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Chief Circuit Judge Jeffery T. Burdette performed the ceremonial swearing-in for newly elected District 71 Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray Saturday, January 2 in front of the Rockcastle County courthouse. Bray was joined by his wife Jana and two children, Trapper and Isla. The official swearing-in was held Tuesday in Frankfort.

RCIDA working on many projects

**By: Mike French
Editor**
Once again, a huge step in economic development may be coming to Rockcastle County. Thanks to the work of the Rockcastle County

Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) Executive Director Jeff VanHook and other members of local government, yet another large company is planning to locate in the county soon and, if

everything goes as planned, the county will not look the same in a few years, according to RCIDA members. "We have the Letter of Intent in our hands from another industry that will

include a \$5-7 million building, over 70 new good jobs and a \$4-5 million annual payroll," said VanHook at Tuesday's regular monthly meeting. The new business, when located here, will join the new Chapin Industries which is in the process of hiring management level positions already, as the county's newest entity.

According to Corey Craig, Chairman of the RCIDA board, the wire transfer for the purchase (See "RCIDA" on A5)

Overdue bills

Livingston water customers' delinquent bills must be paid

**By: Mike French
Editor**
A large number of people across the country have been shown some leniency in their bills or other debts since the COVID pandemic came along. Many people have been able to avoid paying rent, or be late on many bills or just not pay on a debt because officials were trying to help people make it through costly mandates put in place by the state or federal government.

But, for many, those benefits are almost over, according to officials in the City of Livingston.

Vaccines have been developed and some government mandates have been relaxed. Because of this many creditors and government entities are about to begin collecting money owed to them--even the money that built up during the time of the mandates. Livingston residents are among those about to be billed.

"We need to try to develop a contract so that these people can afford to pay their water bill," said

Amanda Thomas, Livingston City Clerk in a special called meeting

December 29th. "But one way or another, if the (See "Water" on A5)

Snow storm hits county

**By: Mike French
Editor**
According to local first responders, the snow

storm that hit Rockcastle County on Christmas Eve, caused many to wish they had stayed home.

Joe Rush, Assistant Chief of the Mount Vernon Police Department, said his department

was extremely busy throughout the duration of the storm. (See "Snow" on A5)



This scene on Cedar Rapids Road in Mt. Vernon was typical of roads throughout the county on Christmas Eve Day as nearly five inches of snow fell in the area. Roads were covered for two days and police responded to countless calls of local accidents during the snow storm.

Year in review

January Thru June

2020

January
In the first week of 2020, and the first week of the decade, officials in the City of Mount Vernon started discussion about flooding problems on city

streets. Plans were started to repair drainage lines in the city to relieve the flooding.

In the second week of the month, Brodhead's Police Chief Travis Davis

resigned without notice, leading to rumors and speculation as to why for several months and no official reason was ever given.

It was also the second

week that Mount Vernon's Logan Ray Towery was arrested in a sex traffic ring after a four year investigation.

Several local inmates graduated the MRT Program at the Rockcastle County Detention Center and storms blew through

the area with temperatures above 70 degrees in January.

It was also in January that the fiscal court voted to make Rockcastle County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.

Donald D. Abner was (See "Year" on A6)

Moderna Phase I begins

Vaccine is in county

**By: Mike French
Editor**
First responders and medical providers in Rockcastle County are now apparently receiving the Moderna Vaccination for COVID-19. According to the Cumberland Valley Health Department, the vaccine has been received in Jackson, Clay and Rockcastle counties and is being disbursed to all those in those fields who choose to accept it.

However, according to Jana Bray, Public Relations Director of Rockcastle Regional Hospital, the vaccine is not mandatory.

According to Janet Kirby, Nursing Supervisor at the Rockcastle County Health Center, three locations in the county received an allocation of the vaccine, including the Health Center, the hospital and Walgreen's Pharmacy. However, the hospital vaccines were apparently only enough to vaccinate the residents and staff of the hospital itself.

Officials agree that the rules and the plans for vaccinating the general public change often and, for that reason, most offi-

cial at health-related entities, do not want to make an official statement. "Honestly, the rules and the plans change hourly concerning vaccinating the public and whatever we tell you could change before you write it down," said one official. "The state decides who gets the vaccine and how much they receive and how it is disbursed."

Officials say Phase One of the vaccination (See "Vaccine" on A5)

Covid cases

According to the Cumberland Valley District Health Department, Rockcastle County now has 621 total confirmed cases of COVID-19 with an additional 348 probable cases. Seven deaths have been attributed to the COVID-19 virus in Rockcastle County. There are currently 108 active cases and 775 people have recovered in Rockcastle, according to the department.

Brodhead meeting

The regular monthly Brodhead City Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 11 at 7 p.m. at Brodhead City Hall. This will be the first official meeting for three of the newly elected City Commissioners.

School Board

The Rockcastle County School Board will hold their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, December 12 at 6 p.m. at the Teaching and Learning Center on Richmond Street. There will be a link on the school website to view the meeting live.

Livingston meeting

The Livingston City Commission will hold their regular monthly meeting Monday, January 11 at 6 p.m. at Livingston City Hall. Two new commissioners will be sworn-in at the meeting, according to officials. The public is invited to attend.

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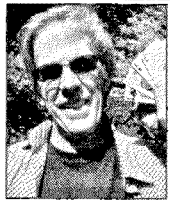
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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There used to be some risk involved in robbing people.

If you ran up behind someone and tried to steal their wallet, they might be a Marine or something. It was risky.

If you broke into a store, you could get cut on the glass or a cop could see you in there stealing stuff.

It was a dangerous business to be in.

But, alas, with technology comes easier ways to do everything. Add to new technology, the complete lack of ambition and overwhelming laziness of the latest generation, and thieves barely have to leave their couch anymore.

My phone rings about 10 times per day and an authoritative voice says something like "Yes sir, our records indicate your student loan is causing you some unneeded worry..."

Their records, of course, aren't very good because I never had a student loan. And if I had, it would have been in 1979.

It rings off the hook with information about my vehicle warranty (which expired years ago) or my current life insurance policy (which I don't have) or any idea they can come up with.

I always answer nicely and treat them with the respect they have earned. (Insert a wink here.)

My mother, though she is very intelligent, is not necessarily up to date on computer scams.

We are both slightly naive about "street smarts" and, like me, it doesn't cross her mind that someone would actually call her and make up a huge, complex lie about her social security about to be cancelled. After all, who wants to lose their only source of income? And surely no one would be so cruel as to want to take an elderly person's check away from them.

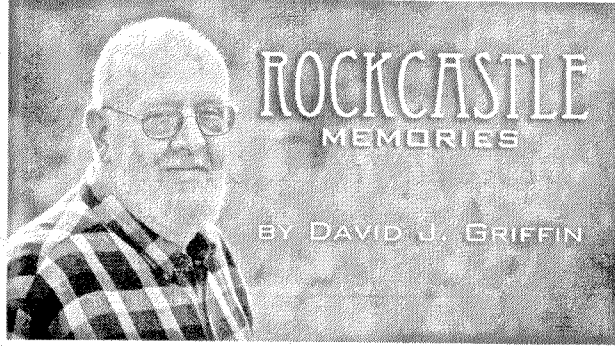
Yep. They sure do.

My better half is very "street smart" about such things so she keeps mom and me from falling for scams all the time.

Unfortunately, if the IRS ever does change their policy and decide to call me on the phone, I will most likely go to jail over what I would say to them when they ask for my social security number.

I can even remember when cheating in an election would involve filling out 25 extra ballots and sneaking them into the totals.

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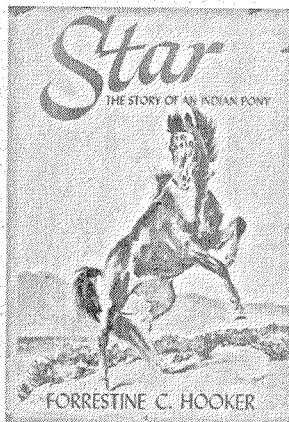
Star, The Story of an Indian Pony

For years, my wife has heard me tell the story of me as a child sitting at my mother's knee while she read to me a book entitled Star, The Story of an Indian Pony. To my surprise, a modern copy of this very important book of my childhood was one of her Christmas gifts to me this year.

When I opened the book, I had to fight back tears of joy. The memory of Bee reading it to me is a most vivid one. In addition, it is a tale of some significance written in 1922 by Forrestine C. Hooker. It is based on a true story, with a foreword written by a Lieutenant of the U.S. Army.

When I was six or seven-years-old, Bee would pull her big, blue

rocker to the front of our Warm Morning stove and read to me. This ritual occurred most nights after we had finished dinner and cleaned up the kitchen. Those memories are approximately seventy years old, but I recall the story of Star as if it were yesterday.



I pulled a brief synopsis of it from the internet: "The story of Star is told from the perspective of a pony. Star is the horse of a Comanche chief's daughter. In addition to being her companion, he goes on the war path. The story describes life in the Indian village and the eventual relocation of the tribe by the US Government."

Before my brother (Al) and I were born, Bee

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Points East

By Ike Adams



I'm not sure who has or doesn't have access to cable TV service in our neck of the woods, but I do know, for sure, that Charlie Brown Road is not among the more gifted. We mostly rely on satellite TV except for a few folks who still use antennas to make do with all the TV they want or need.

I, personally, would be among the antenna users if the decision was left entirely up to me, but there are other members of this household who are addicted to programming that isn't available on the antenna, which means that one of the high-dollar, satellite companies is the only other option, not to suggest that cable is any cheaper. Still, I would much rather be paying nothing for all the TV I want or need than shelling out over \$100.00 a month, but as I just said, I am not the only person in the household and certainly not the boss.

It's just that there are all kinds of things that I

could do with 100 extra dollars every month.

I remember all those years, growing up on Blair Branch, when neither satellite nor cable TV was an option. For that matter, neither was sticking an antenna on top of the house or on a pole in the back yard the way I can do it here, on Charlie Brown where I can easily get over 2 dozen stations for nothing.

On Blair Branch, in the old days, it usually cost far more cash to purchase TV wire, antennas (one for each of the 4 available networks) and a signal booster than it did to buy the fanciest TV on the market. Even then, buying the TV, the hardware and getting it all set up was the least of our worries. Practically every time we had a heavy wind or snow storm, someone had to climb half a mile to the top of a very steep mountain and figure out where the TV line had short circuited. If an ow

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



The Year Ahead and Behind Us

Dear Journal,

Well, here it is, another year is upon us and if you are like most of us, it is like the old cliché, another year older and deeper in debt not to mention ten or more pounds fatter. Then there are all of the New Year's resolutions that usually last, if you are lucky, about a month. We like to start out with great intentions, but lose momentum somewhere along the way. I still have unresolved resolutions from back in the 1980's.

Stanley and I spent New Years like we spent Thanksgiving and Christmas, sitting at home alone. We thought of the old days when we took even visiting friends and family for granted. We thought of the merriment of our childhood holidays which is nothing to be compared with even the most joyous of occasions nowadays. We listened to one playing of "I'll be Home for Christmas," which was all we could stand without breaking down altogether.

As I look back at 2020, it was, in summation, a very sorry year. I hope someone somewhere had a good year. In all reality, I guess it could have been worse. I have my health, such as it is. Considering all of my ailments, I could very easily be dead. Endurance is the key word here. Endure isn't a word that suggests fun and games lie ahead. It is a word that suggests trials, mental stress, anguish, a series of one defeat after the other and picking yourself up out of the dirty mire we call life only to be knocked down again a few days later.

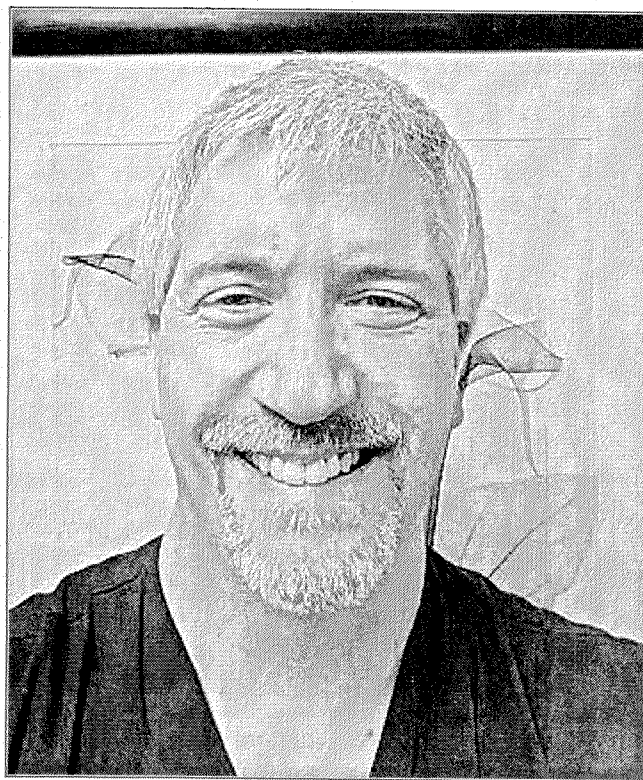
As I look ahead to 2021, I see that we shouldn't expect things in general to get very much better. I believe that COVID is here to stay for an untold amount of time...maybe for the rest of the future. I guess that Stanley and I should get used to being alone for one holiday or the other. Of course, one or the other of us could die and there would be just the one of us. To completely

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Memories

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taught school in Rockcastle County for a brief time. I have no idea what she taught her students, but I would bet good money that reading was highly stressed by my dear mother. She enjoyed reading, and she delighted in anyone who did.
Other books that she read to me included novels by Jack London (The Call of the Wild), Mark Twain (Tom Sawyer), and other classics. Out of all the books Bee read to me, it was the story of Star that remained in my memory for the rest of my life.
On several occasions, my brother Al, and a dear friend of the family, Clinton Helton, told me of sitting at the knee of my mother as she read to

them. Clinton said, "I tried revisiting Treasure Island several months ago, and did not find it nearly as exciting as it was at your mother's knee."
Many images of the story of Star are still found in my mind. And the book is filled with the details of Native American culture. Bee made sure that she emphasized the relationship of the Indians and their horses.
Bee also stressed the Indians' code of honor. As the book notes, "An Indian could leave his horse, blanket, saddle, or rifle at any place by day or night and it would not be disturbed, though the entire tribe might pass by."
Bee made sure that I understood how the Indian Nation depended upon nature and not upon wealth. After she read

this book to me, I often opted to play an Indian when the neighborhood boys played cowboys and Indians. I even had a small bow and one arrow. Star was the name of my favorite stick horse.
It is astonishing to me still that this "children's book" made such an impression on such a young boy and that that impression has remained over so many years. My mother was only moderately successful in making me an avid reader, but I also learned the significance of telling stories.
(You can reach me at theminman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

Aces

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Anymore, some unlearned foreign nerd in a kitchen can sit at his table in pajamas, move the Cheetos out of the way of his keyboard, and hit a few keys to add 100,000 votes to Biden's totals. Oh, sorry, I must be a "deplorable chump" for thinking such a thing.
The truth is, there is a really bad element of society out there. People who are unbelievably intelligent and can find ways to hack your home computer, shut down your new car, steal your bank account or your identity and just cause havoc. Simply because they can.
Please be careful. Thieves are very convincing.
If I ever hang up on you, I'm sorry. You must have said something that didn't add up and I thought you were a crook.
On another note: Being a "giver," I'm going to go ahead and share.
When the time comes for me to receive that unapproved, untested, unknown, overnight chemical concoction they call a COVID vaccine, I'll give mine to someone else.
Go ahead and give mine to Nancy Pelosi or Mitch McConnell please. I worry about them so that will be my way of giving back.
You're welcome.

T.J.'s

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get rid of COVID, it will take everyone pulling together and doing what we are supposed to be doing but some people absolutely refuse to do that. I see a lot more division, hate and violence coming. More violence than ever in the bigger cities. How I wish for a "united" States of America. The last time I can really remember the country being united was back in 2011 during the 9/11 disaster. We all felt a certain loss and a collected grief about what had happened to our country. I hope it won't take another disaster such as this to bring our country to its senses.

Points East

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or other night bird decided to light on the wire in the middle of Bonanza, The Virginian, Have Gun Will Travel, Laramie, The Rifleman, Wagon Train or one of our other favorite programs, the show was basically over for that week.
If the problem was

weather related, causing the line to stretch so tightly it would twist the two adjacent strands of solid copper wire together and cause a short, whereupon somebody had to hike to the top of the mountain to fix it. Mom demanded that 2 of us make the trip in case one of us got hurt. To the best of my knowledge, that never happened and, to this day, I have no idea what would have happened if one of us had broken a leg or fallen off a cliff in the dead of night.
I can recall many times when we would have reception restored

by 2 hours after normal bed time and it would be off the next night. Needless to say the path up our TV line was well packed and well worn. If a snow was on the ground, or even if it rained, the path would get so slick that it was darn near impassable, but we were a persistent bunch of boys. It's no wonder that Loretta often accuses me of being too stubborn for my own good. I came by it honestly.
In the meantime, it isn't unusual for heavy rain, dense clouds or a snow squall to block our satellite signal for several

minutes. Sometimes we have a short lived power outage that may last for a couple of hours. The only times I find that annoying, these days, are when I'm watching a tightly contested basketball or football game. Even then I almost always have a good book handy and I find myself far better entertained than anything on TV.
If our TV went off and the only way to fix it was to climb over half a mile up a slick mountainside, you may rest assured that it would stay off until somebody else climbed the hill.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

As one year says goodbye and another says hello, it's a good time to contemplate what is history and make plans for the future. This is true for our yards and gardens as with many other matters.
This year 2020 saw over 75% of landscape designs mention fruit of some type. It might only be a blueberry bush or a dozen strawberry plants; in some cases a mini orchard in a city yard though.
We could probably write for hours and speculate on the reasons. I'll mention three reasons here. Folks have had extra time at home. Shopping trips have been less frequent (besides it's nice getting some sunshine while picking lettuce or berries in the fresh air). And a third reason is food security. Some folks have become concerned stores might close and the shelves be bare. These are factors driving demand for home-grown fruits; no doubt you can think of others.
Around year's end my mailbox is usually crowded with seed catalogs and the like. I have noticed there's not as many as there once was. So much buying of seeds and plants is done via the internet anymore. Big chain stores still get a lot of the business as well.
The availability of fruit trees and garden plants at big box type stores should tell us that the demand is there, and growing, for fruits in residential landscapes.
Farmer's markets have become fancier—more like businesses under a roof paid for by the taxpayers. (Am I the only one to notice all the farm/market building going up?) The popularity of these markets should press home the point more and more people are seeking out options other than the supercenter stores!
I began this with the

title that tells us fruit trees and berry bushes and nut trees, even container trees that can be moved indoors if necessary, are frequent and are a trend that still is growing in popularity so far as I can see.
Hardy bananas are popular, but, frankly, I've seen no fruit on them this side of Florida. Banana plants are a fad; not sure it will last, but if genetic engineering comes up with bananas that grow here, I guess we'll try them.
Suggestions and ques-

tions are always welcome in response to these articles. Contact information below is printed if you wish to take advantage of it. Economic and political uncertainties for the year up-coming will likely drive the trend of wanting to harvest some fruits and edibles from our yards.
I hope the reader has found a bit of something useful today. Happy gardening in the new year.
The author is a landscaper.
Contact: rockcastles@gmail.com

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

COC Election Results

On December 9, 2020 Warden Alexander, Barry Hurst, Billy McKinney and Carol Sigmon, Advisor were present for tabulated the COC election ballots for LAA-3. Tabulated ballot counting were as follows:
Brenda Parsons - 78
Carol J Sigmon - 1
Spoiled - 0
Total Ballots received and counted - 79
A total of 8 ballots were returned as undeliverable.
Brenda Parsons was declared the winner. Brenda Parsons will take office on January 1, 2021. The COC members for 2021 will be Barry Hurst, Billy Ray McKinney and Brenda Parsons.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: January 6, 2021 8:30 a.m. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

COVID-19 Information

At this time; due to the COVID-19, Rockcastle Co. Service Center is conducting business by online or by phone. No customers shall be in the building at any time. Anyone wishing to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service or any other

Service Center agency should call the following phone number 256-2525. Our program delivery staff will be in the office, and they will be working with our producers in the office, by phone and using online tools. More information can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

Office Closure Schedule
The Mt. Vernon Service Center (FSA, NRCS and Rockcastle Co. Conservation District) offices will be closed the following dates for observance of a Federal Holiday: January 18, 2021-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Important program dates and Interest Rates

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

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

VFW Post Item
VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members, those qualified to be members and family members. Currently the post is closed, other than for monthly meetings or by appointment only, because of COVID-19. Monthly meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander William B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882 or Adjutant Glenda Botellos at 606-386-9360.

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings
Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.
Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 p.m. ***Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.
Alcoholics Anonymous: 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.
Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist. 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.
Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.
AA Meeting, 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.
Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828. Friday, 6 p.m.
Saturday - Celebrate Recovery: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 606-308-8226, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

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.

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

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Obituaries

Bro. Don Stayton

Bro. Don Stayton, 74, husband of Donna, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, December 20, 2020 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

He was born June 24, 1946 in Cincinnati, OH to the late Paul and Ruth (Hughes) Stayton. He married Donna Neeley on June 24, 1966, and from that union came two children, Scott and Robyn. Don was a lifelong student of The Word, loved traveling, played golf, and was a fan of the Cincinnati Reds and Kentucky Wildcats. Don devoted his life to spreading the Word of God. He began his ministry in Willow Hill, IL, then as Associate and Interim Pastor at Trinity Baptist Church in Billings, MT, followed by Grace Baptist Church in Cincinnati, OH, and served for 35 years as Pastor of Bible Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 54 years, Donna Stayton; two children, Scott (Lisa) Stayton of Indianapolis, IN and Robyn (Garry) Fain of Mt. Vernon; seven grandchildren, Cristopher Stayton, Ciara Stayton, Tiffany Fain, Cameron (Lexi) Stayton, Coby Stayton, Kylee Fain and Caleigh Stayton; two sisters, Shirley Bowlin of California, and Linda (Peter) Thomas of Florida; as well as a host of friends, neighbors, and church family.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by five siblings, Ralph Stayton, Ruby Tarter, Ethel King, Peggy Lowe, and Paula Stayton.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 27, 2020 at Bible Baptist Church with Pastors Darrell Sparks and Travis Gilbert officiating. Burial was in Cresthaven Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Cristopher, Cameron, and Coby Stayton, Garry Fain, Jarrod Amyx, and Darren Allen. Honorary casketbearers were: Pete Cannon, Pete Morgan, and Sam and Danny Ford.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Anthony Ray Barron

Anthony Ray Barron, 57, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on April 28, 1963, the son of Robert Everett and Jewel Wanda Kirby Barron. He had been a carpenter.

Funeral arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete.

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

Brenda Gail Barnett

Brenda Gail (Russell) Barnett, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, December 28, 2020 at Hospice Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

She was born December 18, 1956 in Rockcastle County to the late John and Lola Mae (Overbay) Russell. She was of the Baptist faith, enjoyed traveling, making photo albums/scrap books, listening to country music radio, and making curtains, and tablecloths.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her son, Bobby Ray (Shana) Barnett of Berea; one granddaughter, Cheyenne Barnett; four brothers, Donnie (Lisa) Barnett of Berea, Ronnie (Nina) Barnett of Livingston, Ricky Barnett of Mt. Vernon, and Doug (Crystal) Russell of Danville; one sister, Debbie Hunt and Jim Patterson of Mt. Vernon; and one special friend, Dennis Reams.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Brian Edward Barnett and one brother, Jeffrey Edward Barnett.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Doug Collins officiating. Burial was in Oakhill Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Bobby Barnett, Doug Collins, Mitchell Ingram, Boyd Grant, Jacob Ingram, and Jerry Petrey.

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

Carolyn Prewitt

Carolyn Prewitt, 71, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at her residence. She was born April 14, 1949 in Livingston, to the late Arrie and Lily (Collins) Foster. Carolyn had been a restaurant manager. She attended Higher Praise Ministries, and enjoyed sewing, flowers, and her dogs.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Tina (Jessie) Doan of Mt. Vernon, Billnita (Johnathan) Collins of Copper Creek, and Josh (Kayla) Prewitt, Becky (Ben) Lawless, and Anthony (Christina) Prewitt, all of Brodhead; many grandchildren; several great grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth Foster and Emmette Foster; and one sister, Bertie Allen.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Glydia Foster and Henrietta Foster.

A private graveside service was held at Briarfield Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at: www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Jessica Ann Carpenter

Miss Jessica Ann Carpenter, 35, of Brodhead, died Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born in Richmond on July 7, 1985, the daughter of Calvin Jasper and Carolyn Elaine Daugherty Carpenter. A graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, she was the purchasing manager for Hinkle Contracting and was of the Holiness Faith. She enjoyed traveling, running, UK sports, and spoiling Macy and Benson.

In addition to her parents, Calvin and Carolyn Carpenter of Mt. Vernon, she is survived by: her longtime boyfriend, Jacob Burdette of Brodhead; a brother, Cody (Nikkie) Carpenter of Stanford; a niece and nephew, Macy and Benson Carpenter, both of Stanford; her maternal grandparents, Burgess and Barbara Daugherty of Livingston; and a host of aunts, uncles, and cousins that loved her dearly. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Jasper and Mardella Carpenter.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Jack Carpenter and Jim Miller. Burial was in Red Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Nathan Berryman, Clint Daugherty, Thomas Daugherty, David Fisher, Brandon Gabbard, and Chad Harris. Honorary pallbearers were: Scott Akin, John Daugherty, Tim Daugherty, and Doug Dicken.

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

Demie Cole Hammond

Demie Cole Hammond, 85, of Berea and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at The Terrace Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. She was born in Rockcastle County on September 19, 1935, the daughter of Bill and Gertrude Griffith Cole.

She attended Eastern Kentucky University and taught in a one-room school in Rockcastle County. She had a life-long love of books and reading, which she passed on to her children.

She is survived by: her daughter, Dr. Rebecca Hammond; grandsons, Cole Hammond and Carter Hammond; brother, Ted Cole; and multiple nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Leonard "Roge" Hammond; her son, Glen Hammond; and a brother, Eddie Cole.

Private graveside funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 2, 2021 in Red Hill Cemetery.

The family requests, if desired, expressions of sympathy to be donated to Hospice Care Plus, in Richmond, in her name as she worked there for several years.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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

Sandra (Gates) Linder

Sandra (Gates) Linder, 63, of Somerset, formerly of Punta Gorda, FL, died Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at Lake Cumberland Regional Medical Center in Somerset. She was born November 26, 1957 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, to the late Lyle Gates and Violet Alma (Cra-

ven) Gates. She served in the United States Air Force.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her two daughters, Jill Rolison and Jamie Linder; three grandchildren, Dalton, Cynthia, and Logan; two great grandchildren; four sisters, Ruth (Bob) Nichols, Victoria (Doug) Nicholls, Tammy (Rob) Seavolt and Wendy (Billy) Labod; and her mother, Violet Alma Gates.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lyle Gates in October of 2019.

Cremation was chosen and there will be no local services.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

James "Jim" Cummins

James Wiley "Jim" Cummins, of Florence, died Thursday, December 31, 2020.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, January 7, 2021 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery at Mullins Station. Friends may call at the funeral home after 12 noon Thursday.

State mandate for masks and social distancing for services will be observed.

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

Tammy Yvonne Barnes

Tammy Yvonne (Faulkner) Barnes, 52, wife of Richard, of Livingston, died Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

She was born September 12, 1968 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Donald Faulkner and Mary (Mason) Faulkner Burdette. She married Richard Eugene Barnes, Jr. on October 31, 1988 and from that union came two children, Jessica and Brandon. She was a member of Freedom Christian Fellowship, was a medical officer manager, enjoyed her family, kids, grandkids, hunting, and fishing.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband, Richard Barnes; two children, Jessica Barnes of Mt. Vernon and Brandon (Rhonda) Barnes of Mt. Vernon; four grandchildren, Davin Barnes, Saydee Barnes, Harper Parrett and Nash Parrett; one brother, Matthew Faulkner of Livingston; two sisters, Patricia (George) Lewis of Livingston and Donna (Alvin) Pigg of Brodhead; and her mother, Mary Burdette.

She was preceded in death by her father, Donald Faulkner.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 4, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Jerry Lewis officiating. Burial was in Sand Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Beulah Thacker Lear

Beulah Thacker Lear, 90, of Scaffold Cane, died Monday, December 21, 2020 at the Terrace Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Berea. She was born at Scaffold Cane in Rockcastle County on March 30, 1930, the daughter of the late Jimmy and Lucinda Philpot Thacker. She graduated from Mt. Vernon High School and attended Eastern Kentucky University. She taught in various one-room schools in Rockcastle County before marriage and starting a family.

She was a life-long and faithful member of Scaffold Cane Baptist Church and taught Sunday School for 35 years. She dearly loved the color pink and enjoyed planting and gardening, especially flowers and tomatoes. Her favorite times of the year were Christmas and celebrating her birthday with her family.

She is survived by: her children, Terry Lee Lear, Eddie Ray Lear, and Michael Glenn Lear, all of Scaffold Cane, Cindy Kaye Lear (Todd) Moberly of Berea, and Gloria Anne Lear (Woody) Morrison of Vero Beach, FL; and a devoted daughter-in-law, Barbara Johnson Lear of Berea. In addition, she leaves behind 15 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, and a host of other family and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Herbert Lear; a son, Freddie Keith Lear; and a great grandson, Brennan Kirby.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 1, 2021 at Scaffold Cane Baptist Church by Bros. Chris Cobb, James Hardin, and Bobby Turner. Burial was in Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Jason Lear, Randall Lear, Justin Lear, Keith Lear, James Michael Lear, John Lear, and Luke Lear. Honorary pallbearers were her granddaughters, Janie Lear Kirby, Christie Lear VanWinkle, Candace Moberly, Chelsea Moberly Tipton, Beulah Jean Lear, Glenda Lear, Jetta Lear, Savannah Owens, and Lestlie Perkins, as well as all the wonderful, dedicated nurses and staff at The Terrace who loved her.

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Rosa Magdalene Shockley

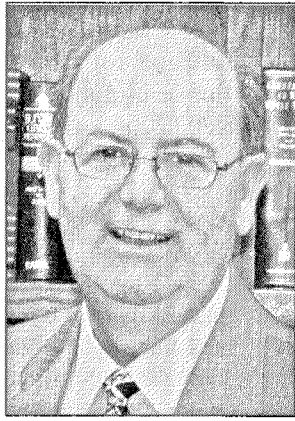
Rosa Magdalene Kirby Shockley, 86, of Stuart, VA, died Monday, December 7, 2020 at The Haven of Rest in Ridgeway, VA. She was born November 20, 1934 in Mount Vernon, to John Kirby and Flonnie Nicely Kirby. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband of 50 years, Charles Calvin Shockley, one sister, Joyce Robbins and one brother, John William Kirby.

She graduated from Eastern Kentucky University and began her career as a teacher in a one room school house where she even taught several of her siblings. She married Calvin in 1961 and continued her career teaching kindergarten and first grade in the Patrick County School system for over 30 years. She was a devoted Christian and an active member of Peters Creek Baptist Church where she taught Sunday school for many years. She was also a member of the Gideon Auxiliary. She loved quilting, gardening, volunteering and spending time with her loved ones.

Surviving are: one daughter, Becky Epperson (Dan) of Chapin, SC; one son, John Shockley (Beth) of Stuart, VA; two sisters, Glenda Brown (Ernie) of KY, Betty Jo Williams (Glenn) of KY, John Kirby, Jr. (Margaret) of OH, James Kirby (Marguerite) of OH; and four grandchildren, Ashley Creel (Scott), Lauren Epperson, Kirby Shockley and Jonah Shockley.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at Peters Creek Baptist Church with Reverend Terry Ragsdale officiating. Burial was at the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Gideon International c/o Peters Creek Baptist Church 6561 NC 8 HWY N, Lawsonville, NC 27022.



“Vaccine”

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includes all first responders and medical providers and the next phase will likely include those over 70 and nursing homes and possibly those with health conditions that would make the virus more dangerous for them. This too could change.

One official said they expect nursing homes to receive an allocation of the vaccine directly from the state to vaccinate all residents and staff of the facility only.

An exact number of vaccines that reached the county is unknown since different shipments arrived at different locations, but officials say they believe there is enough to complete Phase One Part “A” in Rockcastle. Part “A” includes first responders and medical staff, as well as teachers and school staff, while part “B” includes those over 70 years old. Part “C” includes those over 60.

As to when and how the general public can receive a vaccination, officials at Rockcastle Regional Hospital say citizens should closely watch the hospital web page or social media page for information about scheduling a vaccine. Details of those schedules were not completed at deadline but officials say they will keep the community informed. See next week’s issue of the *Signal* for more details

“Snow”

(Continued from front)

According to some, about 5 inches of snow fell in the county causing the roads to become nearly impassable.

Vehicle accidents or stuck vehicles were reported in Mount Vernon, Brodhead, Livingston, Crab Orchard, Orlando, Brindle Ridge, Pongo and other areas of the county.

Police departments, fire departments and wrecker services were reporting so many calls that some had to wait.

In fact, Sheriff Shannon Franklin said the Rockcastle County Sheriff’s Department dealt with as many as nine accidents in or around the same time.

Local officials say they were well prepared with salt and scrapers but, in temperatures below 18 degrees, the effectiveness of salt is greatly reduced.

Police say the roads were salted but a sheet

of ice remained under the layer of snow causing accidents so often that some say they lost count of the number of calls.

Rush said only one of the calls to his department involved an injury but others could have been reported around the county.

“RCIDA”

(Continued from front)

of the plastics building, where Chapin located, is expected to be received this week. The first wire, which was expected to be received by presstime, will be \$800,000 and there will be two more payments at the first of the next two years of \$900,000 each. The total sale price of the building was \$2.6 million.

During the meeting, Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Hal Holbrook, City Administrator and Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray, along with VanHook, Craig and other members of the board discussed recent projects underway that they believe will have a big impact on the economic development of the community.

Among those are the new Marathon Station in Livingston, expected to be open this Friday, the new Chapin Industry, the Farmers Market’s new building, the strong possibility of a Delta Gas Line and this new unidentified entity.

“This is very exciting times for Rockcastle County,” said Craig. “It is an understatement to say the impact from these projects will be transformational. We have very dedicated people working very hard for our community and enough can’t be said about their accomplishments. I know this gas line has been a hope for over 20 years but there is great momentum right now and its impact would be immeasurable. Everyone who had a hand in all this is to be commended. We are blessed to have such people on our team.”

VanHook said he expects the board to begin approving bids for the Farmers Market building, which will be located on Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon, at the February meeting. “This too will have a great impact on our area,” said Craig. “This will be a place for our growers to sell their product and I envision

our citizens gathering there at this nice building and spending some time with growers. It is an excellent location and I believe will become a central focus in our community.”

VanHook said the new Chapin Industries is currently hiring select positions but when they begin to hire the general public labor positions, there will be an announcement so that everyone will know how to apply for a job, “There will be an announcement in the paper and we will let everyone know when and where and how to apply,” he said.

The RCIDA Budget showed a shortfall of \$3,639 but Craig said that includes an electric bill at the Chapin Building of \$10,000. Craig said over \$8,000 of that will be reimbursed by Chapin this month.

Members continued to discuss the many projects underway in the area and Craig said he expects a different atmosphere in the coming year. “We are starting 2021 the way a year is supposed to start. We have some very big things happening in our community and once the gas line is closer to fruition, this will be only the beginning.”

According to VanHook, the \$4.9 million gas line project will provide him and other officials with the ability to attract businesses that will, in effect, pay for the gas line itself. “Once the gas line project is underway, it will allow us to market Rockcastle County to industries that will end up paying for that pipeline,” he said.

“Water”

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commissioners agree, these bills need to be collected soon.”

Thomas is referring to over 50 customers of the Livingston water system who owe the city well over \$8,000 in combined delinquent water bills. “Something has to be done right away,” she said.

With several citizens present at the meeting, commissioners and Mayor Dwane King discussed the idea of a contract that would allow each customer to pay their monthly regular water bill plus an additional percentage of the overdue amount. “We need to give them this last notice but if

they don’t pay, we start turning off water,” said King.

According to Thomas, most of the customers involved have been given many opportunities to pay on their overdue bills. “I have called them, spoken to them personally, left notes on their doors, sent letters and done everything I can think of,” said Thomas. “But then they just don’t show up when they say they will or they just don’t respond at all.”

King said he has had the same experience. “I talk to some of these people that owe water bills. They say they will come right down and work it out with us or let us help them get it paid through Daniel Boone or at least have some plan,” King said. “But then I am there waiting on them and they just don’t show up. I think it is time we just start turning their water off. We could have helped them pay it but if they won’t bother to show up, we can’t help them.”

King said once the water is turned off, the bill will instantly increase at that point. “Once we shut it off, we have to add the fee for shutting it off, then add a new deposit, then add the fee for turning it back on. At that point, the entire bill has to be paid in full before we turn it back on,” he said.

Thomas said some of the delinquent bills are not only due to COVID-19. “Some of these people haven’t made a payment since January,” she said. “That is well before COVID came along.”

The commissioners looked over the list of overdue bills showing one of over \$2,000 and many over \$500.

The City of Livingston’s water is supplied by the Woods Creek Water Company in London. “We have tried to help them apply for assistance in paying the bills and I hate that we have to do this but we are running a city here and our bills have to be paid,” said Thomas.

Commissioners discussed methods of turning off water so that the customer cannot turn it back on without permission. Some guests said there are devices that can rehook the water to the home even if the meter is removed. However, commissioners agreed that if that should be discovered, the city would press charges against anyone attempting to do so.

Officials agreed to send one final notice and then begin pulling meters the first week of January.

The City of Mount Vernon has already stopped forgiving the overdue water bills, according to Mayor Mike Bryant. “The City of Mount Vernon is back to business as usual at the water department,” Bryant said. “Overdue bills will now be collected and late fees will apply again.”

City of Livingston looking for those interested in being Commissioner

By: Mike French Editor

Livingston Mayor Dwane King swore in Leroy Lamb, the only candidate to run for the City Commission, on Tuesday, December 29 at a special called meeting.

However, three empty seats must be appointed and that cannot be done until after January 1, 2021, according to Livingston City Attorney John Hackley.

Three additional commissioners are required by Kentucky State law for the city commission form of government.

King said he and Lamb plan to appoint the three additional commissioners at the regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 11 and anyone interested in becoming a city commissioner should attend that meeting.

“Anyone who may be interested in serving on the city commission of Livingston should show up for that meeting and let us know you are interested,” said King. “We would love to hear

from any citizen who would like to give back to their community and we will give it careful thought and consideration before we make our decision.”

In order to be eligible for a seat on the Livingston City Commission, the member must be at least 18 years old and a resident of the city with a Livingston address.

According to City Attorney John Hackley, the selection of the three additional members will be at the sole discretion of the mayor and existing commissioner and will be appointed at that meeting. “First the mayor and the single commissioner (Lamb) will appoint a second member and then the Mayor and the two commissioners will appoint the third commissioner and so forth,” Hackley said.

The meeting to appoint the new commissioners will be held in City Hall at Livingston beginning at 6 p.m. Those interested are encouraged to attend.

Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 19-CI-00261

Kevin Poynter, et al Plaintiff
Betty Kemper, et al Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale of the Rockcastle Circuit Court entered in above styled action on November 20, 2020, I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, January 15, 2021
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property and mobile home being more particularly described in Exhibit A.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property and mobile home shall be sold together as a whole.
2. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2020 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
6. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff’s judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff’s judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold “as is”.
10. All sales shall be conducted pursuant to the COVID19 safety regulations set out by the Governor and Kentucky Supreme Court, including but not limited to the following:
 - Only bidders or parties of the civil action or the party’s representative shall be present at the auction.
 - All persons present at the sale shall remain 6 feet apart.
 - All persons present at the sale shall be required to wear a mask.

The sale shall occur outside on the Courthouse steps (main street entrance).

John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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If you would like to quit cigarettes, e-cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, or vaping, Rockcastle Regional Hospital can help!

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Registration is required. Please contact Morgan Bray at (606) 256-7704 or m.bray@rhrcc.org to participate.

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“Year”

(Continued from front) beaten to death by a woman and attacked by her dog in the Conway area.

The RCIDA began serious talks concerning a possible gas line through the county and Brodhead increased the cost of water installs to \$700.

In January, the City of Mount Vernon received a FEMA grant for \$800,000 for storm damage a year earlier and a \$1 million CDBG loan for local economic development. The money was loaned to Kentucky Pharmaceuticals.

The last week of January saw a flu virus circulating in the area. However, no businesses or parks were closed.

February

A truck crashed into a home in Conway causing the death of one and injuring several others. A woman was later found thrown onto the roof of the home.

In February schools were closed for two days due to the flu.

Methamphetamine

was found in the local jail in February and officials combatted the infiltration of drugs in the detention center all year.

In the last week of February, Richard Reynolds took over the reins as the new Brodhead Police Chief.

Pigs that had escaped a pen caused a fatal crash on I-75.

The RCHS swim team traveled to the University of Kentucky to participate in the State Championship. Laurel Yates broke an all time school record in the 50 yard freestyle with a time of 25.20 and placed 23rd in the contest.

March

In March city officials announced the Farmers Market project was on schedule and the RCHS Girl's Indoor Track Team won the 2A Indoor State Championship.

Livingston drafted the city's Alcoholic Beverage ordinance and the town waited on the construction of the Marathon Station to reach completion.

Local Attorney Jerry Cox was appointed as Circuit Judge of the 28th District.

It was in March that concerns about the Coronavirus COVID-19 began to become a national issue and affect Rockcastle County in a noticeable way. By the third week of March, schools had closed and many businesses had shut down along with the partial closure or limited access of all government buildings and parks. The plan at the time was to reopen schools on March 22 but, by that date, schools announced they would remain closed until April 17. The entire month of March was saturated with changes and new local orders and government restrictions.

The Farmers/Business banquet was heralded as a huge success.

April

In the first week of April, the Cumberland Valley Health Department reported the first case of COVID-19 in Rockcastle County. By the end of the week, three cases were reported. Once mandatory shutdowns across the state began, health care workers and journalists were among those named as “essential services.” By the second week of April, eight cases were reported locally and all public parks and public buildings were closed to all in-person traffic and citizens could only handle government business by phone or email.

By mid-April city and county budgets began to

become the center of concerns by officials who were calculating the possible loss of revenue from closures.

In the third week of April, schools across the state announced no more classes for the remainder of the year. However, in that same week, some businesses were beginning to reopen and officials started discussion of the reopening requirements for other businesses.

By the final week of April, Rockcastle County had 13 cases of the virus and hospitals and health services across the state began removing their unused triage areas that had been constructed.

May

In the first week of May, businesses and government building began making plans to reopen and the local hospital began dismantling the structure they had built to handle surges in COVID-19. No patient was ever admitted to any of the overflow facilities.

In May the Mount Vernon Fire Department reported an increase in calls to the local department.

A high speed chase led police through Mount Vernon in May. The chase ended in the arrest of Jessie Dale Weaver of Castle Village apartments in Brodhead.

It was in May that Carrie Ballinger was appointed as the new Rockcastle County School Su-

perintendent, replacing the retiring David Pensol.

State media showed up in Brodhead when two residents of Castle Village were shot and killed in a murder-suicide.

Also in May, local elected officials disagreed about extending the loan for the Microfoodery plant due to COVID-19 related issues.

In the last week of May, officials were holding on to plans to hold the Blast in the Valley event and the city and county both announced plans to reopen certain areas, including public parks. Blast in the Valley was eventually cancelled.

The Class of 2020 Senior Parade was held in Mount Vernon as graduates cruised the area instead of holding traditional graduation ceremonies.

June

In June, local officials prepared for the primary elections that had been postponed earlier because of COVID-19. The election provided only one voting location at the courthouse but an early

voting schedule was implemented.

Drivers' written tests resumed at the courthouse in June and the county reported difficulties in supporting the local jail due to the release of inmates because of the pandemic.

A state police officer was injured in June after stopping a car driven by James Small, of Berea, at the end of a high speed chase.

The Rock Mural Program began in June painting murals on buildings throughout the county.

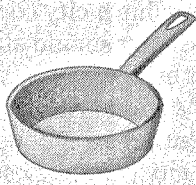
There was also a report of a bad batch of drugs being sold in the county in June.

Rockcastle native Emily Goodman was hired as a meteorologist at WLEX-TV in Lexington.

The last week of June looked positive as driver's tests restarted and the City of Mount Vernon announced local projects were about to restart. This turned out to be false hopes as a surge of COVID-19 would cause more shutdowns soon.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



CHICKEN CASSEROLE

This is a family favorite. I obtained the recipe from a woman I used to work with at the Oak Ridge bank where I used to work.

4 to 5 pounds chicken breast, cooked

1 can cream of celery soup

1 can cream of chicken soup

1 package cornbread stuffing mix

1 stick butter or margarine

1 and 1/2 cups chicken broth

Butter a 9 x 13 baking dish or spray with a non-stick spray. Preheat oven to 350°.

Shred chicken with a fork. Mix chicken with soups. Pour into prepared dish. Sprinkle with dry stuffing mix. Melt butter in broth and slowly pour over stuffing. Do not mix. Bake for 40 to 50 minutes.

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CHEDDAR CHICKEN

1 can cheddar cheese soup

1 cup milk

4 boneless skinless chicken breasts

1 and 1/2 cups Ritz® Crackers (one sleeve)

4 tablespoons of melted butter (you can use more)

8 ounces frozen broccoli

4 ounces shredded cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350°.

Spray 9 x 13 baking dish with non-stick spray. Mix soup with milk. Cut

chicken into bite-size pieces. Place in prepared baking dish. Pour 3/4 of the prepared soup over the chicken. Spread broccoli over the soup. Melt butter and combine with crackers; sprinkle buttered crackers over the broccoli. Pour remaining soup mix over crackers. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes. Remove from oven; sprinkle with shredded cheddar cheese.

TUNA CASSEROLE

6 ounces medium noodles

1 can (about 6 ounce) tuna, drained

1 cup sliced celery

1/4 cup diced green pepper

1/3 cup chopped onion

1 can (about 10 ounce) cream of celery soup

1/2 cup milk

1/2 cup mayonnaise or Miracle Whip®

1 cup sharp processed American cheese, shredded

1/2 cup toasted slivered almonds

Preheat oven to 425°.

Cook noodles in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Add tuna, celery, green pepper, and onion to the noodles. Add the soup, milk, Miracle Whip®, and cheese to noodle mixture. Stir gently to mix all together. Turn into 2-quart greased casserole dish. Top with almonds. Bake uncovered about 20 minutes. Serves 6.

Staying Spiritually Focused in 2021

It is at this time especially that we can regain our spiritual focus and develop a deeper commitment to walk with God. Viewing our lives from God's perspective—understanding who we are and seeing our calling as a future member of His Family—helps us to move forward.

All Christians face the challenge of maintaining spiritual focus. This physical world can be distracting. Its sights and sounds often take us on a path different from what would benefit our focus as Christians.

Focus on God

“Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame” (Psalm 34:5)

Focus on Jesus

Keeping focus on Christ means that we're purposefully fading out everything that pulls us away from connecting with Him. It's a disciplined lifestyle of choosing to see every blessing and struggle through the lens of Christ.

Colossians 3:2

Set your minds on what is above, not on what is on the earth.

Focus on Eternal Life

“...we are looking forward to a new Heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells” (2 Peter 3:13).

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Daniel Boone CAA applications for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Crisis Component Beginning January 4, 2021

Heating assistance program offers assistance to income-qualified residents in CAA service area.

Daniel Boone CAA will begin accepting applications for the Crisis Component of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) January 4, 2021. Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2021 or until funds are depleted. To apply, qualified residents should contact their local outreach office.

The Crisis Component is designed to help low-income Kentuckians offset home heating costs based on a household's income and primary fuel type. Benefits are paid directly to the primary fuel vendor in the form of a voucher. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, income eligibility has been increased to 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Household Size	Gross Mo. Income	Household Size	Gross Mo. Income
1	\$1,595	5	\$3,835
2	\$2,155	6	\$4,395
3	\$2,715	7	\$4,955
4	\$3,275	8	\$5,515

Add \$560 for each additional family member

Covid-19 Policies Statement For everyone's safety, Daniel Boone CAA may provide special accommodations, adjust locations and times, and may ask that LIHEAP applicants follow safety protocols. Because these may change and vary between counties, applicants are encouraged to contact their local Community Action office for more information.

All applicants will be required to supply the following documentation at time of application:

- Proof of Social Security Number or Permanent Residence card (Green Card) for each member of the household.
- Proof of all household's (all members) income from the prior month.
- Most current heating bill, statement from your landlord if heating expenses are included in your rent, statement from utility company if you participate in a Pre-Pay Electric Program.
- The account number and name on the account for main heating fuel sources and electric bill.

Daniel Boone CAA administers LIHEAP in partnership with Community Action Kentucky and the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services who receive the funding as a pass-through block grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. More information about LIHEAP and a listing of LIHEAP outreach offices can be found at the Daniel Boone CAA website at www.DanielBooneCAA.org. Please contact your local DBCAA agency at 606-256-5315.

The Little Member

I think everyone knows what we are going to look at today and what the Bible tells us about the tongue and how we are to control it. While many make resolutions, about exercising more and eating better and getting more sleep, all of us need to work on controlling our tongues.

James 1:26 If any man, seem to be religious and bridleth not his tongue, but deceives his own heart, this man's religion is in vain. James tells us very clearly if our tongue is out of control our religion is in vain. The tongue can be such a wonderful instrument in the work of the Lord. On the other hand, the tongue can be one of the most destructive members of the body and be most harmful.

The tongue can devise much mischief and wickedness: Psalms 52:2 The tongue is like a sharp razor, working evil. Much of the evil, in the family, the community, and the church comes from a tongue that is out of control. The unbridled tongue can do its work of stirring up strife and wickedness, war and bloodshed.

Proverbs 16:28 A whisperer, separates chief friends. Friends who have been close for thirty or forty years, can be separated to the point that they will no longer talk to each other or even look at each other. Many times it is over things that are not true, but because of jealousy and pride. Folks if we are the ones who whisper things without proof, we are doing the body of Christ great harm.

Jesus said in Matthew 7:21 Not everyone that saith unto me Lord, Lord shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven. Folks if we say and fail to do what God's word teaches is not our religion in vain? We must be doers of God's word and not hearers only.

Our religion is in vain when we don't put our hearts into what we are doing. Matthew 15:8 These people draws nigh unto me their lips, but their heart is far from me. Folks if when we sing if we are just saying the words and they don't come from the heart our worship is in vain or if we pray and we are not sincere, our prayer will not be heard. The apostle Paul, 1 Corinthians 14:15 I will sing the spirit and I will sing with the understanding I will pray with spirit and I will pray with the understanding also. Our worship must come from the heart or it will not be accepted by our Lord. If our focus is somewhere else than on worshipping the Lord our worship is in vain, and it will be rejected. Romans 6:17-18 We must obey from the heart.

When we go to the house of the Lord in 2021 let us make sure that we enter the doors of the church building, ready to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

Thank you as always for reading this article, I pray God has blessed you with the things you need another week and you have been kept safe. If you would like to get in touch with one of the brothers at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ, we would love to hear from you. You can contact at the numbers listed: Bro. Ova Baker-606-878-8104 or Bro. Dale McNew-859-582-4021

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Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. • Everyone Welcome
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Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25

Rockcastle County awarded federal funds under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program

Rockcastle Co. has been chosen to receive funds for Phase 3B in the amount of \$5,585.00 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county.

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and consists of representatives from the Salvation Army, American Red Cross, United Jewish Communities, Catholic Charities, USA, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA and United Way of America which will provide the administrative staff and function as fiscal agent. The Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A local board will determine how the funds awarded to Rockcastle Co. are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service organizations in the area. The local board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local organizations chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying organizations are urged to apply.

Rockcastle Co. has distributed emergency food and shelter funds previously with Feeding the Flock Ministries, Grateful Breads, and Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc.

Public or private voluntary organizations interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Leslie Faulkner at Daniel Boone Community Agency, Inc. at (606) 256-5315. The deadline for application to be received within 10 days of advertisement.

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Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhbp@ymail.com

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

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's
Church 11 a.m.

Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., &
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Pastor: Travis Gilbert
Music Director: Dan Dull

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Services:

Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
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Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert
606-308-2794
199 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

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Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316

Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
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5 p.m.

Wednesday Adult & Youth
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Children's Programs:
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Mission Friends and
Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor

Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor

Brush Creek Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor

Buffalo Baptist Church
Located 15 miles south of
Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249
(Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor

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(Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
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Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday Worship
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship
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Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
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606-758-4007

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

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211 Industrial Park Rd.
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Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.

Pastor: Matt Griggs
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd.,
Brodhead

Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Dewayne Carpenter

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

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.

Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.

RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Raser, Pastor
606-256-3722

email: fairviewbapt@aol.com
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.

Jack Carpenter, Pastor
First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922

Dennis Wilder, Pastor
Jesse Wright,
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website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net

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Bro. Josh Haines,
Youth/Family Minister

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Sunday Worship
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer
Meeting 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
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Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
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Brodhead, Ky.

Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Wed. Evening 7 p.m.
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Mt. Vernon

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Wednesday 7 pm
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer
7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study
7 p.m.

Little Country Church
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Wednesday 7 p.m.
Livingston Baptist
Church

Pastor: Josh Hasty
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Livingston Christian
Church

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister
Livingston Pentecostal
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sun. Discipleship Training/
Sunday Youth Missions
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
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Mt. Zion Baptist Church
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship
7:00 p.m.
Pine Hill Missionary
Baptist Church

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Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training
5:30 p.m.

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1/17 - #1283 Breaking Down Racial Walls
1/24 - #1284 Q&A - Age of Accountability
1/31 - #1285 Biblical Archaeology

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
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Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Eugene Gentry

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

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Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
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606-25605894
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Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Clyde Hodge

Union Chapel Pentecostal
Pastor: Eugene Webb
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Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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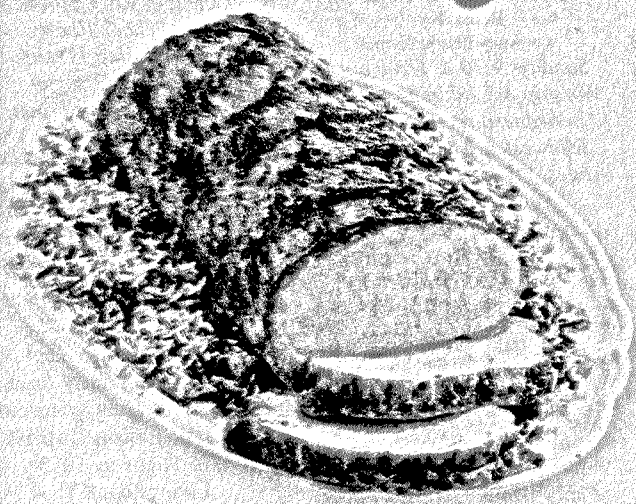
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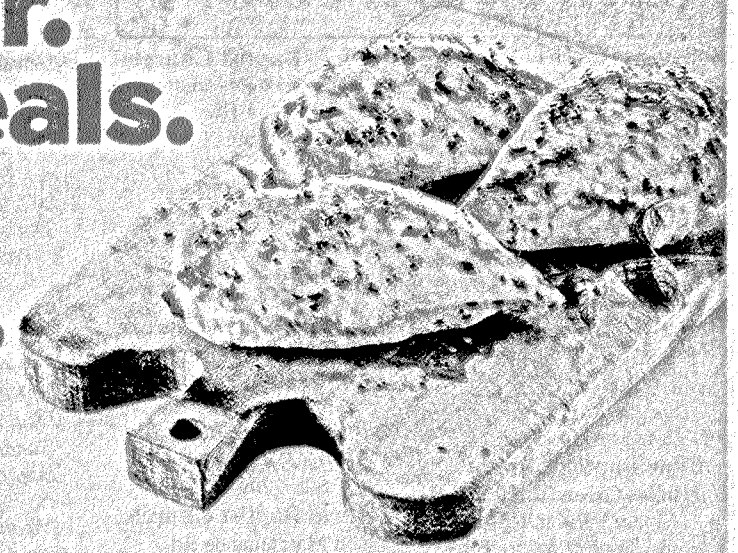
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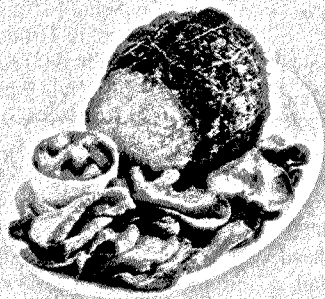
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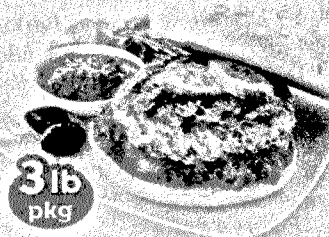
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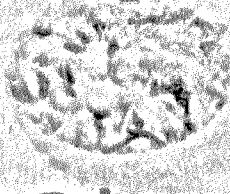
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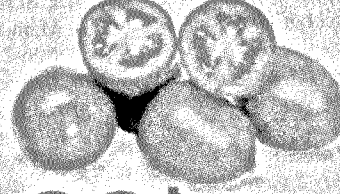
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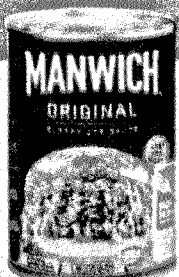


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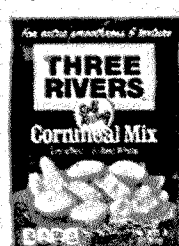
1.29 Libby's Country Gravy 15 oz



1.79 Pillsbury Grands! Biscuits 16.3 oz, Assorted Varieties



79¢ Luck's Beans 15 oz, Assorted Varieties



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Gas line hopes growing

County completes employee pay scale and job description

By: Mike French
Editor

As most counties do every year, Rockcastle County wrapped up some 2020 year-end final business at a special called meeting Tuesday, December 22.

Pay Scale

Among the items approved was the job description and pay scale for many county workers.

"This has been a pet project of mine since I took office two years ago," said Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook. "There was no official job description or official pay scale for many of our county employees."

Holbrook started working on the project as soon as he took office in January of 2019. "It has been a very detailed project but I think it is important to have an official job description so that employees know what is expected of them and exactly what to expect from the county," he said.

According to Holbrook, the Rockcastle County Road Department did not have such information. "There was no official job description for the road department, the animal shelter, the maintenance department or the janitorial department," he said. However, the Jail already has the paperwork in place.

Holbrook said he worked closely with every department over the past two years to create a job description and pay scale plan that suited the employees and the county taxpayer as well.

"We couldn't really compare our pay scale with counties like Fayette because they have a lot more revenue to work with and a lot of different needs than Rockcastle County," said Holbrook. "But, we did take into account all the counties with similar populations and revenues and we created the job description and pay scales to suit Rockcastle County," he said.

Holbrook noted that Rockcastle County employees are in the above average pay range throughout the state. "We actually pay our employees pretty well, compared to similar counties. It is difficult to compare because some counties pay less but provide insurance while others pay a little more but provide less. I think we are in the higher pay scale compared to most counties."

The issues has been discussed over the past few months at fiscal court meetings as Holbrook's plans reached fruition. But Magistrate Shane Thacker has consistently raised objection to the time element involved.

Thacker said at several meetings that he wished the pay scale and evaluations for employees were scheduled for every six months instead of annually. "I just think a year is a long time to wait for a bump in pay or an evaluation," Thacker said. "A lot can happen in a year

and I wish we could offer the evals at six-month intervals."

However, other magistrates did not express concern over the wait and the motion to accept the job description and pay scale drew unanimous approval.

Gas Line

As reported in the last issue of the *Signal*, the agenda also dealt with plans for a natural gas line through the county as the fiscal court voted to set aside \$125,000 to show support for the project when it draws closer.

Jeff VanHook, Executive Director of the Rock-

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An accident on I-75 caused officials to close the highway Tuesday just before noon. According to the Kentucky State Police, a tractor trailer, driven by Marcus Lawrence, 50, of Ohio, overturned in the southbound lane in Rockcastle County after striking the vehicle of Conner Shaw, 23, also of Ohio. Police say Shaw had slowed to near a stop, due to a distraction, when the truck struck his vehicle from behind. The tractor trailer spilled coke, a coal derivative, across the highway causing police to route traffic off the interstate at Exit 77 in Berea. Traffic was routed south on US25 to Mount Vernon to Exit 62. The closure lasted several hours. There were no injuries. Assisting at the scene were the Mount Vernon Fire Department, CVE Officers, Mount Vernon Police, Rockcastle County Sheriff's office, KYTC Highway Department and ECO TECH.

In-person classes to begin Monday

By: Mike French
Editor

As it stands at presstime, Rockcastle

County students who wish to participate will return to in-person classes on Monday, Janu-

ary 11.

Also, any student enrolled in MyRock online virtual learning, may re-

turn to in-person learning at any time if they wish.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Civil Suits

Crown Asset Management v. Olivia Abney.
Eagle Financial Services v. Michael Barbour.
Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Shannon Damrell.
DNF Associates LLC v. Christian A. Sagraves.
Capital One Bank (USA) v. Eric K. Hodge. C-00001

Marriage Licenses

Bethany Michelle Deatherage, 36, Mt. Vernon, unemployed and Michael Denton Allen, 39, Mt. Vernon, construction. 12/29/20

Circuit Civil Suits

Joseph W. Thacker v. Andrew W. Lowe.
Mid South Capital Partners LP v. Unknown Heirs of James Roberts.
Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Randy W. Allen.
Jimmy Gross v. Angela Gross.
Ann Marie Bolin v. Ryan C. McVey.
Tatyana Yastremskaya v. Thoroughtruck, Inc., et al.
Discover Bank v. Harry J. Potter, et al.
Discover Bank v. Jerry L. Saylor.
Thoroughtruck, Inc. v. Arm Trucking, Inc.
US Bank, as CTS for Red Clover 1, LLC v. Anthony Noel, et al.
US Bank, as CTS for Red Clover 1, LLC v. Ida Whitson, et al.
Charles Dalio v. Edward Bowman, et al.
Deanna Cartmill v. Denis Doan.
Mid South Capital Partners LP v. Otis Bradley, et al.

Adam Bales v. Autumn Bales.
Onemain Financial Group, LLC v. Emma Clines. CI-00255

Deeds Recorded

Jerry Warren Carter and Larry Dale Carter, Trustees, property in Rainbow Ridge Subdv., to Charles Robert Wilson. Tax \$8
Jesse and Megan Coffey, property on Richmond Road, to Donald R. Coffey, Jr. and Michelle Coffey. No tax
Stella Mason, property on KY 1617, to Eric and Rebecca Jackson. Tax \$18
William Martin and Jennie Darlene and Michael Roy Bray, property in Rockcastle County, to Barbara Dooley. Tax 50c
Robert and Leigha Cameron, property in Rockcastle County, to Pete Borchert and Tina M. Pfeiffer. Tax \$650
WPF Investments LLC, property on new Main St., to Gregory Merrell Chandler. Tax \$52
Josiah Bertrand, property on Old State Road, to Kenny Hobbs. Tax \$10
Judy M. and Sammy L. Ford, and others, Zade McClure property, to Genievee Reppert. Tax \$60
Judy M. and Sammy L. Ford, and others, Zade McClure property, to Connie and Ryan Riddle. Tax \$60
Eugene T. Caldwell and Lori E. Caldwell Revocable Living Trust, property in Rockcastle County, to Dustin A. and Bridget A. Rose. Tax \$75
John Derek and Jessica Lawson, property on branch of Copper Creek, to Arthur Louis Baxter, Andrew R. Schermerhorn and Krystal Karen Young. Tax \$16

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Any citizen may obtain from the Rockcastle County Courthouse a copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information, for their personal use.
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Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KY KRS 424.220, when a financial statement is required by KRS 424.220, are available to the public at no cost at the Rockcastle County courthouse located at 205 E. Main St. #14, Mt. Vernon, KY

To the People of Kentucky
The Honorable Andy Beshear, Governor
Holly M. Johnson, Secretary
Finance and Administration Cabinet
The Honorable Howell Holbrook, Rockcastle County Judge/Executive
Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances - Regulatory Basis of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statement which collectively comprise the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's financial statement as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. This includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court as of June 30, 2019, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the fund balances of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court as of June 30, 2019, and their respective cash receipts and disbursements, and budgetary results for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement taken as a whole of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and Schedule of Capital Assets are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statement; however, they are required to be presented in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws.

The accompanying Budgetary Comparison Schedules and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement or to the financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Budgetary Comparison Schedules and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statement as a whole.

The Schedule of Capital Assets has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statement, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 22, 2020 on our consideration of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs included herein, which discusses the following report findings:

- 2019-001 The Fiscal Court Did Not Ensure All Timesheets Were Prepared And Approved Prior To Payment
- 2019-002 The Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) Account Is Administered By The Fiscal Court Contrary To State Regulation
- 2019-003 The Fiscal Court Did Not Properly Budget And Record Amounts For Third Party Financing Agreements
- 2019-004 The Fiscal Court Had Overdrawn Bank Balances In Numerous Bank Accounts During Fiscal Year 2019
- 2019-005 The Fiscal Court Lacks Controls Over Credit Card Disbursements
- 2019-006 The Fiscal Court Had A Negative Reconciled Balance In The Payroll Account As Of June 30, 2019
- 2019-007 The Fiscal Court Did Not Remit Health Reimbursement Account And Flex Fund Account Payments Timely
- 2019-008 The Fiscal Court Does Not Have Adequate Internal Controls Over The Purchase Order System
- 2019-009 The Jailer Did Not Submit A Complete Annual Commissary Financial Report To The County Treasurer
- 2019-010 The Jailer Lacks Internal Controls Over Inmate And Commissary Receipts
- 2019-011 The Jailer Did Not Comply With Bidding Requirements Set Forth In KRS 424.260
- 2019-012 The Rockcastle County Detention Center Lacks Segregation Of Duties Over Receipts, Disbursements, And Bank Reconciliations For the Commissary Account
- 2019-013 The Jailer Failed To Properly Reconcile The Commissary And Inmate Bank Accounts
- 2019-014 The Jailer Lacks Adequate Internal Controls Over the Overall Environment Of The Detention Center
- 2019-015 The Jailer Was Unable To Provide All Requested Documentation

Respectfully submitted, Tammy R. Patrick, CPA - Patrick & Associates, LLC

Rockcastle County Athletics' return to play procedures for 2021

Gym capacity will be at 15 percent and ticket prices will be \$5 with exact change only. Cash will not be exchanged. No Coaches Cards or passes will be accepted and no pass list will be created. Each home athlete will

be given four tickets to purchase and away athletes, two tickets to purchase. Your name must be on the list provided by both home and away coaches. There will be 45 general admission tickets for RCHS

students only. First come, first serve. Ticket availability may vary due to COVID. No visiting bands or cheerleaders permitted. Face coverings required at all times though families will be allowed to sit together but must

socially distance from other fans. Visual barriers will be in place marked with tape and signs to designate where patrons sit. There will be upper level and lower level seating according to ticket color.

Anyone entering an indoor event will be required to have a temperature check at the door. Those with a temperature of 100.4 or more will not be allowed to enter. Only prepackaged items will be sold at the

concession stands. All varsity home games will be live streamed for \$9.95 plus tax per game and the link is <http://team1prep.com/?S=Rockcastle>. All home games for 2021 will be on the radio at www.wrvk1460.com.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

Supplementary Information - Regulatory Basis
For The Year Ended June 30, 2019

GENERAL FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Taxes	\$ 3,183,000	\$ 3,437,514	\$ 3,391,624	\$ (45,890)
In Lieu Tax Payments	10,500	10,500	32,298	21,798
Excess Fees	60,000	65,942	64,630	(1,312)
Licenses and Permits	18,100	18,100	18,575	475
Intergovernmental	301,674	1,360,490	1,494,391	133,901
Charges for Services	16,500	16,500	15,289	(1,211)
Miscellaneous	108,600	345,920	259,766	(86,154)
Interest	6,000	34,944	39,187	4,243
Total Receipts	3,704,374	5,289,910	5,315,760	25,850
DISBURSEMENTS				
General Government	1,269,634	1,594,509	1,523,697	70,812
Protection to Persons and Property	213,023	329,480	354,698	(25,218)
General Health and Sanitation	128,659	134,425	121,384	13,041
Social Services	19,150	30,150	19,491	10,659
Recreation and Culture	88,500	121,914	78,184	43,730
Debt Service	678,081	729,962	816,388	(86,426)
Capital Projects	899,786	2,499,995	2,496,218	3,777
Administration	897,974	514,265	414,717	99,548
Total Disbursements	4,194,807	5,954,700	5,824,777	129,923
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(490,433)	(664,790)	(509,017)	155,773
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Line of Credit Proceeds	899,786	1,195,529	1,195,529	
Financing Obligation Proceeds			75,000	75,000
Transfers To Other Funds	(759,353)	(1,036,597)	(1,049,000)	(12,403)
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	140,433	158,932	221,529	62,597
Net Change in Fund Balance	(350,000)	(505,858)	(287,488)	218,370
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)	350,000	505,858	505,858	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 218,370	\$ 218,370

ROAD FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
In Lieu Tax Payments	\$ 5,000	\$ 27,204	\$ 27,204	\$
Intergovernmental	1,226,111	1,923,540	1,456,794	(466,746)
Miscellaneous	9,500	9,500	8,756	(744)
Interest	400	400	367	(33)
Total Receipts	1,241,011	1,960,644	1,493,121	(467,523)
DISBURSEMENTS				
General Government	18,000	18,000	18,000	
Roads	877,350	1,351,677	1,326,983	24,694
Debt Service	176,776	176,776	175,817	959
Administration	281,487	701,350	279,669	421,681
Total Disbursements	1,353,613	2,247,803	1,800,469	447,334
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(112,602)	(287,159)	(307,348)	(20,189)
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	82,602	250,000	275,000	25,000
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	82,602	250,000	275,000	25,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	(30,000)	(37,159)	(32,348)	4,811
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)	30,000	37,159	37,159	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,811	\$ 4,811

JAIL FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 792,395	\$ 951,091	\$ 902,599	\$ (48,492)
Charges for Services	12,000	27,304	27,304	
Miscellaneous	36,000	36,000	39,618	3,618
Interest	55	92	97	5
Total Receipts	840,450	1,014,487	969,618	(44,869)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Protection to Persons and Property	1,056,830	1,213,505	1,179,700	33,805
Debt Service	97,550	97,550	97,550	
Administration	366,756	443,467	362,155	81,312
Total Disbursements	1,521,136	1,754,522	1,639,405	115,117
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(680,686)	(740,035)	(669,787)	70,248
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	610,686	665,000	665,000	
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	610,686	665,000	665,000	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(70,000)	(75,035)	(4,787)	70,248
Fund Balance - Beginning	70,000	75,035	75,035	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 70,248	\$ 70,248

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 258,000	\$ 269,795	\$ 270,495	\$ 700
Miscellaneous	7,500	13,120	13,910	790
Interest	75	111	130	19
Total Receipts	265,575	283,026	284,535	1,509
DISBURSEMENTS				
General Government	51,175	51,675	38,440	13,235
Protection to Persons and Property	66,507	65,500	59,967	5,533
General Health and Sanitation	80,015	90,951	77,239	13,712
Social Services	2,000	2,000	250	1,750
Roads	35,600	51,935	52,573	(638)
Administration	51,025	63,527	55,379	8,148
Total Disbursements	286,322	325,588	283,848	41,740
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(20,747)	(42,562)	687	43,249
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	20,747	20,747	10,000	(10,747)
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	20,747	20,747	10,000	(10,747)
Net Change in Fund Balance		(21,815)	10,687	32,502
Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)		21,815	21,815	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 32,502	\$ 32,502

FORESTRY FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Taxes	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,487	\$ (13)
Interest	5	5	5	
Total Receipts	1,505	1,505	1,487	(18)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Protection to Persons and Property	2,555	2,555	2,555	
Administration		2,000		2,000
Total Disbursements	2,555	4,555	2,555	2,000
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(1,050)	(3,050)	(1,068)	1,982
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	850	2,850	2,000	(850)
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	850	2,850	2,000	(850)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(200)	(200)	932	1,132
Fund Balance - Beginning	200	200	161	(39)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,093	\$ 1,093

FAIRGROUNDS FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Miscellaneous	\$ 13,650	\$ 13,650	\$ 10,420	\$ (3,230)
Total Receipts	13,650	13,650	10,420	(3,230)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Recreation and Culture	16,650	19,750	12,837	6,913
Administration		3,269		3,269
Total Disbursements	16,650	23,019	12,837	10,182
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(3,000)	(9,369)	(2,417)	6,952
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	3,000	3,000	2,000	(1,000)
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	3,000	3,000	2,000	(1,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance		(6,369)	(417)	5,952
Fund Balance - Beginning		6,369	6,369	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,952	\$ 5,952

911 FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Taxes	\$ 326,800	\$ 326,800	\$ 271,511	\$ (55,289)
Interest	50	50	39	(11)
Total Receipts	326,850	326,850	271,550	(55,300)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Protection to Persons and Property	286,850	310,225	277,003	33,222
Administration	93,968	134,204	93,265	40,939
Total Disbursements	380,818	444,429	370,268	74,161
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(53,968)	(117,579)	(98,718)	18,861
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	41,468	95,000	95,000	
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	41,468	95,000	95,000	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(12,500)	(22,579)	(3,718)	18,861
Fund Balance - Beginning	12,500	22,579	22,579	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 18,861	\$ 18,861

LEPC FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	1,500	1,500		(1,500)
Total Receipts	1,500	1,500		(1,500)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Protection to Persons and Property	1,300	1,300	285	1,015
Administration	2,485	2,485		2,485
Total Disbursements	3,785	3,785	285	3,500
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(2,285)	(2,285)	(285)	2,000
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	2,285	2,285	980	(1,305)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(2,285)	(2,285)	(285)	2,000
Fund Balance - Beginning	2,285	2,285	980	(1,305)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 695	\$ 695

CSEPP FUND				
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 324,443	\$ 324,443	\$ 158,959	\$ (165,484)
Total Receipts	324,443	324,443	158,959	(165,484)
DISBURSEMENTS				
Protection to Persons and Property	215,337	260,702	169,320	91,382
Administration	149,106	110,585	15,610	94,975
Total Disbursements	364,443	371,287	184,930	186,357
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
	(40,000)	(46,844)	(25,971)	20,873
Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)				
Transfers From Other Funds	40,000	46,844	46,844	
Total Other Adjustments to Cash (Uses)	40,000	46,844	46,844	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(40,000)	(46,844)	(25,971)	20,873
Fund Balance - Beginning	40,000	46,844	46,844	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 20,873	\$ 20,873

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Posted: No hunting or trespassing on farms, belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts, on KY 3245. Violators will be prosecuted. 47x50p

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Burkhart on Cove Branch, Livingston, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 27x51p

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

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

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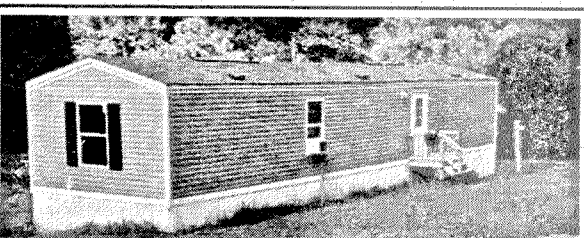
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"EKU BookSmart was developed by our EKU team as the first program of its kind in partnership with Barnes & Noble College in Kentucky. With today's announcement, it's undeniable that Eastern Kentucky University is the School of Opportunity," said EKU President Dr. David McFaddin. "Over the last year, we have been focused on adding affordability and accessibility elements to a program we call the EKU Advantage. With the addition of free textbooks to the EKU Advantage, a college degree from EKU is now more accessible and affordable than it has been in many years.

We are investing in our students so they will be prepared to succeed when their classes begin."

"Barnes & Noble College has proudly partnered with Eastern Kentucky University for over twenty years, and we are very excited to support the University in bringing the EKU BookSmart program to life. We know that this program will go a long way in driving affordability, access and achievement for EKU students," said Michael P. Huseby, chief executive officer and chairman, Barnes & Noble Education, Inc. "We believe that all-inclusive course material delivery models are the future of higher education, and with the launch of EKU BookSmart, our partners at EKU are proving that they are leaders in the education space."

The EKU Advantage, now with the added power of the BookSmart Program, ensures EKU students of a scholarship model that rewards high achievers, helps low-income students, keeps a keen focus on the service region, and does so while continuing to deliver high-quality programmatic offerings that will give graduates the skills needed to power their communities with EKU degrees, and so much more.

"Because of the BookSmart Program, no EKU student will have to drop an undergraduate class because they realize

they can't do the work without the book they couldn't afford to buy," said Dr. Tanlee Wasson, senior vice president for student success. "No EKU student will choose not to take an undergraduate course because the books are more than she can afford. No EKU student will have to weigh the cost of an undergraduate textbook against meeting essential needs like food, housing, or transportation."

"Eliminating financial barriers to success is our job," said Barry Poynter, senior vice president for finance and administration. "We've all seen the national studies showing an average annual cost of textbooks for an academic year at about \$1,200. Removing a barrier to academic access and student success of this magnitude is opportunity in action. We are directly reducing the cost of attendance at EKU by providing textbooks and course materials to our students, and also providing some additional stability."

The EKU BookSmart program will reduce financial barriers and lead to greater success for our students in all of our classes. All undergraduate EKU students will have the required textbooks and course materials they need to be successful no matter where they are--on campus or online. For more information about EKU BookSmart, go to: <https://go.eku.edu/books>.

County pay scale set

(Continued from B1)

Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, said the move was mostly an effort to show the state and federal entities involved that the county would "do its part when the time comes" for Delta Natural Gas Company to begin the project.

According to VanHook, and nearly all other local authorities, a gas line in the county could initiate an economic growth explosion in the area, eventually providing hundreds of new jobs, national restaurants, massive growth in housing and construction and immeasurably increased numbers of retail stores.

"We have some very large companies and world renowned businesses whom we are already talking to about locating in Rockcastle County," said VanHook. "But until we can offer natural gas, they just can't afford to locate here. We lose them before we get started once they learn we do not have a natural gas line."

Though the project is still likely in the distant future, VanHook said this vote was a major step in the right direction. "This was a big step forward for our county," he said.

Budget Amendment

During the meeting, the court also voted to accept the third budget amendment of the fiscal year.

According to Holbrook, the amendment dealt with minor house keeping issues.

"Anytime anything deviates from the budget, we have to have an amendment showing exactly where the funds were used," Holbrook said. "This amendment just dealt with some line items that had to be listed."

Holbrook was referring to smaller budget items such as office supplies for the jail and/or the courthouse along with some other needed equipment. "The amendment deals with a stretcher we purchased for the ambulance service and shows where the money came from for that and little things that may have gone a little over budget," he said.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12 at 4 p.m.

In-person classes

(Continued from B1)

Superintendent Carrie Ballinger said any student involved in MyRock online learning may simply contact their school principal to request to change over to in-person learning.

Starting Monday, the in-person classes will utilize the A/B schedule and students whose last name begins with A-L will attend in-person on Monday and Wednesday. Those whose last name begins with M-Z will attend in-person on Tuesday and Thursday. All students will participate in virtual learning on Fridays.

Ballinger says the school reopening plans were coordinated through local health officials, guidance from the Kentucky Department of Education and District Task Force committees.

Thanks to a partnership with the City of Mount Vernon, the local school district will soon have a School Resource Officer providing greatly increased security.

The City of Mount Vernon is finalizing steps to create the new position so that the officer will serve the city while school is not in session.

Now that the governor has approved the restart of in-person classes, Ballinger says she can't wait for school to restart.

"I cannot wait to see each student back in our hallways," she said. "The entire Rockcastle County School staff will be here to welcome every student back."

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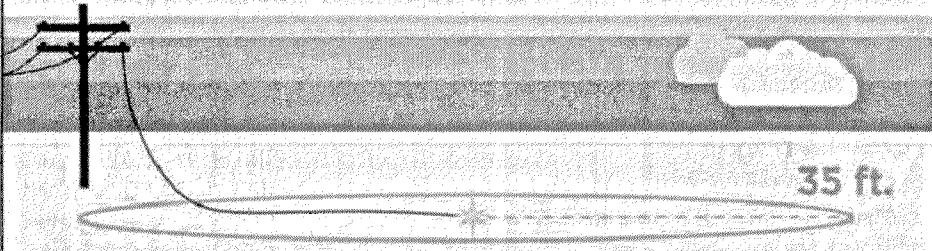
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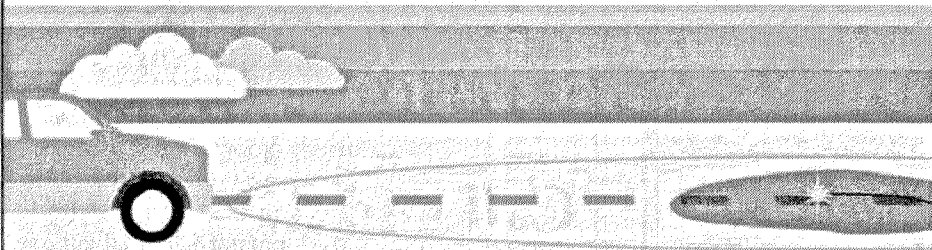
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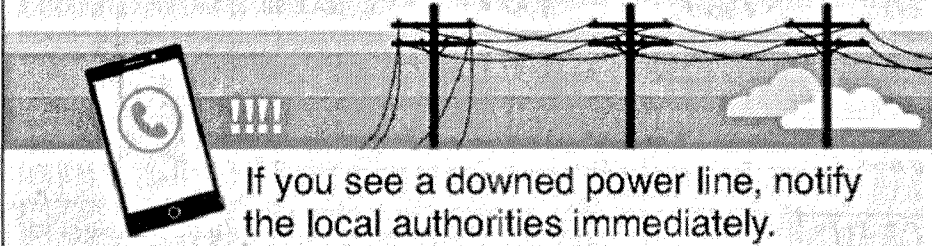
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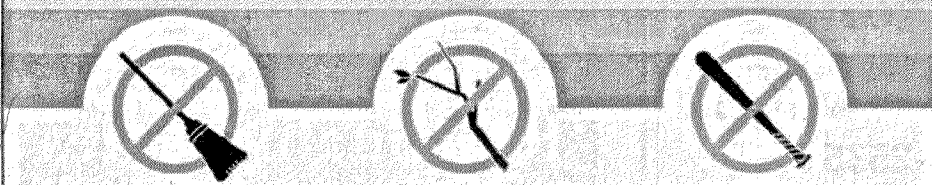
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