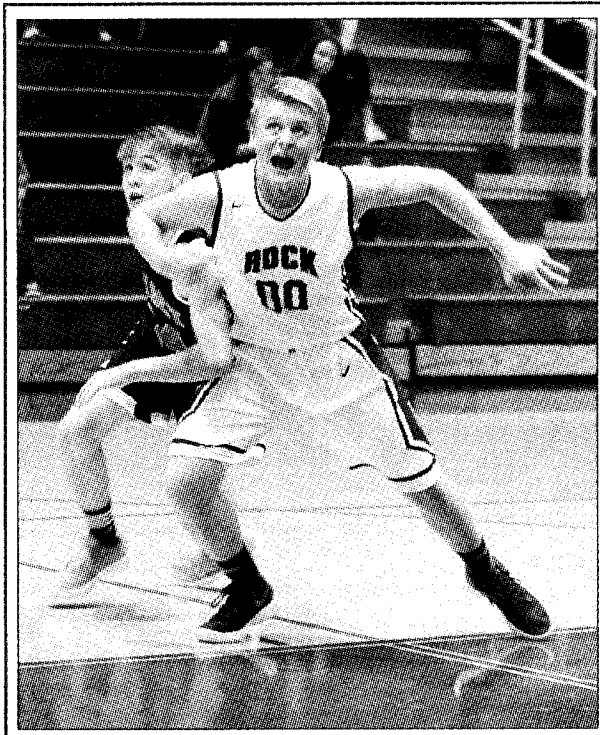
# SPORTS

## Rockets defeat Casey 64-41

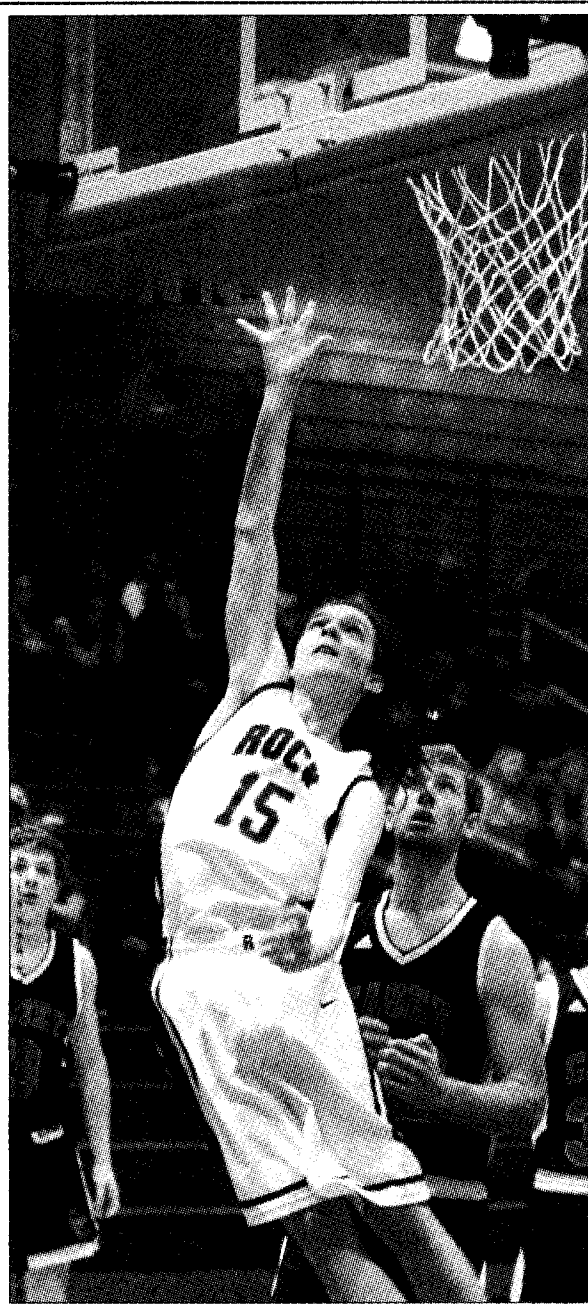
The Rockcastle Rockets picked up their second win of the season last Friday night, defeating the visiting Casey County Rebels 64-41.

The score was tied twice in the game at 2-2 and 5-5 in the first quarter. After that, it was all Rockets all the time.

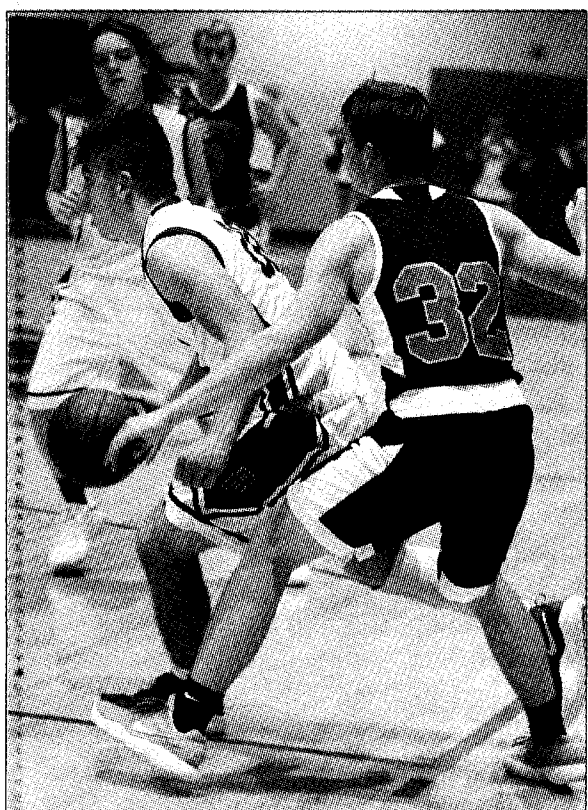
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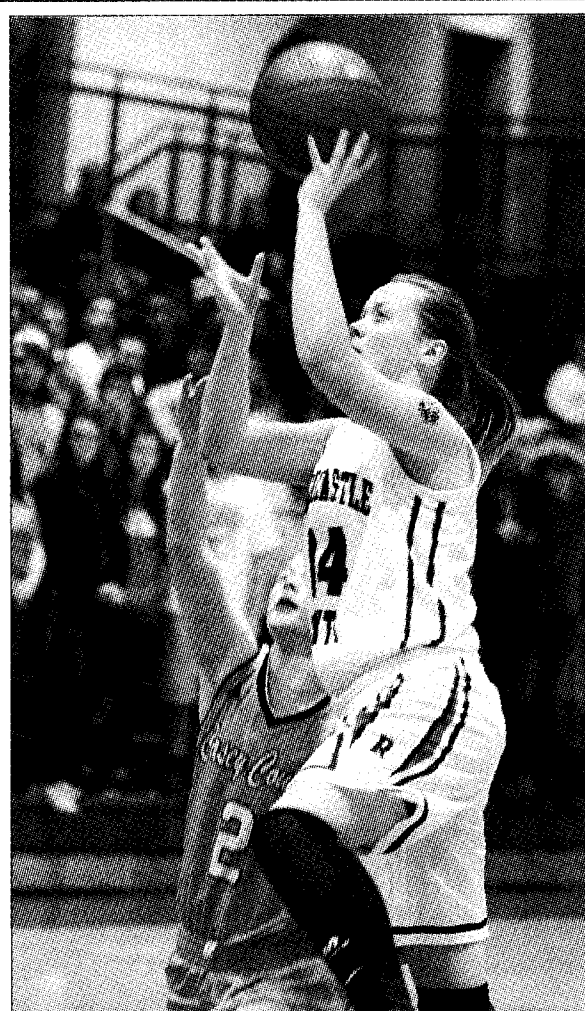
Trevor Todd works hard for a block out in the Rockets 64-41 win over Casey County last Friday night. Todd scored nine points on the night for the Rockets.



Isaac Stratton puts back an offensive rebound for the Rockets in their win over Casey County. Stratton scored seven points in the victory.



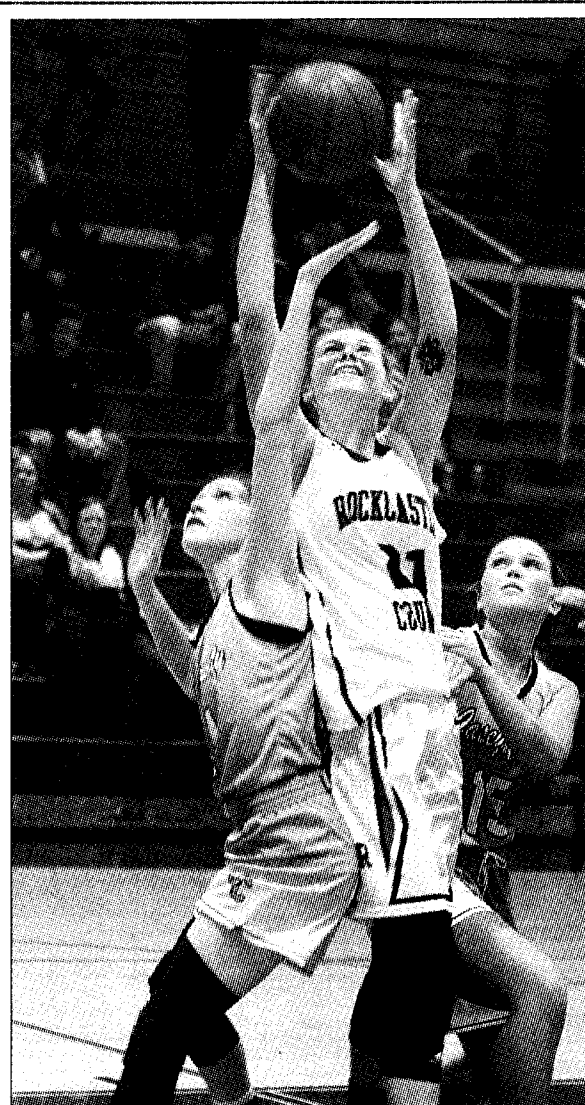
Josh Thacker makes a break for the basket in the Rockets win over Casey County. Thacker scored nine points in the victory.



Senior Emily Adams goes for two in the Lady Rockets' 53-43 loss to Casey County last Friday night. The girls turned around and defeated West Jessamine Monday night, 44-33.



Madison McIntosh guards the block for the Lady Rockets during their loss to Casey County last Friday. McIntosh scored six points on the night.



Hallie Brown goes for a rebound in the Lady Rockets' loss to Casey County last week. The Lady Rockets were led in scoring in the game by Casey Coleman with 20. Coleman also led the Lady Rockets Monday night with 19 in the win over West Jessamine.

## Lady Rockets lose to Casey; defeat W. Jess

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets split in their last two outings, losing to the Casey County Lady Rebels 53-43 in a district game and defeating the West Jessamine Lady Colts 44-33.

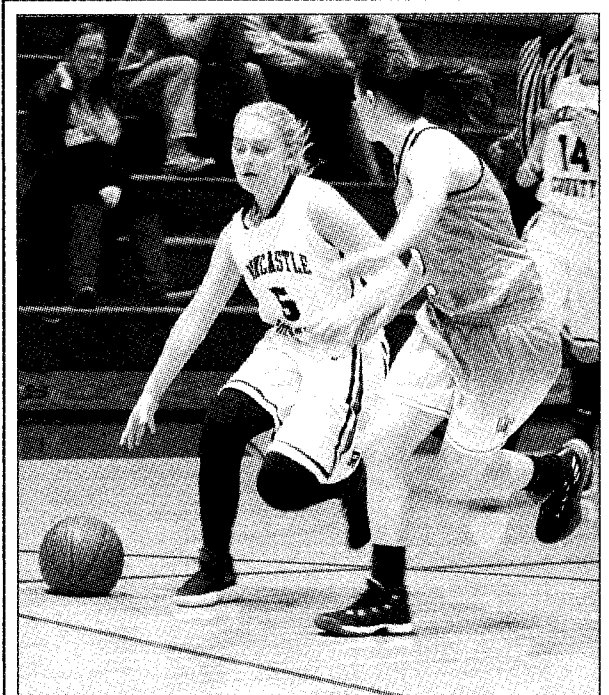
The Lady Rockets are now 3 and 3 on the season.

In the home game against the Lady Rebels last Friday night, the Lady Rockets stayed relatively close throughout the game, cutting a 38-26 deficit at the end of the third quarter to three in the fourth at 44-41 but the Lady Rebels then took control in the last minutes, outscoring the Rockets nine to two for the win.

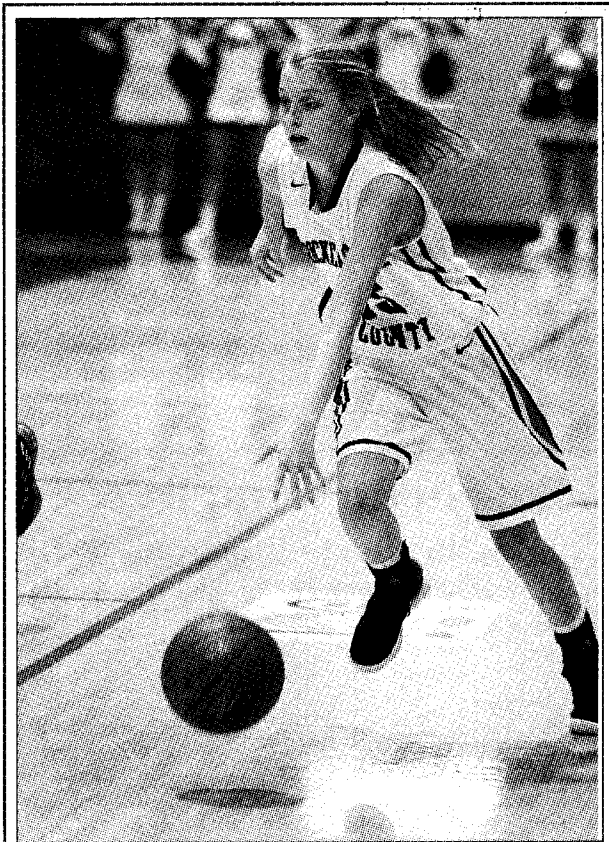
Freshman Casey Coleman led the scoring for her team with 20 points; sophomore Shelby Newland was next with eight; freshman Madison McIntosh got six; senior Emily Adams and sophomore Kenzi Himes, who was plagued with foul trouble from early in the game, scored four points each and junior Emma Bullens and freshmen Reagan Chasteen and Lindsey Jones all scored two points each.

At West Jessamine, the Lady Rockets only lost one

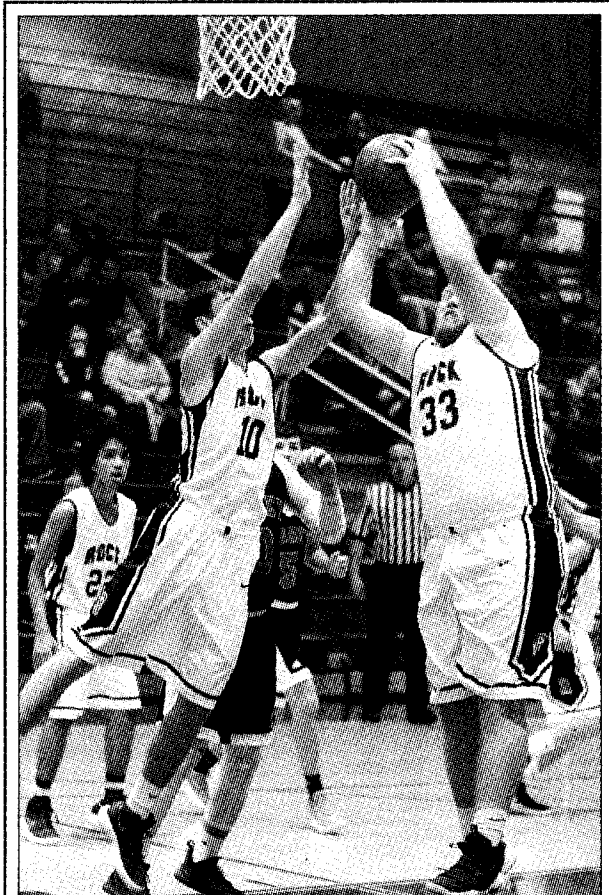
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Shelby Newland races up the court in the Lady Rockets' loss to Casey County last Friday. Newland scored eight points in the loss.



Lindsey Jones runs a fast break for the Lady Rockets during the loss to Casey County Friday night. Jones scored two points on the night for the Rockets.



Nick Dillingham pulls down a rebound for the Rockets in their victory over Casey County. Also shown are Devin Mullins and Josiah West. Mullins led the Rockets with 17 points in the victory.





Members of the Rockets' swim team are shown above, front row from left: Madalyn White, Riley Sherrow, Luree Gabbard, Emma Phillips and Vashaun Alexander. Second row from left: Coach Charon Burton, Emilee Thomas, Laurel Yates, Avery Bullock, Silas Durham, Kimhari Stallsworth, Riley Clark and coach Shannon Burton. Back row from left: Jenna Rumsey, Dawson Nicely, Autumn King, Tristan Winstead, Reagan Rumsey, Riley Sherrow and Aidan Cain.

## RCCHS swim takes 2nd at Barboursville

The Rocket swim team placed second in the combined team scores for the girls and boys in their first two meets of the year.

In the first meet on November 16, the boys' 200 yard medley team of Silas Durham, Aidan Cain, Reese Sherrow and Dawson Nicely placed first. The 400 yard freestyle team of Silas, Vashaun Alexander, Reese and Dawson set the school record with a second place finish time of 4:21.69.

Individual top finishers were Emma Phillips - 7th in the girl's 50 yard freestyle and in the boy's 50 yard freestyle Silas Durham - 6th, Dawson Nicely - 7th and Reese Sherrow - 8th. In the girl's 50 yard butterfly Rebekah Lake placed - 3rd, Emilee Thomas - 5th and Riley Sherrow - 8th. Dawson Nicely - 3rd and Vashaun Alexander - 5th in the 50 yard butterfly. JD Hamilton finished 4th in the 50 breaststroke.

At the meet on December 12th, the girls placed 2nd in the 200 yard medley with a team of Emma Phillips, Emilee Thomas, Laurel Yates and Riley Sherrow. The girls' 400 yard team of Madalyn White, Autumn King, Emilee Thomas and Emma Phillips placed 2nd.

Individual top finishers for the girls were Laurel Yates - 1st and Madalyn White - 4th in the 200 yard IM. Avery

Bullock - 6th in the 200 yard freestyle. Emma Phillips - 3rd in the 50 yard free. Madalyn White - 3rd and Autumn King - 5th in the 100 yard fly. Emilee Thomas - 5th in the 100 yard free. Emma Phillips - 2nd in the 500 yard freestyle. Laurel Yates broke the school record in the 100 yard breaststroke placing first with a time of 1:15.99

The boys' 200 yard medley relay team of Silas Durham, Aidan Cain, Reese Sherrow and Dawson Nicely placed 1st with a new school record time of 2:03.14. The 200 yard freestyle relay team of Vashaun Alexander, Aidan Cain, Tristan Winstead and Dawson Nicely placed 2nd with a school record time of 1:57.41. The boys' 400 yard freestyle team placed 2nd.

Individual top male finishers were Vashaun Alexander - 3rd in the 200 yard free. Dawson Nicely and Tristan Winstead - 4th and 5th in the 200 yard IM. Silas Durham - 3rd in the 50 yard with school record time of 25.8 and Silas placed 1st in the 500 yard freestyle with school record time of 5:56.47. Dawson Nicely placed 2nd in the 100 yard butterfly. Reese Sherrow and Aidan Cain were 3rd and 4th in the 100 yard free. Reese Sherrow was 5th in the 100 yard backstroke and Aidan Cain placed 3rd in the 100 breaststroke.



The Rockcastle County Detention Center recently held a toy drive. The drive makes it possible for the inmates to give their children something special for Christmas. Rockcastle Jailer Carlos McClure would like to thank Cash Express and their employees Tammy Branham, Ashley Marcum, Amanda Gilbert and Elizabeth Sparkman. He also thanks Marcus Reppert, Leshia Cromer and RCMS for their donation of toys and Jeff and Sissy Miller and family for their donation as well.

### “Lady Rock” (Cont. from A8)

quarter to the Lady Colts, the third at 9 to 6, for the 44-33 win.

Coleman again led the scoring for her team with 19; Newland got ten; Bullens scored six; Himes four; junior Kassie Lay and Chasteen scored two points each and Mackenzie Payne got one.

The Lady Rockets will next see action in the Lady Marshall Holiday Classic at Marshall

County, beginning Dec. 20th and will then participate in the Bankers Hardwood Classic at Russell County, Dec. 28-30.

They will travel to Somerset with the Rockets for a doubleheader district game and will host district foe Pulaski County with the Rockets on January 5th.

### “Rock”

(Cont. from A8)

The Rockets were up 12-10 at the end of the first quarter, 32-11 at the half and 50-22 at the end

of the third.

The Rebels scored one point in the second quarter and turned the ball over 12 times. For the game, they had 27 turnovers to the Rockets 15 and the Rebels hit 10 of 18 free throws while the Rockets made good on nine of 20.

Senior Devin Mullins led the scoring for his team with 17 points, junior Cade Burdette got 10 points; sophomores Josh Thacker and Trevor Todd each scored nine; junior Isaac Stratton seven; sophomore Josiah West scored five, sophomore Kaleb Burns three and sophomore Jacob Loudermilk and junior Jon Mark Loudermilk each scored two points.

The Rockets now embark on their holiday schedule, participating in three tournaments between December 22nd and January 6th.

They begin play Friday night in the Kentucky Bank Challenge at Rowan County. They will also play in the Bowman Classic at Lynn Camp December 27th-29th and then will travel to South Laurel on January 6th for the Raymond Reed Classic.

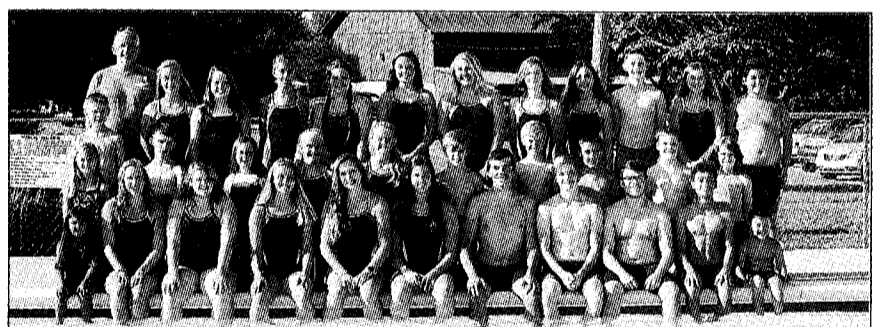
Their next home game will be Friday, January 5th with district foe Pulaski County after traveling to Somerset on January 2nd for another

district game, both doubleheaders with the Lady Rockets.

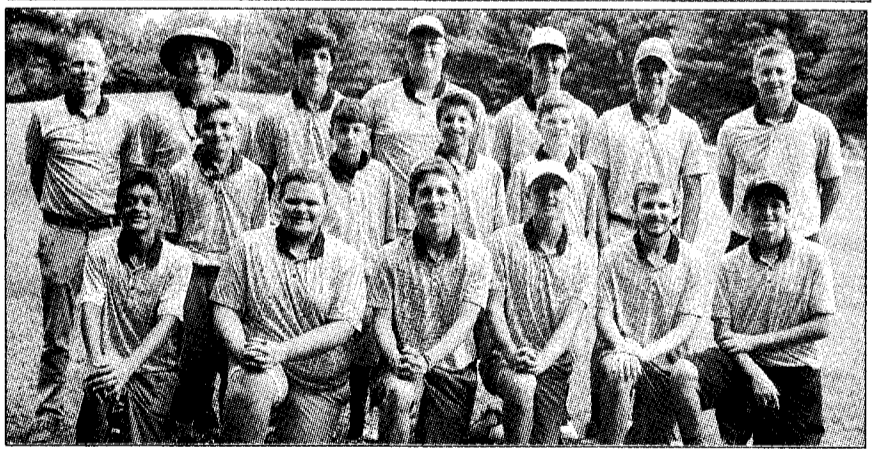
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Macy Spivey was the lucky winner of the Christmas Stocking given away by Mt. Vernon Marathon. Macy is shown in the photo with her dad, Joe and Mt. Vernon Marathon employee Chelsea Larkin.

## Merry Christmas

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The City of Mt. Vernon held a ribbon cutting at the new office of Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe last Friday. Rowe's new offices are located on Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon. On hand for the cutting were, from left: Crystal Rush, Becky Payne, Debbie Cameron, Mayor Mike Bryant, Rowe, Circuit Clerk Eliza Jane York, Clerk Renita Blanton and Jill Medley.

**"Sheriff"**

(Continued from front)

The court also approved maximum salaries for the sheriff's department (excluding the sheriff's salary) of \$350,000 for 2018 and also approved amended maximum salaries for 2017 to \$305,000.

Also, the court approved providing 45% of the cost of two 2018 Ford Explorers 4WD vehicles for the sheriff's department. McNew told the court that he had been in contact with the state and that it would be at least January before it is known if there will be grant money available for distribution in February.

The total cost of the two vehicles, fully equipped, from Paul Miller Ford will be \$63,392 and the grant will cover \$34,865 of the cost, leaving the county to provide the remaining \$28,527.

Sheriff Peters also gave the court an update on four used department vehicles, bought from a dealer in Chicago, which were involved in a wreck while being delivered from the dealer. Three of the vehicles were on the top tier of the transport vehicle when it collided with the bottom of a railroad overpass. The transport company was hired by the dealer.

One of the vehicles was not damaged, two were totaled and the fourth received severe damage to both the front and rear end.

Peters said that the transport's insurance company wanted to repair the vehicle but he was not comfortable accepting it since "you never know what condition it will be in even after being repaired." Peters went on to say that he was afraid the car's frame had been warped. "When the blow is hard enough to completely knock the vehicle off the trailer into the road, you never know," Peters said.

The sheriff said that the dealer in Chicago had told his department that he had two comparable vehicles

available to replace the two vehicles totaled and he had taken delivery of the one vehicle not damaged.

He said that, at present, it may take a lawsuit against the insurance company to resolve the issue but "I hope to get something resolved before January" Peters told the court.

Chris Mason, Chief of the Livingston Volunteer Fire Dept. was before the court to request \$8,500 to purchase a 2012 Ford 3500 pick-up to replace a 1974 Dodge which they had to recently take out of service.

Mason told the court the truck would probably be used as a rescue truck and the rescue truck they now have would be converted to a brush truck.

The court approved the request.

County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop told the court that, according to auditors, the terms of the contract, originally given to Rockcastle 911 Director Bonnie Roark, has to be changed to comply with federal law.

Bishop said under the terms of Roark's original contract, she was paid a salary to work up to 60 hours per week which is now illegal and she would have to be changed to an hourly rate employee with time and a half paid for anything hours worked over 40 per week.

Ms. Roark's pay will remain the same but will now be calculated at \$17.75 per hour with anything over 40 hours per week being calculated at time and a half.

The court approved the change retroactive to October of this year when the last pay increase was given to county employees.

Other items of business taken care of during the meeting included:

A \$250 donation to Special Olympics; a donation of \$2,750 to the Rockcastle County Boy Scouts to send ten scouts to camp; approval of a claim by Rockcastle Little League football for \$1,012 to Lowe's

for equipment; a \$200 donation to Comp Care for an adult trip to Panama City, Florida in the spring, and

Transfer of \$650,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund. From the general fund, \$130,000 will be transferred to the detention center

to cover an \$85,000 debt service payment and remaining payrolls for December and \$400,000 will be transferred to the road department. This money was spent on blacktopping and \$392,000 will be reimbursed to the county by the state from FLEX funds.

**"Arrest"**

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solve his complaint, Newland reportedly became agitated and, when Davis asked for identification, Newland then became more irritable and began yelling and cursing at the officer, the report says.

After Davis had asked Newland to keep his hands out of his pockets three times, Newland then agreed to allow Davis to search him, according to the citation.

During the search, Davis located a metal container with a spoon, a napkin and three syringes. One of those syringes was loaded with what appeared to be heroin the report said.

Newland was placed

under arrest and while Davis was placing Newland in the cruiser, Phillip Caudill, of Crab Orchard, stopped his vehicle to inquire about Newland.

Davis then discovered that Caudill had outstanding arrest warrants from Lincoln County against him and he was arrested as well.

Both were lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center. Newland was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of heroin. His bond was set at \$7,500 cash/property.

Rockcastle County Sheriff's Deputy Matt Bryant assisted at the scene.

**"Party"**

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there.

According to officials at the county clerk's office, the online changes are handled exactly the same as the card and either way will allow anyone to vote in which ever primary they prefer.

Officials say this time of year there are more than the normal amount of changes made in Rockcastle County but there are many more registered Republicans than Democrats in the county currently.



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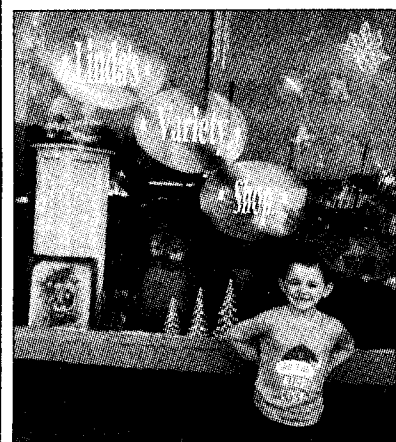
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RTEC employees got into the Christmas spirit last week with their "Ugly Sweaters". Employees shown from left are: Jaime Napier, Chris Meece, Sandy Deubel, Michelle Robinson, Anita Shehan, Angie Mullins, Lois Hayes, James Phillips and Sheila Stallsworth.

### "Indicted"

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counts of wanton endangerment, and three counts of assault in the fourth degree. Her bond was set at \$20,000 cash/property;

Eric D. Burke, 43, of Brodhead - flagrant non-support. His bond was set at \$4,000 cash/property;

Kevin Grant Halcomb, 39, of Richmond - flagrant non-support. His bond was set at \$18,000 full cash;

Jim L. Phelps, 25, of Berea - flagrant non-support. His bond was set at \$5,000 full cash;

Brandon C. Sutton, 27, of Brodhead - possession of synthetic drugs and promoting contraband, first degree. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property, and

Jessica Barron, 31, of Mount Vernon - welfare fraud. A summons has been issued;

The following indictments were returned from the drug roundup orchestrated by the Mount Vernon Police Department last week.

Michael A. Cromer, 43, of Mount Vernon - trafficking a controlled substance. His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Michael A. Cromer, 43, of Mount Vernon and Davis H. Northern, 46, of Brodhead

were named in a joint indictment - trafficking a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Paula Dumon, 54, of Brodhead - trafficking a controlled substance.

Her bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ronald K. Kirby, 45, of Mount Vernon - trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Carolyn G. Easton, 57, and Anthony D. Jackson, Jr, 47, both of Mount Vernon were also named in a joint indictment.

Easton is charged with trafficking a controlled substance and Jackson with complicity to trafficking and as a persistent felony offender.

Each had a bond set at \$25,000 cash/property;

Danny Hansel, 37, of Brodhead - trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

David Anthony Spoonamore, 37, of Brodhead - trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Anita M. Adams, 38, of Livingston - trafficking a controlled substance and persistent felony offender.

Her bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Deborah L. Hellard, 54, of Mount Vernon - trafficking in a controlled substance.

In a separate indictment, Hellard is charged with the same offense.

Her bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property;

Larry Shepherd, 66, of Mount Vernon and Debbie Hellard were named in a joint indictment. Shepherd with trafficking in a controlled substance and Hellard with complicity to trafficking.

In this indictment Hellard's bond was set at \$10,000 cash/property and Shepherd's bond at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ashley Whitehead, 20, of Crab Orchard and Debbie Hellard were named in another joint indictment, both charged with trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each had a bond set at \$25,000 cash/property.

William Daniel Martin, 34, of Mount Vernon and Debbie Hellard were also named in another joint indictment - both indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

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Gergory K. McGuire, 45, of Mount Vernon and Jeffery S. Chestnut, 41, of Mount Vernon were named in a joint indictment - both indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Jeffery S. Chestnut and Nathan Gibbons, 28, of Mount Vernon were named in a joint indictment both with trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Jeffery S. Chestnut and Daniel Wilkerson, 34, of Mount Vernon were named in a joint indictment both with trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ernest Bishop, 64, of Brodhead and Stacey Day, 41, of Mount Vernon, were named in a joint indictment. Both were indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance.

Each bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

Ernest Lee Bishop, 64, of Brodhead was also named in a separate indictment for trafficking in a controlled substance.

His bond was set at \$25,000 cash/property.

### "Court"

(Continued from front)

agreed to a lump sum payment for the purchase price, less the \$60,000 earnest money deposit, the \$25,000 payment for the 2017 rail spur maintenance fee and all monthly payments which will amount to \$1,975,000.

Representatives of the company have told the court that they will not need all of the silos which are presently located on the site and, if any are disposed of, with the written approval of the court, these funds will go to the court and towards the purchase price of the building.

Under terms of the agreement, Eagle Manufacturing will be responsible for all maintenance on the facility, related to the interior and infrastructure, including plumbing, HVAC, chillers and all utilities. The county will be responsible for maintenance of the structure, including the roof, parking, landscape and snow removal.

Rockcastle County will also retain ownership of about four acres of land which will be surveyed, at the county's expense, and excepted from the parcel.

The company will have the right to terminate the agreement at any point during the five year term, with a 90 day written notice.

The company began moving equipment into the building last week.

### "Busted"

(Continued from front)

side a deep freezer in the building and a set of scales and vacuum sealer were discovered in the kitchen of the residence.

Cut marijuana stems were found in a trash bag in the kitchen and a small amount of processed marijuana was also located in the kitchen.

Police say there were five children living in the home, ranging in age from five to 13.

According to the citation, Green told police, after he was read his Miranda Rights, that he packaged the marijuana for sale for delivery to Florida. He also told police he gets \$2,500 per

pound for the substance.

Police are sending the evidence to the state lab for further investigation.

Green was lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on charges of cultivating marijuana, trafficking in marijuana and five counts of endangering the welfare of a minor.

His bond was set at \$25,000 property. By posting \$50,000 worth of property, Green was released on bond.

### "Duck"

(Continued from front)

nance allows hunting the shoreline in the area between Hysinger Hollow to Highway 1329.

The issue is expected to be on the agenda during this Thursday's regular city council meeting at 6 p.m. at city hall and several local residents are expected to attend to express their opinion on the matter.

Everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

### "Election"

(Continued from front)

the list of candidates since last week were:

Gary V. Linville for Sheriff.

Incumbent Marvin E. Owens for Coroner.

Incumbent Eliza Jane York for Circuit Clerk.

David Wayne Coffey for Magistrate in District 3.

Ralph Carpenter for Magistrate in District 4.

Every candidate registered thus far in Rockcastle County, has registered to run in the Republican Primary.

### "Teen"

(Continued from front)

William Bryant, 36, were found murdered in their home in Rockcastle County and Reynolds is accused of helping her boyfriend, Christopher Evans, 22, of Somerset, murder her mother and step father.

Reynold's attorney has asked for her \$1 million full cash bond to be reduced and a hearing has been scheduled for February 9, 2018 for a ruling on the motion.

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# Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Front row from left: Tyler Burris, Shirley Cummins and Lois Hayes.  
Back row from left: Susan Creech, Jaime Napier, Heidi Parman, Randy Lewis, Freda Parsons, Sheila Stallworth and James Phillips.



From left: Jessica Coates, Lesley Burdette, Abram Taylor, Kim Woods, Anita Shehan, Michelle Robinson, Shondale Philbeck, Sandy Deubel, Jennifer Northern and Chris Gonzalez.



Front row from left: Dakota Smith, Jamie Weaver, Linda Proctor, Lorrie Santo and Tammy Jo Colbaugh.  
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From left: Randy Renner, Charles McDaniel, Pat Philbeck, Chris Hansel and Eddie Hayes.



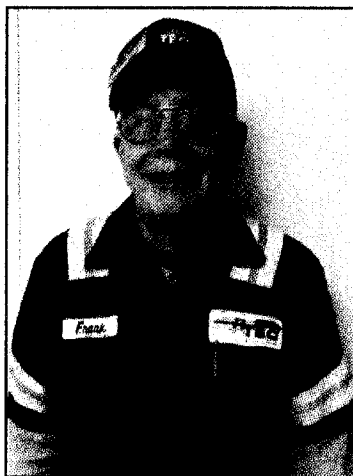
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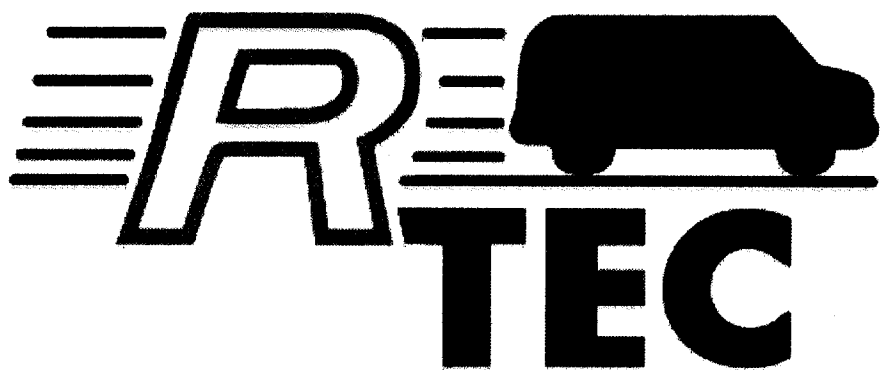
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Third row from left: Chris Meece and Dale Shelton.



From left: Stella Newcomb and Karen Carrillo



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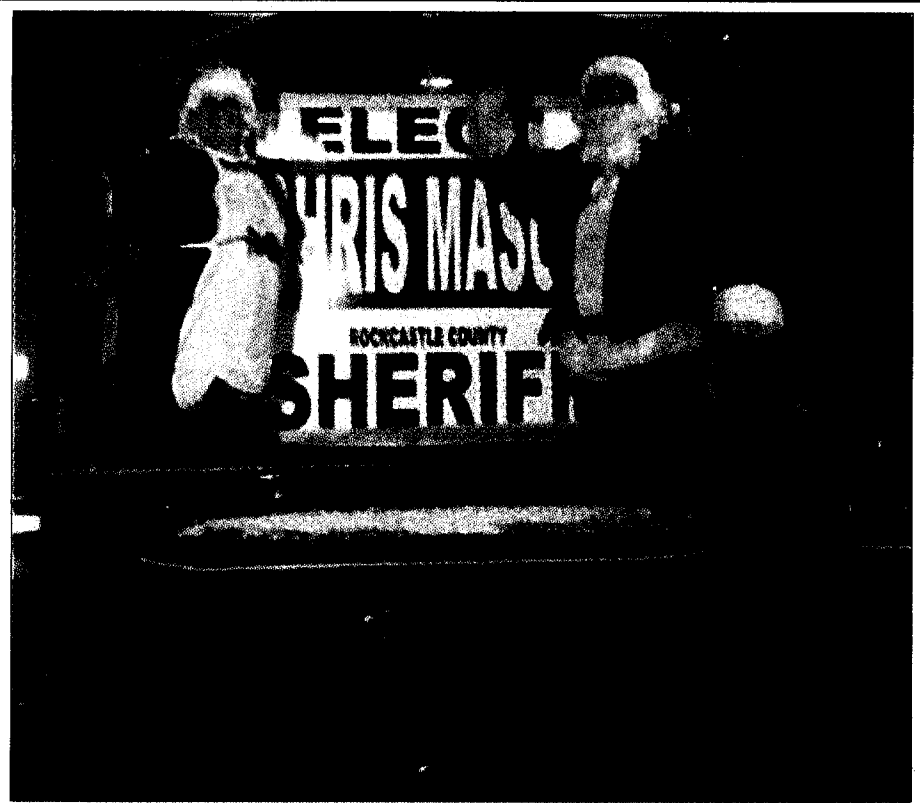


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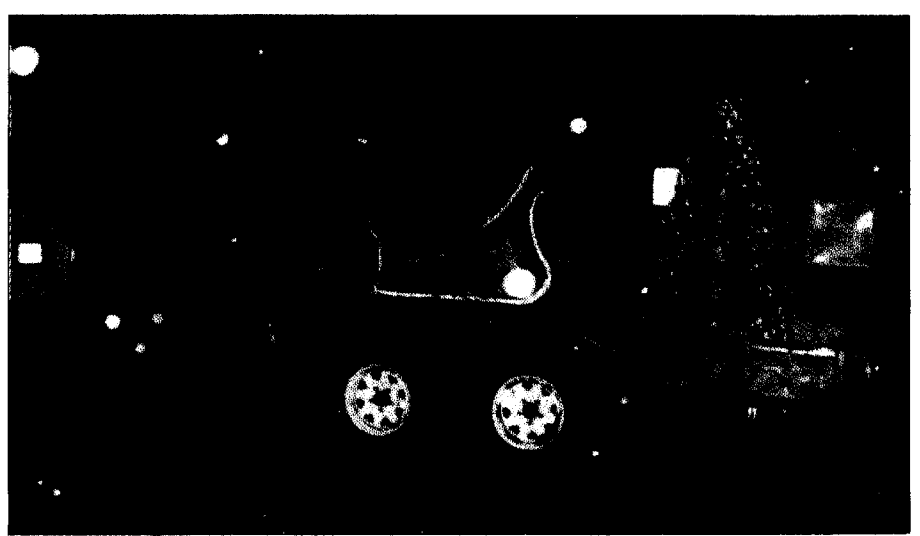
Second Section

Thursday, December 21, 2017

## Scenes from the 2017 Livingston Christmas Parade



Chris Mason, Candidate for Rockcastle Sheriff, gave Santa and Mrs. Claus a ride in the annual Livingston Christmas Parade. Despite the cold, a good crowd enjoyed the parade as well as some snow.



The Rockcastle Recycling Center had a pretty decorated float for the Livingston Parade. The Christmas tree was made of recycled tires with other items on the float from recycled materials.



## Merry Christmas

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given:  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:  
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## Kentuckians should search for unclaimed property on State Treasury's website

Kentuckians in need of extra Christmas cash should search for unclaimed property on the Kentucky State Treasury's website, [www.treasury.ky.gov](http://www.treasury.ky.gov), Treasurer Allison Ball said in a statement on Wednesday.

"Returning unclaimed property is a priority of mine," Treasurer Ball said. "This Christmas, I am especially excited to return money to Kentuckians who can use it during this season of giving."

Treasurer Ball has returned over \$22 million in

unclaimed property in 2017 and over \$45 million since she took office in 2016. Over 15,437 individuals and entities have found unclaimed property to claim on the website this year alone. The Treasurer's office receives unclaimed funds from unclaimed insurance proceeds, bank accounts and stocks, among other things.

Schools, non-profits, businesses, and local governments should also check the website, as these entities may have unclaimed property to claim, too.

## Blood Drive set for December 26th

The need for blood doesn't take a holiday. However, officials say blood donations can slow due to travel and other festivities.

This month, the Kentucky Blood Center, (KBC) is inviting everyone to roll up your sleeves and be a holiday hero for a Kentucky patient.

The blood drive will be held Tuesday, December 26 from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Mount Vernon First Baptist Church at 340 West Main Street. The event will be held in the gym.

Anyone who registers for the drive will receive a KBC hoodie.

To schedule your appointment or to get more information, call 800-775-2522, ext. 3758. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Donors must be at least 17 (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health, show an I.D. and meet other requirements..

*Signal office will be closed  
December 22nd - January 1st  
No paper week of December 28th*

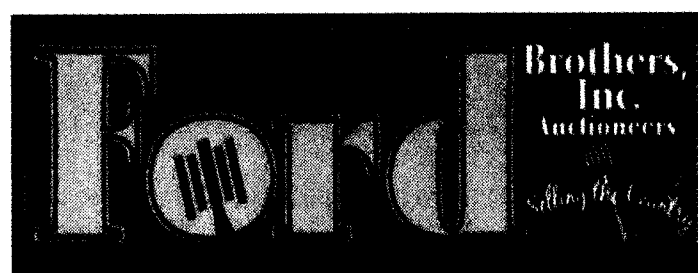


*Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year*

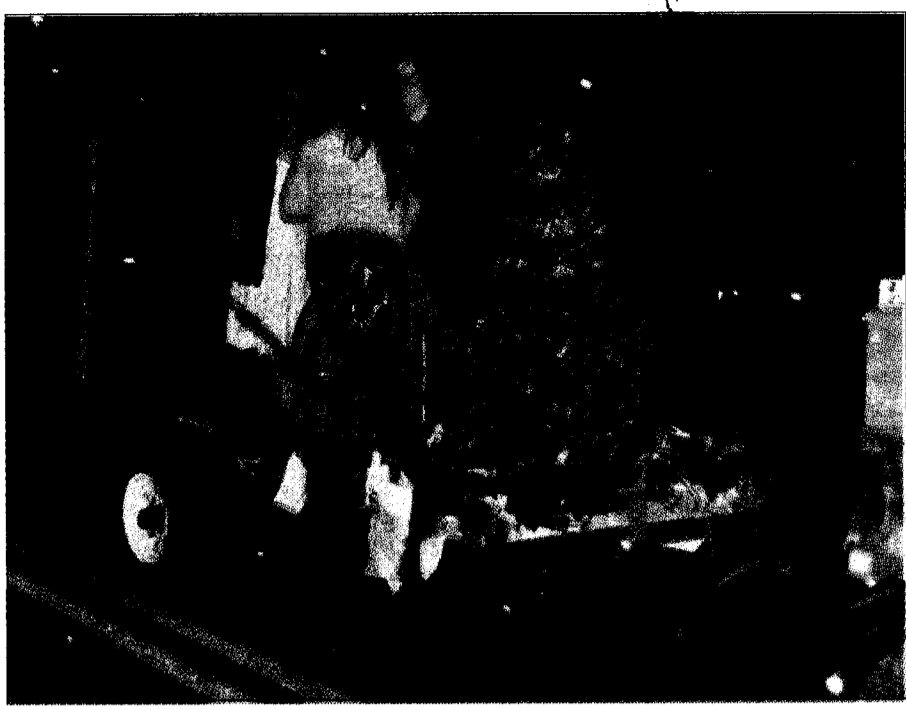


*Front row from left: Michelle Bullock, Paul Playforth, Matthew Silcox and Sam Ford.*

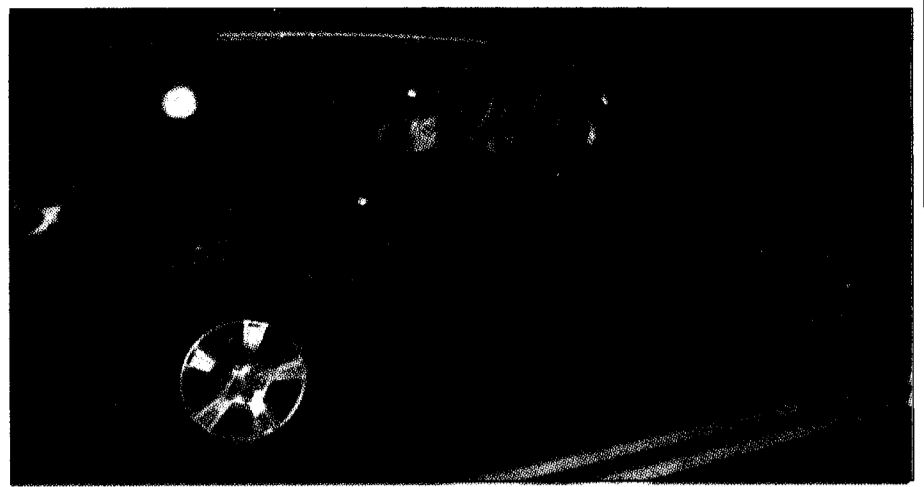
*Back row from left: Danny Ford, Billy Wayne Bryant, Harold Bustle, Jeff Burdette, Jeff Cromer, Ben Allen and James Barron.*



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The snow came, along with the cold, in time for the annual Livingston Christmas Parade. Those in attendance were treated to lots of candy, pretty decorated floats and a reception at the firehouse afterwards.



The Faulkner Family got into the Christmas spirit decorating their SUV with lights for the nighttime Livingston Christmas Parade.

The *Mount Vernon Signal* will be closed  
 December 22nd - January 1st  
 There will be no newspaper on December 28th

**Three complete training program**

The Technology Transfer Program of the Kentucky Transportation Center is proud to announce that 165 Roads Scholars and 144 Road Masters have completed the 2017 Kentucky Roads Scholars/Road Masters Training Program.

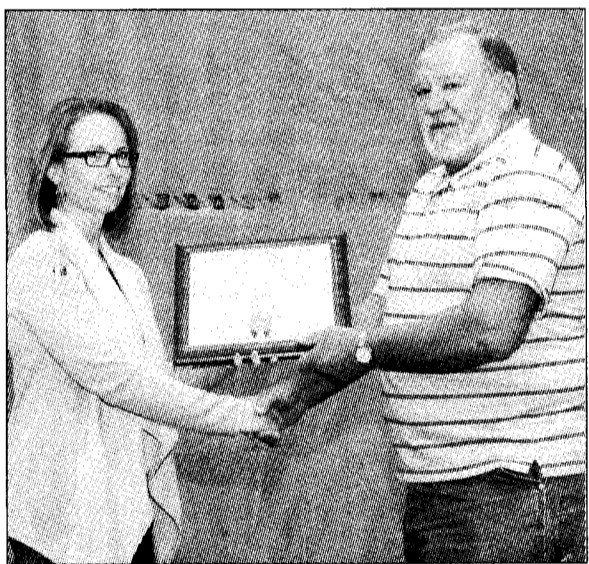
Honored December 7th in Lexington were: David Campbell, KDOH District 8, as a Roads Scholar; Kenneth McGuire, KDOH District 8, as a Road Master; and Alice Garland, KDOH District 8, as a Road Master. They join the 2,867 Roads Scholars and 2,179 Road Masters who have already completed the program.

Presenting the awards was Patty Dunaway, State Highway Engineer, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

The Roads Scholar/Road Master Training Program consists of nine and seven full-day courses, respectively. The combined programs total 96 training hours and serves individuals from local and state transportation agencies as well as private businesses. The Roads Scholar and Road Master Training Programs, as well as a broad selection of other training courses related to transportation, are offered throughout the year by the Technology Transfer Program of the Kentucky Transportation Center, located at the University of Kentucky, College of Engineering. More information on the Technology Transfer Program or the Roads Scholar and Road Master Training series can be found at [www.kyt2.com](http://www.kyt2.com) or by contacting Martha Horseman, Program Manager, at [martha.horseman@uky.edu](mailto:martha.horseman@uky.edu) or 800-432-0719.



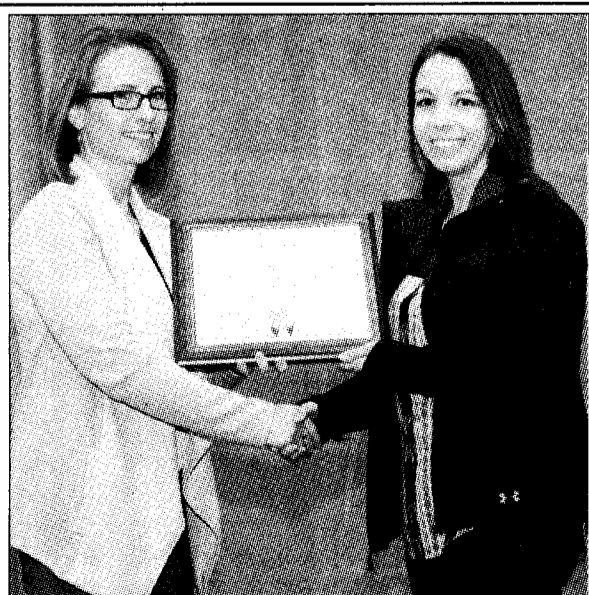
Front row from left: Jeannine Lawrence, Donna McClure and Julie Pigg.  
 Back row from left: Sandy Durham, Mike Blount, Anthony Asher and Janie King.  
 Not pictured: Reagan Griffin and Heather Gentry



Kenneth McGuire, KDOH District 8, was honored as a Road Master December 7th in Lexington. Also pictured, and presenting the awards, was Patty Dunaway, State Highway Engineer, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.



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*Merry Christmas*

*Warm wishes to all of you for a joyous holiday season.*

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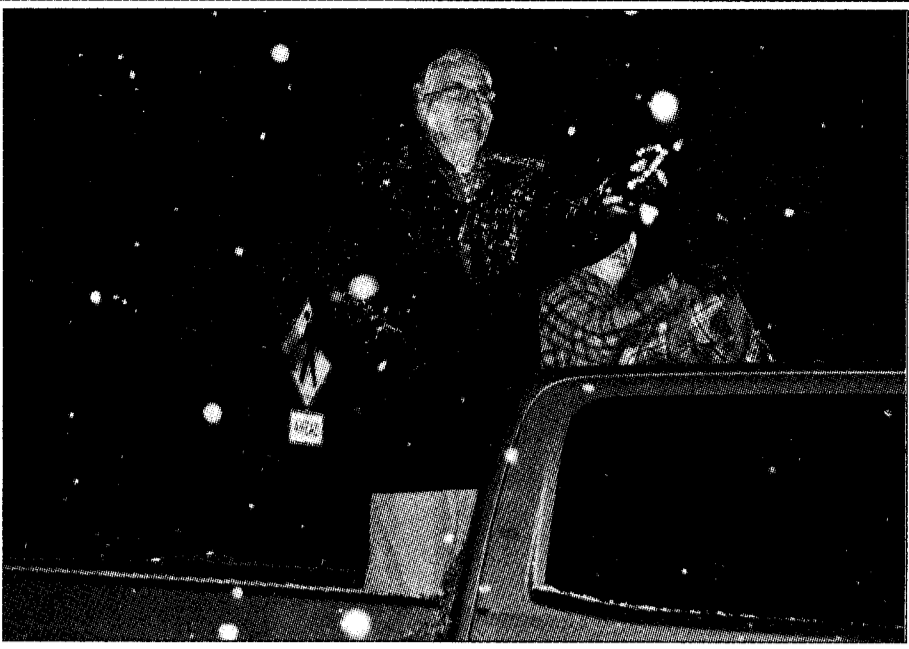
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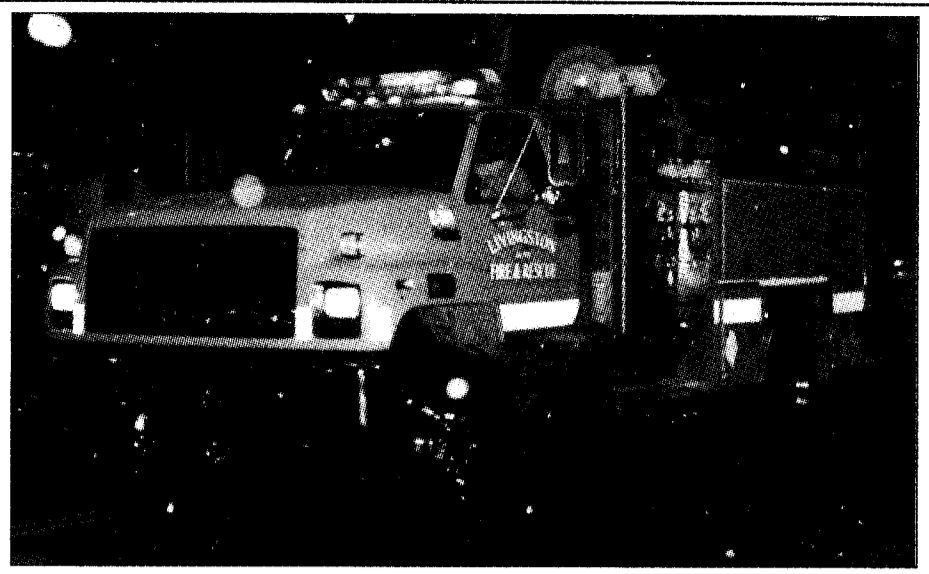
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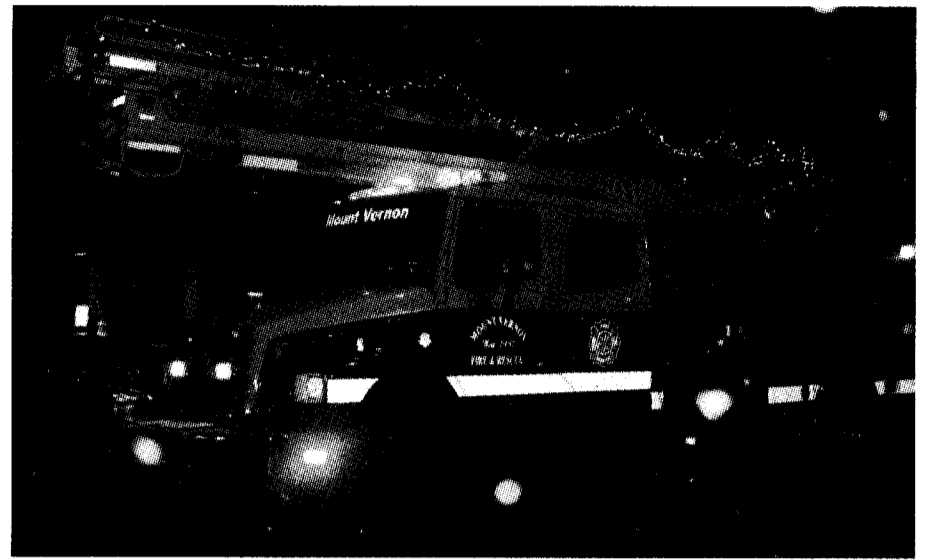
Rockcastle Judge-Executive Doug Bishop took part in the annual Livingston Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance.



Livingston Fire and Rescue took part in the annual Livingston Christmas Parade along with other fire departments throughout the county.



Candidate for Rockcastle Jailer, Stanley Payne, rode in the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Mount Vernon Fire and Rescue decorated their ladder truck with pretty Christmas lights for the Livingston Christmas Parade.



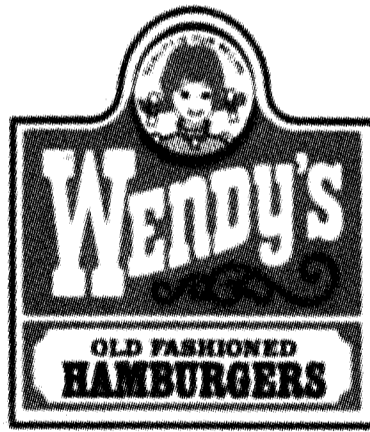
The Rockcastle County High School's JROTC marched in the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Western Rockcastle Fire Dept. took part in Livingston's Parade.

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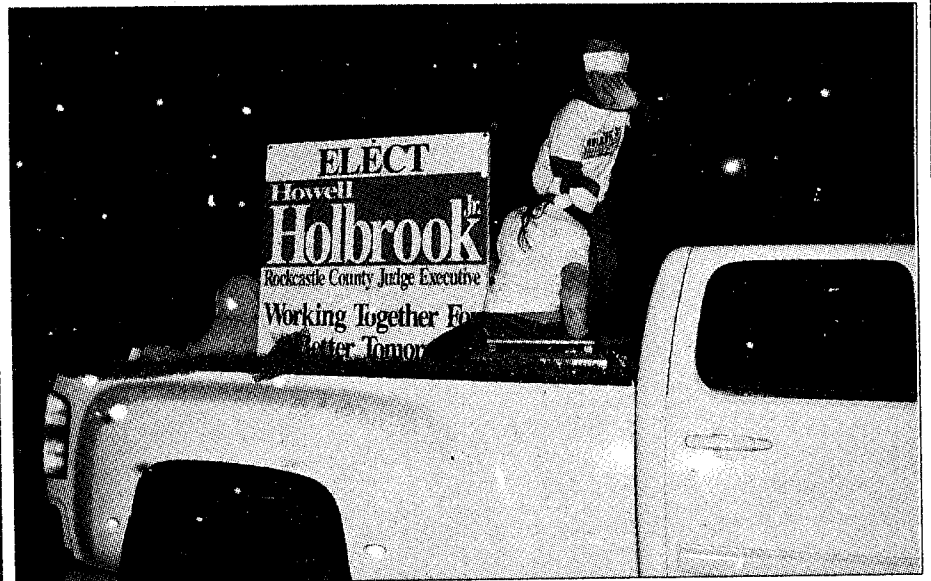
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From left: Jack Stephens, Marsha Stephens, Ashley Patterson, James Morgan, Tessa Nicely, Brooklyn McGuire, Kim Wheat, Elijah Jones, Sarah Cornelius, Joey Lamb, Bree Baisden, Heather Walling and Chris Settles.



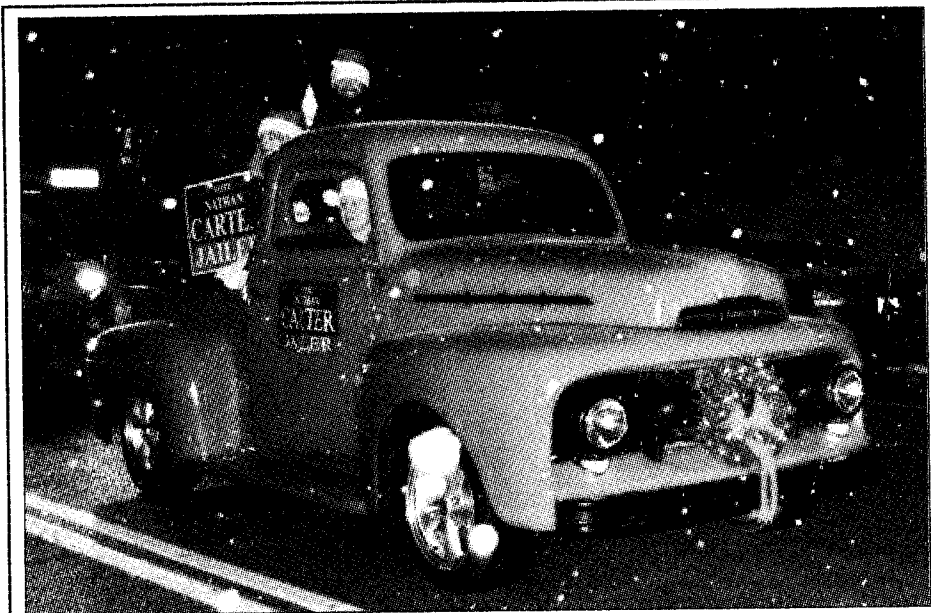
Rockcastle Sheriff Deputy Shannon Franklin, also a candidate for Sheriff, took part in the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Howell Holbrook, Jr., candidate for Rockcastle Judge-Executive, rode in the Livingston Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance.



Circuit Judge David Tapp took part in Livingston's Christmas Parade. Judge Tapp is also a candidate for the Kentucky Supreme Court.



Nathan Carter, candidate for Rockcastle Jailer, took part in the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Cynthia Wells send big waves during the Livingston Christmas Parade.



Fifth District Magistrate Mike McGuire and family rode in the annual Livingston Christmas Parade.

# GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

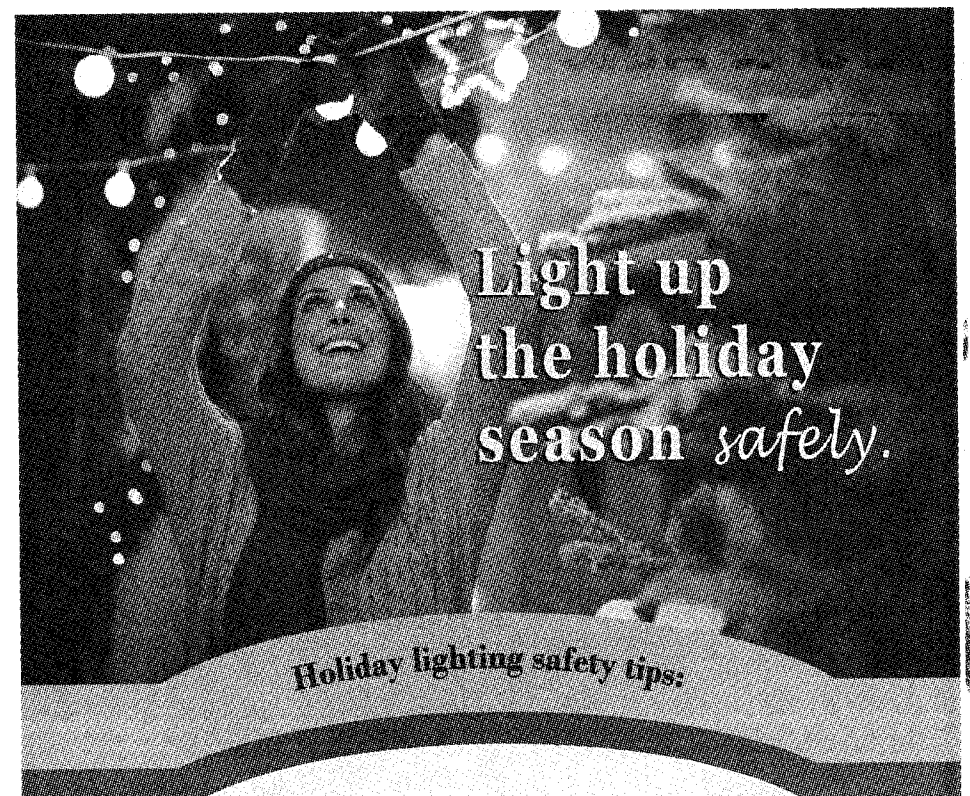
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From left: Denise Wallin, Chris Hughes, Kaitlyn Santo, Russell Hood, Angel Smith, Lucy Cole, John Griffin, Hannah Barnett, Shannon Owens, Andrea Terry and Bentley Collins. Not pictured: Linda Bowman, Matt Vanwinkle, Missy Owens, Chelsea Durham, Dixie Hammond, Jadon Wilkins and Leanne Spoonamore.

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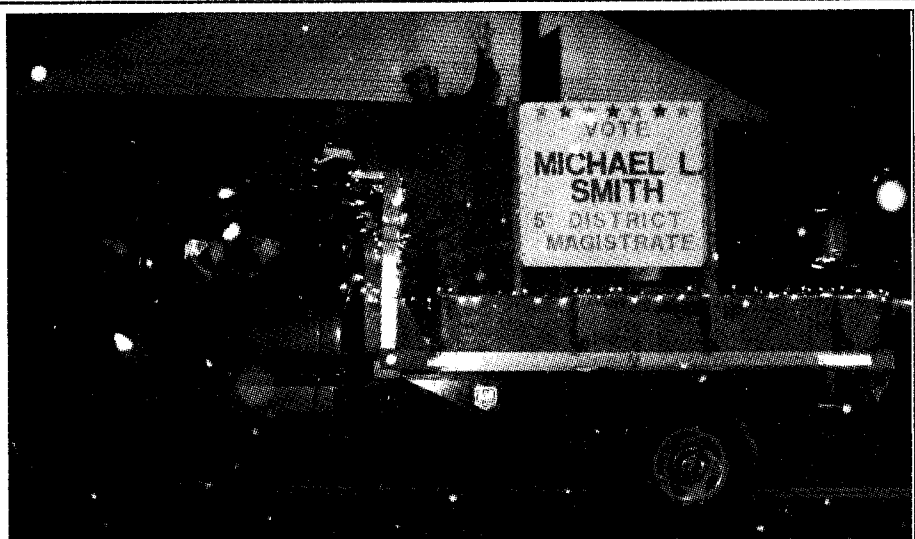
- Before hanging holiday lights outside, look out for overhead power lines.
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Michael Smith, candidate for Fifth District Magistrate, rode in Livingston's Parade and shared candy with those attending.



Livingston Police Officer Travis Richardson drove the city's Humvee in the annual Christmas Parade.



Derek Wynn and Katie Adams, with Climax Volunteer Fire Department, took part in Livingston's Parade.



John Burton, candidate for Rockcastle Jailer, took part in the Livingston Christmas Parade.

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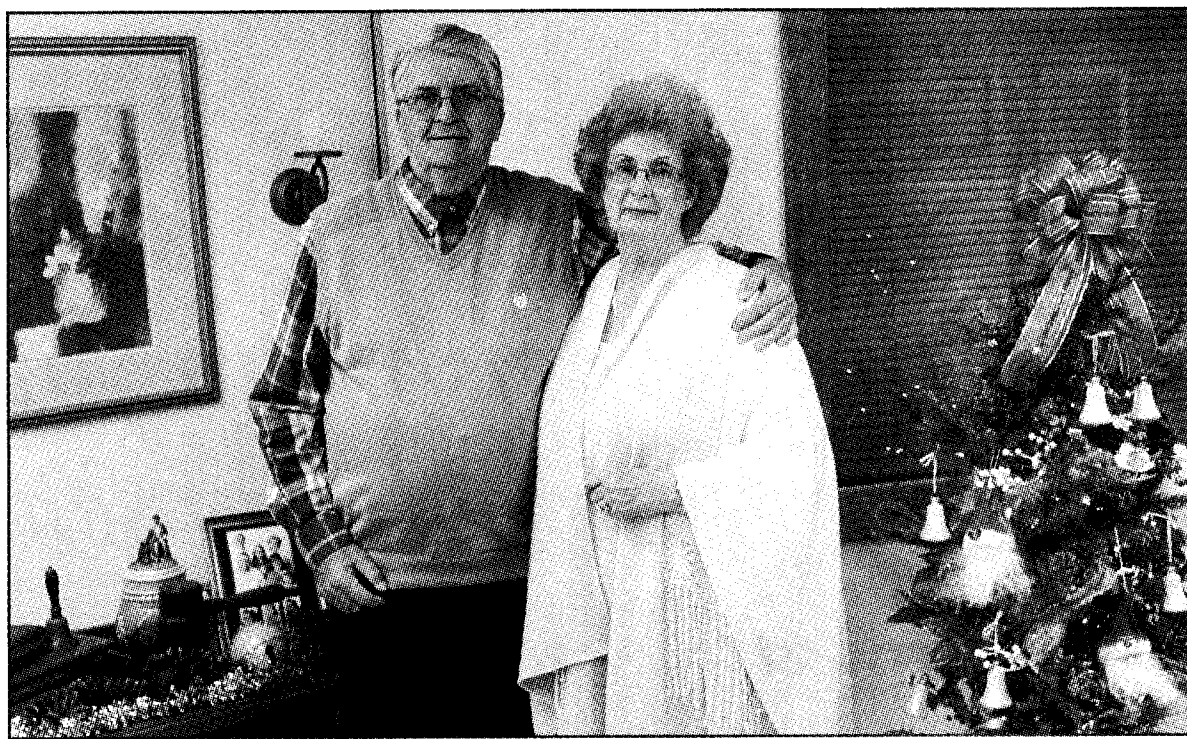
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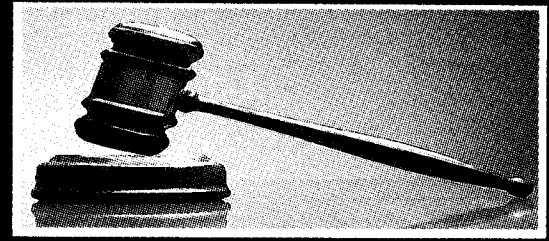
*For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.*  
 —John 3:16



We would like to wish each and everyone a wonderful, blessed Christmas and bountiful New Year from the Bishop Family.  
 —Doug, Janet, Julie, Sydney and Gracie



# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## District Civil Suits

Cavalry SPVI v. Shannery Nicely, \$831 plus claimed due.

Jack Collins v. Matthew Owens, et al, eviction notice. C-00401

## Circuit Civil Suits

Michael Anthony Pecci, et al v. Brandi Michelle Shaw, et al, petition for grandparent visitation rights.

Jadon D. Brock v. Carly Brock, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Austin Lynn Thompson v. Kayla Thompson, verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jennifer Louise Elam v. Andrew S. Elam, petition for dissolution of marriage and custody of one minor child.

Ky. Housing Corp. v. Dustin Miller, et al, \$54,962 plus claimed due.

Community Trust Bank v. Robert Blake Lovell, et al, \$29,250 plus claimed due.

Lawrence Burdette v. Tamela Burdette, verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Co. v. Herbert E. Richardson, \$26,754 plus claimed due. CI-00283

## Deeds Recorded

Donald Dees, property on Blue Jay Loop, to Anna Mae Shelton. No tax  
Brent Callahan, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles K. Cornelius II and Heather S. Cornelius. Tax \$69.50

Sherman and Margaret Brockman, property in Rockcastle County, to Loretta Burgess. Tax \$2

Norma Rada and Wesley Eugene Mobley, property in Rockcastle Co., to Norma Rada. No tax  
Sandra Collins, property

in Rockcastle County, to Kenneth and Sandra Collins. No tax

Larry and Brenda McKnight, property in Scaffold Cane community, to William T. Kirby. Tax \$185

Cecil and Judy King, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles W. Gray. Tax \$5

Donald Dees, property in Rockcastle County, to William Ketchum. Tax \$60

Paul R. Griffin, property on Barnett Road, to Billy Ray and Donna Sherry Hacker. Tax \$44

David R. Rahbany, Acting US Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky, property in Rockcastle County, to Rickie and Katherine Hysinger. No tax

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Jane and Henry D. Saylor, property on Old State Road, to Pedro Ramos. Tax \$30

Roy E. and Judy L. Adams, property in Cedar Point Subdivision, to Danny C. and Sheena D. Settles. Tax \$3.50

Kathleen Abney, and others, property on waters of Clear Creek, to Trenton D. and Ashley Harding and Perry D. and Phyllis Harding. Tax \$125

John D. and Joyce A. Dawson, property in Flat Gap Community, to Julia Paige Wildman. Tax \$79

Greg and Kristie Jensen, property on west bank of Roundstone Creek, to Courtne Smith. Tax \$66

Amy Holtkamp, property on Smith Drive, to James E. and Ruth Lunsford. Tax \$4

## Marriage Licenses

Teresa Violet Sorrels, 43, Brodhead, housewife and Davidson Ferrer Taylor, 50, Brodhead, SourceHOV. 12/14/17

Angela Nicole Coffey, 29, Mt. Vernon, pharmacy tech and Todd Allen Brendel, 36, Marine, Illinois, lab tech. 12/16/17

## District Court

Dec. 11-13, 2017  
Hon. Jeffrey S. Laswell

Jessica M. Day: escape, 30 days in jail, costs waived.

Jerry L. Denny: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 90 days in jail/each count/concurrent/costs waived.

David Durham: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Michael W. Flannery: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, 10 days in jail/concurrent/costs waived.

James Joseph Gleissner: assault, 60 days in jail/costs waived/concurrent with state time.

William Martin: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine/suspended; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine/suspended; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 10 days in jail/concurrent/costs waived.

Joey Yancy Thacker: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, possessing license when privileges are revoked/suspended, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Michele L. Anderson: fines/fees due (\$843), bw issued for fta/9 days in jail or payment in full.

David E. Bass: fines/fees due (\$228), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Paul G. Bursleson: Viol Part 392, Fed Safety Reg. Driving of Motor Vehicle, disorderly conduct, menacing, resisting arrest, sentencing orders entered.

Kelly R. Caldwell: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Darrell Wayne Clift: fines/fees due (\$258), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Tyler R. Cox: fines/fees

due (\$263), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Jarred A. Davidson: fines/fees due (\$168), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Jennifer Elam: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Fancie Lynn Ferguson: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Christopher Scott Foster: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Brittney Goosey: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

James L. Hall: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Lesley D. Herring: fines/fees due (\$153), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Charles Julian: fines/fees due (\$218), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Robert Lear: fines/fees due (\$268), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Shelley Looney: fines/fees due (\$218), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Bradley W. Magee: fines/fees due (\$268), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Donald V. Means: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to produce insurance card, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, possession controlled substance, controlled substance prescription not in original container, bw issued for fta.

Tony Nester: speeding, failure to wear seat belts, obstructed vision and/or windshield, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

Billy Rayburn: fines/fees due (\$228), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Hazel Robinson: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Zachary Tyler Smith: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, possession of marijuana, one headlight, bw issued.

Adrien Staley: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Jamey Summers: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta.

Eugene Whitt: theft by unlawful taking, sentencing order entered.

Lyndsay M. York: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Jared Michael Burgett, Dwayne R. Sellers, license suspended for fta/bw issued; Dester K. Phillips, paid.

Lee Roy Williams: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 14 days in jail/concurrent/costs waived.

Jonathan E. Allison: fines/fees due (\$743), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.

Zachary David Begley: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.

Johnny Bowling: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.

Justin Burkhart: falsely reporting an incident and harassing communications, violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, sentencing orders entered.

David Couch: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, license to be in possession, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Angela L. Cox: fines/fees due (\$298), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Melissa Ann Gross: speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.

Ashley Hays: public intoxication controlled substance, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, sentencing orders entered.

Billy Hellard: assault, sentencing order entered.

Cheyenne Hensley: flagrant non-support, bw issued for fta.

Laura L. Howard: possession controlled substance, bw issued for fta.

Merita Medley: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Timothy L. Niceley: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, fleeing or evading police, bw issued for fta.

Karlee Payne: fines/fees due (\$288), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Tesla Pearson: hindering prosecution or apprehension, sentencing order entered.

Christy D. Smith: fines/fees due (\$248), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Matthew A. Spoonamore: possession of marijuana, possession controlled substance, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, bw issued for fta.

Patrick Watkins: failure to wear seat belts, no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta.

Keith Leon Carter: driving motor vehicle using handheld mobile telephone, license suspended for fta.

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## Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters and staff



Sheriff Mike Peters,  
Deputies and  
their family members  
at their  
recent Christmas  
party

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# Tiger Pause

Brodhead Elementary students become authors as they publish their own book. We are very proud to say that two classes at Brodhead Elementary had the opportunity to become published authors.

Thanks to Studenttreasures Publishing, Mrs. Sierra's 3rd grade class and Mrs. Skyler's 2nd grade class received their publications in December. The two classes began the writing process in November to write a class book.

Mrs. Sierra's class had been researching animals and decided to write a fun book to get people to guess what animal they researched. They wrote sentences that described their animal and asked the reader to guess their animal.

Mrs. Skyler's class created a spinoff of A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon, called A Bad Case of Chameleonitis. Crystal Roosevelt wakes up for 22 days with a new pattern all over her body, from stars and stripes to the alphabet. Each student created a different pattern and illustrated the part of the creation.

Brodhead Winter Carnival and basket auction was a major success. Smiling faces and joy filled the front halls of Brodhead Elementary as students came back to school to celebrate the friendships and community that has been built at BES. 5th grade students opened their own businesses selling handmade crafts, 4th grade students offered bounce house fun and a variety of winter games, and 3rd grade students kept the winter spirit as they sold tasty winter treats with their concession sells. The classroom baskets were the prize of the night. Many anxious bidders tried their luck to capture the bundles of joy. Thanks to the Brodhead Elementary students for their work to make the night a shining example of the great things that take place at BES. Thanks to our staff for the direction that they provided our students in their adventure. We would also like to say thanks to the awesome community that supported and continues to support the efforts at BES.

A special thanks to these people and businesses that made the night possible: Best Little Hair House, Vintage Charm, Vintage Pearls by Emily, Furniture Owlet, Cincinnati Reds, Cracker Barrel, Speedy Taco, Morgan's on Main, Bill Adkisson, Pizza Hut, Lip sense by Cayci Mahaffey, Jennifer Ponder, Massage by Kristi, Pegs Food Mart, Touch of Class, Snack Shack, Godfathers, Roberts' Barber Shop, Medley's Barber Shop, Megan Noel, Baskets by Charlene Gentry, S&T Hardware, A Cut Above, Marcella's Farm to Fork, Citizens Bank, Cedar Rapids LLC, Gibson Bay Golf Club, London Country Club, Boone's Trace Golf Club, Battlefield Golf Club, Renfro Valley Entertainment, Just Kick-N-It Ranch, Lake Linville Boat Dock, Rite Aid, Tammy Shaver, Mimi's General Store, Cummins Gun Shop, Jack's Hardware, Mark's Hardware, Dollar General Store in Brodhead, Jenny McKinney Soy Candles, Jamie Isaacs Photography, BES Staff, BES Students, and our BES Parents. Thanks.

Everyone have a very Merry Christmas. May your holidays be filled with family, friends, and happiness.



*Guess What Animal We Are* by Mrs. Sierra's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class. **Front Row (Left to Right):** Jacob Anderson, Jayden Wren, Callie Thacker **Middle Row:** TaeShawn Baker, Jayten Smith, Sadee Payne, Kayleigh Miller, Jaken Masters, Keara Santo, and Zakary Lear **Back Row:** Mrs. Sierra, Gracie Robinson, Makaia Johnson, Aubrey Clouse, Kendra Bullock, Caden Barnett, Conner Catron, Madison Hysinger



*A Bad Case of Chameleonitis* by Mrs. Skyler Bradley's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. **Front Row (Left to Right):** Abigail Todd, Austin Scoggin, Ruby Hoskins, Ysabel Botellos, Mia Jaimes, Hailey Thomas, Deligha Rose, and Logan Collins **Middle Row:** Jacob Gadd, Carson Coleman, Jaydon Clemmons, Emilee Robinson, Amberly McClure, Landon Bradley, and Micah Childress **Back Row:** Harley McKinney, Taylor Wilson, Lilly Cameron, Caleb Kendall, James Coldron, and Alyrica Dillingham: Not pictured Kaleb Rigsby



We'd like to join you and your family in giving thanks to our Lord for His love and guidance, just as we thank you for your trust and support this past year.

## Coffey & Ford, PSC Attorneys At Law

Willis Coffey and John D. Ford



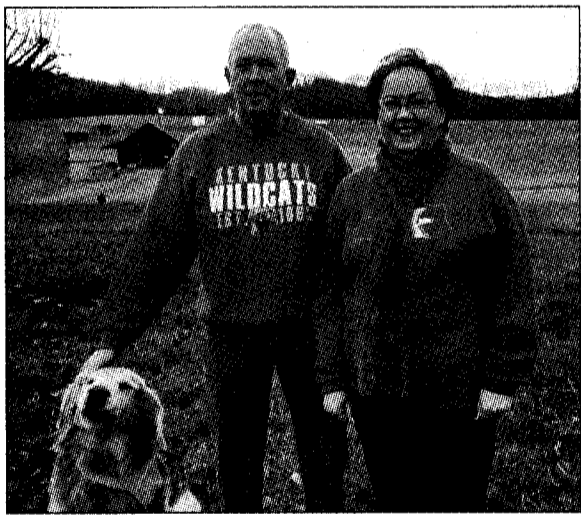
Front row from left: Willis Coffey and John Ford. Back row from left: Tracy Mink, Jenni Ellis and Nicole Nicely.

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Christmas Blessings

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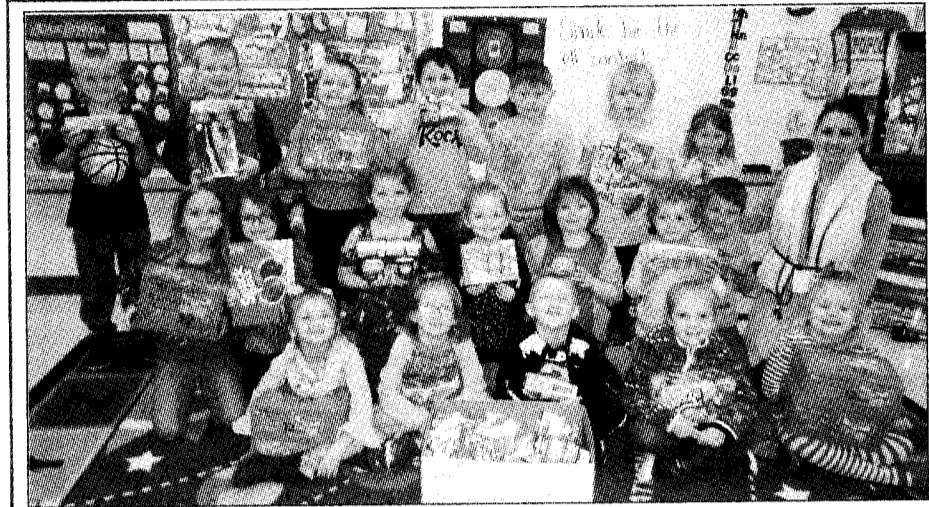
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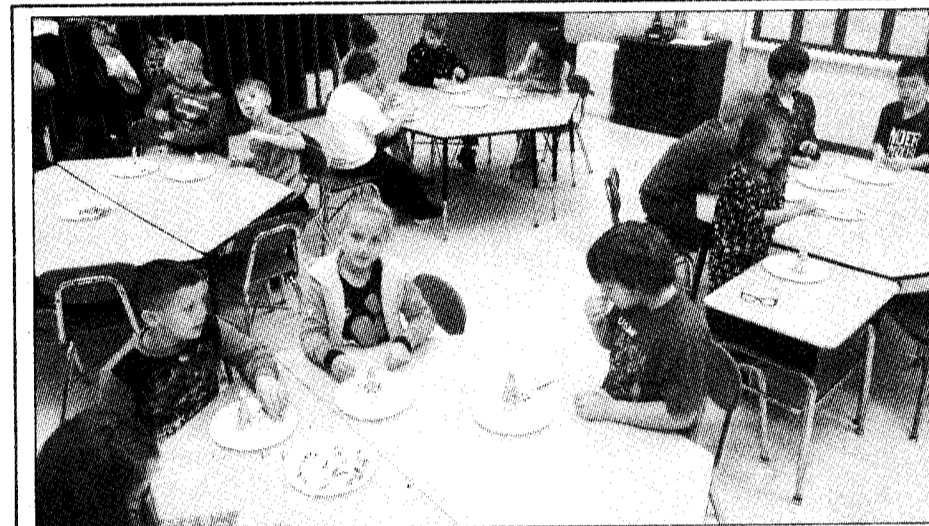
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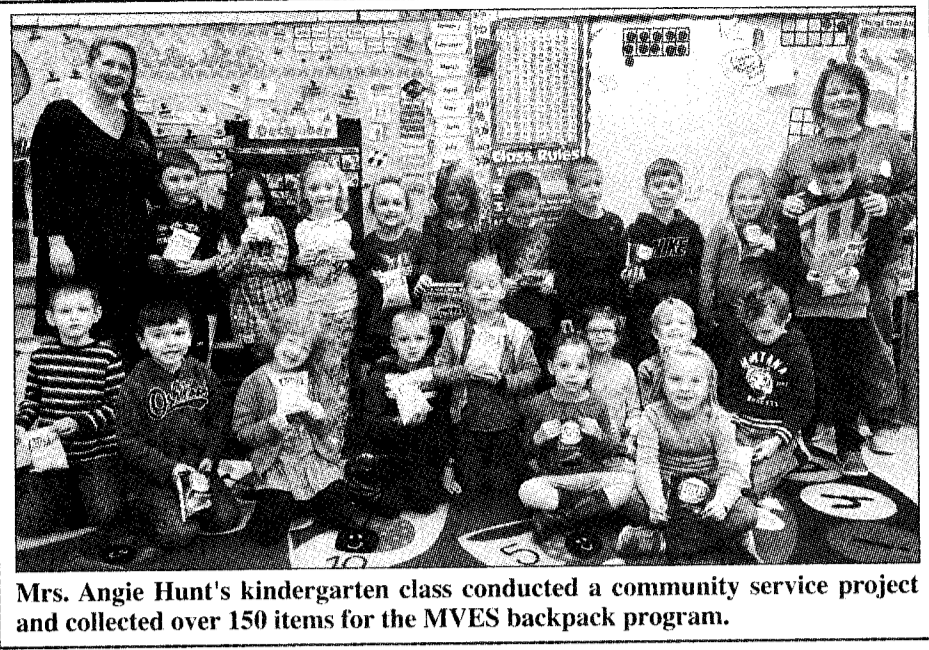
Santa and his elf, Patrick, visited Mrs. Jamie Bryant's first grade class at MVES. The students enjoyed their visit very much!



Miss Kami and Ms. Lisa's Kindergarten classroom donated food to the FRC Snack Pack Program at MVES for Christmas.



Mr. Blake McKinney's class at MVES read "The Night Tree" in class and then made their own night trees for snack.



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## Mt. Vernon Message

Christmas Break begins Wednesday, December 20 and resumes Wednesday, January 3, 2018. Have a restful break!

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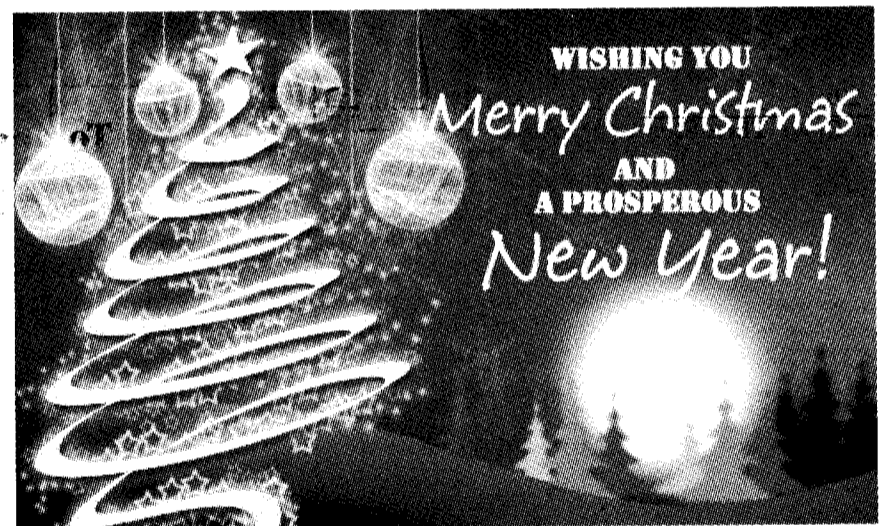
Christmas present pick up is Wednesday, December 20 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

*Nathan Carter & family would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

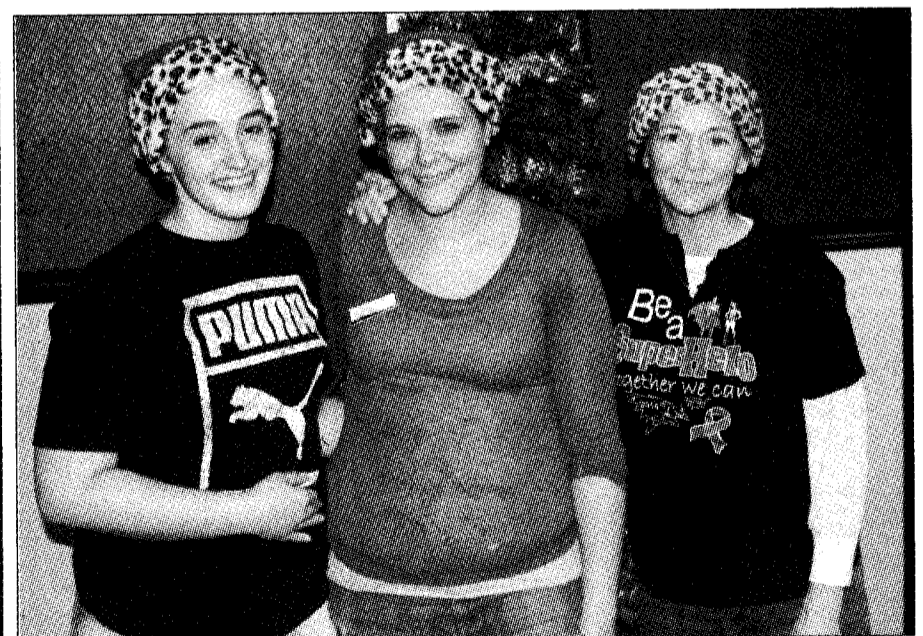


*Please remember me in the upcoming election for Rockcastle County Jailor. Your vote would be greatly appreciated!*

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

**Trailers For Rent.** Deposit required. No pets. 859-358-3560. 29xntf

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

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## Property For Sale

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**House or trailer on land** contract w/down payment in Brodhead. 758-4729. 32xntf

**For Sale:** 2 bedroom trailer with two car garage. Brodhead. 606-256-2993. 45tfn

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**RN, full time, for Hospice Care Plus at the Compassionate Care Center.** 36 hours/week, primarily day shift. Graduate of accredited school of nursing, KY. RN license and one year of experience required. For more information, call 859-986-1500 Sue Lunsford, HR Coordinator or send your resume to email: sue.lunsford@hospicecp.org. EOE 50x1

**Rockcastle County 911** is accepting applications for a part-time position. Starting pay is \$10 hour. You can pick up an application Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the courthouse from the county judge's secretary. Must be at least 18 years of age to apply, have a high school diploma or GED and be willing to submit to criminal history/background check. Rockcastle 911 is an EOE.

## Miscellaneous For Sale

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

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

**Firewood For Sale:** \$50 a load, seasoned white oak plus locust. U Call We Haul. Contact 606-308-9423. 31xntf

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## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS INVITATION TO LEASE

The Administrative Office of the Courts desires to lease approximately 250 to 500 square feet of office space for the Rockcastle CDW Office. Space should be available for occupancy on or before February 15, 2018.

Responses must be in writing and submitted in a sealed envelope with PR-8447 clearly marked on the front.

Please send responses to Michelle Evans, Facilities Division, Administrative Office of the Courts, 1001 Vandalay Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601-9320. (FAX responses will not be accepted.)

Each proposal should include the type, location, and availability date of the property. Also furnish a floor plan showing the interior layout of the existing building to include walls, doors, windows, and columns.

All proposals must be received before 1:00 PM EDT, Friday, January 5, 2018. All bids received will be opened and publicly read at the AOC offices at that time.

A representative of the AOC will make an appointment to inspect all proposed lease space that meets the requirements stated above. A determination will not be made until a visual inspection of all proposed properties has been made. Property must be approved by the Department of Housing, Buildings, and Construction, Division of Building Codes Enforcement, and must meet OSHA and the Americans with Disabilities Act specifications, as well as existing applicable building codes.

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## Posted

**Posted:** No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. 5x51

**Posted:** No hunting, trespassing, 4-wheeling on property belonging to James and Juanita Chasteen, located on Little Hurricane Branch Road in Rockcastle County. Violators will be prosecuted.

**Posted:** Property belonging to Don and Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf

**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

**Posted:** No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

**Posted:** No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47tfn

**Posted:** Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

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

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

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## Scenes from the Brodhead Christmas Parade



Miss Rockcastle Sheradyn Cox gets a ride on Brodhead Fire Department Rescue 13 during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Santa Claus made an appearance during the Brodhead Christmas Parade.



Crossroads Assembly of God won the float contest during the Brodhead Christmas Parade. The Blair Family won for best decorated home and Citizens Bank of Brodhead won for the Best Decorated Store Front.



Mark's Hardware got in the Christmas spirit with their float and tractors.

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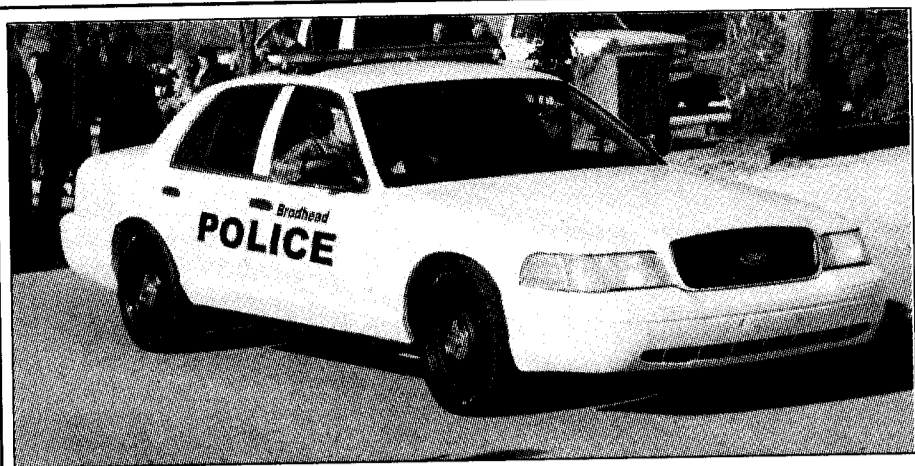
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Brodhead Police Chief Bo Harris led the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade down Main Street.



Firefighter Christian Sagraves drove Brodhead's Rescue 19 in the annual Brodhead Christmas Parade.



Brodhead Fire Department's Engine 10 was one of many fire trucks from across the county in the annual Christmas Parade.



Brindle Ridge Fire Department brought Engine 804 for Brodhead's Christmas Parade.



Firefighter Larkin Prewitt and Skylar Holcomb rode along in Brodhead's Engine 12 in the annual Brodhead Christmas Parade.



Livingston Police Department was represented in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.

## Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

*Fissures and Ledges*

Two different landscape features, naturally occurring in the world, are large ledges of stones that appear stacked, and fissures such as might result from a major earthquake ripping a crevice or clef in the earth. The western states have many natural fissures. Ledge stones can be all sizes and of many types of rock. (The Palisades of the Kentucky River have the look of grandiose ledge stones. These cliffs are up to 220 feet high and are downriver from Ft. Boonesboro.) Let's take a look at these two stone features as they apply to landscaping a yard or property.

Ledges are typically large flat stones in a horizontal position. Often seen stacked up, but they may be stair-stepped or randomly placed in a slope as well. Big, flat, weathered stones are commonly called "ledge stones" no matter their intended landscape use. Large stones placed to function as a retaining wall are a common use for ledge stones.

Large ledge boulders with moss on them can be imposing, and so are better paired with a larger building.

Smaller stones can create a ledge effect just the same, but without heavy equipment being needed to move them.

Weathered stones look better for this purpose, but stone from a quarry will age in time.

Double rows or large ledge boulders have been sited in the Botanical Garden in Denver, Colorado. Between them a gravel path resembling an arroyo or stream offers rock gardening bounty and an impressive display. A ledge created by a homeowner or landscaper on most residential properties would be constructed much less

immensely.

Fissures are typically vertical disruptions of jagged rocks and may be at weird angles, not necessarily 90 degrees.

Real fissures occurring in mountainous regions are extremely dangerous, especially if fallen into unexpectedly.

Man-made landscape fissures can be anywhere from small tame looking rocks stood up with a gap between them to a more formidable look where they would indeed deter man or animal crossing the area where the fissure was designed and installed. Smaller pieces of stone between larger imposing stones with sharp points or corners, a good landscaper can construct a fissure replicating a natural one. Larger elements will require heavy equipment to assist with the placement of the stones and other excavation or dirt movement.

Unusual to be sure, massive ledges or fissures offer something different on the landscaper's palate. Certainly not for everyone, but how would a ledge, fissure, or stone outcropping look in your front yard or backyard? Size should be reflective of the size of the home or property. A tiny fissure is not going to impress anyone if lost in a big yard. Neither will a massive ledge look good in the yard of a "dollhouse".

Large fissures and rock ledge layouts created with dozers, backhoes and cranes can cost thousands and even hundreds of thousands of dollars to build. Amusement parks or botanical gardens may have the space and the money for this. The average homeowners will be thinking of something on a much smaller scale for their yards.

*The author is a landscaper specializing in waterfalls. Email Max at rockcastles@gmail.com*

# Merry Christmas

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From left: Phillip Gilliam, Caitlin Mullins, Christa Taylor, Susan McNew, Marlene Lawson and Shelly Mullins.

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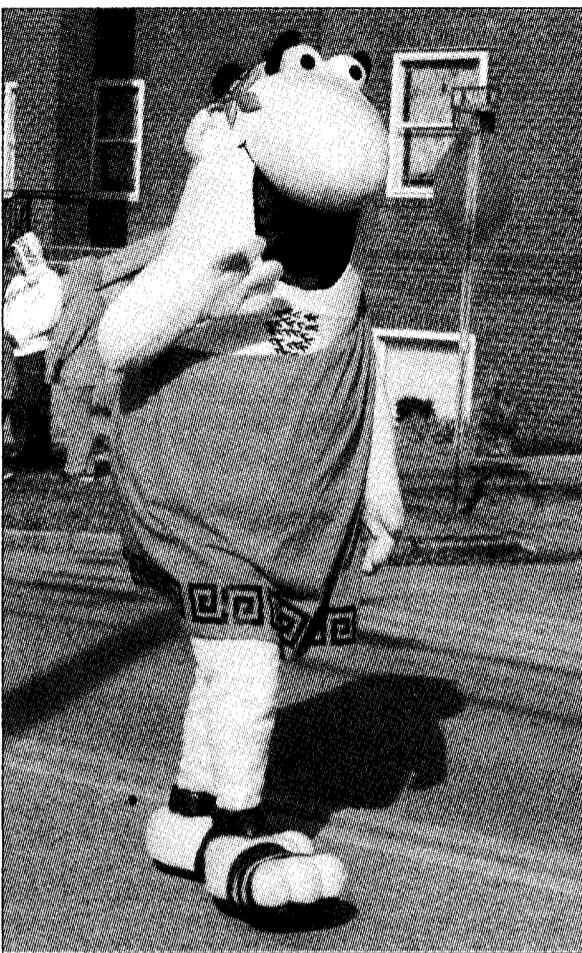


Gage Reynolds gave candidate for Rockcastle Jailer Nathan Carter a ride in Brodhead's Christmas Parade.



Troop 2403 from Brodhead took part in the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade in Brodhead.

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"Little Caesar" was on hand for Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

### *A Hillbilly Christmas*

Twas the night before Christmas  
And far from my home,  
A little bit scared as I traveled alone,  
I stopped to rest and rented a cabin,  
Late in the night, unsure what might happen.  
I settled in quick and went right to bed  
Happy at last to just lay down my head,  
When all of a sudden somewhere on the mountain,  
The Hillbillies began singing, dancing, shoutin'.  
The sound was like thunder, it woke the whole town,  
The Hillbillies were having a Christmas Ho-Down.  
Me in my cabin unable to sleep,  
Standing in nightshirt and only sock feet.  
No hope for rest I decided to go,  
So I dressed myself warmly, and walked out of my  
cabin  
And into the cold.  
Walking in the moonlight on a new fallen snow,  
Passing through the woods to a place I didn't know.  
I arrived at the cabin not sure of the time,  
It was a very big cabin much larger than mine.  
The inside was well lit and gave off a glow,  
That shone out the windows and on to the snow.  
Taking a breath, I knocked on the door,  
The host was a man I had never seen before.  
After looking me over, saying get on in here!  
Once inside I knew I had nothing to fear,  
Even hillbillies won't shoot you this time of the year.  
The festival inside was wonderful to see,  
The hillbillies were happy as happy could be.  
In the corner an old jug band was playing a song,  
In the center of the room a great dance going on.  
I was invited to dance, but danced very little,  
When I saw a great table just loaded with vittles.  
After filling my plate and a jar of country wine,  
I sat with the hillbillies and started to dine.  
After eating and dancing for most of the night,  
I realized these hillbillies are really all right.  
Growing tired and sleepy, and ready to go,  
I thanked my new friends as I walked out the door.  
As I headed toward my cabin the stars as my light,  
I was filled with new hope on this wonderful night.  
Arriving back home and warm in my cabin,  
I pondered this night, and all that had happened.  
Lying in bed, I thought of this place,  
My heart filled with joy and warmth of God's grace.  
So for all of earth's people, and all of life's faces,  
And for those far from home, staying in strange places,  
I prayed to our Lord on this most Holy of Nights,  
Take care and watch over us and help us do right.  
*Merry Christmas, God Bless...and to all a Good Night!!*  
*L.H. Bennett*

*Merry Christmas from the  
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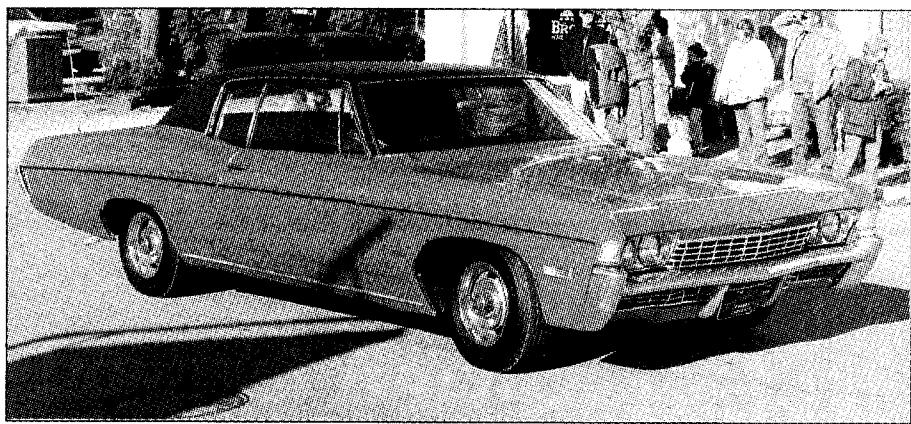
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The RCHS Marching Rockets Color Guard marched in the Brodhead Christmas Parade. Some of the members shown above are Emily Alexander, Jasmine Ashcraft and Devona Smith.



The RCHS Marching Rockets, led by Drum Major Brooklyn Lane, marched in Brodhead's Christmas Parade and delighted the crowd with beautiful music.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash drove his late model Chevy in the EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Mount Vernon Fire Department brought along Rescue 613 for Brodhead's Christmas Parade.



Candidate for Sheriff Chris Mason, along with family and friends, took part in Brodhead's Christmas Parade.



Candidate for Rockcastle Jailer John Burton took part in Brodhead's annual Christmas Parade.

### Christmas is not like it was

By: Madge Smith

When I was at home, at Christmas, we had a good dinner that came from our garden that mother had canned and our own meat.

We got plenty of candy, fruit and nuts we passed out to our friends. We didn't buy gifts at a store, just new shoes every year at Christmas.

There were nine of us children. Mother and Daddy taught us that the tree we had stood for the death of Jesus Christ because of His dying on the cross for our sins and life eternal. He promised that to all who believe.

We also made our own gifts that some still have today. Love was one of them. Our decorations were strings of popcorn and paper chains. Our neighbors would get pies or cakes and invited to dinner.

Some people define Christmas by what they see, tree lights, shopping, gifts, food and parties. However, that is not what Christmas is all about.

Our plan of Salvation had to begin with the birth of Christ, the Son of God. Without him we wouldn't be here to celebrate anything.

Be sure to call your sisters and brothers. They would like that more than a card bought from a store. Hug your kids and tell them Jesus loves them and you do to. When they grow up, they will not forget it, because I haven't.

Merry Christmas! Jesus loves you

### Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

**CHICKEN REUBEN**  
4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts, cut in half (8 pieces)  
Seasoned salt and pepper to taste

1 can (16 ounce) sauerkraut, drained, squeezed dry  
1 and 1/4 cups thousand island dressing, divided  
8 slices Swiss cheese  
8 slices rye bread  
Preheat oven to 325°. Pound the chicken breasts to an even thickness with a meat mallet.

Placed the breasts in a greased 13 x 9 baking dish. Season with seasoned salt and pepper.

Combine sauerkraut and 2 to 3 tablespoon thousand island dressing. Divide the sauerkraut mixture among the chicken breasts. Top with swiss cheese, and then spread generously with the remaining thousand island dressing. Cover the pan with foil. Bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour, or until the chicken is cooked through (juices with run clear when the meat is pierced with a knife). Serve on the rye bread.

**CROCK POT PASTA FAGIOLI SOUP**  
2 pounds ground beef  
1 onion, chopped  
3 carrots, chopped  
4 stalks celery, chopped  
2 cans (28 ounces each)

diced tomatoes, undrained  
1 can (16 ounce) red kidney beans, drained  
1 can (16 ounce) white kidney beans, drained  
3 cans (10 ounce) beef stock  
3 teaspoons oregano  
2 teaspoons pepper  
5 teaspoons parsley  
1 jar (20 ounce) spaghetti sauce  
8 ounces pasta  
Brown beef in a skillet. Drain fat from beef and add beef to crock pot with everything except pasta. Cook on low 7 to 8 hours or high 4 to 5 hours. During last 30 minutes on high or 1 hour on low, add pasta.

**ARTICHOKE DIP**  
2 cans (14 ounces each) water-pack artichokes, drained  
2 cups Parmesan cheese, freshly grated  
1 cup of mayonnaise  
Salt and pepper  
Preheat oven to 350°. Coarsely chop the drained artichokes. In an oven-proof baking or serving dish, mix together the chopped drained artichokes, the grated Parmesan cheese, and the mayonnaise. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. Add salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste. Serve with crackers, endive leaves, or toasted thinly slice bread or baguettes.

Merry Christmas

May your days be merry and bright with the light of God's love.

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from

Rockcastle County Attorney  
**Jeremy Rowe & staff**



Front row from left: Julie Adams, Kathy Robinson and Meredith Gross. Back row from left: Kathy Burgin, Samantha Wynn, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, Assistant County Attorney William Leger and Abbey Eaton.

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Rockcastle County High School's JROTC Color Guard members marched in the Brodhead Christmas Parade. Members are shown, from left: Zach Poyle, Hunter Medley, Chandler Cole and Eli Price.



Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Doug Bishop and his granddaughter, Sydney, share candy with those attendance at the Brodhead Christmas Parade.

## Randy Powell takes honors at state florists' convention

Randy Powell, an employee of Foley's Florist in Berea, recently took two honorable mentions and a third place at the Kentucky Florists' Association during their 60th Annual Convention held in Louisville.

In the Wedding Category: Years of Wedding and the Arrangement Category: It's All About Texture, Powell received Honorable Mention. He took a third place in the Sympathy Category: A

Timeless Tribute.

In the second part of the competition, the four designers with the highest total combined score competed in a live, on-stage design challenge. They have twenty minutes to complete a design of their choice and Powell was one of these designers.

The Kentucky Florist's Association also supports the annual Hats for Hope Silent Auction benefiting Kosair Char-

ities where designers create Derby hats and fascinators which are then judged by a panel of evaluators.

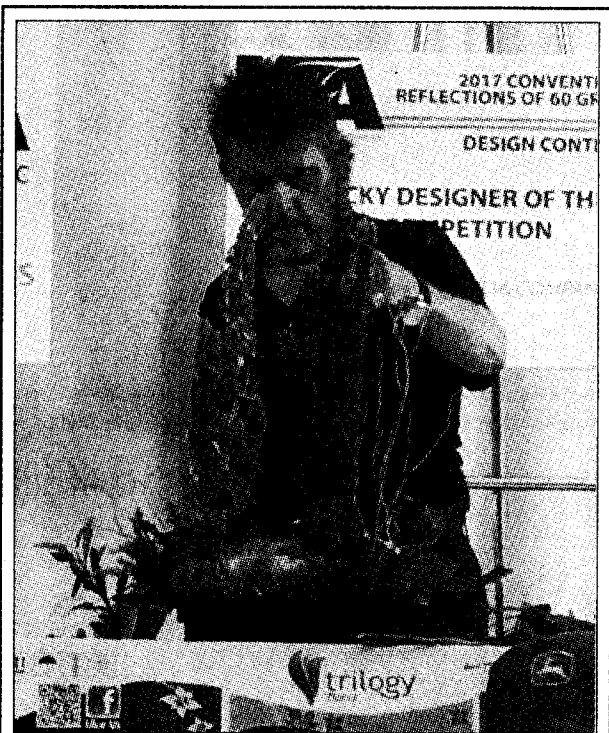
All hats are donated to Hats for Hope to use in their next silent auction.

Powell was the winner of this competition.



Circuit Judge David Tapp took part in Brodhead's Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance. Judge Tapp is also a candidate for the Kentucky Supreme Court.

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Randy Powell, with Foley's Florist in Berea, is shown in the above photo with his entry into the final four competition at the recent Kentucky Florists' Association's annual convention held in Louisville.



Powell, far left, is shown in the above photo with the other three designers chosen for the final four competition at the Kentucky Florists' Association's recent convention in Louisville.

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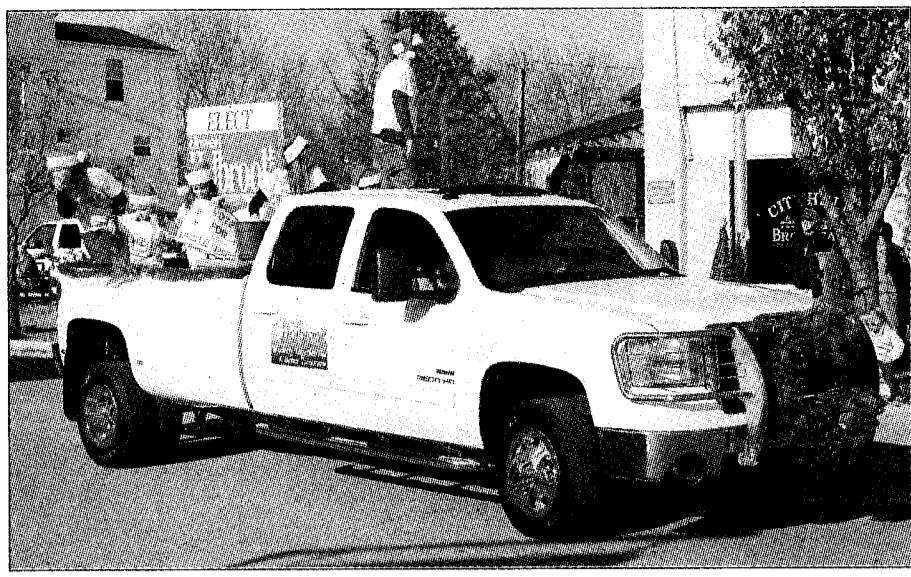
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*From Stanley Payne and Family*

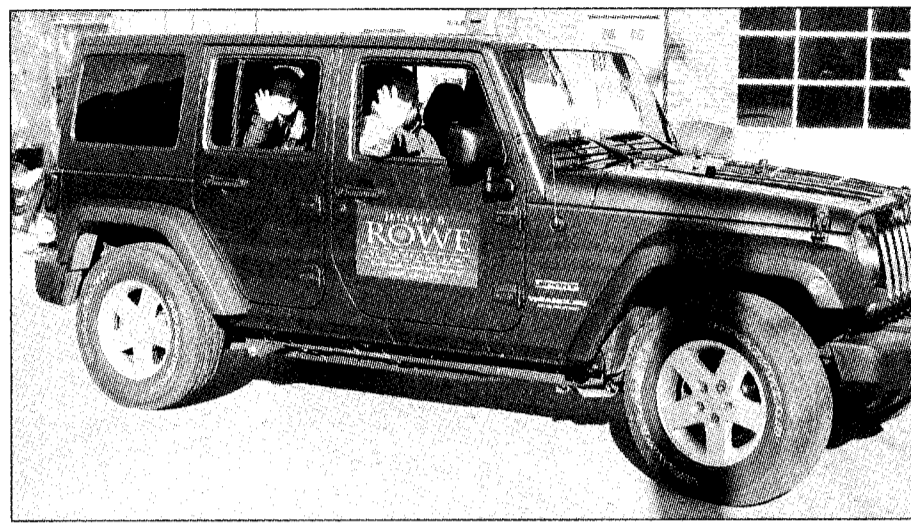
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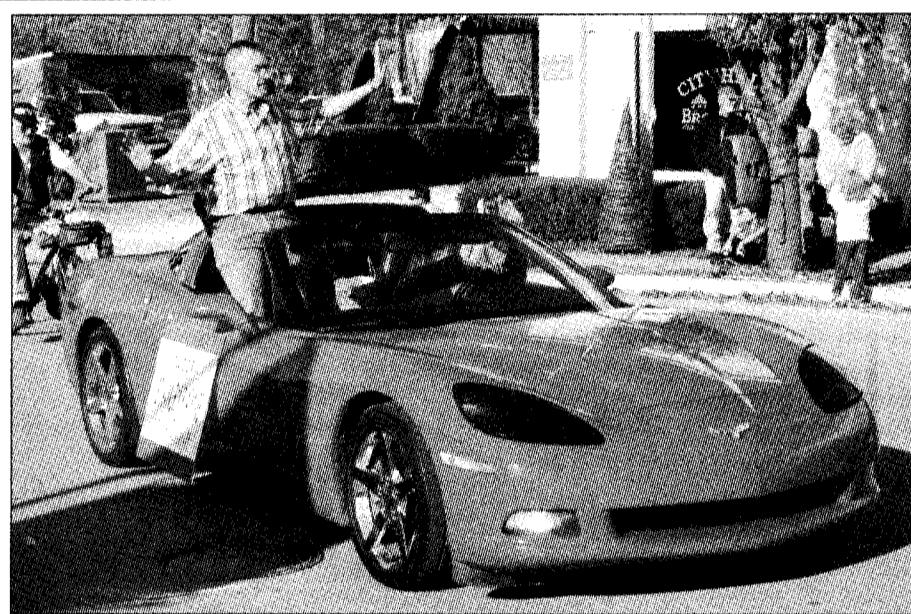
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Candidate for Judge-Executive Howell Holbrook took part in Brodhead's Christmas Parade.



Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and Cynthia Wells wave to the camera during Brodhead's Christmas Parade. The two were being drive by Rowe's wife, Jacinda.



Candidate for Jailer Stanley Payne rode along in the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



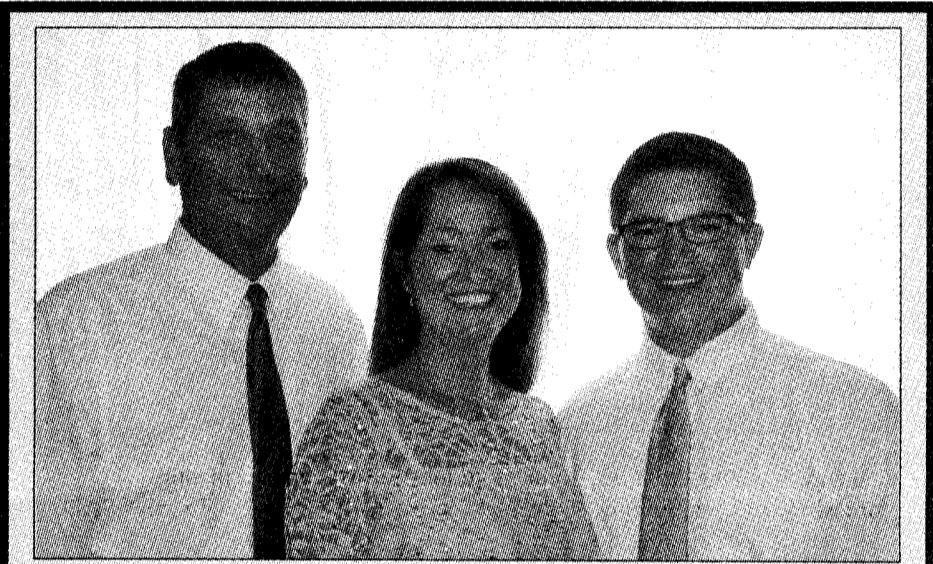
David's Tire Center brought out "Big Bertha" for the Brodhead Christmas Parade.



State Representative and Housing Majority Floor Leader Jonathan Shell took part in Brodhead's annual Christmas Parade.



Candidate for Sheriff Shannon Franklin along with his wife Jill and daughters, Maggie and Valerie, took part in the annual Christmas Parade at Brodhead.



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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

**CHRISTMAS**  
**HOPE IT'S UPLIFTING**



We know it gives us  
a lift to serve you.

Many thanks for  
your loyal support.

**Town &  
Country  
Chevron**  
*Marvin Mink,  
Owner*

**256-9634**



Jamie Osborne, Amanda Osborne and Billy Gale Osborne rode on the Rockcastle Recycling Center's float and shared candy during the Brodhead Christmas Parade.



Rockcastle County Jailer Carlos McClure, along with his family, took part in Brodhead's Christmas Parade.

## Holidays not always cheerful for those battling holiday depression

The holiday season is underway and as families gather to celebrate, it's important to remember it's not always the most wonderful time of the year for everyone. While depression can occur at any time, the holiday season particularly may bring on loneliness and a lack of fulfillment for some. During the month of December, Saint Joseph Berea, part of KentuckyOne Health, encourages people to learn more about holiday depression and how it might impact loved ones.

Those suffering from depression may experience feelings of sadness and emptiness that won't go away, extreme irritability, restlessness, thoughts of suicide and death, insomnia or sleeping too much, difficulty concentrating, loss of interest in favorite activities, weight gain or weight loss.

"Depression may occur at any time of the year, but during the holiday season, it's often amplified," said Elizabeth Clark, MS, director of Senior Renewal Center, Saint Joseph Berea. "Many factors can increase a person's level of stress and

anxiety during the holidays, including financial pressures, recent loss of a loved one or other major life changes, social isolation, excessive commitments and unrealistic expectations."

To help find relief from holiday-induced stress, it's important to set realistic goals and expectations during the holidays, share responsibilities with loved ones, reach out to friends and family, avoid excessive drinking and overeating, and talk to a therapist to help you identify your feelings and find solutions to overcome them.

Social isolation is often a major factor in depression around the holiday season. Some people may not have a large group of friends and family with whom to celebrate. As a result, they feel disconnected during the cheerful holiday months. To avoid increased social isolation, it's important to find support from family or friends, seek out social events, or talk to a physician or therapist about these feelings of isolation.

Others may be grieving the loss of a loved one dur-

ing the holidays. Strategies to help lessen the risk of depression for those experiencing loss include acknowledging your feelings, finding a new holiday tradition away from home, volunteering time to help others, and spending time outdoors.

Depression this time of year may also be caused by another factor - the loss of sunshine. Seasonal affective disorder, or (SAD), is a disorder that is caused by the reduced number of daylight hours during the winter months.

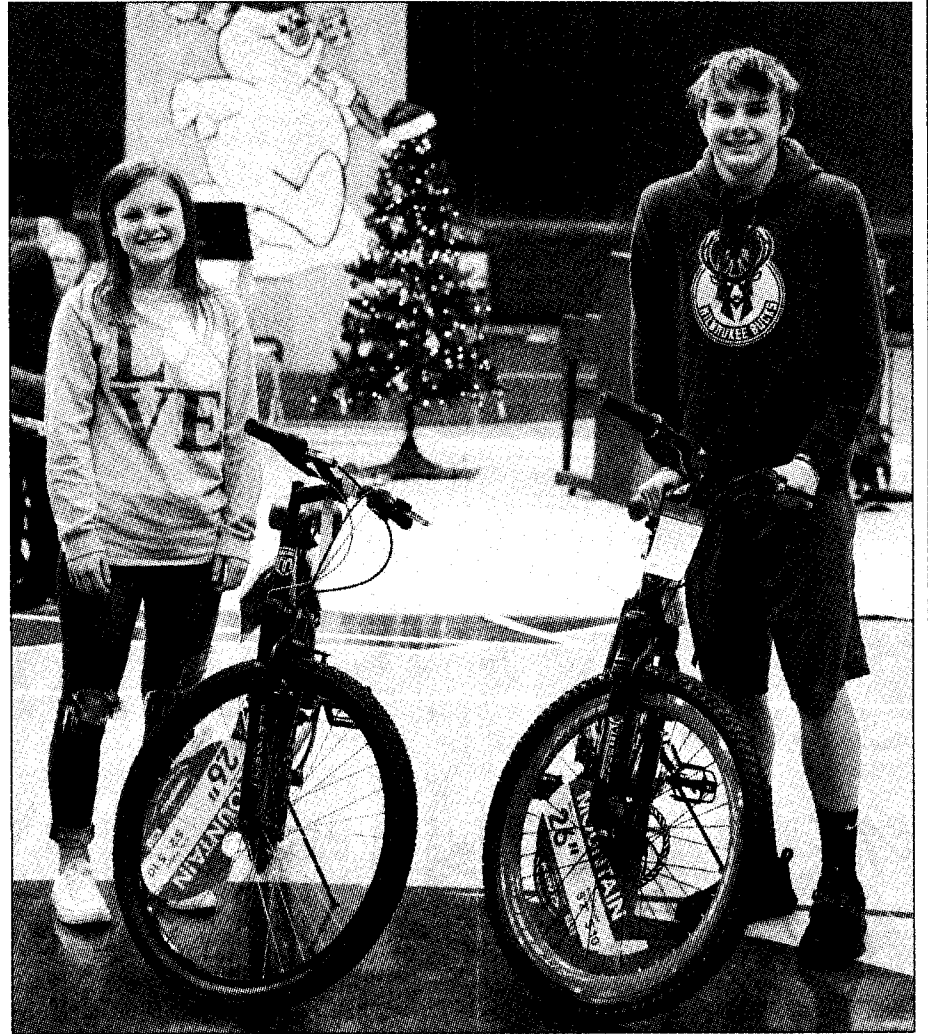
To treat SAD, your provider may recommend talk or light therapy, antidepressants or lifestyle changes.

"For those who suffer from depression this time of year, it's important to talk to a provider to determine its cause, whether it's the stress or loneliness of the holidays, or another external factor like the lack of sunshine," said Clark. "Depending on the type and severity of the depression, it can be treated with medications, psychotherapy, brain stimulation techniques, lifestyle changes, or some combination of these. Reaching out for help is the key to feeling better."

Signs of depression should not be taken lightly. Contact Our Lady of Peace for an assessment by calling the Assessment and Referral Center at 859.313.3515. If you find yourself having suicidal thoughts, immediately dial 911, go to a hospital emergency room, or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK.

**About Saint Joseph Berea**  
Saint Joseph Berea, part of KentuckyOne Health, is a 25-bed critical access hospital located in Berea, KY. It serves the residents of Madison, Estill, Garrard, Jackson and Rockcastle counties. Established in 1898, on the grounds of Berea College, Saint Joseph Berea recognizes the importance of family, friends and familiar surroundings in the healing process and provides a breadth of services so that getting first-rate care doesn't have to mean being far from home.

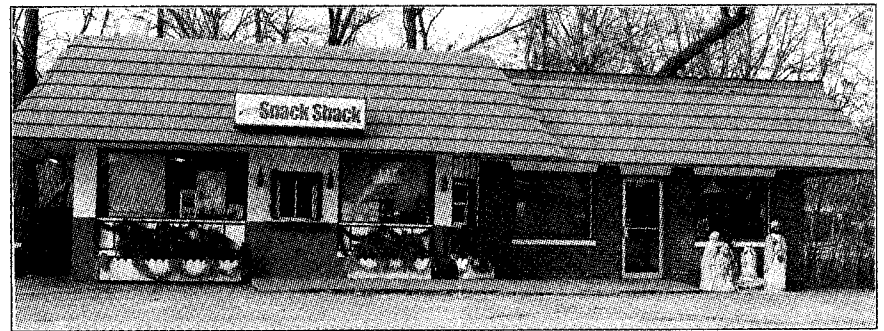
**About KentuckyOne Health**  
KentuckyOne Health, one of the largest and most comprehensive health systems in the Commonwealth, includes hospitals, physician groups, clinics, primary care centers, specialty institutes and home health agencies in Kentucky and southern Indiana. KentuckyOne Health is dedicated to bringing wellness, healing and hope to all, including the underserved.



Thank you to Clifford Collins Backhoe for donating two bicycles to encourage good attendance at RCMS. All students who had perfect attendance during the fall semester were in a drawing for a girl's or boy's bike. Emma Hackworth and Austin Vanwinkle were the winners. We appreciate all of our students who put forth the extra effort to be at school every day.

Merry Christmas from the folks at

# Snack Shack



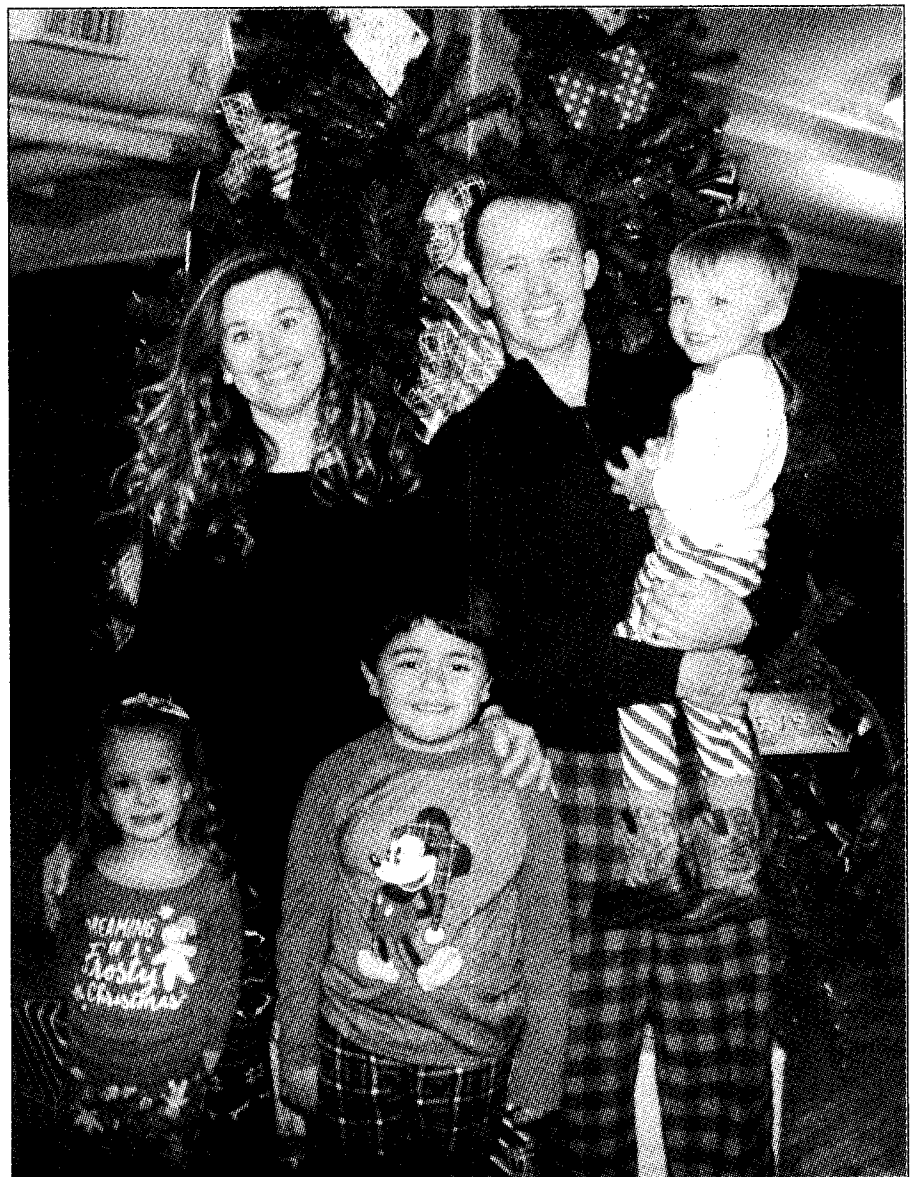
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# Merry Christmas

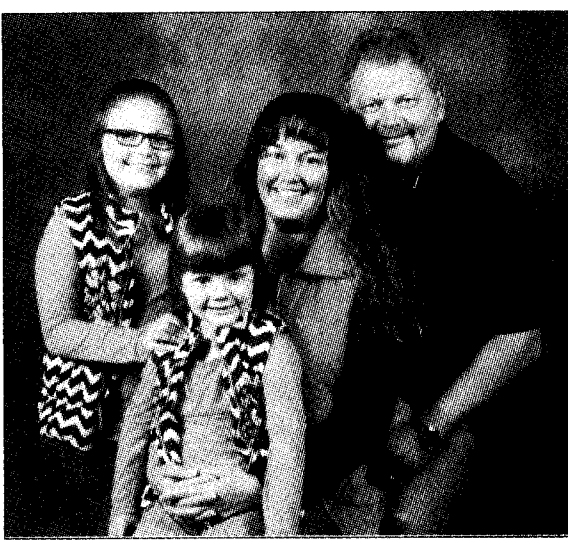
Christ The Savior Is Born



Wishing you and your family  
the gift of faith, the blessings of hope  
and the peace of his love at  
Christmas and always



From  
Rockcastle County Jailer  
**Carlos McClure**  
and family - Tara, Palin & Bristol



# MVES first graders write Santa Letters

**Mt. Vernon Elementary**  
*Mrs. Robin Bowman's class*

Dear Santa: Esme's List,  
Can you please get me a xbox1. I was good and cinda nody. I still want a LoL Dolls, a digit dimind, a doll, Robo cat, and a nuther Robo cat for my cusen. I Love you.

Love, Esme'  
Dear Santa,  
I wood get a rodt vosratt and a rodt t-rex and I have tin goob.

Love, Jacob Scott Dykes  
Dear Santa,  
I was really good. This year I want a JoJodoll for Christmas. And a angelldoll. And I wan't to meat Santa.

Love, Karleigh  
Dear Santa,  
I like Pokemon, ok gitme it!! I woud like a bord game.

Love, Zaydon  
To Santa:  
You'll have extra cookies at crismastime. I've ben good or bad I don't now. You do now what I want for crismasright? Pokemon cards and Arceaccard. By the way theresa surprise.

From: Roscoe  
Dear Santa,  
I want a Xbox one S for Crismas. I bin Good and Santa I will leav you cookies.

Love, Gage  
Dear Santa,  
I want a horse and a sadule pless. I hope that you can fit it in the slay. Put the horse and the sadulein the pasture at Grandmas. I have been a good girl.

Love, Hailey  
Dear Santa,  
I bin good tisyear. I want you to be safe win you drivthe sled. I what giants NFL stuf. I want you to have a mere ckrimas. I am goweg to lev you cookesand milk. Odell is the numr 13 I want the jurze NO cow boy jurze's. I Love god.

Love, Josiah  
To Santa,  
I have bin rile good I wnt a xdox ones and rme min, cumputr, cozmo and ill lev you som cookes.

love, Jace  
Dear Santa,  
I have bna good girl. I wall a my lif doll rebrrn. I'm going to lev you cukey! Love you Santa.

From Grace  
Dear Santa,  
I hab bna good girl. I want elsa toyz from santa beçuz I lik elsa dols. I wnt anna thags for ckismis. Love you Santa.

Love, Tabitha  
Dear Santa,  
I have staid in the green so can you make me a reil goçartwith a motor? I hope it çan fit in the slae!

Love, Landon  
Dear Santa,  
I ben gud dis yer so can I have a Ben ten OBtrrix and a toy het blat toy and toy dimendn toy tht cums with his hnd. The Lego Movie pack.

Love, Jacob W.  
Dear Santa,  
This year I think I have been good. I want elf on the shelf, a new bow, a Amaican Doll, a JoJo Poster, a new Santa doll, some new sherts and a stoking.

Love, Marlee  
*Mrs. Kristy's First Grade*  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a love dela dall.

Sophi L.  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been both this year. I would love to get a gun for Christmas.

Jasper  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nic. I would love to get a gun for Christmas.

Colson  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a tv for Christmas.

Audrey  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been good this year. I would lov to get a tow tuk for Christmas.

Casen  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nis this year. I would love to get a dog stuff animl. Kynlee

Andrew  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nis this year. I would love to get a popthowset for Christmas.

Sawyer B.  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a jet pac that shots fir ot uv it for Christmas.

Sawyer C.  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nis this year. I would love to get a cat for Christmas.

Katie  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I wold love to get a Barbe doll for Christmas.

Alexis  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a Barbe mrrmaed for Christmas.

Grace  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nis this year. I would love to get a doll hws far Christmas.

Sophia L.  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been both this year. I would love to get a tv for Christmas. Merry Christmas!!

Addie  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice. I would love to get a dron.

Lincoln  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a fingerling and a amarian girl doll for crismas. its name is Lea

Lila  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been nice this year. I would love to get a video game. Merry Christmas.

Jaxon  
*Mrs. Jamie Bryant's class*  
Dear Santa,  
I hope you like the cookisand milk. I have been good all year. I riley want a hatchamlf for Christmas. Have a Mary Christmas and by the way I am 7.

Love, Bryce  
Dear Santa,  
Thank you for my puppy? I have been pretty good all year. I wont UK to when all year. Can you keep me oofof your naughty list all year pless.

Love, Parker  
Dear Santa,  
I hop your are ther. I like your job. I have been good all year. I hop you bren me one fone. Mary Crismas.

From, Kaylee  
Dear Santa,  
How are your elvs? I've been a little naughty all year. I hope you bring me a L.t. extreme Land sea rc for Chrimas. Mary Chrimas.

Love, Levi A.  
Dear Santa,  
Hooare you? I have been good. I wuld take a toy traktr harvrstr.

Love, Levi B.  
Dear Santa,  
How was your year? I have been a little naughty this year. All I wontis love, Santa. Mary Crismis.

Love, Kealee  
Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. I have been niceall year. Mere Krismis. I hop I get a baby dolalive. Mree cressisme.

Love, Callie  
Dear Santa,  
What are your elf doing? I have been pretty good all year. Dear Santa, can I pleshave a Baby alive. Mree cressisme, Santa.

Love, Tatum  
Dear Santa,  
How is your elfs doing? I have been working a little beder. I wont a remut cuntlerace car. Mary mary crissmisand have a happy new year.

Love, Beckham  
Dear Santa,  
I like yor elf and ther so funy. I have been a litl nauhty and merwe cresas. I wonted for chrismas is a piychro thurshy. Have a good yegr.

Love, Isaiah  
Dear Santa,  
How are your down? I have been pretty good all yrer. I wunt for crismis a rill rifhl. Have a good yrer.

Love, Gabe P.  
Dear Santa,  
How hard is it to dliver to all of the children in the world? I have been pretty good this year. I hope you get me a nintindo swichfor Christmas. The end. Merry Chrismas and have a happy new year.

Love, Caleb  
Dear Santa,  
How is mis. Klos? I have been good all year. I wint makup for crisms. Have a good crisms.

Love, Sophia  
Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been good all year. I want you to bring me makeup. Have a good chrismas.

Love, Emma  
Dear Santa,  
Merry Crismas. How was your day? I have ben goodall year. I hope you bring me desentens 2. I want desentens2. Happy new year.

Love, Macensie  
Dear Santa,  
How Is your elvs? Mere crismis. I yor benpretty good al year. I want a remot contlcar.

From, Gabe S.  
Dear Santa,  
You have good elvs. I have been good all year. I woint you to give me manstr trucus for chrimis. Have a mere crismis.

Love, Breylan  
Dear Santa,  
Haw re yor ranedear? I have bin nis this yir. I wod lick sum surpris for Cristmus.

Love, Mary Grace  
*Kathy Price's class*  
Edited  
Dear Santa,  
This Christmas, I am 6 years old. Does Mrs. clause work in your village? I have been good all of the time this year. I clean up the house and I put my toys away. I would like some boots and a dirt bike and some gear for it for Christmas. I promise to leave out some milk and cookies for you. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me!

Love, Dawson  
Dear Santa,  
How do you fly? I am 7 years old this Christmas. I have been good some of the time this year. I cleaned up my room. I would like a racecar and some army men for Christmas. I will leave you some candy canes and milk. Please say "Hi" to the reindeer for me!

Love Kevin  
Dear Santa,  
This Christmas, I am 6 years old. I have been good all the time this year. I help

my mom pick up the living room. How do the reindeer fly? I would like an Xbox and a nerf gun for Christmas this year. I promise to leave out some cookies for you. Please say "Hi" to Dancer for me!

Love, Hunter  
Dear Santa,  
Do you have a long beard? I am 7 years old this year and I would like some Hot Wheels and an ImaginexRudolph for Christmas. I have been good all year long. I let my friends play tag with me and I help Dad carry stuff to the car. I promise to leave out some cookies and milk for you on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to TJ the Elf for me! Have a safe trip!

Love, AJ  
Dear Santa,  
Are you and Mrs. Clause married? I am 6 years old this Christmas and I have been good some of the time this year. I just cleaned the house for my Christmas party on Saturday. I would like a Barbie Dream House and Calico Critters for Christmas this year. I will leave out some cookies and milk for you. Please say "Hi" to Jimmy the Elf for me!

Love, Brynna  
Dear Santa,  
Can Rudolph fly over a tree? I am 6 years old and I have been good all year long. I helped the lunch ladies stack up the trays and I help my mom with my brother when he is going to sleep because he always wants to stay up and play. I would like my 2 front teeth

and a mermaid tail for Christmas. I promise I will leave you some cookies and milk on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me! Have a safe trip!

Love, Aliyah  
Dear Santa,  
Do you have a puppy? I am 7 years old and I have been good all the time this year. Sometimes I help my mom clean on Saturdays when we don't have anything else to do. I would like some make-up and Hatchimalsfor Christmas. I will leave some milk and cookies for you on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me.

Love, Kaleigh  
Dear Santa,  
I am 6 years old this Christmas and I have been good all year long. I would like a karaoke machine and an art set for Christmas. I will leave out some cookies for you on Christmas Eve. How do you fly with your reindeer? Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me! Have a safe trip!

Love, Addison  
Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I am 6 years old. How do you get all the toys to fit inside your bag? I have been good all of the time this year. I have been nice to my brother and my two sisters. I would like some cars and an Ipadfor Christmas. I promise to leave cookies and milk for you on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me.

Love, Dakota  
(Cont. to C9)

and many thanks to our good friends, everywhere!

Happy Holidays from everyone at

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## Santa Letters

(Cont. from C8)

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 7 years old and I have good all this year. How do you get all of the toys into your bag? I have been good all the time this year. I help my mommy with the dishes and when Reagan can't find something I help her find it. I will leave cookies out for you on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me. Have a safe trip.

Love, Sydney

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old this Christmas and I have been good all year. I help my mom do laundry and I help my step mom tell my brother to wear the shoes he's wearing today and not his game shoes. How do your reindeer fly? I would like a tablet and Legos for Christmas this year. I will leave some cookies and milk for you on Christmas Eve. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me.

Love, Tyson

Dear Santa,

This Christmas, I am 7 years old and I have been naughty (but nice!) I do help my grandma crack walnuts and I helped my mom with Thanksgiving dinner. I would like a TV and a Nintendo Switch for Christmas this year. By the way, do you have a dog? Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me.

Love, Jaydon

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old I have been good this year. I went and bought my sisters a Christmas present. I would really like some nerf guns and some cars for Christmas this year. I will leave you some cookies and milk. How do you make the reindeer fly? Say "Hi" to Rudolph for me. Have a safe trip.

Merry Christmas Santa!

Love, Mason

Dear Santa,

This Christmas, I am almost 7 years old. This year, I have been naughty (but nice!) Sometimes my brother is mean to me and sometimes I am mean to my brother. I would like a JoJo Siwa doll and some Jo JoBows for Christmas this year. I promise to leave out some milk and a PBJ sandwich for you on Christmas Eve. I was wondering how you make all those toys. Please say "Hi" to Rudolph for me. Merry Christmas Santa!

Love, Elizabeth

Mrs. Kaci's First Grade Edited

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a purple tablet. I need some Nike socks.

Love, Ava

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a remote control helicopter. I need a bunch of new socks.

Love, Blake

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a remote control car. I need some short sleeve t-shirts.

Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want an Ana doll. I need more jeans and t-shirts.

Love, Emily

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a blue teddy high. I need an orange jacket for when it rains.

Love, Jadyn

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want some Power Ranger toys. I need some new clothes.

Love, Connor

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a yellow my little pony. I need a pair of longer pants.

Love, Abby

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a dirt bike, boots, and helmet. I need a new pair of hi-top shoes.

Love, Eyan

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a Spiderman toy that shoots webs. I need some more apples to eat.

Love, Christopher

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a blue hover board. I need a couple pairs of new jeans.

Love, Levi

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a mud mask that cleans my face. I need some more dresses.

Love, Aubrey

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a purple tablet. I need some Nike socks.

Love, Ava

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want an HP laptop. I need a couple pairs of new jeans.

Love, Alyssa

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a robot to play with. I need shirts that fit 7 year olds.

Love, Zeik

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want an LOL doll named Bon Bon. I need rubberbands for my hair.

Love, Madison

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a bike that looks like a dune buggy. I need shoes that are size 8.

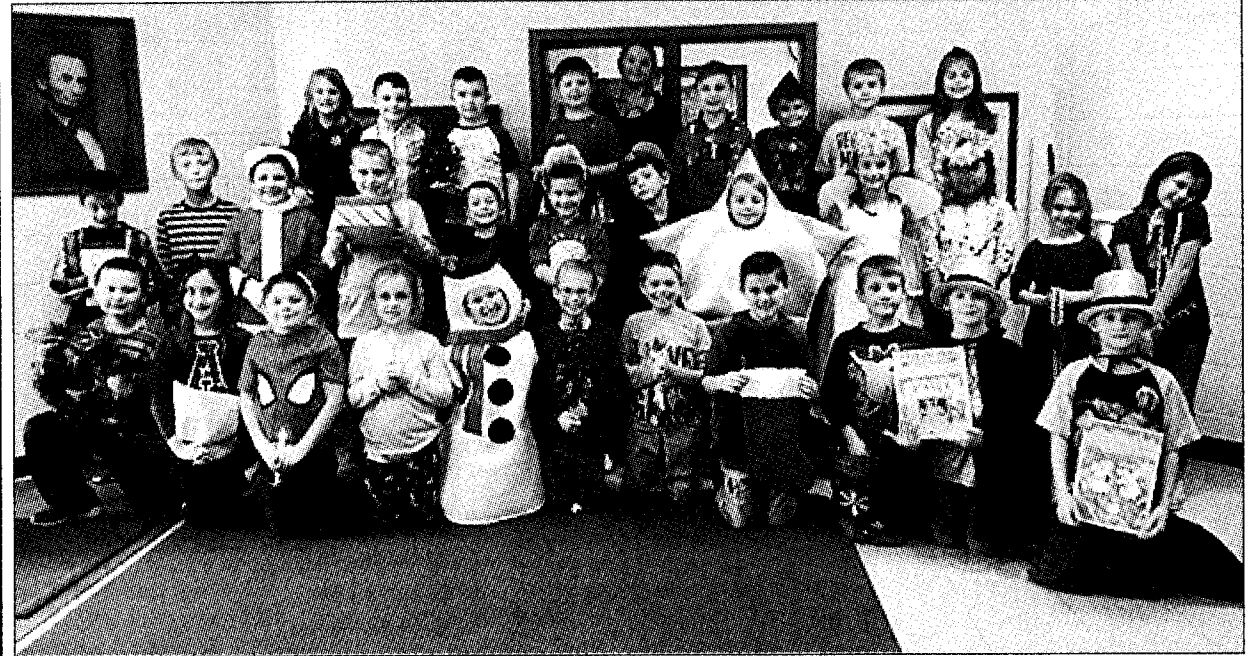
Love, Zain

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year! I want a LOL doll with black hair. I need pink and purple underwear.

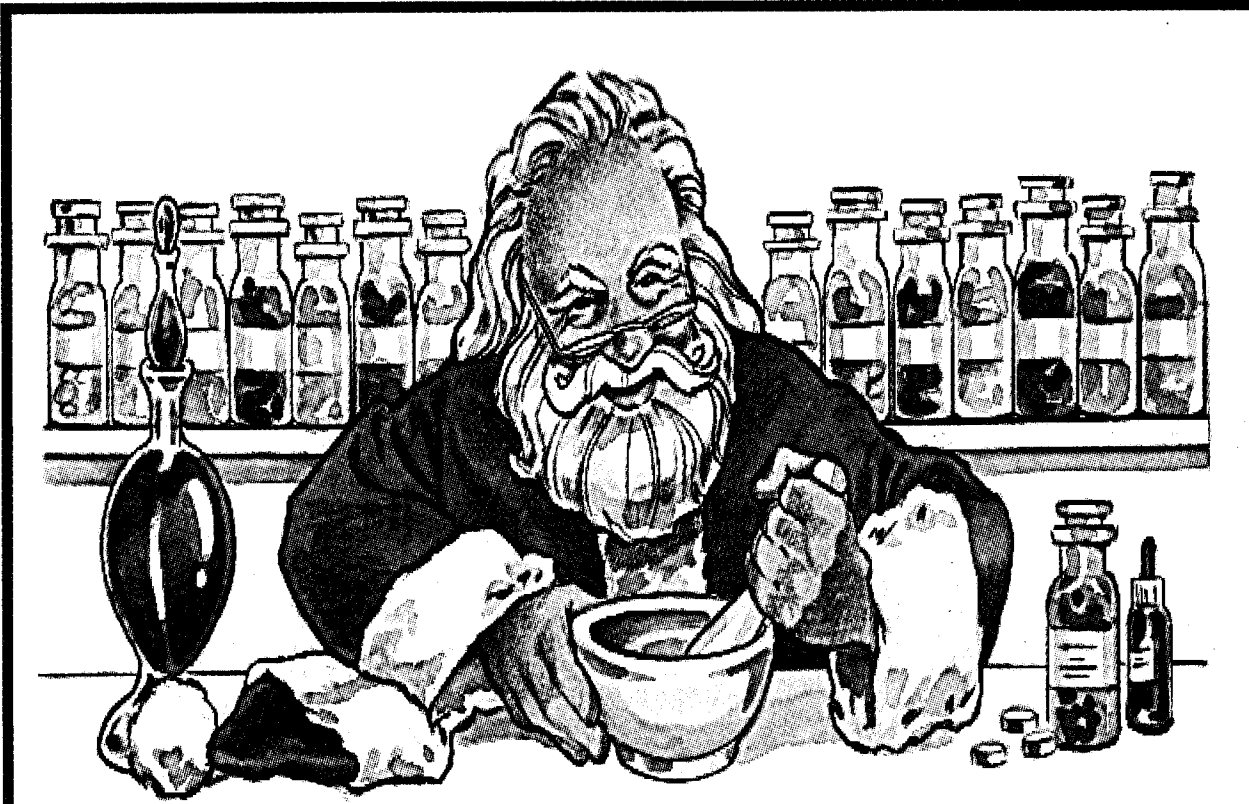
Love, Karleigh

## MVES second graders perform for patients at Rockcastle Regional



Mrs. Paula and Mrs. Sheila's second grade classes at MVES performed a play called "Christmas Is..." to the patients at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Thank you to all who came out to enjoy.

## No Signal week of December 28th



# Have a Happy and Healthy Holiday!

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Front row from left: Alma Hoggard, Morgan Coffey, Lauren VonLinger and Teresa Shafer. Back row from left: Shirley Cromer, Tracy King, Callie Asher and Tim Young. Not pictured: Sandy Durham and Arie Lawson.

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### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS INVITATION TO LEASE

The Administrative Office of the Courts desires to lease approximately 250 to 500 square feet of office space for the Rockcastle CDW Office. Space should be available for occupancy on or before February 15, 2018.

Responses must be in writing and submitted in a sealed envelope with PR-8447 clearly marked on the front.

Please send responses to Michelle Evans, Facilities Division, Administrative Office of the Courts, 1001 Vandalay Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601-9320. (FAX responses will not be accepted.)

Each proposal should include the type, location, and availability date of the property. Also furnish a floor plan showing the interior layout of the existing building to include walls, doors, windows, and columns.

All proposals must be received before 1:00 PM EDT, Friday, January 5, 2018. All bids received will be opened and publicly read at the AOC offices at that time.

A representative of the AOC will make an appointment to inspect all proposed lease space that meets the requirements stated above. A determination will not be made until a visual inspection of all proposed properties has been made. Property must be approved by the Department of Housing, Buildings, and Construction, Division of Building Codes Enforcement, and must meet OSHA and the Americans with Disabilities Act specifications, as well as existing applicable building codes.

For additional information, contact Michelle Evans at (502) 573-2350 ext. 50933.

# RES Kindergarteners write Santa Letters

**Kindergarten Classes Roundstone Elementary**  
Dear Santa,  
My name is Ryan. I am six years old and I live in Renfro Valley.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped my mom do dishes. A nice thing I did at school was helped a friend.  
Please bring me a remote control car for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Braxton. I am six years old and I live on Clear Creek.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was wash dishes. A nice thing I did at school was help them at recess.  
Please bring me a Nintendo Switch for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies and cupcakes for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Sophie. I am five years old and I live in Fairview.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was helped them do the laundry. A nice thing I did at school was played with Kyndall.  
Please bring me a Barbie House for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk, water and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Makenna. I am six years old and I live on Brindle Ridge.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was fold laundry wash dishes. A nice thing I did at school was played with others.  
Please bring me a computer for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk, carrots and water for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Krysta. I am five years old and I live in Renfro Valley.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was help Momma cook. A nice thing I did at school was help my friend when she fell.  
Please bring me a pink purse for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Camden. I am five years old and I live on Lambert Road.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was wash dishes. A nice thing I did at school was help people.  
Please bring me a Spiderman bicycle for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies and corn for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Destiny. I am six years old and I live in Disputanta.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was minded my mom and dad. A nice thing I did at school was shared my crayons.  
Please bring me a rocking horse for Christmas.  
I will leave milk, cookies and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Chloe. I am five years old and I live in Berea.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I did the laundry. A nice thing I did at school was helped somebody.  
Please bring me a Barbie Doll for Christmas.  
I will leave carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Harlan. I am six years old and I live on Stephens Road.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped with the dishes. A nice thing I did at school was tell them to be quiet.  
Please bring me an Elf on the Shelf for Christmas.  
I will leave milk and cookies for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jase. I am six years old and I live at Roundstone.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was dust the furniture. A nice thing I did at school was sweep and do trays.  
Please bring me a remote control spider for Christmas.  
I will leave milk, cookies and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Mya. I am five years old and I live in Orlando.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was cleaned the living room. A nice thing I did at school was be quiet.  
Please bring me a robot horse for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk, carrots and water for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Kyndall. I am six years old and I live in Conway.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was wrap presents. A nice thing I did at school was follow the rules.  
Please bring me an Elf on the Shelf for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk and treats for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Vivie. I am six years old and I live on Brindle Ridge.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was sweep the house. A nice thing I did at school was help someone with their words.  
Please bring me a sewing machine like my Aunt Chelle has for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Eli. I am six years old and I live on Sweetwater Road.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was picked up my toys. A nice thing I did at school was helped friends.  
Please bring me a dirt bike for Christmas.  
I will leave milk and cookies for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Colten. I am six years old and I live on South Dogwood.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was clean the house. A nice thing I did at school was helped others.  
Please bring me a Nerf gun for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Bayleigh. I am five years old and I live on Sweetwater Road.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped my Mommie do the dishes. A nice thing I did at school was helped carry trays at lunch.  
Please bring me a baby doll for Christmas.  
I will leave milk, Oreos and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Milanah. I am five years old and I live in Hummel.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped clean the house. A nice thing I did at school was clean the floor.  
Please bring me Daniel the for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies, milk and carrots for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Astrid. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was cleaned my room. A

nice thing I did at school was did my homework.  
Please bring me a dragon set for Christmas.  
I will leave some candy canes for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jeremiah. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.  
I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I loved them. A nice thing I did at school was listen to the teacher.  
Please bring me a power wheel for Christmas.  
I will leave presents for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jaylee. I am five years old and I live in Berea.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was clean my house. A nice thing I did at school was I let a friend borrow my crayons.  
Please bring me an L.O.L. doll and a My Little Life Doll for Christmas.  
I will leave carrots, cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Lilah. I am six years old and I live on Blue Lick Road.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped my mom and dad clean. A nice thing I did at school was help people on the playground.  
Please bring me a big Barbie House for Christmas.  
I will leave cookies and a carrot for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,  
My name is Eli Hayes. I am five years old and I live on Rolling Hills Road.  
I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I helped do chores. A nice thing I did at school was listen to my teacher.  
Please bring me a Nintendo Switch and Super Mario Odyssey for Christmas.  
I will leave carrots, cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.  
*Merry Christmas.*

## Letters (Cont. to C12)

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Merry Christmas from all of us at the City of Mt. Vernon

Season's Greetings

We'd like to send our greetings for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our neighbors and friends!

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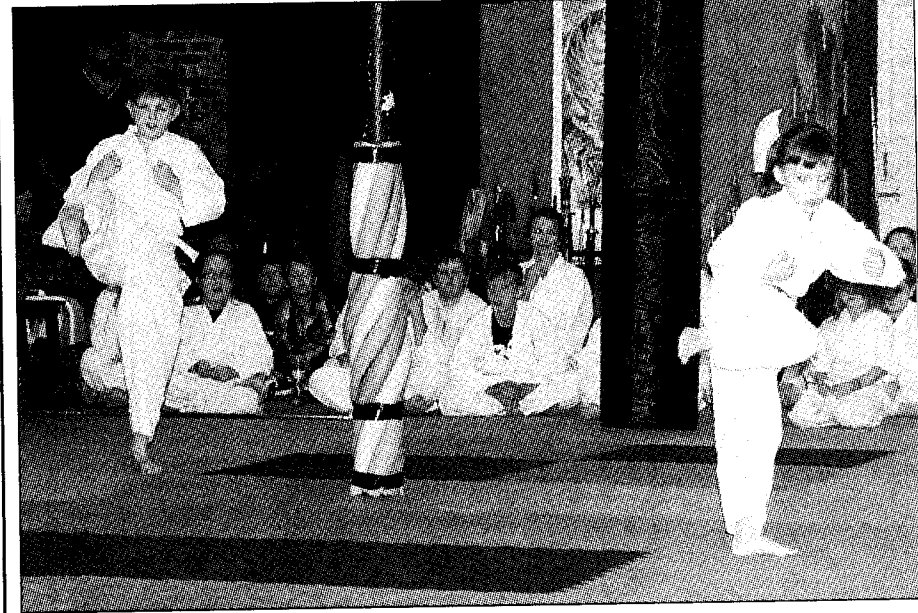
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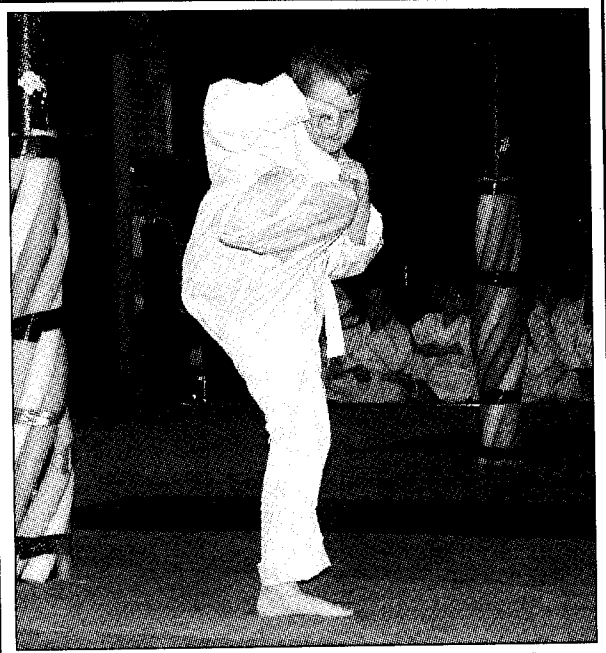
**Rockcastle Shaolin Do holds rank advancement...**

Rockcastle Shaolin Do students gave another great performance at their rank advancement this December, with 25 students advancing into their next rank. New classes will be starting in January for ages 4 and up, get signed up for a month with uniform included for only \$25 through January. Text (859)588-8905 for more information.



Students pictured above after testing with instructors and Grandmaster Sin The'. Top row from left: Talmadge Walden, Matthew Smith, Silvia Coldiron, Christina Napier, Renee Oliver, Shelby Napier, Rachel Carrol, Sensei Stephen Robinson, Master Eric Bullock, Sensei Haley Bullock, Grandmaster Sin The', Sensei Josh Stallsworth; middle row: Raleigh Walden, Mark Walden, Austin Napier, Susanne Mullins, Jailun Tyree, Aiden Jennings,

Audrey Jennings, Harrison Mullins, Aaliyah Abney, Sensei Cassie Bullock; bottom row: Alexis Helvey, Owen Cromer, Kylee Ashcraft, Austin Ashcraft, Mikey Green, Matty Green, Caylin Noe, and Isaac Turner. Shown at left are Owen Cromer and Caylin Noe performing sparring technique.



Austin Ashcraft testing white to yellow belt.

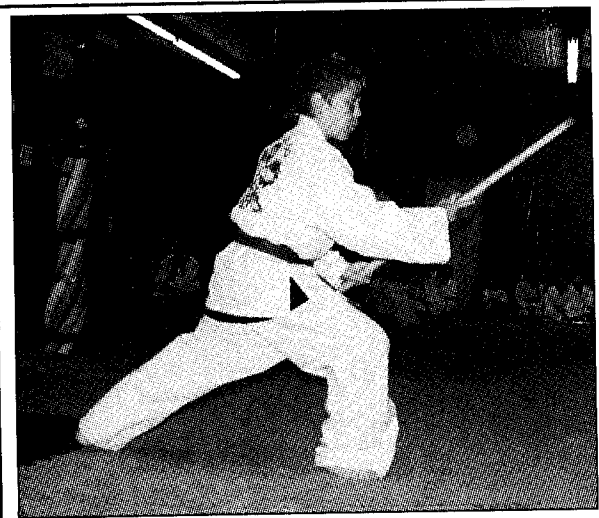
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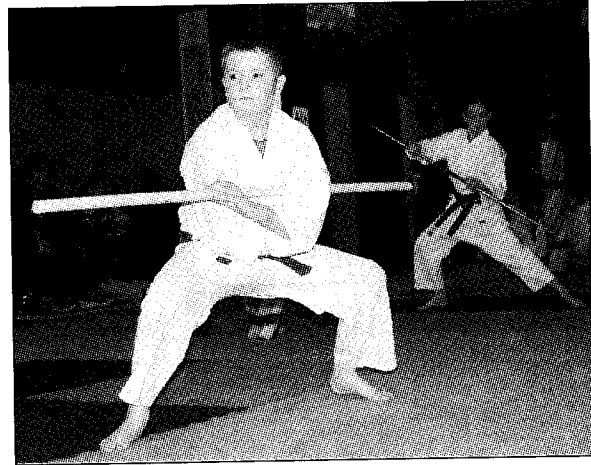
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Jailun Tyree performing Sea Dragon Cane.



Harrison and Susanne Mullins performing Sea Dragon Cane.

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 from  
 Mt. Vernon City Councilman Wayne Bullock  
 and NAMI Vice-President Cassie Bullock

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**“Letters”**

(Cont. from C10)

Dear Santa,  
My name is Nicholas. I am five years old and I live on Little Clear Creek Road.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was play with my brother. A nice thing I did at school was play with my friend Shelden.

Please bring me a Jinja Training Course for Christmas.

I will leave cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Clara. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was clean up the living room. A nice thing I did at school was play with my friends.

Please bring me a Fingerling and a Hatchimal for Christmas.

I will leave a chocolate for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Boaz. I am six years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was helped them. A nice thing I did at school was be nice.

Please bring me Wild Kratt video games for Christmas.

I will leave cookies and carrots for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Lily. I am six years old and I live on Wilson Road

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was helped them make a Christmas tree. A nice thing I did at school was be kind to others.

Please bring me a Kitty Cat Kitchen for Christmas.

I will leave cookies, apples and milk for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is David Burgess. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I carried in the groceries. A nice thing I did at school was make friends.

Please bring me a motor bike for Christmas.

I will leave milk and cookies for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Ariel Lear. I am six years old and I live on Boone Gap Road.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was helped them clean. A nice thing I did at school

was pick up trash.

Please bring me a scooter for Christmas.

I will leave cookies and a candy cane for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Cody. I am six years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was decorated our Christmas tree. A nice thing I did at school was be quiet.

Please bring me Star Wars Legos for Christmas.

I will leave candy canes, cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Cameron. I am six years old and I live on Jonance Road.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I gave my mommie a flower. A nice thing I did at school was I did not get tallies one day

Please bring me a costume for Christmas.

I will leave a treat for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Alden Dale Gadd. I am five years old and I live on Lambert Road.

I think I have been nice this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I fed and watered the kitties. A nice thing I did at school was helped a friend

up when she fell.

Please bring me a monster truck with a controller and batteries for Christmas.

I will leave reindeer cookies and cocoa for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Addi. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was clean the kitty litter. A nice thing I did at school was checked on Alayna.

Please bring me a Nintendo Switch for Christmas.

I will leave carrots, cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Alena K. Shearer. I am five years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was clean my room and clean the table. A nice thing I did at school was listen to my teacher.

Please bring me a small motorcycle for Christmas.

I will leave cookies for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Hannah Cole Parsons. I am five years old and I live on Little Clear Creek.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year

was helped Mom and Dad make the bed. A nice thing I did at school was helped Braxton when his knee was bleeding.

Please bring me crayons and a coloring book for Christmas.

I will leave cookies, milk and a carrot for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Alayna. I am five years old and I live in Rockcastle Coounty.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was I cleaned for my mom. A nice thing I did at school was be kind to my friends.

Please bring me a toy vacuum cleaner for Christmas.

I will leave cookies and milk for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

Dear Santa,

My name is Cecil Thacker. I am six years old and I live in Kentucky.

I think I have been good this year. One nice thing I did for my family this year was open a door for dad. A nice thing I did at school was play a game with my friends.

Please bring me a Paw Patrol set for Christmas.

I will leave cookies for you and your reindeer.

*Merry Christmas.*

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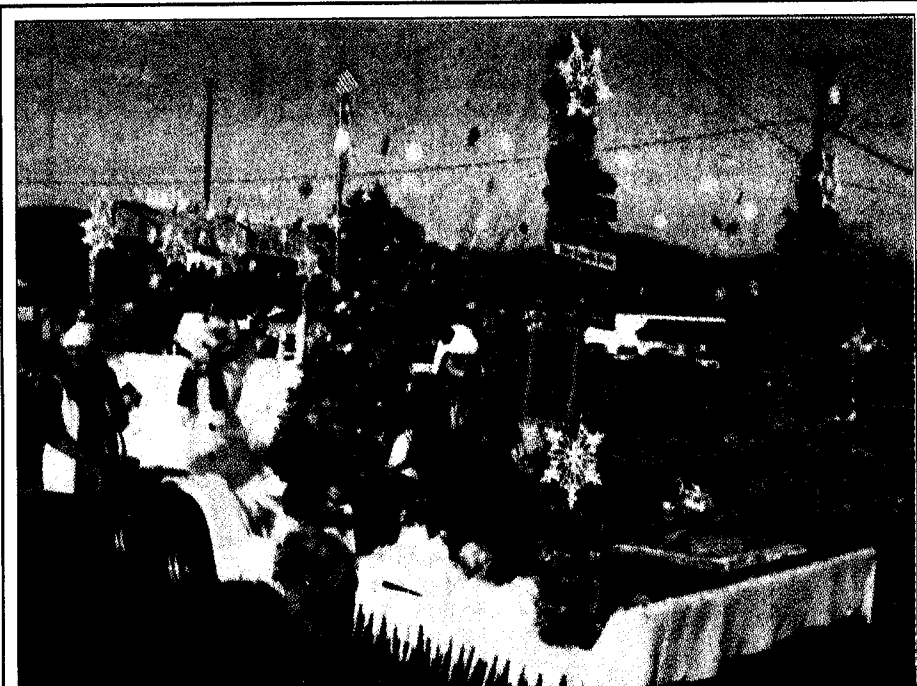
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# Mount Vernon Signal

Fourth Section

Thursday, December 21, 2017

## Scenes from the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade



The Mink family decorated a beautiful float, "Let it Snow", for the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Glenna Settles walks along side Flat Rock Baptist Church's float, "A Child Is Born", during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Santa Claus made an entrance in the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade to the delight of the little ones in attendance.



The Rockcastle County High School Marching Rockets marched during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade and delighted the crowd with Christmas music. The Band also took part in the Brodhead Christmas Parade later in the day.

No Paper Next Week! Signal office will be closed December 22nd - January 1st

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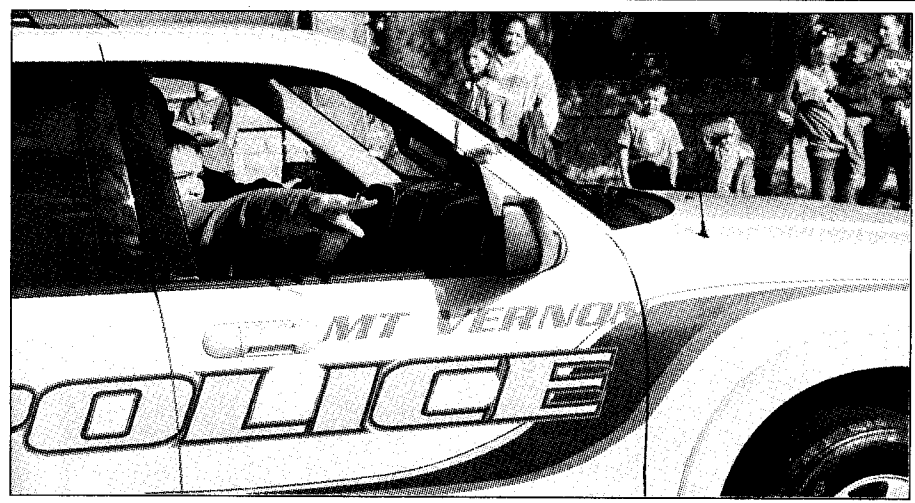
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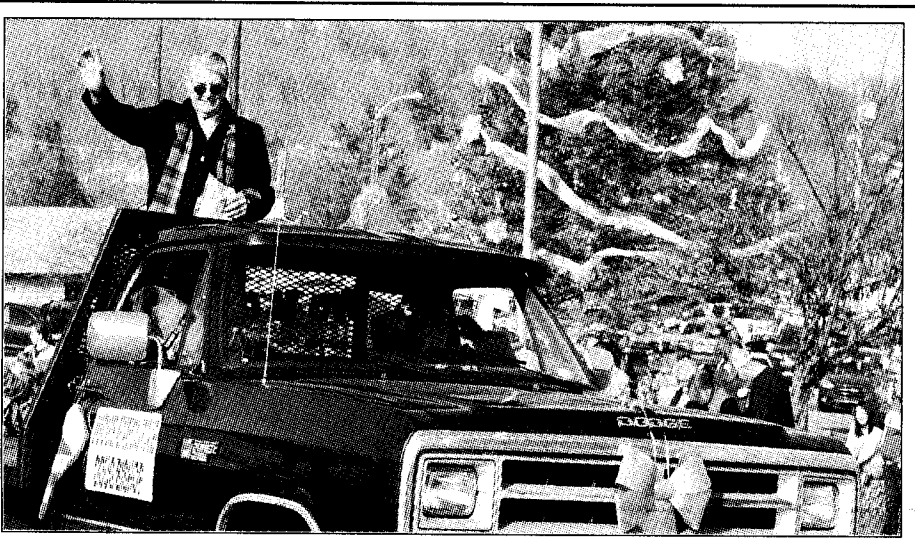
*More photos of the 2017  
Mount Vernon Christmas Parade*



Mount Vernon Police Chief Brian Carter and his son, Troy, led the Christmas parade through the streets of Mount Vernon.



Jillian Roebuck and Darren Quinley carried the banner for the Rockcastle County High School Marching Rockets during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas Parade. The Rockets also took part in the Brodhead Christmas Parade later the same day.



Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Doug Bishop took part in the annual Mount Vernon Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance. Judge Bishop also took part in Brodhead and Livingston's Christmas Parades.

**A VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
and Happy New Year!**

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to you  
and yours this  
holiday season.

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*from*

**County Clerk  
Danetta  
Allen**

*and staff*

**Pictured at left, bottom from left: Sonya McGuire and Danetta Ford Allen. Second row from left: Amy Mink, Janet Blevins and Becky Mays.**

**Back row from left: Tina Gibbs and Anita Moore.**

***May the spirit fill your  
hearts this Christmas.***

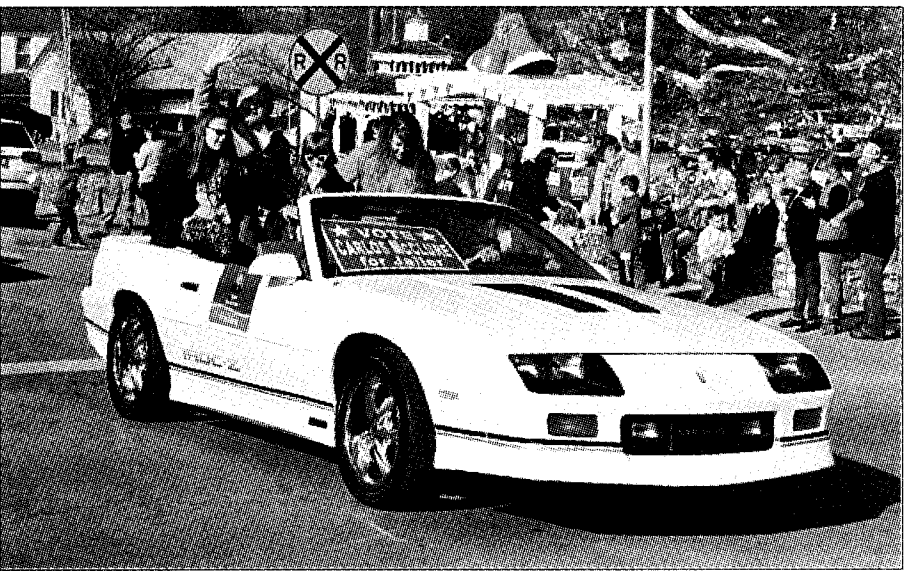
County Clerk's Office Closed for Christmas: December 23 - 26, 2017  
Closed for New Year & State Yearly Tax Updating December 29, 2017 - January 1, 2018



Circuit Judge David Tapp took part in Mount Vernon's annual Christmas Parade as well as Brodhead and Livingston. Judge Tapp is a candidate for the Kentucky Supreme Court.



Candidate for Sheriff Shannon Franklin, wife Jill and daughters, Maggie and Valerie rode in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade as well as Brodhead and Livingston.



Rockcastle Jailer Carlos McClure, wife Tara and children Palin and Bristol rode in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Magistrate Gary Burdette and family took part in Mt. Vernon's Parade.



Candidate for Sheriff Matt Dees took part in Mt. Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Candidate for Sheriff Chris Mason, family and friends, took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade as well as Brodhead and Livingston.

# Merry Christmas

from

**Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Doug Bishop**

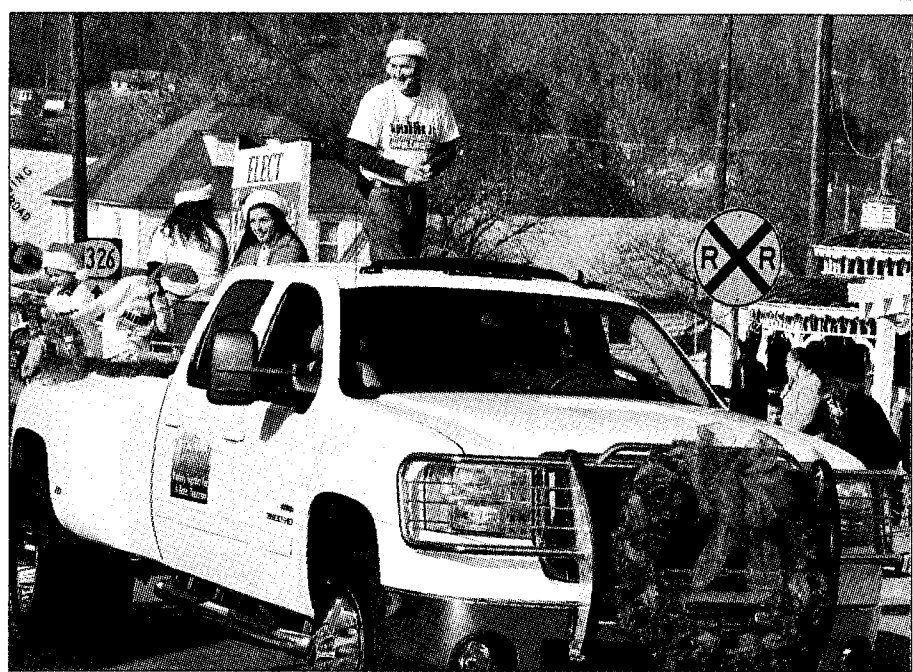
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May this great season find each of you in health and good will for your neighbors and families.



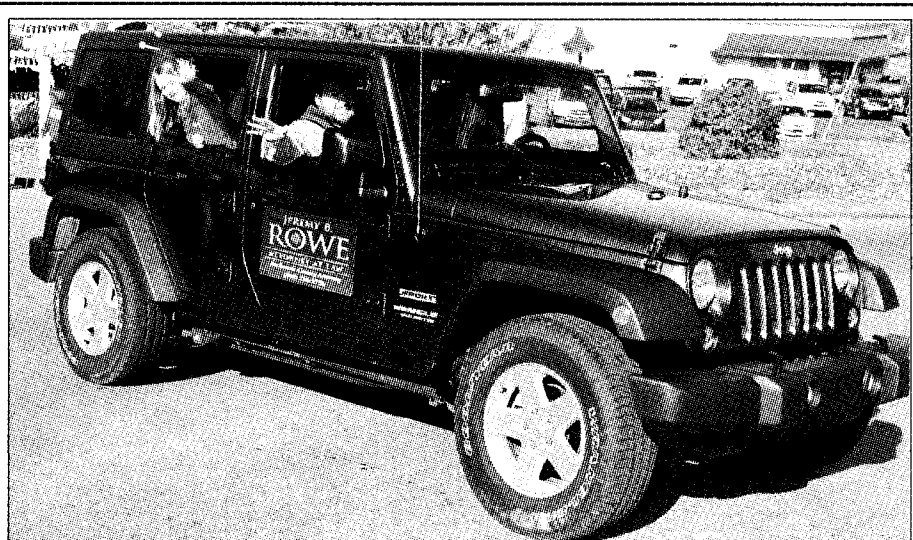
Front row from left: magistrate Bill McKinney, Court Clerk Patricia Martin and Vicky Miller. Back row from left: magistrate Gary Burdette, magistrate Shannon Bishop, magistrate Mike McGuire, magistrate William Denny, Judge-Executive Doug Bishop, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe and County Treasurer Joe Clontz.



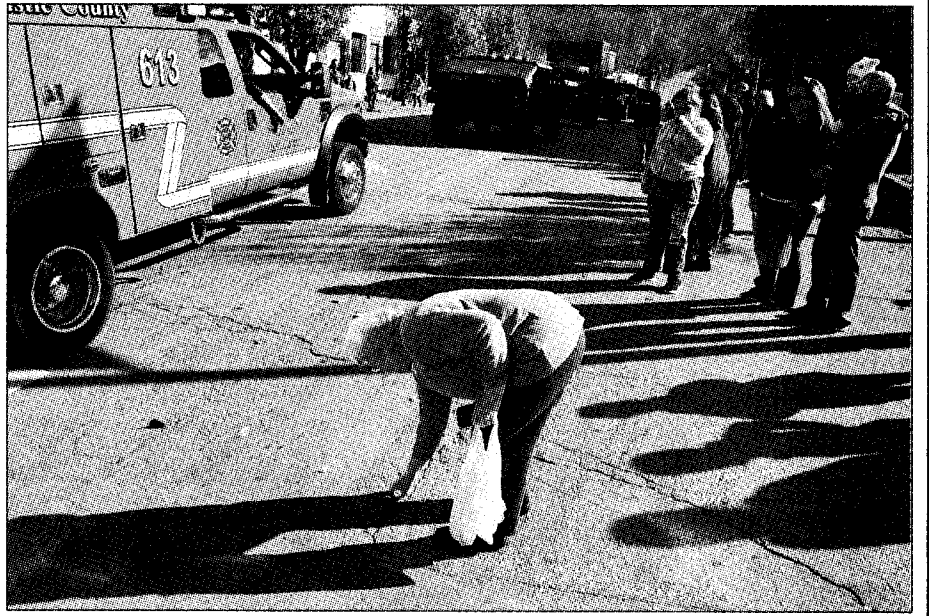
Candidate for County Judge-Executive Howell Holbrook, along with friends and family, took part in all the Christmas parades recently held in the county.



Gage Reynolds gives Nathan Carter, Candidate for Rockcastle Jailer, a ride during Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



County Attorney Jeremy Rowe rode along with Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade. Waving from the back seat is Kennedy Hopkins.



Those attending Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade enjoyed candy shared by parade participants.



Candidate for Jailer John Burton participated in Mount Vernon's annual Christmas Parade as well as the other parades in the county.



All the County Fire Departments were busy participating in the annual Mount Vernon, Brodhead and Livingston Parades over the last two weeks.

**Happy Holidays  
to You and  
Your Family**  
Sigmon Farm  
Bill & Nancy Sigmon and family

M E R R Y

# Christmas!

from  
**Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk  
Eliza Jane York**

*With Our Gratitude*

To all our friends we hold so "deer," a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

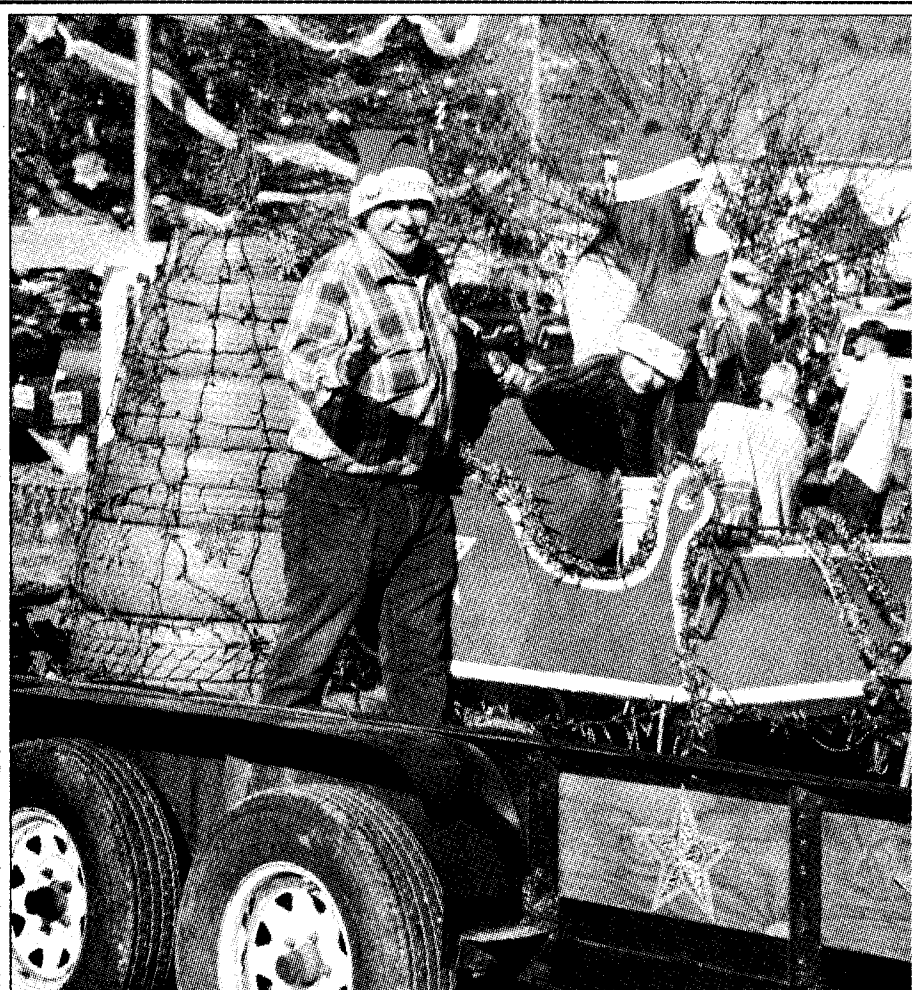
Thank you for your kind patronage.

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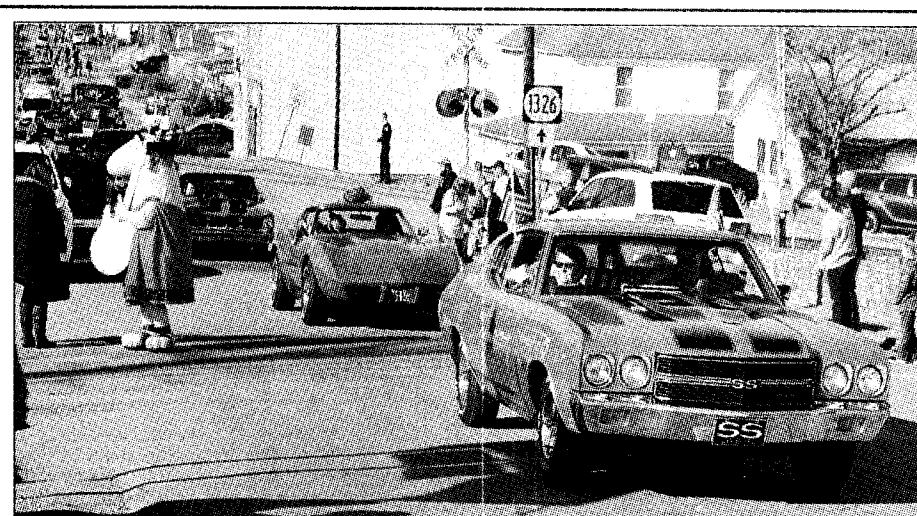
Front row from left: Stephanie Allen, Brittnay Mullins, Sandra Hamm, Kim Denny and Eliza Jane York.  
Back row from left: Priscilla Napier, Renita Blanton, Sam Alcorn, Marcia Olinger and Brenda Miller.

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Jamie Osborne, Amanda Osborne and Billy Gale Osborne rode on the Rockcastle Recycling Center's float and shared candy during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Donnie and Terina Helton led quite a few historic cars through the streets of Mount Vernon during the annual Christmas Parade.



Chase McGuire and Samantha Bustle with McGuire's Music and More rode in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

Peace & Joy  
TO ALL THE WORLD

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Happy New Year

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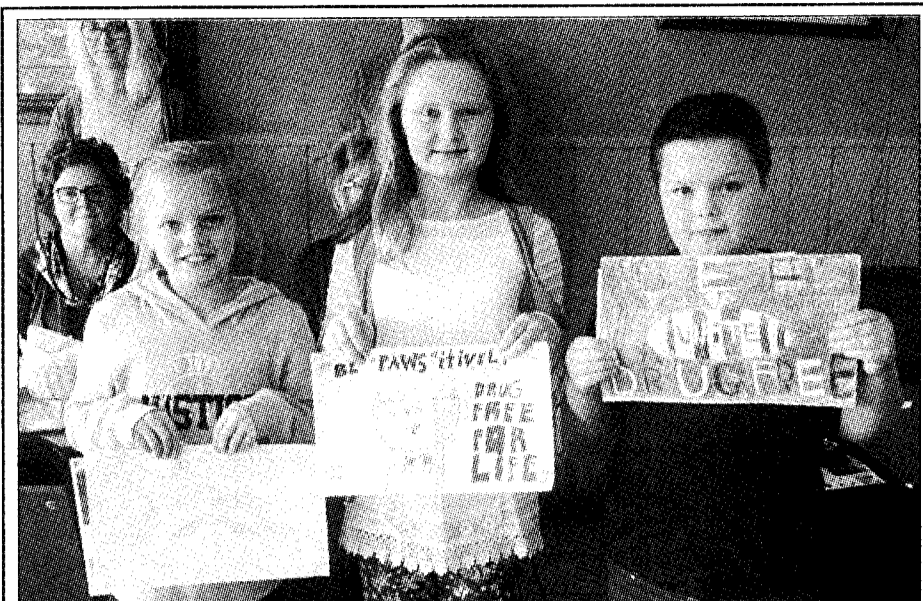
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## UNITE Poster Contest...

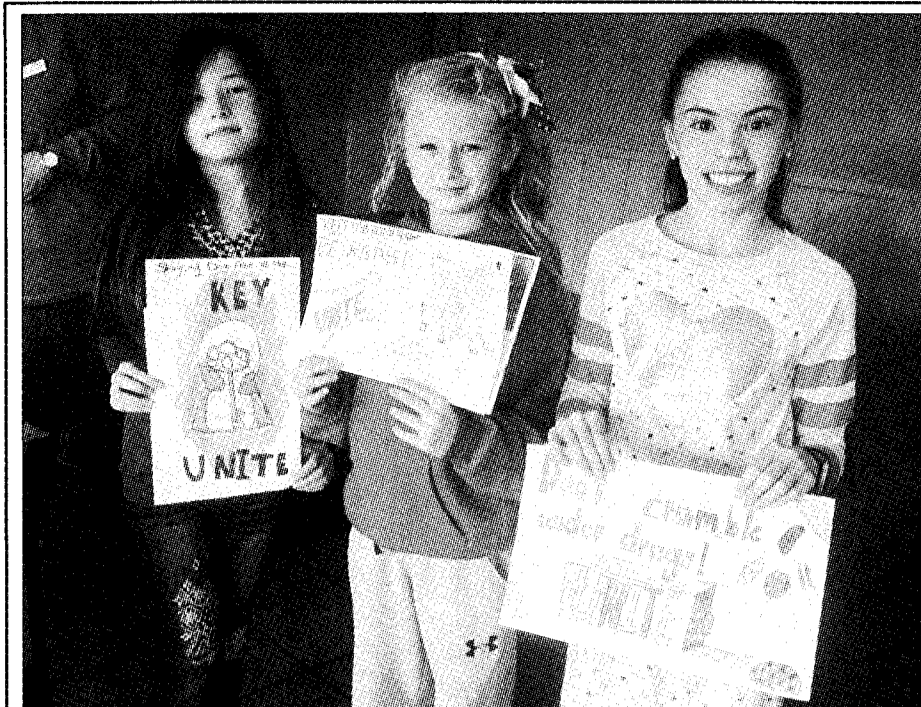
A UNITE poster contest was held during the month of October among all three elementary schools, where the students were asked to create a poster which conveyed a drug-free message. Mrs. Nacole Smith, UNITE co-sponsor at MVES, presented each of the poster winners with a certificate of recognition at the monthly UNITE coalition meeting. The district winners were also given a UNITE t-shirt and a gift certificate.



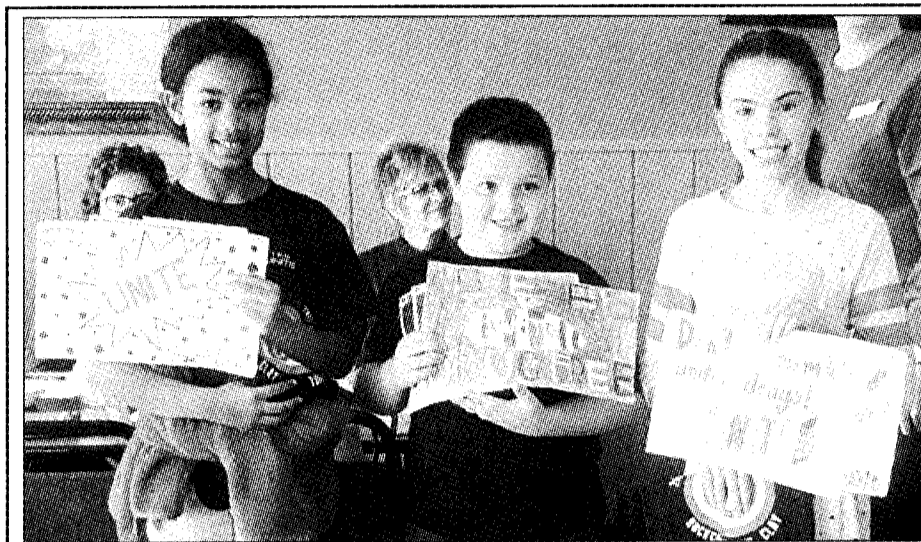
RES winners, who were recognized at the November coalition meeting: Kyra Crain, 3rd place; Ella McKinney, 2nd place; and William Miller, 1st place.



BES winners, who were recognized at the December coalition meeting: Allison Combs, 1st place; Janaye Burton, 2nd place; and Addison Carter, 3rd place.



MVES winners, who were recognized at the November coalition meeting: Shannen Eckert, 3rd place; Macy Spivey, 2nd place; and Lila Holt, 1st place.



District winners, who were recognized at the November coalition meeting: Aisha Njie, 3rd place, MVES; William Miller, 2nd place, RES; and Lila Holt, 1st place, MVES.

## Tips for a safe and healthy holiday season

Nobody wants to spend the holiday season in the emergency room. But, the nation's emergency physicians will be there when you need them anytime.

"There is typically an uptick of visits to the ER during the holidays related to flu, pneumonia, falls or hypothermia, particularly among children and seniors," said Paul Kivela, MD, MBA, FACEP, President, American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP). "A little bit of planning and preparation can help you avoid spending the most wonderful time of the year in the ER."

Prepare for cold weather. The chill in the air can add to health risks whether you are inside or outside. If you are enjoying an outdoor activity or playing in the snow it is important to dress appropriately for the weather and monitor the amount of time spent outside. Early signs of frostbite include numbness or burning, or cold skin that turns hard and pale.

Hypothermia or dehydration risks increase the longer you spend exposed to the elements, particularly at altitude. If you are driving, make sure your car is equipped with a full emergency kit that includes a warm blanket, roadside flares and other necessities.

For those who stay inside more frequently in inclement weather, check to make sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working properly. Respiratory issues are among the leading causes of winter ER visits. While a normal cough or cold is likely better addressed by a primary care physician, if an illness comes with complications, such as difficulty breathing, it could be appropriate to go to the emergency room.

Get a flu shot. Experts note that this flu season could be particularly severe and say that a flu vaccine is the best way to reduce your risk of getting sick. Vaccines are important and so are annual check-ups. Pinning an annual check-up to a calendar event such as a holiday or birthday is an easy way to make it part of your health routine.

Beyond winter weather, preventable accidents or

health emergencies can happen during holiday preparation and celebration, too.

Indulge in moderation. Rich holiday meals and snacks are delicious but typically are high in salt, sugar, cholesterol or fat content. Too much of any festive food or drink can complicate existing health conditions, like diabetes. Eating slowly is one way to avoid choking, and it is important to make smart choices such as monitoring or limiting your alcohol intake.

"One important safety tip is pretty simple and could save your life — don't drink and drive," said Dr. Kivela. "Arrange for a designated driver in advance or call a taxi. Far too many accidents happen when people are inebriated and decide to get behind the wheel."

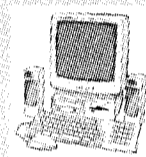
Go slowly, go safely. Accidents and back injuries are common around the holidays from lifting heavy objects and decorations to injuries from hanging lights or slipping on ice. Around 2.8 million people go to the ER annually from falls and, among seniors, falling is the leading cause of injury. Slow down to avoid slipping or falling in snow, ice or wet conditions.

Make a schedule to tackle your holiday shopping, entertaining, commuting or other tasks methodically and avoid the last-minute holiday scramble. "Holiday heart," cardiac issues that arise in otherwise healthy individuals, is a condition that can arise from the added pressures of holiday duties. Planning, entertaining, family stress or any number of factors can contribute to emergency visits relating to depression or anxiety seen around this time of year.

"To reduce your risk, reduce your stress," said Dr. Kivela. "One of the best gifts you can give yourself this holiday season is to commit to taking better care of your physical and mental health all year round."

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## PRIDE Fall Cleanup very successful for 2017

By: James Renner, Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the groups and individuals that participated in the 2017 Rockcastle County Roadside Pride Fall Cleanup. Once again, we had a very successful fall cleanup.

There were 68 volunteers that worked a total of 190.25 hours to clean up 183 bags of trash and 10 tires over a span of 22 miles along 12 different stretches of roadside. These numbers do not include the totals from the Cities of Brodhead, Livingston, Mt. Vernon, and the Rockcastle County Work Release Crews.

Congratulations on an outstanding Fall Cleanup.

The following groups and individuals participated: All-American Club/NAMI: Wayne Bullock, Cassie Kendrick, Michial Shackelford and Amber Woods; Brindle Ridge Baptist Church: Ron Roberts, Mike Sowder, Kim Ramsey, Marcia Coffey, Zach Coffey, Melanie Childress, Marilyn Coffey, Larry Bullock, Donna Bullock, and Mike Yelton; Concerned Citizens of Cleft Rock: Edna Renner, Stephanie Sizemore, Kenneth Cromer, Zoey Holland, and Bella Cromer;

Concerned Citizens of Menifee Hill Rd: Ron Coffey, and Lamonica Coffey; Concerned Citizens of Pongo: Gerardo Munguia, Erika Munguia, Jonathan Munguia, Victoria Munguia, Regina Munguia, Nathan Munguia, Edna Renner, Stephanie Sizemore, Kenneth Cromer, Bella Cromer, and Zoey Holland; Freedom Baptist Church: Sheryl Bullock, Doug Singleton, Carolyn McKinney, C.S. McKinney, L.A. McKinney, Beverly McKinney, Ray Bullock, Tabitha Bullock, and Norma Singleton; University of Notre Dame: Emma Laberge, Eric Lee, Claire Squire, Andrea Tapalla, Susanne Seiler, Kiana Caranto, Garrett Schwartz, Sarah Harrison, McKenzie Samson, Kim Nguyen, Abby Korn, and Matt Sahd.

Once again, a job well done.

Photos were not available for all groups.

Special thanks to the Rockcastle County Work Release Supervisors: Freddie Cromer, Josie Adams, Ricky Kirby, and Coy Cromer and their respective crews.

I apologize in advance for any misspellings or omissions.



Fifth grade students from MVES recently performed and sang Christmas songs for the patients at Rockcastle Regional.



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Back row from left: Graham Fay, Matt Burkhart and David Collins. Not present: Sheena Pittman and Spencer Childress.

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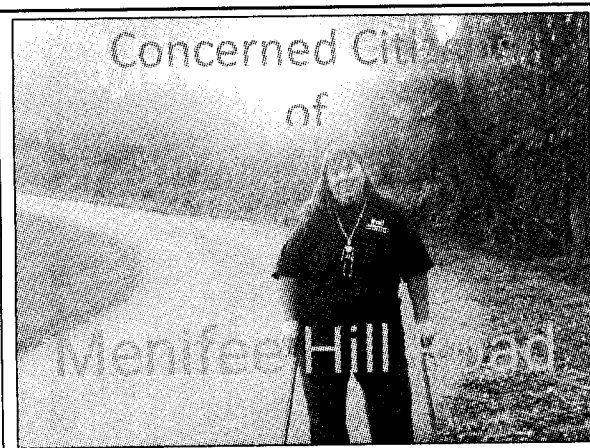
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