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

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Brian and Angela Burdine and located at 428 Black Bear Lick Lane, Livingston. Violators will be prosecuted. 47xntf

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on farms, belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts, on KY 3245. Violators will be prosecuted. (12/22pd)

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing on land belonging to L.J.L. Honeycomb LLC for any reason. Formerly known as Christ Outreach for the Blind. Violators will be prosecuted. 33x53

Posted: No trespassing of any kind on land belonging to Eugenia Cykowski Heir(s) at 402 Albright St., Brodhead, Ky. 17xntf

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 trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47ftn

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

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

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

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Orville and Bernice Burkhart on Cove Branch, Livingston, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 27x51p

Notices

Notice is hereby given that Dennis Larry Alexander has filed a Final Settlement of his accounts as Administrator of the Estate of James Dale Alexander, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held January 19, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before that date. 47x1

Notice is hereby given that Ginger Alexander, 222 Longview Drive, Nicholasville, KY 40356 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Michael Leon

Blair on the 13th day of December, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Ginger alexander or to Hon. Matthew Day, Davis and Hammond, PSC, 240 N. Second St., Richmond, Ky. 40475 on or before June 13, 2022 at 11 a.m. 47x3

Notice is hereby given that Nina Jones, P.O. Box 213, Livingston, Ky. 40445 has been appointed Administratrix w/will annexed of the Estate of Billie L. Bales on the 13th day of December, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said

Robert Allen Howard, 247 Bryant Ridge Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Administrator without a will of the Estate of Bob R. Howard on the 7th day of December, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Robert Allen Howard or to Jeremy B. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before June 8, 2022.

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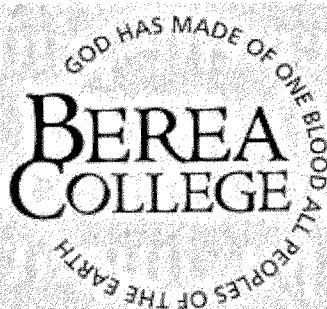
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Manager Visitor Center & Shoppe

Summary

Under the direction of the Director of Business Development and Guest Relations, this position will manage all operations of the Visitor Center & Shoppe, providing high level of service to all its customers. The Manager of the Visitor Center & Shoppe oversees day-to-day operation of the retail store including the sales floor, inventory management, the smoothie bar, and the call center. The manager is responsible for training, supervising, and evaluating students.

Responsibilities

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Regular and predictable attendance is essential. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Accountability for meeting the P&L, business planning and execution tactics, daily financial reports, and daily operations for the BC Visitor Center & Shoppe.
- Work with the Director of Business Development and Guest Relations to assure common platforms of service, operations and policy across the retail stores and warehouse
- Prepare, review and report progress on budget and business development plans, as well as monthly financial reports and metrics to Director of Business Development and Guest Relations.
- Maintain and develop business relationships with internal constituents as well as outside partners.
- Manages inventory levels based on current and projected sales trends and utilizes best practices to minimize loss.
- Collaborates with Purchasing and Visual Display Manager to ensure floor is stocked with in-demand merchandise in order to maximize sales and profits.
- Assures operations are up to date with best practices in the campus and retail bookstore industries.
- Responsible for personnel administration of students including but not limited to hiring, training, scheduling, evaluating, and developing.
- Provide and serve as a model for outstanding customer service.
- Understanding of simple food operations in order to operate the campus Smoothie Bar (includes, food safety regulations, food prep, and ordering)
- Manage both the ordering of college regalia and nursing uniforms.
- In support of Berea College's great commitments this position requires student supervision. The fourth great commitment is to promote learning and serving in community through the student labor program, honoring the dignity and utility of all work, mental and manual, and taking pride in work well done. The Supervision would include scheduling, assigning and approving work performed. Developing students about common workplace acumen and giving them tangible work experience is an expected outcome. To learn more about the student labor program and requirements on this position see: Labor Program Goals

Other roles/duties will be assigned as necessary to assist the College in the attainment of the goals set forth and the enhancement of a positive, respectful learning environment for all staff, faculty and students.

For a detailed job description for both positions, and information on how to apply, please visit:
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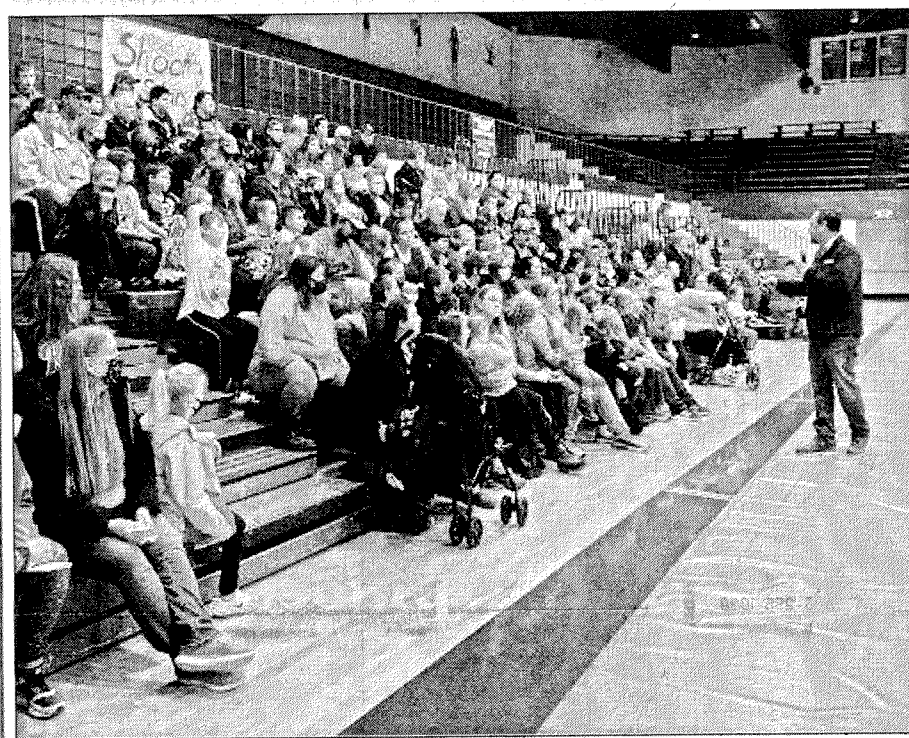
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Give Hope 2021

The annual Give Hope, sponsored by the Rockcastle Association of Kentucky Baptists, was held this past Saturday at the Rockcastle Middle School. In the photo above, children enjoyed picking out their Christmas-filled backpacks, blankets and toys. Below, Bro. Randy McPheron speaks to the large crowd. Leftover backpacks were packed up and sent to Western Kentucky to show their love and support for those in need in these difficult days since the tornadoes.



*No paper next week!
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Merry Christmas



*To wish you the gift of
faith, the blessing of hope,
and the peace of His love at
Christmas and always.*

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Merry Christmas

from the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce



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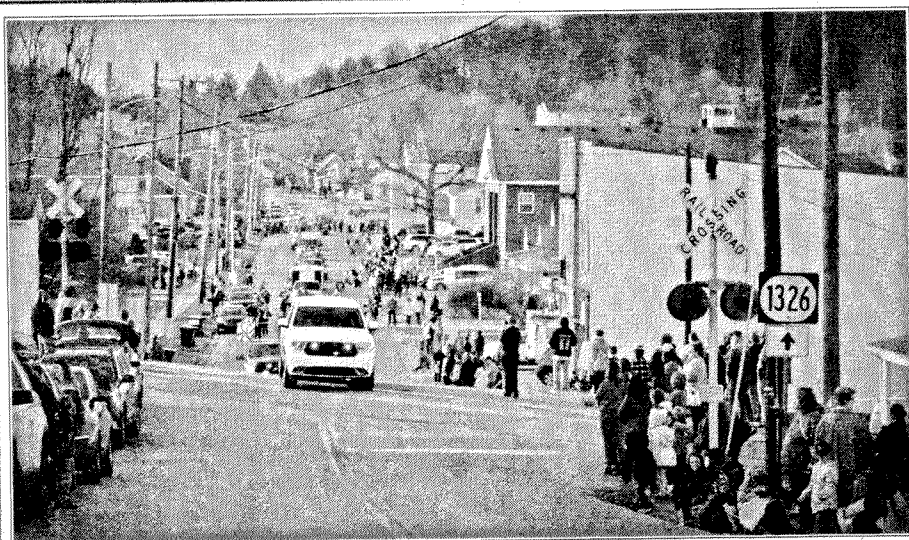
From left: Heidi Weatherly, Jerry Cox, James Cox, Shari Proctor and Amanda Brown

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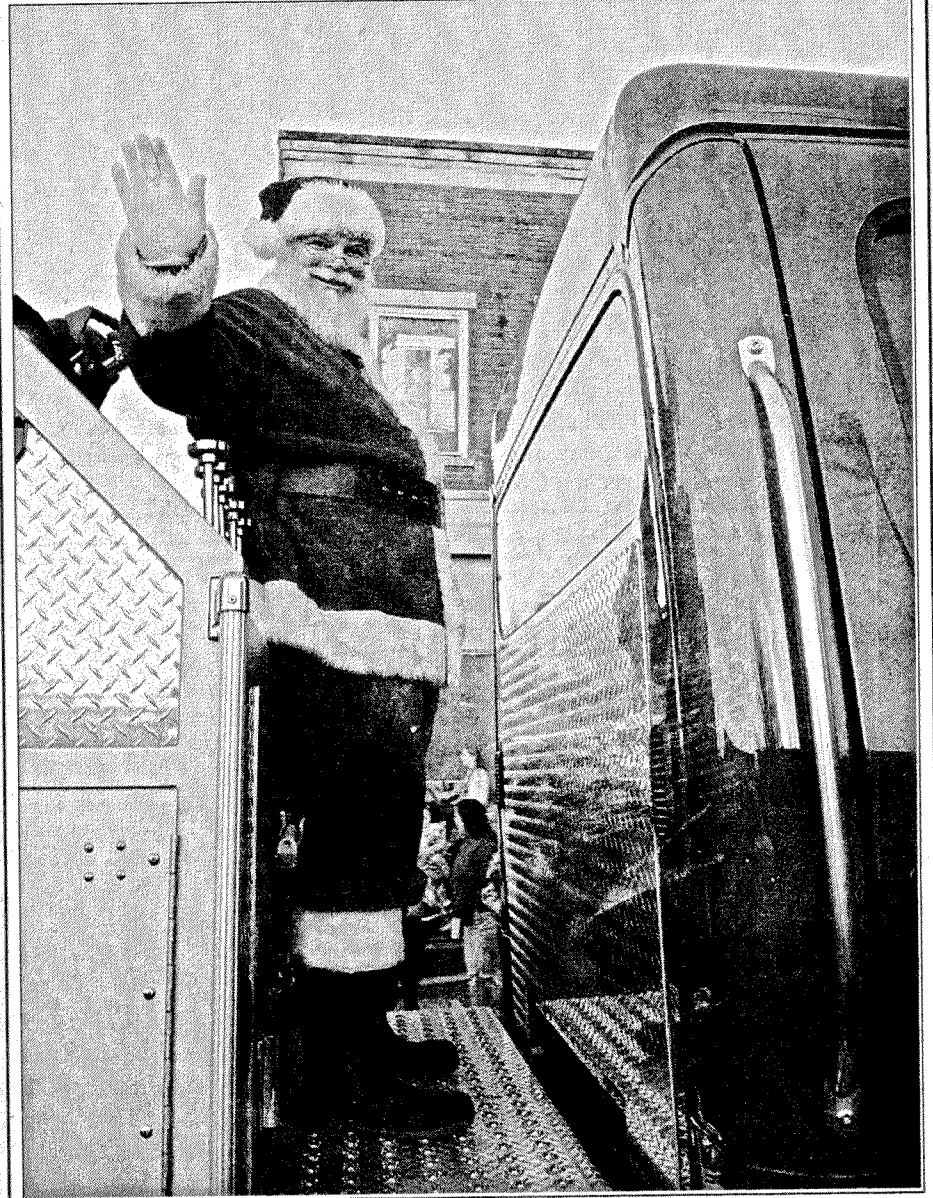
Third Section

Thursday, December 23, 2021

Scenes from Mount Vernon Christmas Parade



In the largest Christmas parade in Mount Vernon history, what is also called the largest crowd in history stood and cheered throughout the event.



Jolly Old Saint Nick greeted those in attendance at the annual Christmas Parade in Mount Vernon. After the parade, children met with Santa Claus during Noel Night Market.



Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant rode in the 1948 fire truck during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade. The classic truck has recently been refurbished and it joined many other classics in the parade.

Merry Christmas

*Warm wishes to all of you for a joyous holiday season.
Many thanks for your continued patronage.*



Front row from left: Malinda Pigg, Rachel Gleissner, Cathy Howard, Jaclyn Bullock and Katie Barnes.

Back row from left: Betty Frederick, Amber Reynolds, Keith Pierce, Brandon Houk, Anthony Asher, Sandy Durham and Ashley Reynolds.

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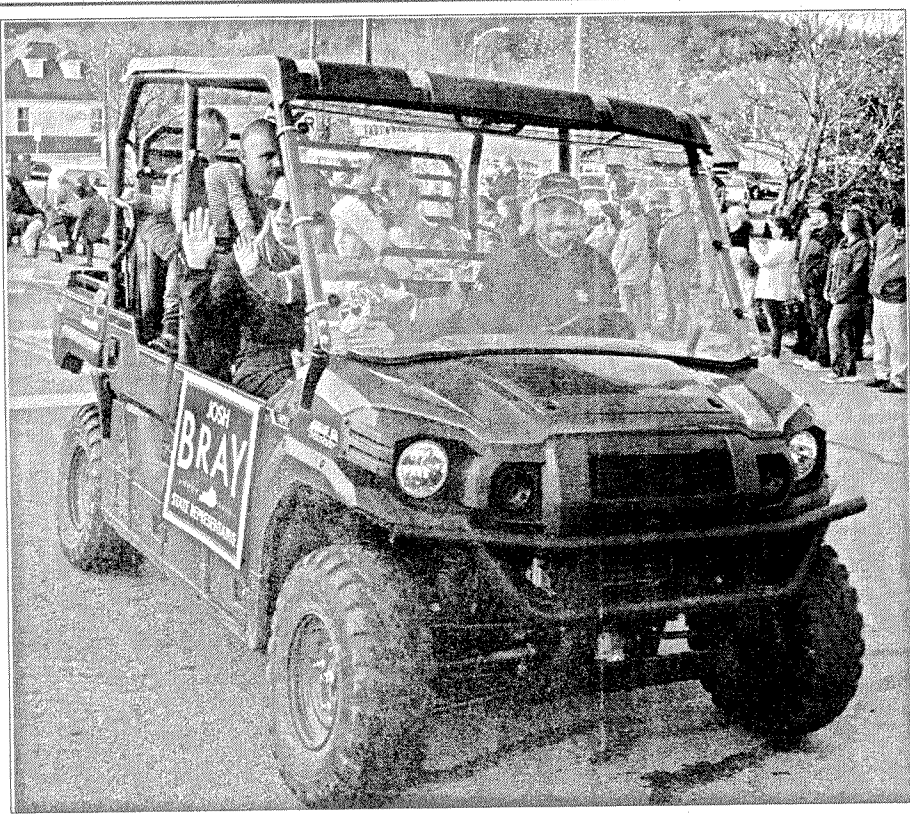
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State Representative Josh Bray and his family greeted bystanders and tossed candy during the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



The RCMS Marching Band led the Mount Vernon Christmas parade through the streets of Mount Vernon.



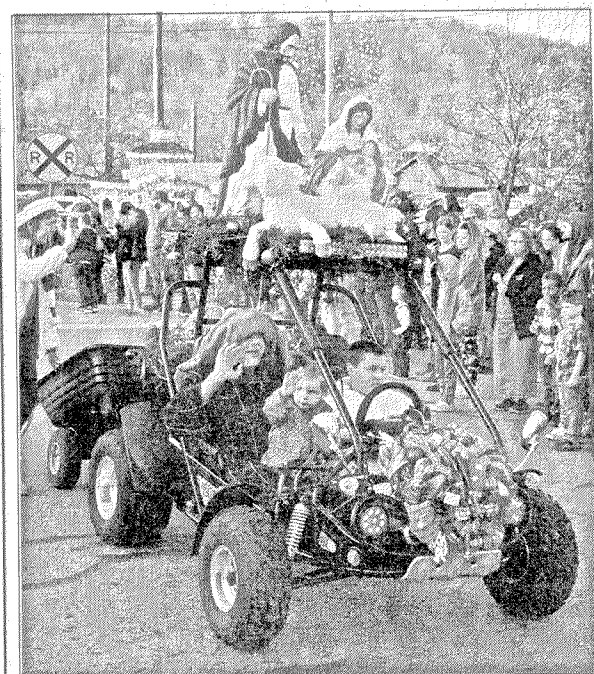
County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen rode a float in the Mount Vernon Christmas parade with family and friends



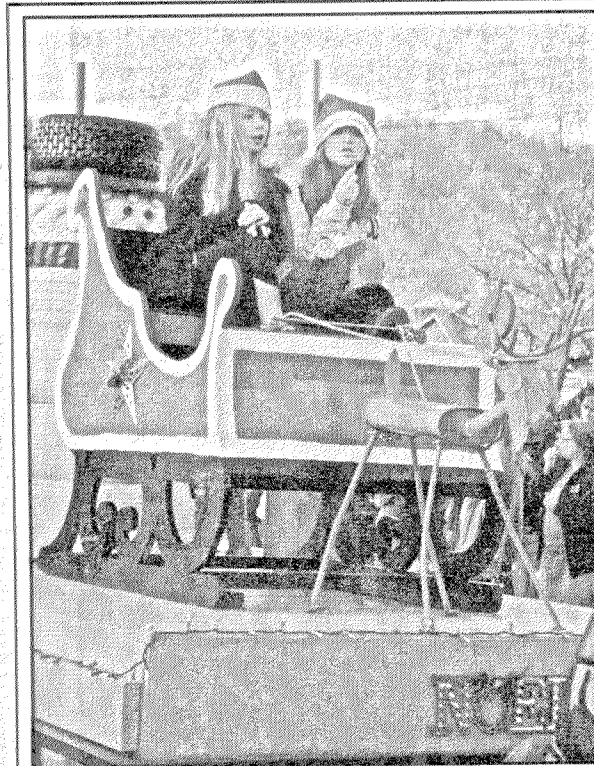
Rockcastle County Jailer Nathan Carter rode with his daughter Carlee as they tossed treats to those lining the street during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church brought cheers from the crowd as they rode down Main Street in the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Jack and Dawn Stallworth and family rode down Main Street in Mount Vernon showing the real reason for the season during the annual Christmas parade.



Rockcastle Recycling Center tossed treats to the large crowd during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Lots of classic cars and trucks were driven in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

Merry Christmas

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From left: Katy Chrisman, Crystal Griffin, Ashley Harding, Marlene Lawson, Christa Taylor, John Lawson and Tammy McVey.

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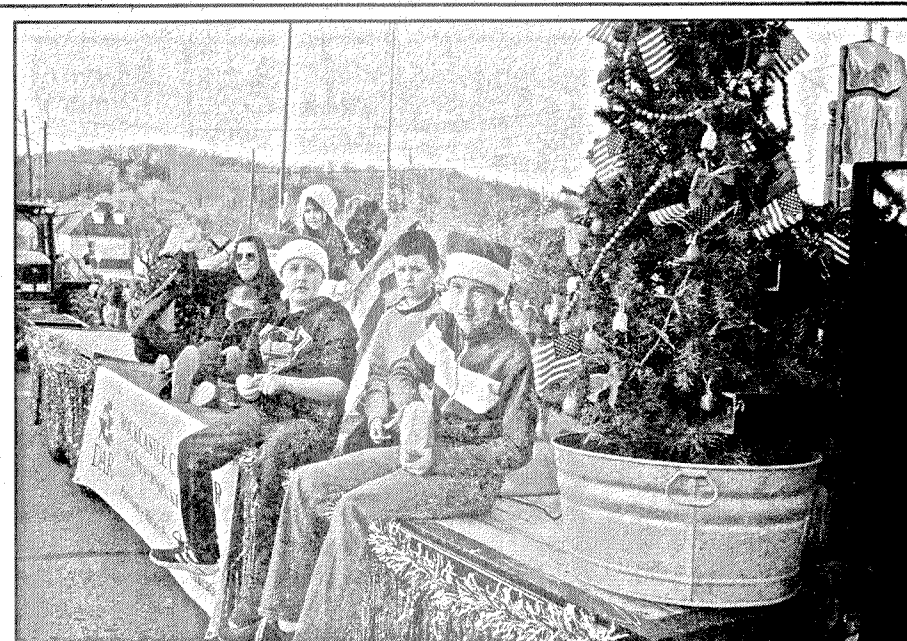
RCCHS Student Council took second place in the school category during the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Homecoming court for the Rock's 50th Homecoming took part in the the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Woodmen Life took second place in the Business Category for their "Tree Farm" float in the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Rockcastle Chapter DAR took first place in the Other Category during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.

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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

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

from your friends at the

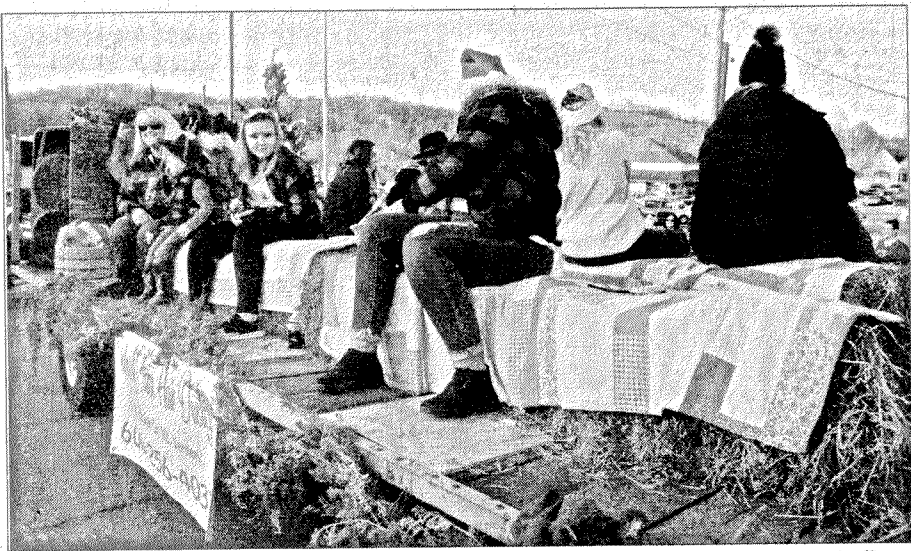
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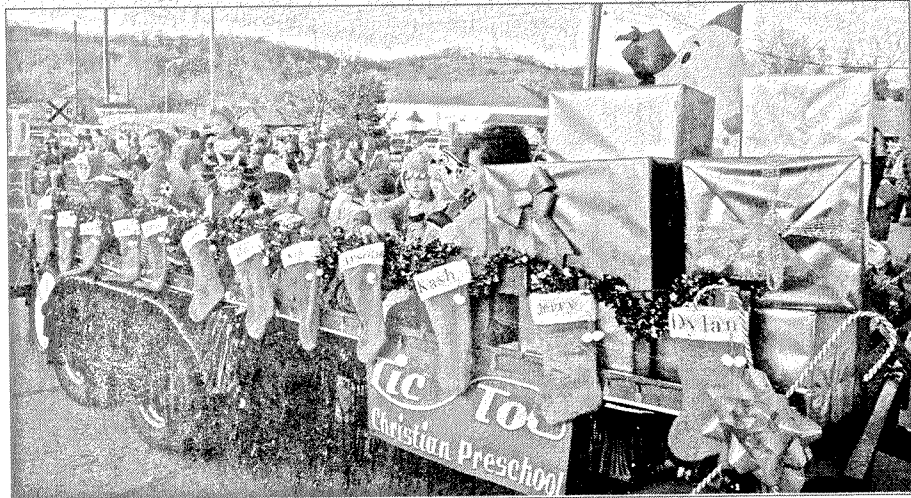
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Touch of Class Hair Design took first place in the business category for their float "A Country Christmas" which was the theme for the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Central Baptist Church in Mount Vernon took second place in the Church Category for their float during the annual Christmas parade.



Tic Toc Christian Preschool took first place in the School Category for their float in the Mount Vernon Christmas parade. Those on the float seemed to enjoy the day as much as the bystanders on Main Street.

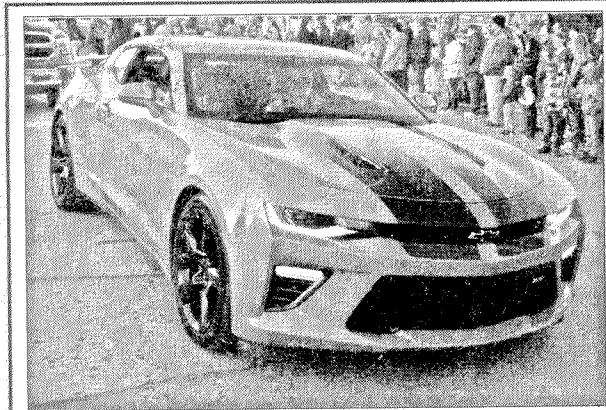


Unbridled Church on Fair Street in Mount Vernon took first place in the Church Category for their float during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Matthew Silcox and family and friends rode four wheelers and golf carts down Main Street during the largest Mount Vernon Christmas parade in history.

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Merry Christmas!*



Morgan Renner drove this stylish Chevy Camaro down Main Street during the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Mount Vernon Fire Chief David Bales took part in the annual Christmas parade this year along with all other fire departments.



Members of the Climax Volunteer Fire Department rode down Main Street during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.

MERRY Christmas!

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

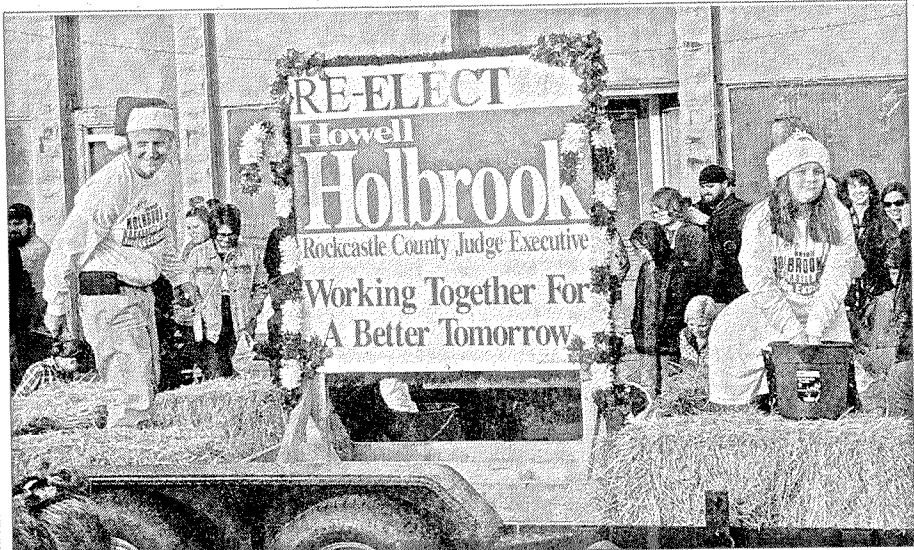
*Wishing you and your family all the gifts of this magical time of year.
For your friendship and support, we are deeply grateful and look forward
to serving you in the year ahead.*



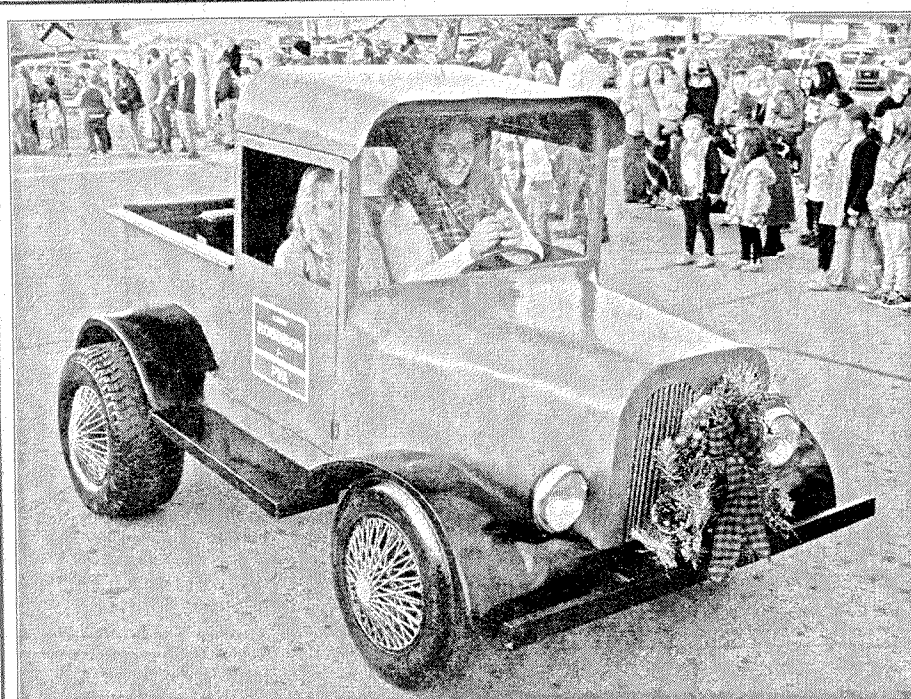
Front row from left: Priscilla Napier, Brenda Miller, Kim Denny, Stephanie Allen and Marcia Olinger.
Back row from left: Sam Alcorn, Sandra Hamm, Eliza Jane York-Hansel, Renita Blanton and Brittney Mullins.

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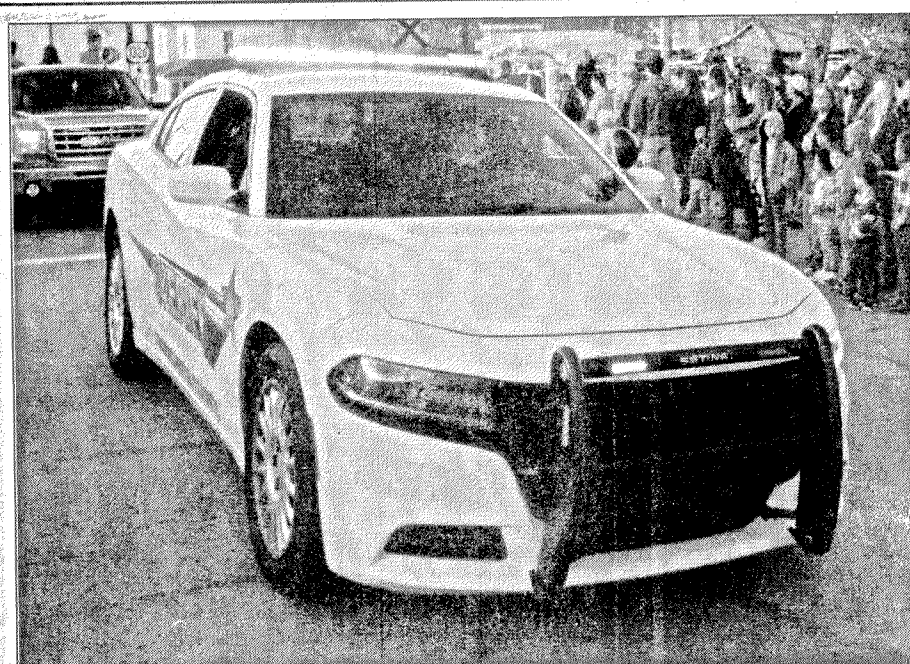
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Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook Jr. tossed candy and filled the air with bubbles during the annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Meredith Gross representing Kathy Robinson, candidate for Rockcastle County PVA, took second place in the Other Category during the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.



Rockcastle Sheriff Shannon Franklin waves to the crowd during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



District Judge Katie Slone waved at the large crowd during the Mount Vernon Christmas parade on Main Street.



Miss Rockcastle Lindsey Jones sponsored by Little World's Fair and Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department had a beautiful smile throughout the Christmas parade in Mount Vernon.



Dana Carter with Rockcastle EMS cruised through Main Street during the annual Christmas parade in Mount Vernon.



Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department drove their brush truck in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.

Christmas Greetings

During this holiday season and throughout the year, may God quiet you with his peace, comfort you with his presence and bless you with his love.

Merry Christmas from the staff at

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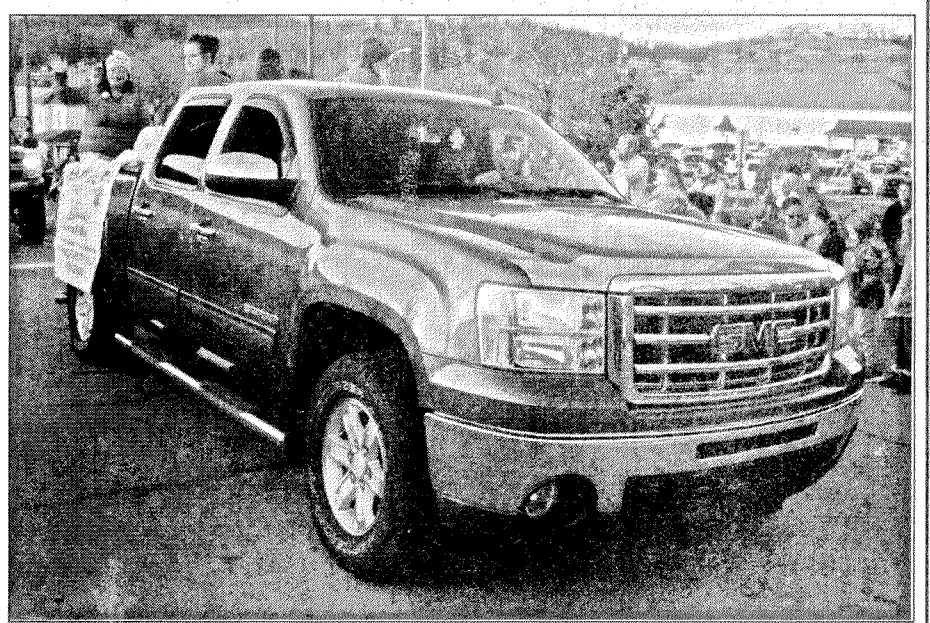
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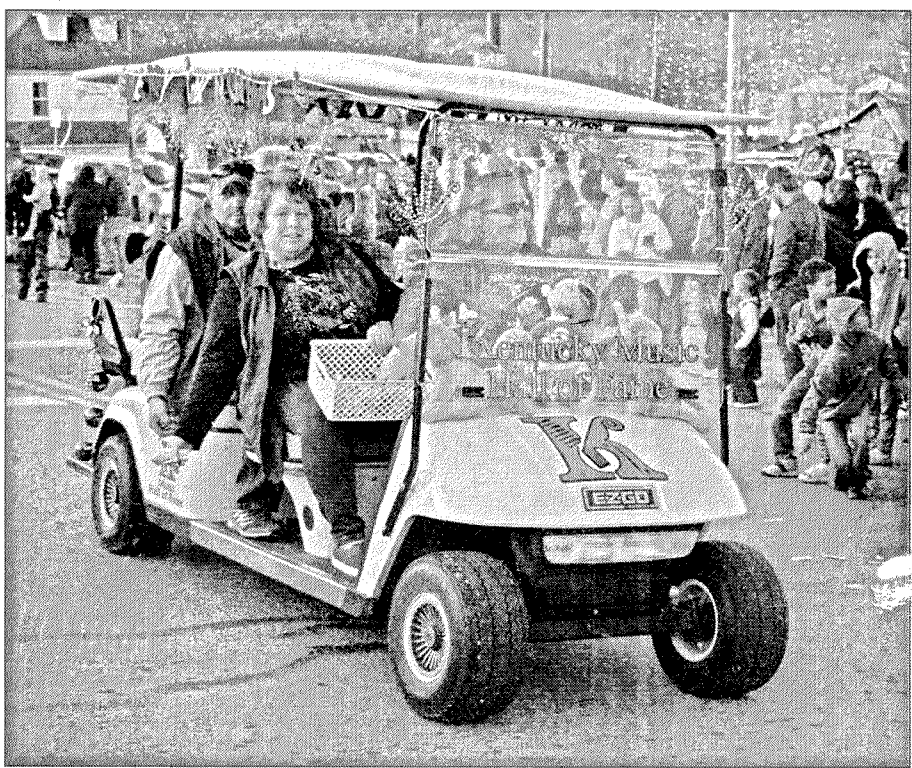
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Carlos McClure drove his Mayberry police car during Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Seek and Learn Child Development Center took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade sharing candy with those in attendance.



Sandy Whitaker prepares to throw candy from the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame's golf cart during Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Constable and candidate for Rockcastle Sheriff L. Dale Miller was well represented during Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



Members of the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade sharing candy with the crowd.



Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department took part in Mount Vernon's Christmas Parade.



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

We thank you for the privilege of serving you and look forward to your continued friendship from

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Our very best wishes for a hearty and satisfying holiday season.
 For the privilege of serving you, we are sincerely thankful.

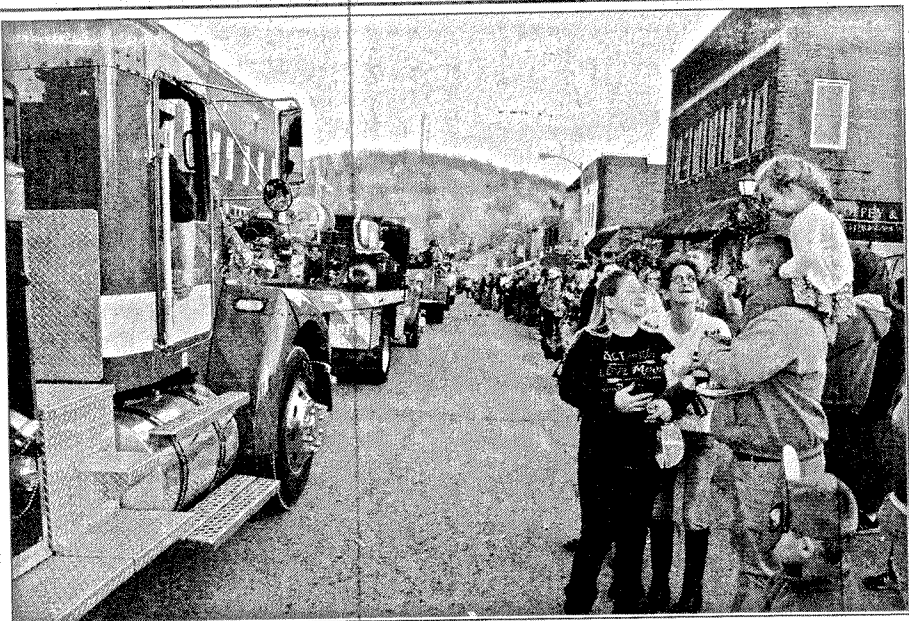
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 Back row from left: Selena Thompson, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, Assistant County Attorney William Leger and Julie Adams.

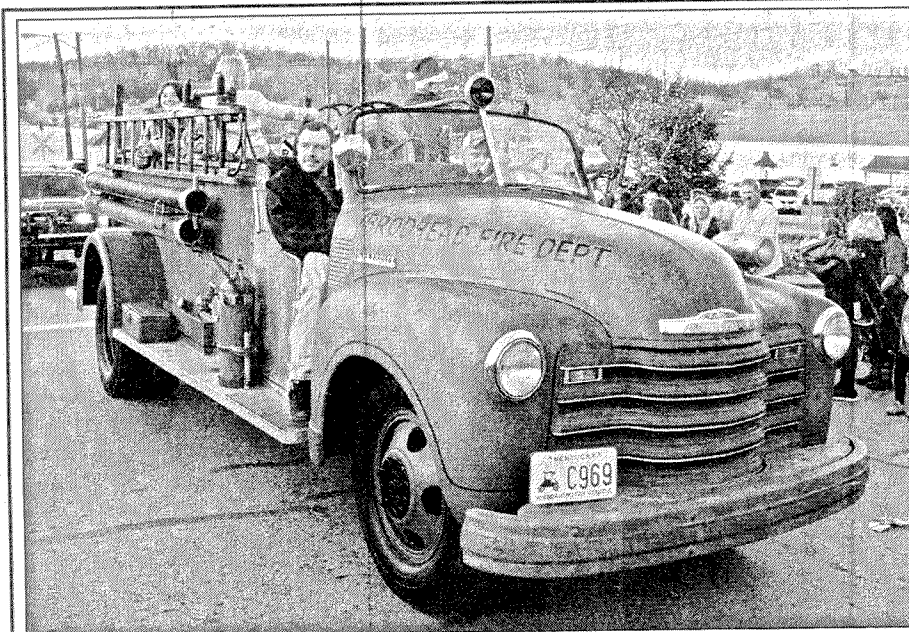
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A great crowd lined the streets of Mount Vernon for their annual Christmas Parade.



Dawn Carpenter, candidate for Rockcastle Coroner, waves to the crowd during the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.



Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department drove their classic 1948 fire truck in the Mount Vernon Christmas Parade.

To new agriculture program

RCMS receives grant from Kentucky FFA Foundation

The Kentucky FFA Foundation has awarded a \$1,000 Rising Sun grant to the agricultural education program at Rockcastle County Middle School, which just opened this school year.

Thanks to the new program, all 6th and 7th grade students, and about 2/3 of 8th grade students at Rockcastle County Middle School will have the opportunity to take an agriculture class as part of their coursework.

"We have a lot of students who are excited about the classes, and about the opportunity to be in FFA," said Hillary Whitaker, the agriculture teacher at Rockcastle County Middle School.

Whitaker plans to use the grant for things like hands-on instructional materials and FFA jackets for students.

"We've definitely had a lot of community support," she said. "Our administrators agreed to do

the flat middle school FFA registration dues, so every student who takes an agriculture class get to be an FFA member. We are thinking about how to partner with 4-H, and of course our high school agriculture teachers have been willing to help us in any way they can."

The Rising Sun initiative is an effort by the Kentucky FFA Foundation to support the expansion of agricultural education in Kentucky, and is funded through its project LEAD endowment.

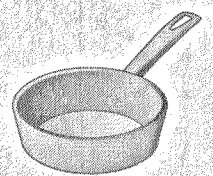
"Our main goal at the Kentucky FFA Foundation is to remove barriers for students and improve access to agriculture classes and FFA," said Sheldon McKinney, Executive Director of the Kentucky FFA Foundation. "Helping offset some of the start-up costs for new chapters does that."

The Kentucky FFA

Foundation cultivates partnerships which support the FFA vision to grow leaders, build communities, and strengthen agriculture. Kentucky FFA Foundation initiatives impact nearly 15,700 FFA members in 158 FFA chapters across Kentucky.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



NO BAKE CHOCOLATE OATMEAL PEANUT BUTTER BARS

1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup milk
2 cups sugar
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
3 cups old fashioned oatmeal (not quick oats)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
In a medium sized saucepan, melt the butter, milk, and sugar together. Bring to a boil for one minute. Meanwhile, in a large bowl, mix chocolate chips, oatmeal, and vanilla extract. Pour hot mixture over the oatmeal and chocolate. Stir until chocolate is melted and ingredients are well combined. Line a square 9 x 9 pan with wax paper. Spread the batter evenly in the pan. (Alternatively, you can scoop the batter into cookie sized mounds on a foil lined cookie sheet.) Refrigerate for 20 minutes or longer. Re-

move from pan, slice, and enjoy!

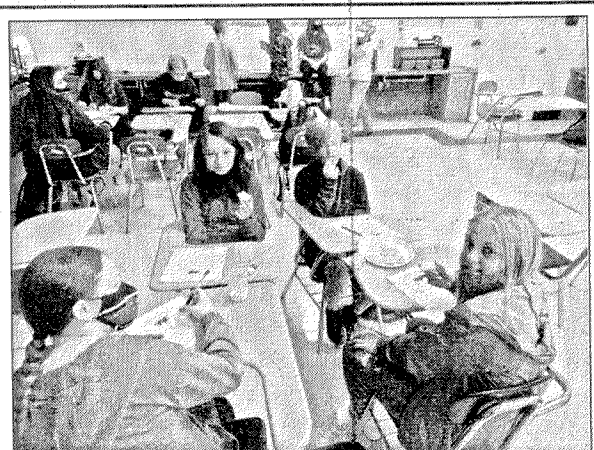
NO BAKE SWEET POTATO CHEESECAKE CRUST:

2 and 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1/3 cup sugar
8 T butter melted
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3 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese room temperature
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup light brown sugar
3 cups cooked mashed sweet potatoes
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1 container (16 ounce) Cool Whip®
Mix crumbs with sugar and melted butter until combined. Spray a 9 x 13 pan with nonstick cooking spray and pour the crust mixture in. Press into pan. Cream together cream cheese and sugars. Pour in vanilla, spices, and sweet potatoes. Combine. Gen-

tly fold Cool Whip® into the sweet potato cream cheese mixture until combined. Pour and spread evenly into the crust. Place in fridge for at least 3 hours before serving. Dust with cinnamon before serving.

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1 box (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened
1 can Eagle Brand® sweetened condensed milk
1 cup smooth peanut butter
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 tub (8 ounce) Cool Whip®, thawed
In a large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy. In another bowl, mix Eagle Brand® milk with peanut butter. Gradually beat into the cream cheese until smooth. Add lemon juice and vanilla; mix well. Fold in Cool Whip®. Pour into serving dishes and chill at least 4 hours.



Students in the Rockcastle County Middle School agriculture class participate in a butter-making activity



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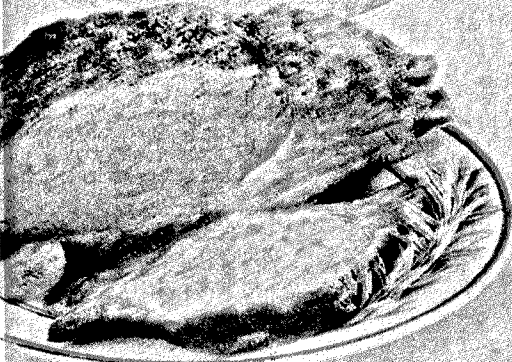


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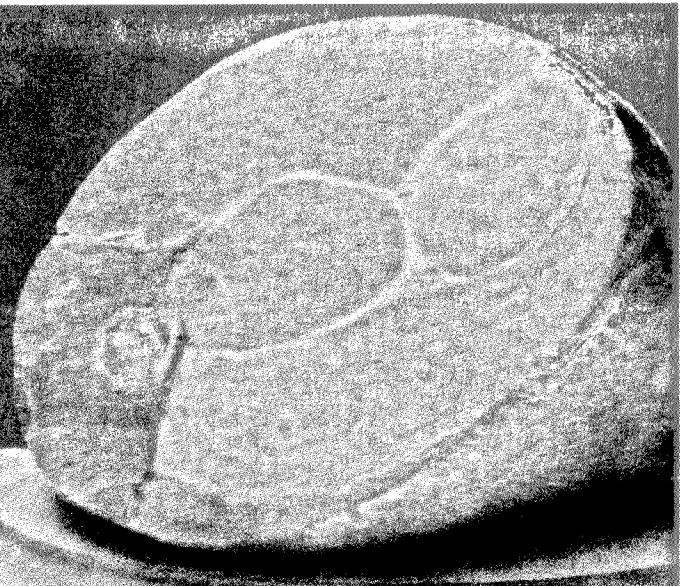
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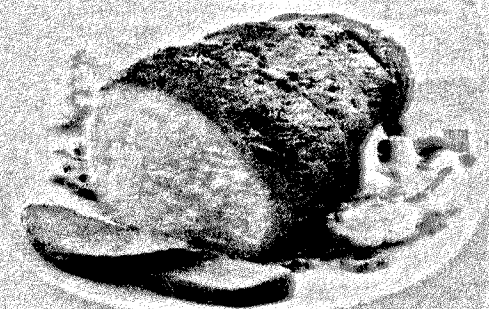
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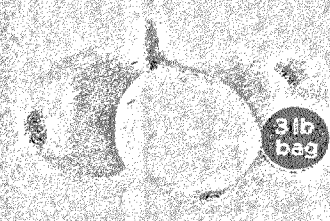
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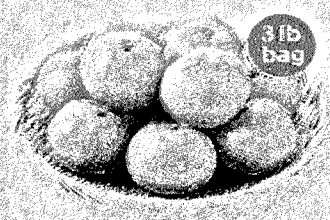
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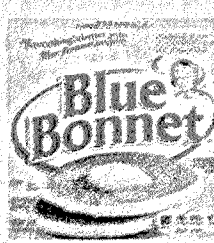
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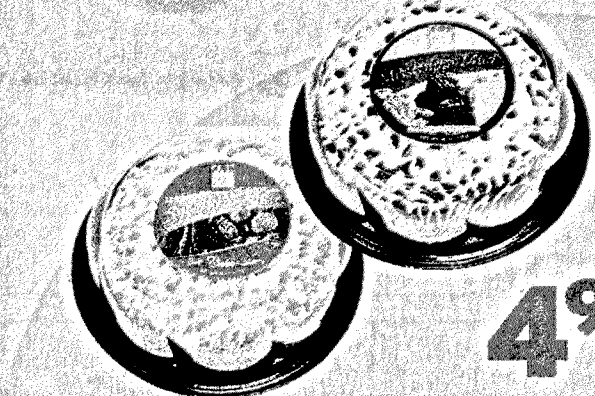
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Thursday, December 23, 2021

Scenes from 2021 Brodhead Christmas Parade



Santa Claus brought up the rear in the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department's classic 1948 fire truck as children cheered along Main Street during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Lee Cash rode in his classic Chevrolet through downtown Brodhead during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Miss Rockcastle Lindsey Jones, sponsored by Little World's Fair and Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department, greeted young and old along the parade route last week during Brodhead's annual Christmas parade.

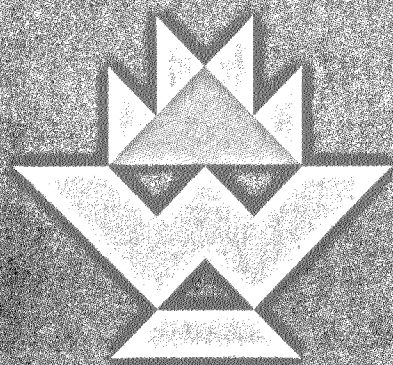


Brodhead Fire trucks blared their sirens to the delight of children along Main Street during the Christmas parade.



Brodhead Police officer Kirk Mays led the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas parade down Main Street.

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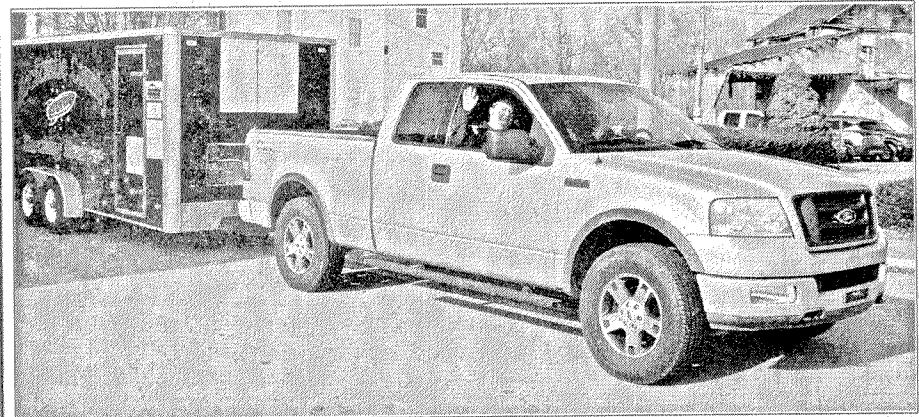
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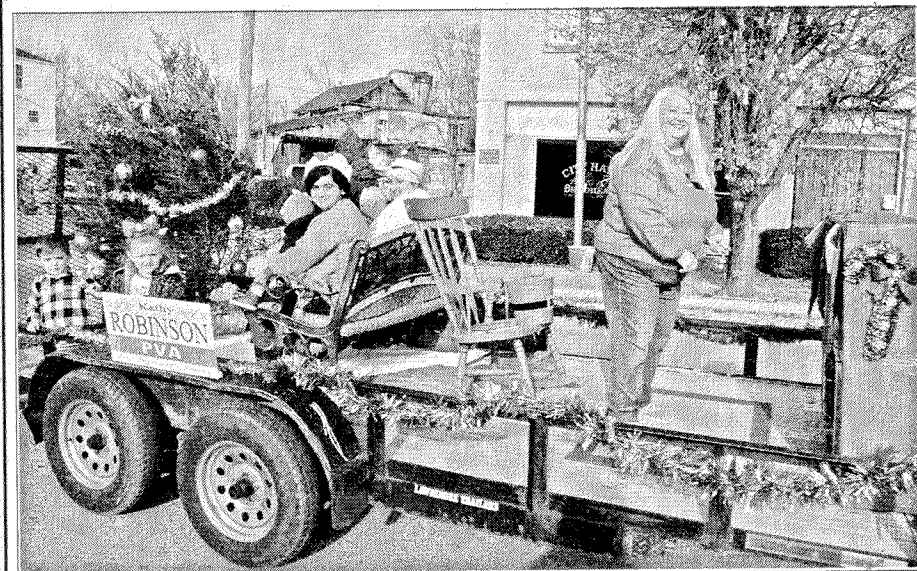
RCHS Marching Rockets led by Drum Major Allie Dunn was the first group to walk Main Street in Brodhead during the annual Christmas parade Saturday, December 4th.



Brodhead Fire Chief John Dyehouse and wife Emily rode down Main Street during the annual EJ Taylor Memorial Christmas Parade.



Robert and Samantha Payne with the RCHS Marching Rockets pulled their trailer in the Brodhead Christmas parade held on December 4th.



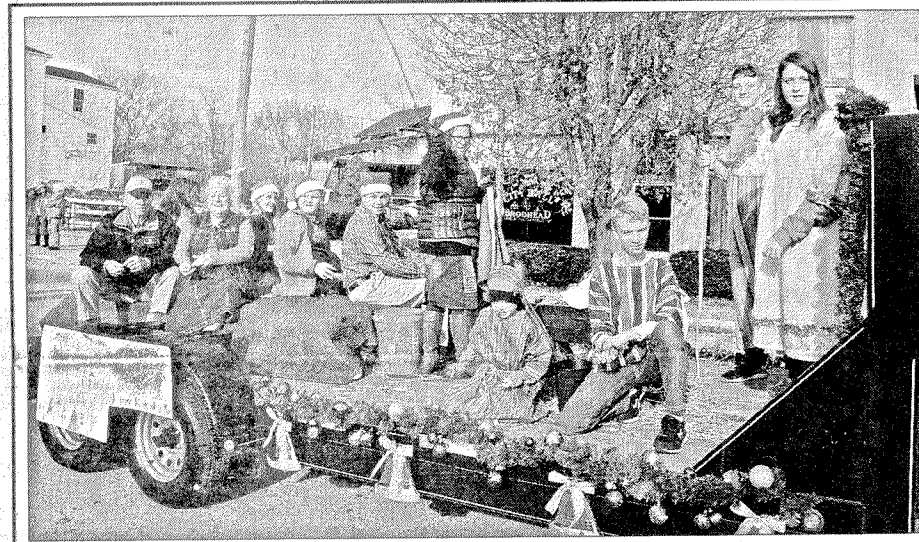
Rockcastle PVA candidate Kathy Robinson tossed candy to those along Main Street during the Brodhead Christmas parade.



Rockcastle County Sheriff Shannon Franklin waved at the crowd during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., filled the air with bubbles and shared candy during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church received cheers as their float passed the crowd during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.

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Rockcastle Coroner candidate Dawn Carpenter peeked through the sunroof under a clear sky during the Brodhead Christmas parade.



David Thompson and Judy Bruner (David's Tire Center) rode a classic truck down Main Street in Brodhead during the annual Christmas parade on December 4th



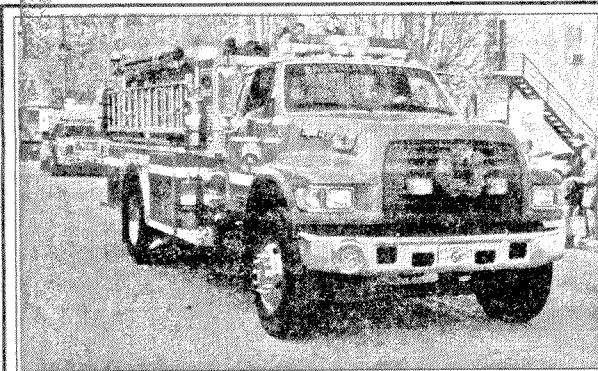
Seek and Learn Child Development Center rode the back of a pick up truck during the Brodhead Christmas parade tossing candy to the anxious crowd.



Brodhead councilman Harold Taylor drove his classic Chevy Impala down Main Street during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Lonnie McGuire drew stares as he drove his Chevrolet Camaro down Main Street in the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department tossed candy to those lining Main Street during the Brodhead Christmas parade.



Dirt bikes of all sizes and makes driven by young and old kept bystanders excited as they traveled down Main Street in the Brodhead Christmas parade.



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.

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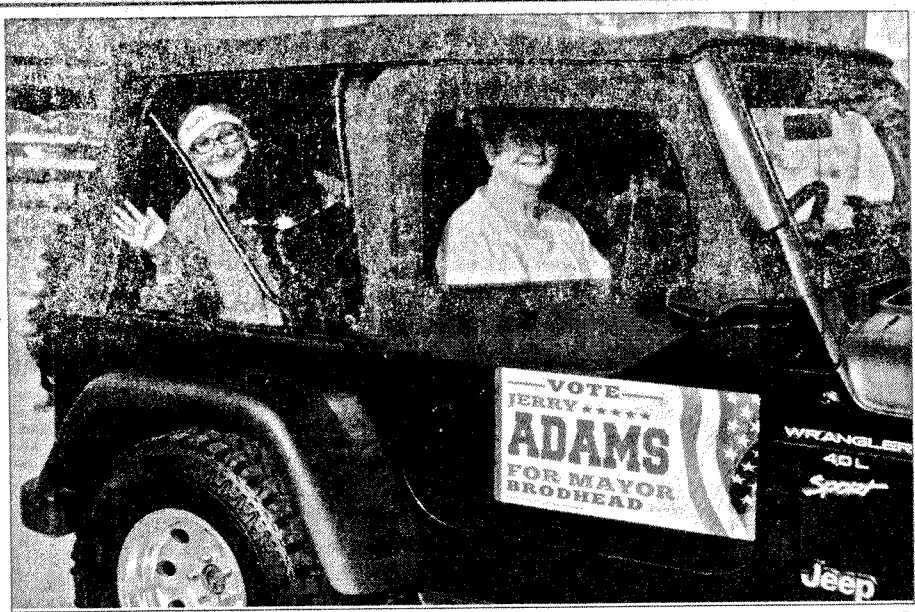


To all our friends we hold so "deer," a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

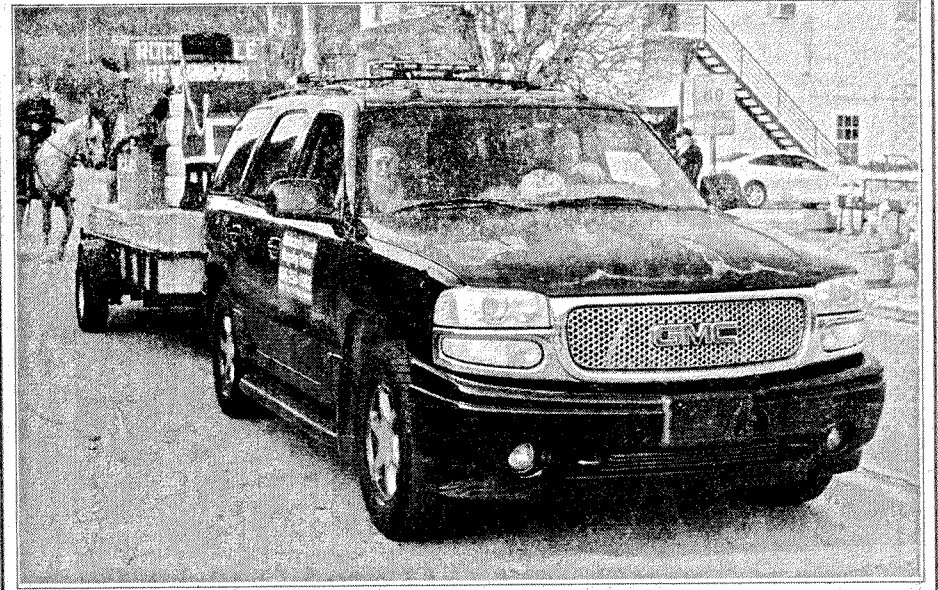
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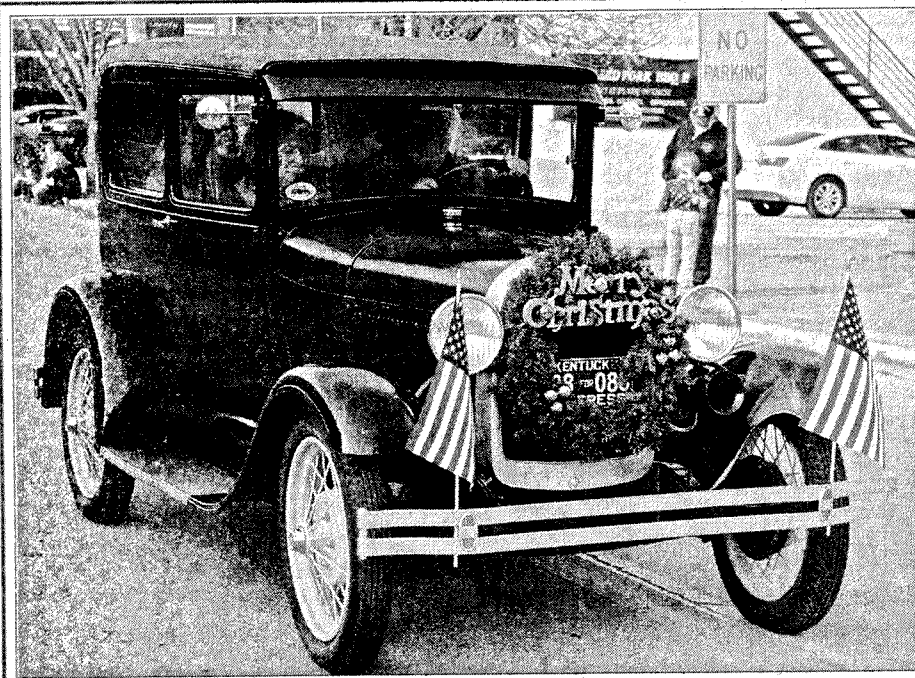
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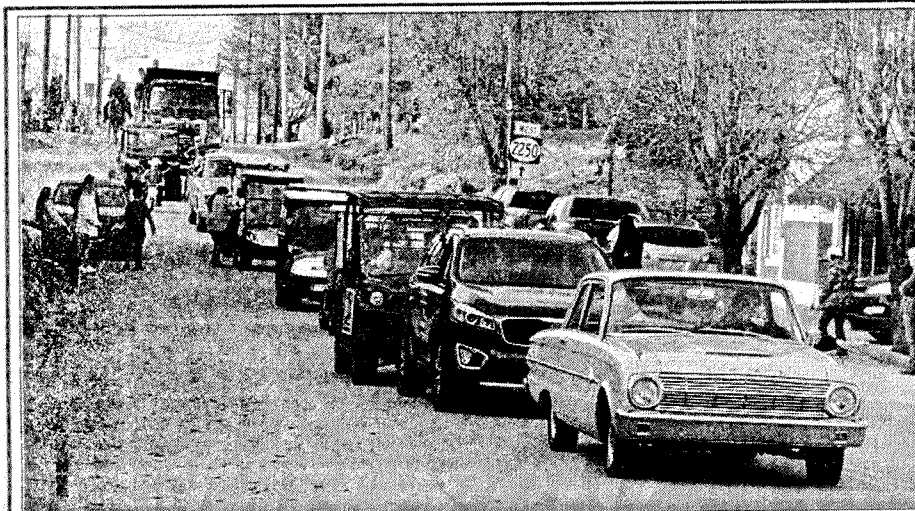
Brodhead councilman and Mayoral candidate Jerry Adams and wife Julie and daughter-in-law, Kristen rode in a rag-top Jeep down Main Street during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



James Renner of the Rockcastle Recycling Center pulled a float with recyclable materials down Main Street in the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Tony and Donna Hopkins with granddaughters Abby and Kennedy rode their classic Model A down Main Street during the Brodhead annual Christmas parade.



A long line of classic cars and golf carts filled the streets of Brodhead as the annual Christmas parade was enjoyed by countless residents along Main Street.



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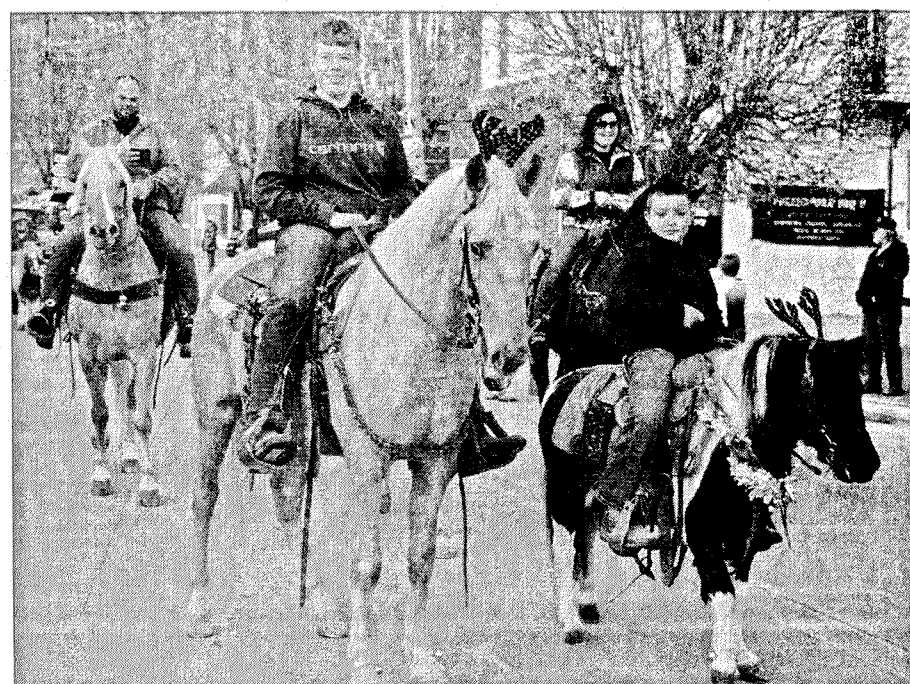
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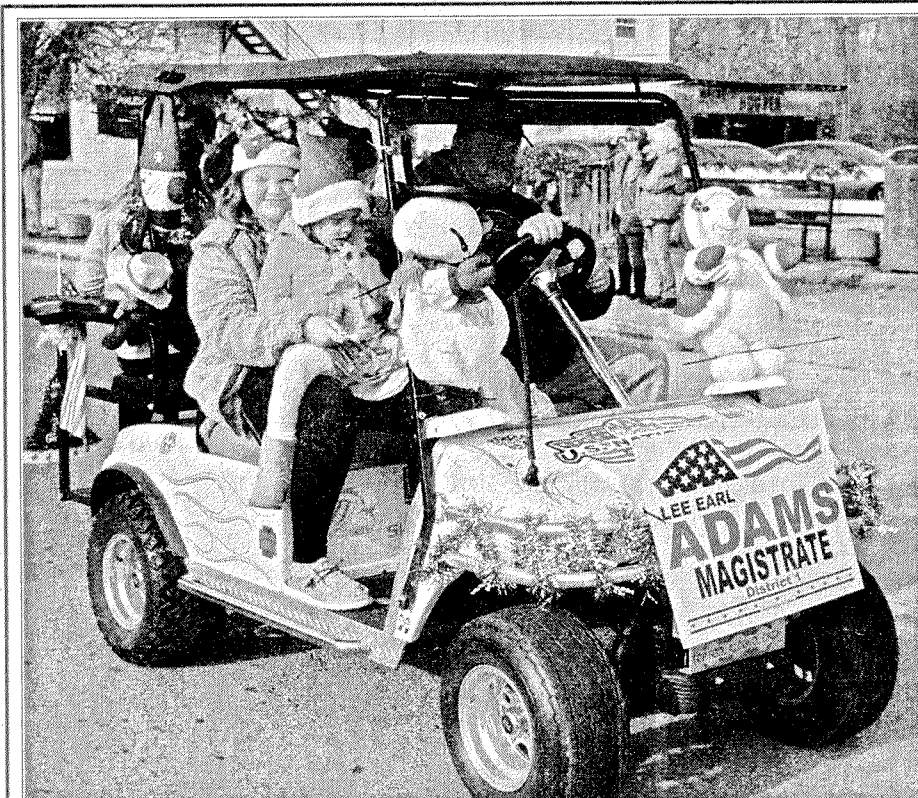
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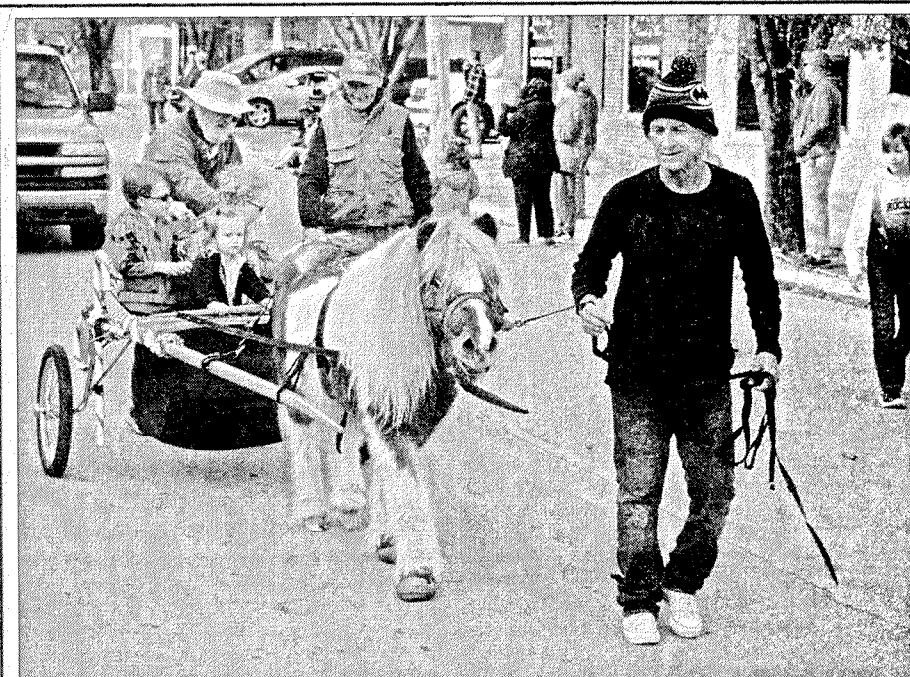
Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray waved at the crowd as he rode along Main Street in Brodhead during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



The Leger family pleased the crowd with horses as they rode down Main Street during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



District 1 Magistrate candidate Lee Earl Adams rode down Main Street in Brodhead in his golf cart during the Brodhead Christmas parade on December 4th.



Animals, including this miniature horse, kept the crowd applauding during the annual Brodhead Christmas parade on December 4th.

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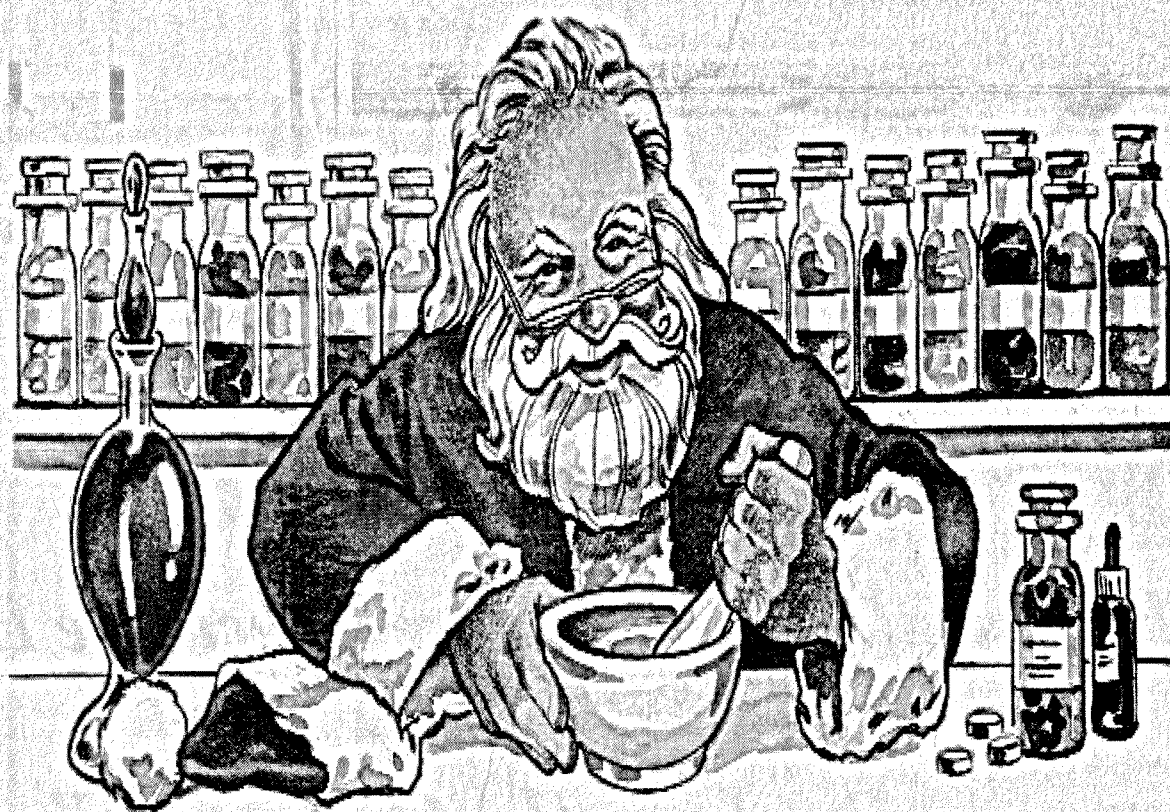
Livingston Volunteer Fire Department showed off some of their modern equipment during the Brodhead Christmas parade.



Eugene and Sarah Taylor rode in their classic truck as part of the annual Brodhead Christmas parade.



Glen Burton and Ruth Holman rode down Main Street tossing candy to those along the street in the Brodhead Christmas parade.



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Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Home Grown Holiday
Greenery

Traditions of decorating with greenery about the time of the winter solstice go back to ancient Mesopotamia and evidence of such is abundant in Assyrian and Egyptian history. Decorating homes with evergreen boughs and trees was prohibited in the first American colonies in New England. Gradually, Irish plantation owners in the South and German settlers in the North began to popularize the gathering of seasonal greenery and decorating their homes around the 1840's. In 1848, British Queen Victoria first used a tree at Windsor Castle. Public tree decorating in America didn't really catch on until the Great Depression. Today, it seems to begin by the time the leaves turn colors in the fall and last until early January.

With that introduction

to the topic; I want to bring to the attention of the reader that you can grow a lot of your own greenery for decorating, and you can collect from the wild (or your yard if you have a lush green one) and save green (your money) and also have the freshest and most unique when it comes to decorating for the holidays.

Decorating with greenery is more prevalent today than ever. And fresh greenery seems much preferred. Greenery such as ivy, cedars, firs, pines and hollies all add a fresh look and natural scents to our homes.

Spruce trees, hemlocks, rhododendrons, boxwoods, evergreen viburnum and laurels don't hold up well in indoor heated situations, but these and many other items can be turned into outdoor decorations.

Home grown greenery is cheaper, fresher, more environmentally friendly,

and you can customize it rather than be like everyone else. Finding greenery can begin with your own landscape. And from there, expand to the neighborhood. (Just remember to select carefully, and get permission if you're going to harvest from private property that doesn't belong to you.)

What can you find? Well, let's see—what do you have growing in the yard? Hollies? A pine tree? Junipers? Arborvitae? Laurels? False cypress such as gold thread and saybrook gold? Maybe ligustrum or rhododendron? How about some large green magnolia leaves, or some trailing ivy or winter creeper? Nandina, too.

Since yard plants are part of your landscape, consider, harvesting some greenery as "pruning" of your bushes! You want to take off evenly or remove limbs that won't make it look odd, while at the same time collecting a whole box or basket of green clippings, from which you can make wreaths, sprays or garland, or a table piece.

Adding seed heads, fruits, nuts, grass plumes, pine cones, magnolia pods, rose hips and the like can enable the personalized touches not obtainable from store-bought decorations.

Keep your trimmings out of the sun as you collect. Soak in water for awhile if they appear dried out. Same for a Christmas tree, you can cut off an inch or two from the trunk and put it in water for a few hours to extend its life.

A precaution or two as you harvest for your home decorating. Holly berries may be harmful if eaten. Mistletoe berries are definitely deadly poisonous. Juniper berries can be harmful and yew is certainly poisonous. Bittersweet is poisonous. Laurel and ligustrum berries are poisonous. This isn't a complete list—so do your homework if children or pets might get at your decorations and might put them in their mouths.

Even though you collect your own greenery, or maybe go to a local farmer or Christmas tree grower, after a few weeks even the freshest and most long lasting greenery won't stay fresh forever. So, delay collecting and decorating, or be prepared to throw away items that are going bad and replace with fresh new ones if you wish to keep your decorations on display for more than two or three weeks.

Another word of caution would be that an open flame such as a candle burning, or possibly a short in wiring of electric lights, could turn pretty decorations into a fire. Evergreen boughs that have been dead for long will burn fast and hot if they should ever get on fire. Be especially vigilant with the use of candles or open flames around old and dried greenery.

Growing or making your own decorations is definitely a smart idea if the budget is tight and you can find a bit of time. All the more so, if you have artistic flair for

decorating. But, you don't have to be broke from buying gifts or whatever, you may find it is actually emotionally satisfying to create fun and lovely wreaths, sprays, garlands, etc. Don't forget harvesting your own tree from the forest or from the Christmas tree farm.

If you've read this far, you probably are going to take up the idea of creating some decorations yourself. And if you don't have any trees or shrubbery in your yard that will work—I'm guessing that would make you a red maple and Bradford pear person like a huge number of other people—perhaps you want to figure out what to plant in your yard so you have the option of doing your own next time.

Spruce trees and holly bushes are easy to grow, at least in a temperate climate. From there, you have junipers, arborvitae, cedars, firs, pines, hemlocks, cryptomeria, false cypress and more. There are broadleaf trees such as magnolia grandiflora, tinus or Prague viburnum, pittosporum, distylum, euonymus,

ligustrum, English laurel, mountain laurel, Japanese laurel, and there are citrus trees.


Think of how much nicer your yard might look if a few of its trees or bushes didn't change colors and drop leaves in the fall and winter. This might be the notion that incentivizes you to tear out a landscape that wasn't working very well and redo it. Or just that you will plant a big spruce tree in the front yard this fall or next spring, maybe you'll plant some arborvitae or euonymus to screen some utilities or a view of the neighbors you don't really enjoy, make-overs of the yard come in small adjustments for some and major transformations for others. If planting some evergreen trees and shrubs or vines would make your place look better, then why hesitate. You'll also be able to use some "prunings" for seasonal decorating with your own home grown greenery.

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Back row from left: County Attorney Jeremy Rowe, magistrate Shane Thacker, magistrate Shannon Bishop, County Treasurer Joe Clontz, magistrate Mike McGuire, magistrate William Denny and magistrate Doug Prewitt.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Streamlining How You Find Information on Farmers.gov

If you've been to farmers.gov before, things may look a little different from the last time you were here. We've made some changes, to improve how you find information so that you can find what you need even more easily and efficiently.

The big, green navigation bar near the top of every page – it's different now. It opens up, to show descriptions and subtopics, making it quicker and easier to figure out what's where and reduce guessing. Why? Two reasons: First, farmers.gov has grown a lot over the years and the old navigation wasn't designed for the load. Second, because you asked for it. We analyzed your comments through the "Feedback" button on the site and tested our new designs and information organization with real farmers and ranchers through surveys and live testing sessions.

Along with the new website navigation, we restructured how our pages and topics are grouped and organized to help you easily access the information you need. We also relabeled some of our existing pages using more direct language. This means that pages or information you've used before may have different labels or be in new places.

Important changes:

The old Fund page is now called Loans. The Loans page has information and resources about USDA loans, including the Farm Loan Programs.

The Recover page is

now Protection and Recovery. This page has information to help you prepare and recover from natural disasters, and to mitigate risk for your operation.

The Conserve page is now Conservation. This page hasn't changed much and still has information on how to implement conservation practices, improve and preserve natural resources, and address conservation concerns.

The Manage page is now Working With Us. This page connects you with resources that tell you how USDA can help you start, expand, enhance, or improve your agricultural operation.

The Connect page has been replaced with Your Business, a guide to USDA resources that cater to your specific operation.

Information that was on the Connect page has been moved to the Contact Us page and the Get Involved page.

We are always updating farmers.gov based on your feedback and to stay up-to-date with important USDA announcements. We've recently created some new webpages, and updated some existing ones, to better equip you with the vital information you need. There are even more new pages coming soon, so stay tuned!

For farmers.gov, we don't guess what farmers and ranchers want from a website. We start by asking, then test our designs with volunteers who are also farmers and ranchers.

There's a feedback button on every page of farmers.gov. Based on

your feedback, we looked for ways to make our site easier to use and to build the information that you're looking for. Live user testing sessions provide data, such as this heatmap, showing where testers tended to click during an exercise.

You helped us create the new navigation design, the new information organization, and told us how to speak using your words, and not legalese. Check out farmers.gov today.

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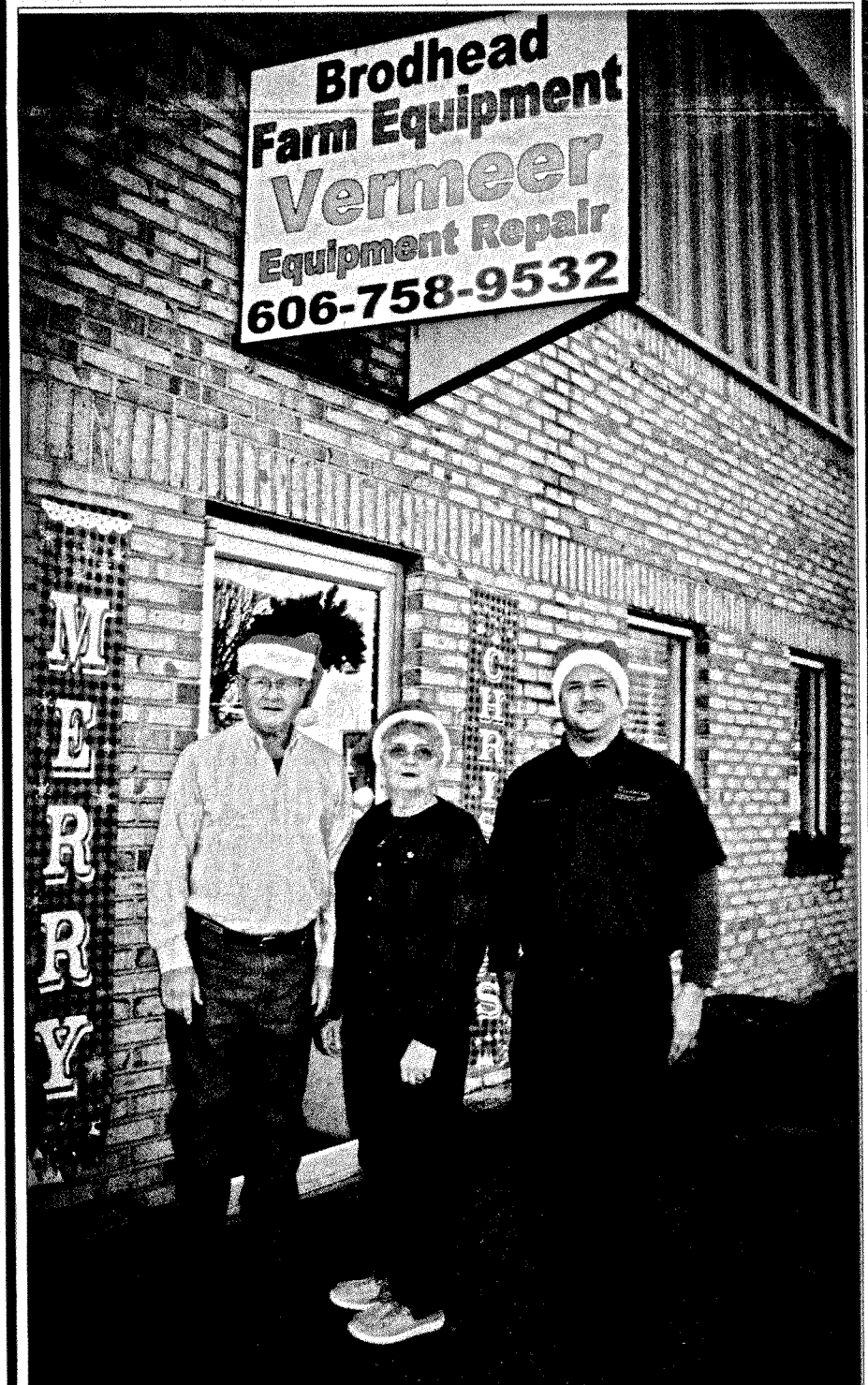
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Farmers encouraged to apply for new ag exemption number

Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles is reminding agricultural producers about the upcoming deadline to apply for Kentucky's new agriculture exemption number. The deadline to apply for current farmers is Jan. 1, 2022.

"As the new rules take effect next year, we don't want our Kentucky agriculture producers to be caught off guard," Commissioner Quarles said. "With inflation and supply chain issues affecting farm input costs, now is the time to get for farmers to get their new ex-

emption number so they can protect the sales and use tax exclusions available to them."

While the statutory provisions for agriculture sales and use tax exemptions have not changed, the Kentucky Department of Revenue (DOR) now requires agricultural producers to pre-qualify for a new tax identification number to claim exemption from taxes. The DOR is now accepting applications from eligible farmers for new agriculture exemption numbers.

Under the provisions of SB 148, enacted by the 2020 General Assembly

and signed into law by Gov. Andy Beshear on March 27, 2020, all eligible farmers exempt from sales and use tax for the purchase of certain items must apply for and use their new agriculture exemption number when claiming applicable tax exemptions under KRS 139.481.

The Application for the Agriculture Exemption Number, Form 51A800, is available at www.revenue.ky.gov under Sales Tax forms. Completed applications should be submitted by email to DORWebresponse@ky.gov or mailed to DOR's Division of Sales and Use Tax, Station 66, P.O. Box 181, Frankfort, KY 40602-0181.

Applicants must verify their engagement in the type of farming eligible for sales and use tax exemptions included in KRS Chapter 139. These exclusions include certain items purchased for the purpose of raising livestock as food for human consumption or producing crops. To expedite the application process, DOR advises applicants to supply the IRS Schedule F, Profit or Loss from Farming form, if possible.

The agriculture exemption number is valid for three years from the date issued by DOR.

Contact the Division of Sales and Use Tax with questions at (502) 564-5170 or DOR.Webresponse@ky.gov



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