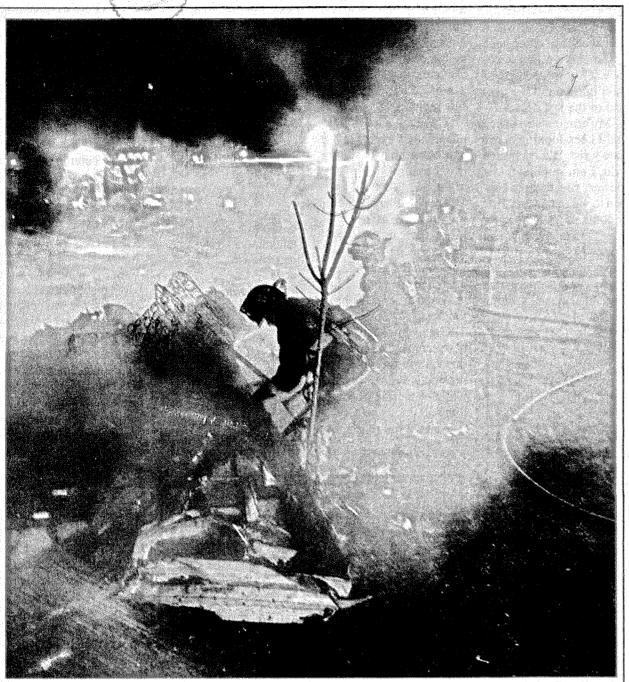
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On Thursday, January 2, the Mount Vernon Fire Department, with the assistance of the Brodhead Fire Department, were called to a residential fire on Davis Street in Brodhead behind the Family Dollar. Reports were that nothing was suspicous about the blaze. However, six days later, the same departments were called to another fire at a double wide mobile home on the same street. Both homes were destroyed but no injuries were reported at either fire. The fires are now under investigation.

Former Mount Vernon man is charged in sex ring in London

handed down a federal indictment relating to sex trafficking and drug

Towery, 72, formerly of Mount Vernon.

Towery, a past Berea

Four file for Circuit Judge

By: Mike French Editor

It was in November of 2019 that Rockcastle Circuit Judge David Tapp was confirmed as Judge of the United States Federal Court of Claims, after being nominated by President Donald Trump. However this left the

District 28th Judicial Circuit judgeship, covering Rockcastle, Pulaski and Lincoln Counties, vacant.

The deadline to file to run for that seat is Friday, January 10 but four people have already signed on for the non-par-

(See "Judge" on A5)

In a four year investi- charges for six individu- City Councilman and past County where he alleggation, officials have als, including Logan Ray candidate for Berea edly continued to pur-Mayor, was arrested in Mount Vernon in 2015, when an unidentified female was found deceased in a motel room after taking oxycodone that Towery admitted to selling her, officials say.

> Police said at the time that Towery admitted to selling the drug, as well as other drugs, to clients in and around Rockcastle County for well over a year.

> Police found over 600 pills, handguns, and large amounts of cash in Towery's residence in Mount Vernon and he was placed under arrest.

> Towery then apparently moved to Laurel

chase pills from the same supplier from Michigan.

In fact, Towery apparently recently admitted to detectives that he was now purchasing 300 to 500 pills per week from the supplier. However, an investigation by Kentucky State Police Special Agent Todd Tremain of the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearm Division revealed that Towery had a Facebook page called "Backpage.com" which he used as a prostitution

According to an article by Dean Manning of The Mountain Advocate, the

(See "Ring" on A5)

Brodhead P.D. back to one full time officer

– Chief Davis resigns

By: Mike French Editor

The Brodhead Police Department is back to one officer with the resignation of Police Chief Travis Davis last week. No official reason was given for Davis's resigna-

However, according to City Commissioners John Burton and Brian Bullock as well as Mayor Walter Cash, the Brodhead Police force is still running

"Josh (Foster) is doing a great job and he is on the street as well as handling everything that needs to be done," said Burton.

"Officer Foster is completing all the required work that Chief Davis would have been doing," said Bullock. "And he will continue to do so until a decision is made about who will be the next full time chief."

And that next chief will be carefully chosen, according to Burton. "We are going to do this right," he said. "We are not going to just fill a position that we have open. We are going to find the right person that will provide the biggest and best benefit for the City of Brodhead."

Court approves sheriff's budget

At a called meeting December 18th, Rockcastle County Sheriff Shannon Franklin presented his office's budget for calendar year 2020.

The total budget presented is for \$624,718 and estimates \$15,000 in excess fees to be returned to the county.

(See "Judge" on A5)

Bullock said applications are now being accepted and that the city will be looking closely at how to proceed. "We are not looking back," said Bullock. "We are going to continue to improve not only the police department but the city as a whole."

Until the decision is made to hire a new member of the force, Burton said the city is in good hands. "Josh is doing very well and we are confident he will handle things very well while this transition is underway," he said.

Financially, there is no problem finding another

(See "BPD" on A5)

Brodhead meeting

The Brodhead City Commission will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 13 at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Brodhead.

The public is invited to attend.

Fiscal Court meeting

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 14 at 4 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Court House third floor conference room. The public is invited to attend.

School **Board**

The Rockcastle County School Board will hold

their regular monthly meeting in the Teaching and Learning Center on Richmond Street in Mount Vernon on Tuesday, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend

RCIDA changed

The Rockcastle County Idustrial **Develop Authority** (RCIDA) meeting scheduled this week was postponed due to illness. A new meeting time has not been set.

2019 The year in review

July thru December

The first week of July saw the biggest event in the county once again as the Blast in the Valley was heralded as a huge success. Even through two rain storms that evening, one of the largest crowds ever stayed till the end.

The first week of July was a big week in Mount Vernon as the

new 5% Alcohol Tax took effect for the first time in

That same week, inmate Joseph D. Morris escaped from Rockcastle County Detention Center.

There was a double shooting on Shandon Lane in Rockcastle County in July and two victims were taken to the hospital after the incident. The county also received \$648K in road funds from the state transportation cabinet.

Also in July, Christopher Evans was sentenced to 60 years for the murder of William and Chara Bryant of Mount Vernon. The couple's daughter Brooklyn Reynolds earlier received 23 years for complicity.

Plans continued to move ahead for the Farmers Market building planned for Richmond Street in 2020.

August

August started with a bang as the Little World's Fair was once again one of the most successful events held in the county.

Also in August, Rockcastle Regional Hospital received the "Excellence in Patient Care" award from Huron's Studer Group.

Rockcastle The County School Board experienced some changes as Carrie Ballinger resigned and Susan

Jordison was named vice chairman. Superintendent David Pensol announced his retirement plans and Misty Lakes was named as the new board member when Ballinger resigned to replace Becky Isaacs in the central office.

A bus crash on I-75 caused turmoil in the county after the driver of the bus was accused of texting while driving.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

It has been a stressful time since the new year began, worrying about what is going to happen with the crazy Iranians and whether or not our President can handle the situation diplomatically enough to keep us out of WWIII.

I'm not concerned about winning it, we could make Iran a parking lot with very little effort and I feel like this President wouldn't hold back on the effort if he felt it was justified. But, no one wants to imagine the collateral damage of untold numbers of Irani civilian deaths in case of such an action.

I don't entirely disagree with the President's action to take out Soleimani as punishment for his part in the attack on our embassy in Iraq and the fact that he was responsible for the deaths of hundreds of American soldiers. The Iranians are used to taking these actions and the U.S. doing nothing about it so our President had to retaliate just to let them know that their provocations have

When you strike an embassy, it's the same as a strike on a country's homeland and there is little choice but to retaliate.

Since there was no loss of life in Iran's strikes on Iraqi bases which house U.S. servicemen, perhaps it would be a good thing to call it even/steven at this point and let the diplomats take over.

I hope this year will be a little less stressful but I don't expect it to be since the Democrats will never let this President serve in peace. And, since a vast number of Americans back his policy of putting America first and his ongo-wood for the open hearth

ing success with our economy he will, in my opinion, be re-elected.

Meanwhile, here in our own home state, we are going to have all we can do to fight our own governor's policies which resemble closely those of Democrat governors across the country, some of which have resulted in the ruination of the states they govern.

He has already restored voting rights to 150,000 felons and told the federal government to send our state more refugees, among other partisan actions, so it's going to be an interesting four years.

It's too bad that Republicans elected the wrong one of the Republican candidates four years ago.

Aces Over

By: Mike French



My new decade is starting out with some rather strange events.

First, my Fossil watch quit working. After such grand service and accuracy, it just stopped. At 12 midnight on the last second of the last decade.

My arm feels so naked and I keep looking at my bare wrist. But each time I do, I am reminded that the very first thing to happen to me in the very first second of this decade, was that my watch just stopped.

Second, I got one of those game cameras for Christmas. Thanks, mom.

I've wanted one for years. But of course. rather than place it at my hunting blind, I'm using it for all kinds of cool surveillance things.

Naturally, I pointed it at a grave and left it for a few nights.

There are a lot of very unexplained events in life and something is setting the camera off every night.

Though there is nothing in most of the pictures, the camera is stationary yet limbs, and leaves on the ground, and sticks and such are moved from one frame to the next.

Going back and forth between frames, I can see that a limb on a tree has moved several inches while everything around it is still the same.

And the lighting is dif-

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blue metallic model. 2020 Explorer A few weeks before (That was actually my wife's choice, and we Thanksgiving, I visited Dutch's Ford in Mt. Sterboth love the new color, which has been noticed ling to place my order for

a new 2020 Ford Explorer

Limited. This is my fifth

Explorer in a row, and

they all came from my

since I first moved to Mt.

Sterling in the summer of

rived the week before

Christmas, and I was able

to pick it up immediately.

All of my previous ver-

sions of this vehicle have

been black or white, but

this time I ordered the

My new Explorer ar-

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Dutch and I

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During Christmas, I was asked by one of my weekly column followers if I re-

and admired by others.)

membered my first new automobile. My answer

was a resounding, "Yes!" That new car was ordered by me and my grandfather (Pop) in 1963. The car was a '63 Chevy Impala Super Sport and was also blue. I will never forget the day Pop called saying, "David Joe, you better come home [from college] this Saturday so we can pick up your new Chevy."

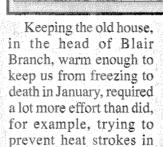
Pop was totally surprised when he and I drove my new Chevy home. He was not expecting the bucket seats, four-speed transmission (mounted on the floor), or the 350 V8 engine.

He was almost as shocked as I was when I picked up my new car recently, because I was very excited to experience the technological features that come equipped on the new model.

I was surprised to learn how much the 2020 model has changed since my 2015 which I traded in at Dutch's. I will not bore you with all the features, but I just can't help

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Points East By Ike Adams



Every evening, just before dark, my brothers and I found ourselves packing in several buckets of coal to feed an open hearth fireplace, a kitchen cook stove and a big "Warm Morning" heating stove that occupied our major living quarters. We also had to pack in fire

but, even it, had to be "banked" with coal to smolder throughout our sleeping hours.

In those days, everybody on Blair Branch heated with coal and wood. Coal could be purchased cheaply from any of the several, little mines on the holler. Many, if not all of us, had access to woodlands to supplement the use of coal, but a coal fire would usually last all night without tending. Wood was not nearly as reliable unless you wanted to get up a few times during the night,

Just before daybreak, the first person up would use an iron "poker" to stir up the smoldering coal and the dormant hearth would literally erupt into a blazing fire. Our parents used the same principal to bank coal in the big heater and the cook stove.

By the late 1950s, when I was 7 or 8 years old, we had acquired an electric "range" for cooking but the old coal/ woodstove was still the only way to keep our kitchen warm. During cold weather, it also baked a lot of morning biscuits and simmered

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

The Making of my Great-great Aunt May's Gingerbread

Dear Journal,

A few days before Christmas I found what I consider a "hot commodity". I found some genuine molasses at a store in Mount Vernon. Most store bought molasses is made in a factory with molasses flavoring instead of maple for syrup. I should have gotten more considering the opportunity. You would be surprised at the joy a quart

of real molasses can bring. I've reached the age, as I've said before, that it doesn't take much to please me, and there's probably more people of my age if you want to know the truth. I just stood in the aisle and imagined all of the good things I could make with them. There was baked beans, barbeque, popcorn balls, fruit cake, apple stack cakes, and my Great-great Aunt Mary's Grand Ginger-

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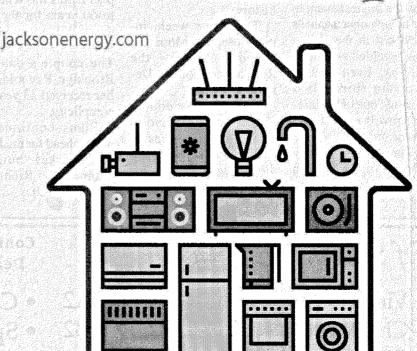
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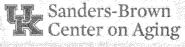
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"Aces"

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ferent from one frame to the next. The camera is sitting still at the same spot. Yet one photo at 2:05 a.m. and the next photo at 2:06 a.m is lit completely differently.

I'm not suggesting anything. Nothing at all. I'm just saying these confusing things have started my decade.

Thirdly, I woke up in a sweaty, shaking fright the other night at 3 o'clock. Then I got so tickled I couldn't go back to sleep for laughing.

In this "nightmare," I was being ferociously attacked by a tiny, little kitten that would fit in the palm of my hand.

I remember it was all over me and the poor little thing was really mad about something.

Also, I got an Alexa, (I must have been a good

boy). It is the wildest thing. If you don't have one, you wouldn't believe what she is capable

This decade started so completely differently than the last. Ten years ago I could never, ever have imagined walking in my door and simply saying out loud "Alexa, turn on the lights and play the Eagles Greatest Hits album." The lights would slowly rise and the house was suddenly filled with "Desperado" by The Eagles.

I sit on the couch watching tv and feel a pain in my toe and say "Alexa, what is a sudden pain in my toe?" Instantly, the house is filled with a lady's soft voice telling me every detail about Gout and what to do about it and how to avoid it in the future.

Alexa is an amazing thing that could not possibly have been imagined when the last decade began, except on Star Trek.

Each morning I awaken to hear my better half say "good morning baby" and then I walk to the kitchen for coffee and hear "good morning Mike." I say "good morning Alexa" and she begins to tell me the weather for the day or any special events that I have scheduled. "Oh, and Mike, don't forget your RCIDA meeting this morning." It's amazing. (I'm convinced the government is listening).

And as if this new decade hadn't already thrown enough brand new, unpredictable, unbelievable, crazy events at me, finally, just before the end of the holiday break, the morning I was about to come back to work, I turned on my radio to find NPR (Not Proper Radio).

The first thing I heard was Democrats supporting and praising and defending and bragging on an Iranian terrorist who had just ordered the attack of an American Em-

That was even funnier than the kitten.

Go Trump!

"Points East"

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many pots of soup beans throughout the day.

Our electric stove was actually more of a nod to finding comfort from midsummer heat than it was to improved cooking techniques. The summer heat was simply bad enough without having to build fires to do our cooking. Still, I remember yearning for the first cool mornings of autumn when we could fire up the coal/wood-fired cook stove. Biscuits and cornbread tasted infinitely better than their electrified versions. Soup beans, in my humble opinion, were scarcely fit to eat unless they were cooked on something with a fire in

The only winter time advantage the electric stove had over the fired one was when it came to making homemade candy. We quickly learned that it was far easier to keep fudge from scorching when we could keep the electric burner at a constant temperature and that was almost impossible on the fired stove. We used a cooking thermometer to get the boiling mixture to the exact temperature the recipe called for.

The days of testing drops in cold water, to see if the candy was ready to set, ended with that electric stove.

We boys usually made batches of candy during cold weather, 2 or 3 times a week, but we cleaned up our messes and washed all our dishes in water heated on the old coal/wood stove. Still. I've seen mornings when last night's dish water had a skim of January ice on it because someone forgot to throw it out. Our nod to running

water was to run out to the well and draw a bucket full and then run it back into the house. It was not unusual for the water bucket to be frozen over so hard, come early morning, that the dipper wouldn't come out until someone had fired up the old stove and let the bucket sit to thaw on it for a few minutes. I don't recall the well ever freezing over, which means that our kitchen was often colder, indoors, than the water in our outside

Still, if I had it all to do over, I'd gladly do it again, but not unless I was 60 years younger. I'm way too old to be packing in buckets of coal every night and I'm reasonably sure my grandkids wouldn't do it for me. Actually, I'm absolutely positive on that

"Memories"

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wanting to tell about the technology that I never had before.

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One feature that I had never experienced is the cameras that allow you to envision yourself from above, illustrating a view on all sides of the automobile. That is a safety feature that all cars need.

It also has a 12-speaker Surround System stereo which, if you so desire, can be controlled by your own voice. Just push a button on the steering wheel and tell it what you want it to do, such as switch to 50's mu-

One of the reasons that I decided to trade cars this year was the need to have a four-wheeled drive vehicle again. Even though Kathy and I have moved to Mt. Sterling, we still have wooded property on Furnace Mountain in Powell County. I wanted to be able to visit that wonderful area no matter the weather, which appears to be moving into the realm of greater extremes.

It will take a couple of months to learn how to use all of the features of my new automobile, but I think that will be so much fun. Can you tell that I am like a boy with a new toy car? Needless to say, I love my new Explorer!

(You can reach me at themtnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 60 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353.1 appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"T.J.'s"

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bread.

Great great Aunt Mary Otey was born in Tennessee in August of 1881 and died in 1969. As a little girl, I ate many slices of her Grand Gingerbread. It was so very good and there was a caramel icing put on it or you could just eat it alone. Either way it was so good.

Stanley and I were invited to be with my family for Christmas dinner. I was to bring my famous corn pudding, baked beans and a dessert. I made the baked beans with molasses and of course I made the Grand

Gingerbread with the molasses too. I followed the recipe exactly. As I worked, I imagined how good it would be to taste the cake again. I was getting all excited as I hadn't had any of the gingerbread in well over forty years.

It was finally done and I pulled it out of the oven. As it cooled, I made the caramel icing. Even the icing that I can't make turned out just right What excitement! I couldn't wait until the next day to cut into it.

After the Christmas dinner, it was time to cut the cake. It turned out a little dry and it was light in color. The ones I remember were very moist and very dark, about the color of a chocolate cake. It was good, but I was somewhat disappointed. I guess I had it built up too high in my mind.

There was some of it left over, so I brought it home and froze it. Now I can have a slice of it from time to time. Next time I see Great- great Aunt Mary, I'll have to ask her where I went wrong.

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Health Department Notice

The Rockcastle Co. Health Department will be closed on January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

KPR Meeting is Jan. 14th

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, January 14th at David's Steakhouse, 125 W. Cumberland Gap Parkway in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will Connie Pettyjohn and/or Brian Towles from the Kentucky Retirement Systems, speaking about retiree health insurance.. Any retiree (and spouse) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS is welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or is available on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

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 and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, 6 to 8 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m.. •••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only. Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Men Only. Small group.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leader: Katheryn Pope, 606-308-3099. AA Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m. Men and Women, everyone welcome!

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828. Friday, 6 to 8 p.m.

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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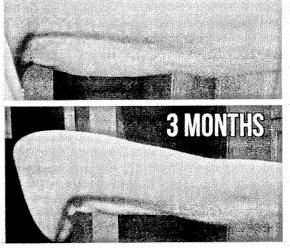
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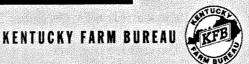


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Mary Elizabeth Collins

Mary Elizabeth Collins, 58, of Wildie, died Saturday, December 28, 2019 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born in Rockcastle County on Decem-



ber 7, 1961, the daughter of John Leslie and Dorothy Mae Jordan Polly. She had been a school bus driver for the Rockcastle County School System.

She is survived by: a son, Tommy (Debra) Collins of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Martha (Michael) Begley of Mt. Vernon, and Samantha Collins and Joe Yates of

Brodhead; four brothers, John, Abraham, Enoch, and Matthew Polly; and two sisters, Maureen Deatherage and Bessie Prickett. Also surviving are: seven grandchildren, T.J., Marybeth, and Dorothy Hurst, Joseph Prickett, and Braylin, Johnathon, and Aiden Yates; two great grandchildren, Renesmae Cole and Adaline Hurst; and two step grandchildren, Michael Flint and Travis Flint. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Tommy Collins, Jr.; and two sisters, Ruth Ann and Anna Mae.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jack Weaver. Burial was in Polly Family Cemetery.

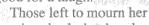
Pallbearers were: Tommy Hurst, Jr., Justin Lamb, Isaac Polly, Chris Prickett, Joseph Prickett, Derrick Yates, and Joe Yates.

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

Linda Sue Robinson

Linda Sue (Howard) Robinson, 54, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, January 6, 2020 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born August 20, 1965 in Mt. Vernon, to the late Earl Howard and Georgia Mae (Wynn)

Howard. She married Tim Robinson on May 6, 1984 and from that union came one son, Cody Lance Robinson. She enjoyed her dogs, Princess and Molly, reading, camping, and spending her Saturday's rummaging at yard sales. Linda had a great sense of humor and was always good for a laugh.



passing include: her husband of 34 years, Tim Robinson of Mt. Vernon; a son, Cody Lance (Sara) Robinson of Mt. Vernon; one granddaughter, Bristol Reece Robinson; one brother, Clifford (Nancy) Howard of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Donna Darlene Smith, Wanda (Scottie) Coffey, and Kathy (Jon) Price, all of Mt. Vernon; her mother, Georgia Mae Howard, of Mt. Vernon; one special friend, Holly King of TX; as well as several nephews, one niece, and a host of special friends and acquaintances that meant the world

Visitation will be Friday, January 10, from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, January 11 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Lighthouse Assembly of God. Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 11, 2020 at 1 p.m. at Lighthouse Assembly of God, with Bro. Dwayne Carpenter officiating. Burial will follow in Howard Family Cemetery.

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

Announcement

Pursuant to 804 KAR 9:010 the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control gives notice of the following vacancies in Livingston:

a.) Two (2) Quota Retail Package Liquor License Applications for these quota vacancies will be accepted by the Department for a period of thirty (30) days fol-

lowing this announcement. Allison Taylor, Commissioner

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Sonny Napier

Sonny Napier, 84, of Crab Orchard, beloved husband of Mary Napier, died Wednesday, January 1, 2020, at his home. He was born April 10, 1935, in



Brodhead, to the late Alex and Essie Mae (Crank) Napier. He married Mary Brown on January 14, 1956, and from that union came three children, Mark, Valoria, and Alex. He was a machinist, and a member of the Baptist faith who enjoyed his family, hunting, fishing, woodworking, building, farming, and designing.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 64 years, Mary Napier;

children, Mark (MaryJo) Napier of Tomball, TX, Valoria (Dave) Weddle of Fairfield, OH, and Alex (Kim) Napier of Fairfield, OH; grandchildren, Ryan (Angela), Amy (Aaron), Justin, Sara (Lige), Marybeth (Aaron), and Emily (John); and great grandchildren, Braydon, Noah, Carson, Madilynn, Allie, Colton, Grayson, Parker, Keaden, Iris; siblings, Paul (Helen) Napier of Brodhead, Eva Combs of OH, Amanda Bray of Raleigh, NC, Jean Renshaw of Houston, TX, and Charlie (Carolyn) Napier of Crab Orchard; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Doug Napier, Goldie Murphy, Betty Mize, Bill Napier, and Clenie Napier.

Funeral services were held Sunday, January 5, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bros. Melvin Sisson and Dan Gutenson officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

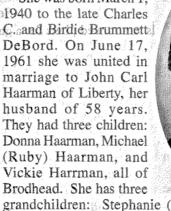
Casketbearers were: Wayne, Brandon, and Bradley Brown, Justin Weddle, Ryan Napier, and Brad Hunt.

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

Jewel (DeBord) Haarman

Jewel (DeBord) Haarman, 79, of Brodhead went home to be with the Lord on December 30, 2019 at the Rockcastle Regional

Hospital in Mt. Vernon. She was born March 1, 1940 to the late Charles DeBord. On June 17, 1961 she was united in marriage to John Carl Haarman of Liberty, her husband of 58 years. They had three children: Donna Haarman, Michael (Ruby) Haarman, and Vickie Harrman, all of



grandchildren: Stephanie (Travis) Richardson of Brodhead, Natalie (Joe) Carter of Richmond, and Casey Haarmanof Brodhead. Three great grandchildren: Parker and Emma Richardson and John Carter.

Jewel worked at Cowden Manufacturing in Lancaster and Mt. Vernon Manufacturing in Mt. Vernon as a seamstress. She loved cooking, gardening, flowers, sewing, camping, cookouts, and spending time with family and friends. She was especially fond of her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved reading and studying her Bible, taking care of and comforting others. She spent the last 60 years writing her pen pal and friend, Viola (Richard and family) Ault of Piqua, OH.

She was a member of Brodhead Baptist Church. she was a GA. Acteens leader, and WMU director. She was a much loved Sunday School teacher of the ladies of the church. She also taught Sunday School at

the Sowder Nursing Home. She is survived by: two sisters, Marie (Carl) Alsip of Cincinnati, OH, and Birdie Albright of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Alfred (Hazel) DeBoard of Williamsburg, OH; four sisters-in-law, Betty Lou DeBoard of Williamsburg, OH, Carol DeBoard of Brodhead, Hazel Weddle of Liberty and Edith Haarman of East Moline, IL; as well as many family and friends.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her brothers, Delbert (infant), Felix DeBord, Arthur DeBord, Sam Deboard, and Johnny DeBoard; and sisters, Pearlie (Child), Myrtle Howard, Rena Osborne, Lula Ann Wallin, and Betty Moore.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 3, 2020 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Jack Weaver officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove Cem-

Casketbearers were: Casey Haarman, Joe Carter, Travis Richardson, Ricky Thompson, Donnie Wallin, and Jerry DeBoard.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that you donate to your local church in memory of Jewel.

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

James "Jimmy" Lewis Norton

James "Jimmy" Lewis Norton, 70, died January 1, 2020. He was born December 20, 1949 to the late Jess and Ruby Norton.

Service at a later date. Care Cremation and Funeral Service.

Cards of Thanks



Joel Deatherage

The family of Joel Deatherage would like to thank a lot of great people: Cox Funeral Home, Lewis, Kevin and staff, Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ and other local churches, Bro. Zandall Hasty, Bro. Chad Burdette and Joel's pallbearers.

We also thank our families, friends and extended families that God has blessed us with over the

You know who you are and what you have done for us has kept us going. Many have shown kindness, love, generosity and compas-

Thanks again to the greatest people we have in our lives. God bless!

All our love, Joe, Phyllis, Lee, Ashley, Bethany, Aaron, Hayden Isiah, Ava Rose and Anabella Deatherage

Marcella Hasty

Thank you to everyone for your love and support after the death of Marcella Louise Hasty. Thanks to Hospice for taking good care of her. Thanks to Marvin Owens Funeral Home and also thanks to Bro. Nathan Bennett and Bro. Danny Robbins.

The Family Margaret Cromer

Coffey

The family of Margaret Coffey would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone for their kindness and words of comfort during our sorrow.

A special thank you to Addison Atkin for his comforting words and the memories he shared about our Mother and thanks to those who took part in the funeral and the pallbearers. We appreciate your

prayers, phone calls, cards, visits, flowers and the food brought to our home. A special thank you to

Hospice and Cumberland Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Somerset. Thanks to Dowell and Martin Funeral Home staff for all the support they gave us.

Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten.

Sincerely, Janice Vanzant and Dr. Dale Coffey and the Coffey Family

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps We Need More Green Time (And Less Screen Time)

When I was young, parents would tell us "go outside and play". And the grownups would often work outside for a living, and even if not would have a garden and a yard to take care of. And there weren't computer screens nor smartphones to absorb so much of our time. The first newspaper compositions I composed for publication were completed first by careful longhand writing, then on a manual typewriter by the time I was a high school senior. (And transmitted with envelope and a postage stamp!) Yes, some things have become more convenient, and the explosion of knowledge is everywhere, but mentally and physically the lack of "green time" is taking it's toll on each of us individually and the world as a whole.

As the days grow longer and warmer, I encourage every reader to step outside more often. Consider your yard or your garden. And if you don't do those chores, or if you rent or live in an apartment, you can still go for a stroll or find a trail to hike or a public park to experience. For it will benefit

There's not time and space in this column to explain lengthy research on the subject, but it is proven in multiple studies I've seen over the years, that exposure to greenery and sounds of nature and certainly waterfalls or ocean waves, have a calming effect on the body. Lower blood pressure, and a more peaceful clearer mind results. In one particular study, a class was divided and one group of students sat inside all day and another group were taken on a nature walk, then the same exam was given to both sets of students. By now I am sure you guessed, the average scores were higher for the group that took the nature walk before test time.

Screen time in excess is harmful. Stress goes up, sleep may be deprived, personalities are affected, interactions in person with others become uncertain, and the eyes may be damaged. Those are just some of the negative affects which result from too much time at the computer, the phone

screen or the television screen.

If it's not hurtful, why would the top computer and software developers in Silicone Valley not even allow their children to own a smartphone or portable computing device? No, they don't even have computers in some of the private schools they send their own children too. Think on that a minute.

Green time has been demonstrated to have a positive effect on everyone. but all the more on those with mental disorders and the "typical" prisoner (if there is such a thing as an typical inmate). Developmentally challenged stu dents can benefit from a school garden experience. Governments may think they are getting free labor when they put prisoners on a work project, but the real beneficiary of some such projects is actually the prisoner. (Being crammed into a jailhouse with hundreds of other problem people is not the way to "correct" and get such a person prepared for being set free and expecting better behavior than before. Just the opposite...most become repeat offenders.)

Screen time can be wasted time. Playing video games will never get a child to the top of his or her class. Time on the computer researching for an assignment in class or at work, would be an example of profitably spent screen time. Children had chores of some type or another in the past. We may have more "fun" on the phone than raking leaves or dusting furniture, but chores are an important part of living life. If texting and games take up all the time, other skills are not learned.

When an evening on the smartphone or playing video games is the most fun our young people have-it is no wonder the world and it's occupants are getting more messed up day by day with the passage of time.

Planting some flowers. vegetables, trees, and taking care of them may not be the prescription for everyone's happiness and mental and physical well-being; but, more green time will do us all some good. Try it; even prove me wrong if you believe you can.

The author is a landscaper, among other things. Contact Max via rockcastles@gmail.com

"RPD"

(Continued from front) officer, Burton said. "Our police department is in good financial shape and we are very competitive in our pay scale," said Burton. "Our police department is doing very well. But, we are going to be smart about this process and make certain we make the best choice for Brodhead."

Foster completed all academy training last month and Councilman Burton said the city is not in danger from being understaffed.

"We have a good working relationship and work in partnership with all the surrounding police forces and we are already looking into our next step," said Burton. "The department is in good shape, Officer Foster is patrolling the city and all is well."

The city also lost their K-9 unit since Chief Davis owned and trained the dog. "Bolt will come with me," said Davis. "He is more than a dog. He is my partner, my protector and my friend."

However, Burton said the K-9 unit is not a priority for the city. "We won't be looking to start another K-9 unit anytime soon, said Burton. "We are fine without a K-9 unit and that will not be a priority right now. It was very helpful to us but our priority right now will be to find the right person to be our next officer or chief."

Burton, Cash and Bullock all agreed that Davis will be missed. "It was good to have Chief Davis with us and he was a part of making our department financially stable," said Burton.

It was just one year ago that Davis ran the department alone and was able to help create the K-9 unit, help locate and acquire police cruisers, help secure the evidence lockers and help position the department for an additional full time officer. Davis also secured donations from local businesses for police department materials and equipment. "It was good to have him and we will miss him," said Burton. "We wish him well in all his future endeavors. But this kind of thing happens and we will move ahead and everyone can rest assured that we will proceed with care and do the right thing."

"Ring"

(Continued from front) indictment, handed down by a Laurel County Grand Jury, Towery, Albert D. Davidson, 62, of Grey, Mark Milslage, 50, of Lexington, Berdenia Johnston, 38, of Lexington, James Martin, 73, of Gray and David Pennington, 71, of London, were all charged with conspiracy to knowingly and intentionally, in an affecting, interstate commerce, recruit, entice, harbor, transport,

provide, obtain, and maintain by any means, a person, knowing and in reckless disregard of the fact that force, threats of force, fraud, and coercion would be used to cause a person to engage in a commercial sex act.

However, in another indictment on a drug charge of conspiracy to distribute drugs, only Towery, Davis and Gary L Cupp, 54, of Williamsburg were named.

According to the article, Towery admitted to investigators that he traded pills to women to perform sex acts at a motel for his clients.

In a search of his London home, investigators found over 100 oxycodone pills and over \$43,000 in cash along with more handguns.

The article goes on to list coversations with girls who allegedly admitted to working for the sex ring in exchange for pills.

The investigation is ongoing.

"Budget"

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The biggest revenue expected by the department include \$192,478 from the fiscal court and \$175,000 from commissions on taxes collected.

The \$192,478 from the fiscal court reflects and additional \$180 per month payment from the court which was given to enable the sheriff to provide a 50c per hour raise for his road deputies bringing the total per month supplement from the court to \$16,040.

Major disbursements from the office include \$162,160 for deputies salaries and \$165,858 for clerk/baliff salaries (\$57,358 of this amount is reimbursed by the state) and \$45,000 for gas/fuel.

Besides the \$328,010 combined deputies salaries, the budget also includes \$30,000 for overtime and \$18,500 for KLEPF payments which are also reimbursed by the state.

The court approved the budget with the \$180 per month increase in their contribution. They also approved a maximum salary cap for all deputies of \$380,000.

"Judge"

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Those already filed are Jerry Cox of Mount Vernon, A.C. Donahue of Somerset, Walter F. McGuire of Somerset and Teresa Whitaker of Science Hill.

These four will run in the May Primary elections (unless more file by Friday). The top two vote-getters in the May Primary will then run against each other in the November Gen-

eral Election. The Governor has the authority to appoint someone to the position until the November election but, in order to do so, a committee of three, including attorneys and citizens, must be appointed to submit three names to the governor. That committee has not yet been formed.

Students should consider these tips

Income tax season is approaching, and students may want to consider these tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) to help the go more process smoothly.

Although you may not have earned enough to be required to file, you may be able to get a refund if your employer withheld taxes from your pay. Before you file, discuss the situation with your parents. They may be able to claim you as a dependent, which could save them thousands of dollars.

Students and parents may be able to take advantage of these programs on their federal

• American Opportunity Credit, available for the first four years of col-

 Lifetime Learning Credit, available if a taxpayer or a dependent is taking college courses to acquire or improve job skills.

· Tuition and fees deduction, which lets taxpayers deduct qualified education expenses paid during the year for themselves or a dependent. The expenses must be for college.

 Student loan interest deduction, which lets people deduct up to \$2,500 per year on federal taxes for interest paid on federal student loans.

For more detailed information about federal programs, www.irs.gov to download the free Publication 970 Tax Benefits for Educa-

Kentucky also offers a tuition tax credit for undergraduate students who attend state colleges.

Tax rules may change from year to year, so make sure you have the most up-to-date information before filing.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), needbased grants and other programs to help students pay their higher education expenses. KHEAA also disburses Advantage Education Loans, the state's only non-profit private education loan.

For more information.

i s www.advantageeducationloan.com.

Many of KHEAA's student aid programs are funded by Kentucky Lottery receipts.

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

Financial Aid Tip for Students

You can avoid these common student financial aid mistakes

Many students spend more for college than they should by making some common mistakes when seeking financial aid. Follow these tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assis-Authority tance (KHEAA) to make sure you get the help you need.

Some people don't bother to apply for financial aid because they don't think they'll qualify. But they should submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to find out if they're eligible for state and federal student aid programs. Not filing may hurt their chances of getting more free money for college.

Another common mistake is waiting until the last minute to apply for financial aid. Some programs have deadlines, while others have limited

Colleges send each student who has applied for student aid a financial aid package. Students and their families should look it over carefully. They should compare offers if they have received packages from more than one school to see which is the best deal. Of course, students should also consider other factors, such as whether a school offers the academic program a student wants or if it meets other expectations.

Students who need loans to help pay for college must be good consumers. Not all lenders offer the same rates and benefits. Borrowers should pay close attention to what lenders call the back-end benefits: the

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interest rate and principal reductions offered when repaying the loan.

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"Year"

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county and the cities.

The accident injured several and the highway was closed for several hours.

In August, officials held a groundbreaking ceremony for the new water basin at the water plant at lake Linville that is expected to correct the bad taste and odor in the local water system. Visited and of Ok September

In September, officials announced plans for a gas line to hopefully come through Rockcastle County serving Crab Orchard, Brodhead and Mount Vernon. If plans proceed, officials expect the natural gas line to boost the overall economy of the county.

The Livingston Homecoming was called a huge success in September.

In September, a chemical spill killed countless fish in Renfro Creek during a routine maintenance at the Mount Vernon Water Plant. Officials moved quickly to clean up the spill.

The county experienced such a drought in September that Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook issued a burn ban by Executive Order.

It was in September that Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray was named the Kentucky League of Cities Employee of the Year bringing statewide recognition to the City of Mount Vernon. Bray was chosen from about 20,000 city employees.

Livingston imposed a 1% occupational tax in September in an attempt to increase city revenues. In the same month, the new Family Dollar store opened its doors in Livingston.

Also in September, The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual State of the County address with all three mayors and the judge/executive discussing the progress, successes and plans for the

October

Inmate Jon McClure escaped from the Rockcastle County Detention Center. He was captured the next day and officials began improvements at the jail to prevent similar escapes.

Jaclyn Chadwell was crowned Queen of the RCHS Homecoming event.

As always, the Bittersweet Festival was a rousing success in Mount Vernon with even more performances and activities throughout the event. In October, officials announced the D.A.R.E. Program would be coming back to Mount Vernon with

MVPD Assistant Chief Joe Rush at the helm.

Also in October, officials began destruction of the Parsons Building on Main Street.

A ceremony was held for Bobby Proctor in recognition of his service as Brodhead Mayor and CEO of Citizens Bank. The second double shooting of the year occurred in October as John Reynolds and Rita Robinson were both

shot on Mohawk Lane. Both survived the shooting. In October officials in Brodhead and Mount Vernon changed the dates of Halloween events due to fore-

casted rain and cold temperatures. Both events were well attended and the Trunk of Treat event also went well, according to Livingston officials. November

The general election was held in November and as usual, the GOP dominated local races. Statewide, Republicans won all state offices except for governor. It was in November that owners of the Microfoodery plant announced they would also open a business

called Kentucky Farmaceuticals in which they would process the hemp plant for CDB oils.

Rockcastle County schools received an extremely high rating during the annual audit. David Tapp was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as a federal judge.

There was a dog rescue in November as the Brodhead Fire Department used their special training in animal rescue to save a dog from a 100-foot hole.

In November, City Administrator Josh Bray filed for State Representative.

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's office brought a technical training program to the county for all law enforcement to receive advanced training. Working closely with the Rockcastle County School system, the program increases safety for all local residents as well as all school children.

December In the first week of December, the Noel Night Market was a huge success along with the Mount Vernon Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and the Mount Vernon Christmas parade.

Flood waters filled local creeks and once again flooded Main Street in Brodhead as two people became trapped in a truck that was stuck in high waters.

The Mount Vernon Fire Department responded to many accidents the first week of December, including eight on the first Saturday alone on I-75.

The City of Mount Vernon finalized paperwork for a \$1 million grant for the new hemp processing plant locating in the city and the fiscal court began talks about a new national event and concert that may be held in the county annually.

Residents throughout the county enjoyed the many holiday festivities in Brodhead, Livingston and Mount

A federal indictment against former Deputy Jailor Derek Steven Clark charged him with having an inmate tied to chair and then beaten. Also in the last week of December, Mount Vernon released details about the new park planned for the St.

Also in December, the Shop with a Lion program was called a great success as law enforcement workers and staff took children to buy Christmas presents.

Now 2-1 in district

Lady Rockets continue winning ways with victories over Somerset, Rowan and Anderson

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets got their second district win last Friday night, at Somerset, their second win this season over the Lady BriarJumpers.

The game was never in question for the Rockets, as they led 9 to 4 at the end of the first quarter; 23 to 9 at halftime and 35 to 21 at the third quarter stop enroute to the game final 50-26

the game final 50-26. Two Lady Rockets were in double figures with freshman Keelee King leading the way with 17 points, including three three point baskets. Junior Casey Coleman was next with 14 points. Freshman Hallie Brown, who was in early foul trouble, picking up her second with 3:33 to go in the first quarter, saw limited action but still managed seven points; junior Aliyah Lopez scored five points; senior guard Shelby Newland got three and senior Kenzi Himes, who returned to action in this game, following a knee injury and sophomore Darby Smith each scored two points.

The Lady Rockets won despite having 12 turnovers to the Lady BriarJumpers five and were 4/5 from the free throw line while Somerset hit 10 of their 13 free throws.

Rockets played Rowan County in the Patriot Classic at Lincoln County and came away with their eleventh win of the season 58-50.

The Lady Rockets had a big first quarter and never trailed in the win.

The team was led in scoring by junior Casey Coleman with 17 points; Shelby Newland, Keelee King and Aliyah Lopez each scored 10 points; Kenzi Himes got eight and Hallie Brown, 3.

At Anderson County Tuesday night, the Lady Rockets picked up a big win, defeating the Lady Bearcats, who were

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Lady Rockets Keelee King and Jordan Harper double team a Lady Briarjumper during the Rockets' win Friday. The girls are now 12-3 on the season.



Aliyah Lopez stops a driving Lady Briarjumper during the Lady Rockets, win Friday.



to Somerset Friday night.



Senior Shelby Newland applies defensive pressure during the Lady Rockets' win over Somerset last Friday night.

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Casey Coleman joins 1,000 Point Club

Lady Rocket junior Casey Coleman joined the 1,000 Point Club during the Lady Rockets' win over Anderson County Tuesday night. Coleman had 999 points going into the game and scored early in the first quarter to reach the milestone. Coleman is shown at left with the game ball after the Lady Rockets' big win over Anderson.

Rockets are 1-2 in district; 4-9 overall

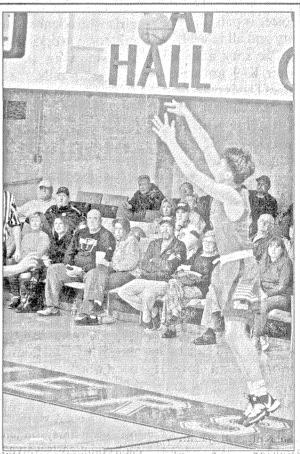
The Rockets district record fell to 1-2 last Friday night as they traveled to Somerset and were soundly defeated by the BriarJumpers 74-43, their second loss to Somerset this season.

The Rockets were only down three at the first quarter stop 19-16 and behind by one early in the second quarter 24-23 but, from that point on, it was all BriarJumpers as they outscored the Rockets 50-20 the rest of the game.

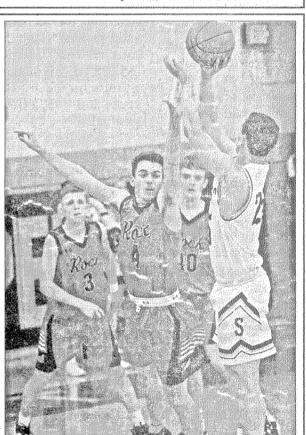
Rockets to 4 for Somerset and they got only six tries at the free throw line, converting two, to Somerset's 11 of 19. The BriarJumpers also hit eight three point shots to the Rockets four.

Leading the scoring for the Rockets, and the only player in double figures, was senior Logan Noel with 10; sophomore Silas Shaffer got eight;

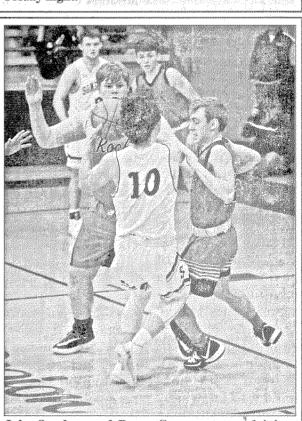
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Daniel Mullins puts up a three against Somerset. Mullins exploded for 30 in the Rockets' loss to Knox Central last Saturday.



Jacob Loudermilk puts a hand in the face of a shooting Briar Jumper during the Rockets' loss to Somerset Friday night.



Jake Sanders and Reese Coguer stop a driving Briar Jumper in the Rockets' loss to Somerset Fri-



Circuit Civil Suits

Jackson County Bank v. Jeff Wright, et al. \$50,612 plus claimed

Capital One Bank v. Scotty J. Bullen, \$5,163 plus claimed due.

Mid South Capital Partners v. Lizzie Kirby, et al, \$254 plus claimed due. CI-202

Marriage Licenses

Sharon Ann Heath, 54, production supervisor and Davey Franklin Russell, 51, Mt. Vernon, engineer. 12/30/19

Deeds Recorded

Clinton Kyle and Angela Dill, property on Anglin Falls Road, to Charles Saunier and Angela Garcia-Saunier. Tax \$199

Willie Sturgill, Diane Newman, Mary Sturgill, Lisa King, Benjamin V. Buckler, Sr. and Stephanie Gill, property on US 25, to Billy T. Parker, Sr. and Hazel Parker. Tax \$1

Bible Baptist Church, property in Rockcastle County to Michael and Melinda McGuire. Tax \$7 Elvin R. and Judy G. Bowman, property on Camel Watson Land, to Shannon Bishop, John Hamm and Jim Neeley.

Tax \$130 Elvin R. and Judy G. Bowman, property on Peachtree Lane, to Bob Lunsford. Tax \$90

Terry and Marlene Lawson, property in Rockcastle County, to John D. and Jessica Lawson. Tax \$242

Wayne Berry, property in Rockcastle County, to Terry and Marlene Lawson. Tax \$140

Tony Lykins, property in City of Mt. Vernon, to Scotty D. and Melissa Anne Owens. Tax \$102

Chad and Cathy Payne, property in Owens Subdy., to Jeanette Renee Orso.Tax \$8

District Court

Dec. 30, 2019 Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Kristie M. Dean: operating vehicle w/expired operators license and failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, 5 days in jail/ each count/costs waived.

Samuel V. Geames: possession of marijuana, 10 days in jail/costs waived.

John Collinsworth: public intoxication, 20 days in jail/costs waived.

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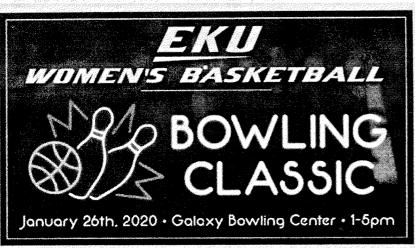


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really need something.

A big step to financial security is learning the difference between a need and a want, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). Students who learn that difference will find that their bank accounts grow more quickly.

Needs include clothes, food and, for many students, transportation.

With clothes, a want may mean wearing only designer items that cost more than clothes that last just as long and look just as good.

Students might want to eat a deluxe cheeseburger at a fast food restaurant every day, even though they can save money by making their own sandwich and brown-bagging

If a student needs a car. a want would be a new sports convertible instead of a reliable, used car with good gas mileage and less flash.

Before making a purchase, students should ask themselves if they can get by with a less expensive item — or without that item completely.



Lauren Sanders celebrated her 12th birthday on December 5, 2019 at her home in Chester, OH. Helping her celebrate were her parents, Bob and Angela, grandparents Jean and Charles Sanders, Sally and Ben Chapman, cousin Mia Divenere, Mia's stepdad Matt Eulberg and Uncle Dave Sand-

Singleton named West to Dean's List

Julianna Singleton from Mount Vernon qualified for the Fall 2019 Dean's List at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below

Approximately 38 percent of Belmont's 8,481 students qualified for the Fall 2019 Dean's List. Belmont Provost Dr. Thomas Burns said, "This achievement for the fall semester indicates that these students have placed a high priority on their work at Belmont and have invested time and energy in their studies. It is our strong belief that consistent application in this manner will reap great benefits, which will equip them for a lifetime of learning and growing."

"Rockets" (Cont. from A6)

eighth grader Will Bishop scored seven; sophomore Daniel Mullins got five; sophomore Jake Sanders scored four; senior Bentley Taylor hit a three and sophomores Drew Hopkins and Reese Coguer scored two points each as did senior Jacob Loudermilk.

At South Laurel Saturday, in the Raymond Reed Classic, the Rockets played Knox Central and lost 74-66.

The Rockets got down early in the game, losing the first quarter 18-8 but bounced back in the second quater, behind 13 points by Mullins, to only be down two at the half 27-25. It was 53-52 Knox Central at the third quarter stop, when Mullins again poured in 13 points but the Panthers outscored the Rockets 21-14 in the fourth quarter for the win.

Sophomore Daniel Mullins hit six three point baskets and had a game high 30 points for his team; eighth grader Will Bishop scored 16 points, including going six for six from the free throw line; sophomore Jake Sanders got 10; senior Logan Noel scored six points and sophomores Matthew Chasteen and Reese Coguer each scored two points.

At home Tuesday night against Sayre, the Rockets won a nail biter 46-45 and picked up their fourth win of the season against nine losses.

It was a close game all the way with the score knotted at 11 at the end of the first quarter. The Rockets were up four at the half 23-19. The Spartans put up a big third quarter, going ahead 36-30 but the Rockets came back in the fourth quarter, behind 10 points by Mullins for the one point win.

Mullins led the scoring for his team with 12 points, Coguer got eight; Chasteen and Shaffer had seven each; Hopkins got four; Bishop and Noel each had three points and Sanders two.

The Rockets will play Pulaski County at home Friday night in a doubleheader district match-up with the Lady Rockets, will play Warren East Saturday at Russell County in the BSN Sports Kay Morris Classic in a 1:45 p.m. game and will play a doubleheader at home with the Lady Rockets against North Laurel on Tuesday night, January 14th.

"Lady Rockets"

(Cont. from A6)

ranked in the top ten in the state in several polls this week, 59-51.

During the first quarter of the game, on her first basket, junior Casey Coleman joined the 1,000 Point Club, the second Lady Rocket this season to achieve that milestone.

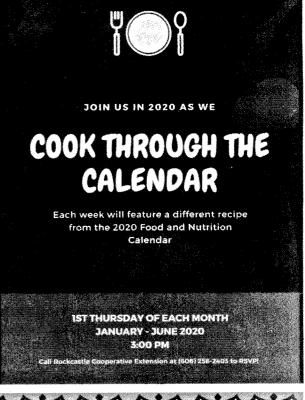
The Rockets were down 12-8 at the end of the first quarter but came back in the second, to outscore the Bearcats 16-7 for a 24-19 halftime lead. The Lady Rockets managed to hang on in the second half, outscoring Anderson 35 to 32 for the win.

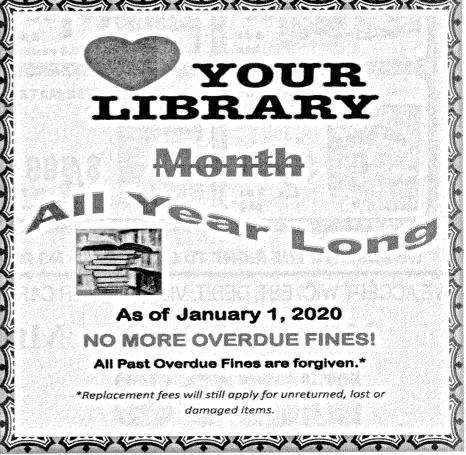
King led the scoring for her team with 14 points, including three three point baskets; Himes was close behind with 13 points, including going seven for seven from the free throw line; Newland got 11; Coleman eight; Lopez seven and Brown six.

It was a game that saw 44 free throws taken with Anderson hitting 19 of 24 and the Lady Rockets 16

The win Tuesday night brought the Lady Rockets' record to an impressive 12-3 on the season.

The girls will next host district foe Pulaski County this Friday night in a doubleheader with the Rockets and will also host North Laurel, along with the Rockets, next Tuesday night.







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Second Section

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Local inmates becoming good citizens through **MRT Program**

By: Mike French Editor

Jails exist to punish those who break the law by housing criminals until they serve their time. The Rockcastle County Detention Center is there to also give criminals a second chance.

Rockcastle County Jailer Nathan Carter had heard mumbling from his prisoners about their wish to "get a fresh start" when they get out of jail. He heard them talk about their wish to be a productive member of society, instead of falling back into the same traps that put them in jail in the first place. So, he decided to find a way to help them do just that.

"I met Carl Weaver who headed the MRT (Moral Reconation Therapy) Program and I went to talk to him about getting him here to provide that for our inmates," said Carter with a proud smile on his face. "Our inmates earned 93 certificates in the first year."

The MRT Program is operated throughout the United States and in nine other countries but had never been tried at the RCDC - until now.

"65 of our inmates graduated. There were 32 females and 33 males, Carter said. "And we already have more people enrolled for the next classes."

The program focuses on how to alter how offenders think and how they make decisions about right and wrong. according to their manual. "We teach them classes and provide their books to show them how to move away from the lifestyle that got them there in the first place," said Carter.

And, it's working. In fact, Carter says he sees his past inmates out in the community working jobs and being a part of "normal" society almost everyday. "I see them out doing right things with their families and friends and working hard to provide and support themselves and their loved ones. I also get reports from those who hire them after they leave me."

One of those Carter uses as work assistance is Kimberly Chasteen of Highland Diversified, who gives Carter applications and then once the inmate has completed the program, Carter helps the them get a job with the company. "Kimberly gives me reports on how they are doing and it is clear this program is working," he said.

Of those taking the classes, 12 females and eight males earned multiple certificates in different courses. And those certificates do a lot for each inmate. First, it shows their accomplishment. Second, it helps them get a job once they leave the facility after having served their time. Third, each certificate and completed course removes 90 days from their sentence. An inmate with three certificates has 270 days taken off their sen-

The program was started at RCDC in February of 2019 and the first graduating class now includes 65 proud inmates.

Classes the inmates completed include anger management, untangling relationships, parenting for women, relapse prevention and how to escape "your" prison.

The books do cost a little money and there is some expense to the program in general. But Carter says he pays for it all through the jail's commissary and though donations from UNITE and ASAP as well as anyone else who may want to help support the program. The truth is, the entire community benefits each time an inmate is taught to escape the vicious circle that is a typical prisoner who leaves the facility only to return to the same lifestyle, Carter

The program is clearly working since it started with 16 inmates registered and grew to 65 in the first year. And this year, the program is starting the year with 37 already enrolled. "This is what we do. We find ways to help them, not punish them. We teach them to adapt to life after jail. We teach them to recognize triggers that set them off before and how to deal with those triggers. That way,

everyone wins," he said. The program is not an easy thing to provide for all the inmates. Workers and staff have to deal with anger issues of some inmates at times. Deputies have to keep a closer watch on things each time an inmate is outside their cell. Records must be kept. Paperwork and red tape must be dealth with. It can be a lot of extra work for jail staff.

But when hearing a suggestion that the jail itself or even Carter himself should receive some benefit or recognition for providing the program for the inmates, his response without hesitation was, "Oh, I do get a reward for it all. When I see a past inmate out with his family eating dinner and laughing with loved ones, that's when I get my re-

ward." Anyone interested in donating or helping the MRT Program at the RCDC should call the jail and ask for Jailer Carter.



This crash on I-75 on New Year's Eve caused the closure of the highway for several hours and a traffic back-up from Berea through Mount Vernon.

Fatal crash closes I-75 for several hours

By: Mike French Editor

I-75 and U.S. 25 were backed up for several miles on Tuesday, December 31 after a fatal collision caused the closure of the interstate.

According to a press release from the Kentucky State Police, Jack McIntosh, 69, of Richmond, was operating a wrecker, pulling a disabled semi truck, and was merging onto I-75 when 70-year-old Samuel G. Thomas, of North Carolina, rammed into the disabled semi from the rear.

Thomas was pronounced dead at the scene. Both McIntosh, and his passenger, Damion Covington of North Carolina, were uninjured.

The accident occurred five miles south of Berea in the southbound lanes and caused the closure of the highway for several hours which caused the traffic congestion from Berea through Mount Vernon.

Police do not know the reason why Thomas hit the semi and the cause of the crash is under investigation.

KSP Senior Officer Brandon Durham is investigating the incident. He was assisted at the scene by Sgt Randall Honeycutt, the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Dept., EMS, personnel of Emergency Management, the Rockcastle County Coroner's office and the Mount Vernon Fire Department.

New Children's home may be coming to Mount Vernon soon

By: Mike French Editor

"It's a God thing"

This is how Edith and Luke Barnett describe their newest endeavor --The Mount Vernon Children's Home.

The local couple has spent their life finding ways to take care of children in need. And now they have an idea that may take care of a lot of children in need all at the same time.

The local couple has five children in their own home, and they have been involved in foster care for nearly 10 years. But, every week, Edith gets a call or hears about another local youth that is needing a home or a place to stay

for awhile. "The need is great and we were able to get a huge home," said Edith of their newly purchased location on Red Foley Road. "There is room for 22 kids there and we know we will fill that quickly."

But the house isn't open yet. "There is a tremendous amount of red tape," said Edith. "We put up all we had and sold everything we could sell trying to get the new home ready. But now, af-

ter a year of working with them the state says we have to install a fire sprinkler system.

The couple has been blessed with donations and help from many sources, including local citizens, churches and businesses trying to help.

The new sprinkler system alone is going to cost nearly \$40,000 dollars and that is after finding someone willing to donate the labor. Such surprises has the new children's home on hold for the time being because, "no one has bothered to mention that we had to have that until now," she said.

Still, the Barnetts hope to find a way to open the children's home in February if they can meet all

the state requirements. "We are trying to open as soon as we can," said Edith with a shaky voice as she talked about those children born addicted to drugs. "It is a hardship on a mother and we want to be there for them."

Once open, the home will accept youth of all types with needs of any kind. "We won't turn someone away if they need a place," said Edith. "We hope to take the kids that they can't find a ers but we sometimes just place for. Especially pregnant girls who have nowhere to turn."

The task has indeed been a challenging endeavor but the Barnetts never gave up. "We were so hoping to be ready by Christmas because that's when a lot of need arises," she said. "But, once we open we will have three floors and lots of room."

The couple is already working closely with doctors, social workers, counselors and many others who will provide services at the children's home and, once operating, any youngster with nowhere to turn will once again have an option.

"Most of the kids are placed by social work-

have a young person knock on our door," said Edith, "and we answer."

The home will even accept babies. "So many times a young girl has a baby born with an addiction and the mother just doesn't know what to do," she said. "We will be there. There should be no more babies left behind."

If everything works the way the Barnetts have planned, local kids with a need will have another place to turn and another door to knock on when times are at their hardest. And come February, the Barnetts say they will an-

swer the door. For more information, or to seek help or direction, anyone may call (606) 308-3985.

New Constable appointed in district four

By: Mike French Editor

Though details are sketchy, reports indicate that Donnie Cope, Rockcastle County Fourth District Constable, has resigned his post and has been formally charged with theft by deception.

According to the circuit clerks office, Cope was indicted on July 12, 2019 and later resigned his post as constable though the cause for the charges are not clear.

Officials say Cope was officially charged in July of last year but was only replaced last week when Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook appointed Dale

Miller as the new Rockcastle County District Four Constable. Officials at the circuit

clerk's office say a plea from Cope is scheduled for January 24 in District Court. However, the ap-

pointment of Miller is only binding until the primary elections on Tuesday, May 19 when he may run for the of-

In Kentucky, a constable has the authority to enforce both the traffic code and the criminal code of the state. They may execute warrants, summonses, subpoenas and orders of court in all criminal, penal and civil cases.

Rogers Scholars application deadline is January 24th

The deadline for the 2020 Rogers Scholars application is fast approaching. Before students complete the online application process, The Center for Rural Development recommends that applicants complete all items on the application's

The deadline to apply

for this summer's Rogers Scholars program is Jan. 24, 2020. The application is a two-step process.

The first step in the application process is completing a checklist. Once the checklist is complete, students can move on to the second step, which is filling out the application on the youth programs'

website. centeryouthprograms.com.

The application checklist includes the following: · Personal Informa-

tion: This includes school

and personal contact information as it relates to the applicant.

 Extracurricular Ac-(See "Scholar" on B6)



Let the Bible Speak

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, every 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt.Vernon. Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577, Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. **Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. 606-256-5577. Men and women, small groups. Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies

- Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, every 6 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria. 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Special Service

There will be a special service at the Berea Gospel Tabernacle on Friday, January 10th, beginning at 7 p.m.

Stevie Isaacs of Big Hill will be the special speaker.

Ralph Chasteen and congregation invite everyone.

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church will hold their monthly singing Sunday night, January 26th, beginning at 6 p.m.

The Mountain View Bluegrass Gospel Singers will be the featured singers.

Everyone welcome.

If you or your group

are interested in singing at these services, call 606-392-2294.

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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 brideleth not his tongue, but deceiveth 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, man a provided 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, separateth 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.

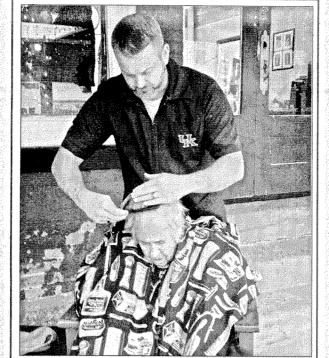
Our religion is in vain when we don't put our hearts into what we are doing. Matthew 15:8 These people draweth nigh unto me their lips, but their heart is far from me. Folks if when we sing if we are just saying the words and they don't come from the heart our worship is in vain or if we pray and we 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 some where 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 2020 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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Only in a small town -- Shortly after Christmas, Rockcastle County was experiencing some beautiful non-winter weather and Lucille Carloftis of Livingston decided she needed a haircut. The steps into Medley's Barber Shop in Livingston are challenging to us older folks, so Jason, who is also mayor of Livingston, accommodated Mrs. Carloftis by giving her a haircut on the sidewalk in front of his shop. Just another perk of small town living.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

CHICKEN ALFREDO DIP

1 package (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened 1/2 cup alfredo sauce

1/2 cup alfredo sauce 1 cup mozzarella cheese 2 cup shredded chicken 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

In a medium mixing bowl combine cream cheese, Alfredo sauce, and half of the mozzarella cheese; stir in chicken until all ingredients are thoroughly combined. Spoon into ovensafe casserole dish or baking pan. Top with Parmesan cheese and remaining mozzarella cheese. Bake at 350° for 25 minutes; then broil 3 to 5 minutes until cheese is golden brown and bubbly. Serve with a selection of crackers or vegetables.

CHICKEN ALFREDO LASAGNA

2 cups chopped cooked

chicken
2 jars of Classico® alfredo

sauce Salt and pepper

Garlic powder

1 box lasagna noodles, un-

cooked

2 cups mozzarella cheese 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 cup Parmesan cheese

shredded
Heat oven to 350°. In one bowl mix together the chopped chicken, seasoning and 1 and 1/2 jars of the alfredo sauce. In a second bowl mix together the mozzarella and Parmesan. In a 9 x 13 baking pan create your layers: 1/4 jar of alfredo sauce, noodles, chicken and sauce mix, cheese mix, noodles and

repeat. For the top layer

spread the rest of the sauce from the jar and 1 cup of shredded Parmesan cheese. Cover with foil and bake for 50 minutes.

SLOW COOKER CHICKEN ALFREDO LASAGNA

1 container (16 ounce) ricotta cheese

1 cup grated parmesan cheese

10 to 12 lasagna noodles, uncooked

2 jars (16 ounces) alfredo sauce

1/3 cup water

1 and 1/2 cups chicken, cooked and diced

2 cups grated mozzarella cheese

cheese 2 Tobay Parmesan cheese You will want to use a LARGE slow cooker, at least a 5 to 6 quart pot. Mix ricotta and grated parmesan cheese in a bowl. Set aside.

ricotta and grated parmesan cheese in a bowl. Set aside. Spray your slow cooker with nonstick cooking spray.

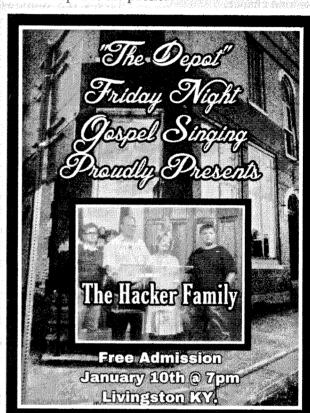
Break 3 to 4 noodles to fit in the bottom of your slow cooker. Layer a third of the Alfredo sauce, half of the water, and half of the chicken over the noodles. Spread half of the ricotta cheese/ parmesan mixture over noodles. Sprinkle a third of the mozzarella cheese over ricotta mixture. Add another layer of noodles. Layer a third of Alfredo sauce, remaining chicken, water, and ricotta cheese mixture. Sprinkle second third of mozzarella. Layer remaining noodles, sauce, and mozzarella. Sprinkle the 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese on top. Cover and cook on LOW for 4 to 5 hours (no longer than 5 hours or noodles go soft and mushy).

Session on alzheimer's

Join us January 23, 2020 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Rockcastle Regional Hospital & Respiratory Care Center in the Hospital Chapel for an educational session focused on the stages of Alzheimer's disease.

Discussion will include what to expect as the disease progresses from a behavioral and functional standpoint. There will also be tips on how to support your loved one throughout the disease.

Following the presentation we will have a general questions and answer session. A panel of experts from the UK Sanders Brown Center on Aging and the Alzheimer's Association will discuss updates and answer any questions pertaining to dementia. This program is offered through an interactive telemedicine system to connect with persons who are impacted by Alzheimer's disease and related memory disorders, providing education and supportive services across the state of Kentucky. Registration is required. Contact Sally Scherer at the UK Sanders Brown Center on Aging at 859-323-5550 or sally.scherer@uky.edu. Deadline to register is January 16th! This event is free and open to the public.



Rockcastle County Recycling Center open for recycling drop-offs

The Rockcastle County Recycling Center is located at 2528 South Wilderness Rd (US 25 South) next to the Rockcastle County Road Department Garage and is open Monday thru Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. (closed on major holidays).

The following items may be recycled: Newspapers w/inserts, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail, shredded

Newspapers w/inserts, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail, shredded paper (needs to be bagged), books, phone books (paper products cannot be plastic lined or coated), cardboard (both corrugated and slick), plastics #1 Pet or Pete, plastics #2 HDPE, (no sheet plastics or plastic bags of any kind; no buckets or totes, no matter what number is on it), metal cans, aerosol cans, aluminum cans, aluminum foil, aluminum pie plates, glass bottles and glass jars (lids must be removed and discarded), old cell phones, car batteries, empty printer and toner cartridges, old computers (no monitors of any kind) and all related accessories, telephones, radios, digital clocks, (no televisions of any kind), rechargeable batteries (if the battery says rechargeable on it, then it is recyclable), and large bulky metal items.

Clean used motor oil may also be dropped off at the Rockcastle County Road Department.

Recycling Drop-Off Trailers are available for use at:

Brodhead (at the back baseball field)
Conway (by Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.)
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Violations may be issued for putting trash in the recycling trailers!!!

If you have any questions, you may call the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902.



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f you would like to quit smoking or using other tobacco products, Rockcastle Regional Hospital can help. Using an innovative smoking/e-cigarette cessation program called Freedom From Smoking, we can help you become tobacco-free.

Join us **Tuesday, January 28** to start the 8-week program sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Classes are Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. (Meet in the outpatient registration lobby.)

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Contact Morgan Bray at 256-7704 or m.bray@rhrcc.org



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Berea, KY Tuesday Night 7 p.m. Sunday Night 6 p.m. **Bible Baptist Church** 100 Higher Ground (off US 25) Mount Vernon, Ky. Church Phone 606-256-5913 e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m. Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7 p.m. Video services Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m. Channel 3 - New Wave Cable Channel 5 in Berea and Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays Pastor: Travis Gilbert Associate Pastor/Youth: Bro. Jeremy Ellis Secretary: Jo Roberts

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Music Director: Dan Dull

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Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor **Buffalo Baptist Church** Located 15 miles south of

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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m. Bill Hall, Pastor Bill Mink, Asst. Pastor

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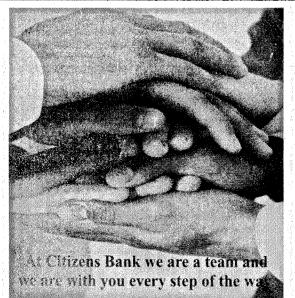
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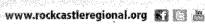
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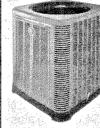
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Rockcastle Library is always excited to get to partner with the local school system and hope to triple the amount collected next year.

Regina Thompson, Children's Coordinator for the Library presented the underwear to each school Family Resource Coordinator this week.



Regina Thompson and Regina Hull-Brown, FRC Coordinator at MVES.



Regina Thompson and Angela King, FRC Coordinator at BES.



Regina Thompson and Sandy Bullen, FRC Coordinator at RES.

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Agricultural News

Newly Elected County Committee Member

(COC) Rockcastle County Committee tabulated the votes received for LAA #1 COC member on December 4, 2019 with the following results: Bill McKinney-73 votes; Clayton Cash-60 votes.

Rockcastle Co. COC wishes to welcome Bill McKinney as the newly elected COC member. In the event of Mr. McKinney not being able to attend. Clayton Cash will serve as his alternate.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues.

Next County Committee Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 8, 2020 8:00 A.M. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in the COC meeting should contact Warden Alexander at (606) 256-2525 or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 three days prior to the meeting date.

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(Continued from B1)

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 Community Service: Community service activities are defined as those activities that involve your time and volunteer efforts for a community-related group or project. This section is divided into two categories: school-related activities and non-school related activities.

 Essay: Students are tasked with writing a short essay. The essay will be scored in five arcontent, insightfulness, creativity, spelling and grammar, and formatting. The essay prompt can be found on the youth programs' website mentioned above.

 Transcript and GPA: Applicants must provide their official academic transcript, including their guidance counselor's contact information and unweighted GPA.

· Letters of Recommendation: Applicants are required to provide three letters of recommendations: two from their respective school district and one from a community member.

 Parental Consent: All applicants must have parental consent in order to fill out the online appli-

Rogers Scholars—The Center's flagship youth program—is open to rising high school juniors in Southern and Eastern Kentucky. Students apply during their sophomore year and attend prior to the start of their junior

The program provides valuable leadership skills and exclusive college scholarship opportunities to help students realize their potential as the region's next generation of business and entrepreneurial leaders.

During the intensive one-week summer program, Rogers Scholars work on building their leadership skills; participate in a series of teambuilding exercises; receive hands-on instructional training from professional experts in engineering, healthcare, communications, and space science; and interact with nationally recognized business leaders.

If selected, students will attend camp in one of two locations-Lindsey Wilson College in Columbia, KY, or Morehead State University in Morehead.

For more information or questions about the Rogers Scholars pro-

gram, call Allison Cross at 606-677-6000 or email across@centertech.com.

The Center's youth programs are offered at no cost to students in the following counties: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clay, Clinton. Cumberland, Elliott, Estill, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Harlan, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel,

Lawrence, Lee, Leslie,

Letcher, Lincoln, Magoffin, Martin, McCreary, Menifee, Metcalfe, Monroe, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley, and Wolfe.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky **28th Judicial Circuit** Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 10-CI-00100

Flagstar Bank, FSB

Plaintiff

Michael Bruce Houk a/k/a Michael Houk, Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial Services, University of KY Federal Credit Union, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 11, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FORTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHT DOLLARS AND 87/100 (\$246,508.87) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. 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 17, 2020 Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. 022-00-034.01

1305 Maretburg Cemetery Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

Being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Federal National Mortgage Association from Flagstar Bank, FSB, Michael Bruce Houk a/k/a Michael Houk, Jessica Houk, Cumberland Financial Services and Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet by John D. Ford, Master Commissioner, duly recorded in Deed Book 239, Page 485 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, a married man, from Michael Bruce Houk and Jessica Houk, husband and wife, duly recorded in Deed Book 218 page 660 and being located through and upon a part of the same tract of real property conveyed by deed to Michael Bruce Houk, married, from Vernon Bruce Houk and wife, Joyce Houk, duly recorded in Deed Book 192, page 426, all records of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

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

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. The purchaser shall pay the 2019 local, county and state property taxes.

4. 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.

5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.

6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of

7. 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.

8. 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".

9. If the property includes insurable improvements, then the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, in the amount of the court-appraised value of the improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court and Flagstar. The purchaser shall furnish written evidence of such insurance to the Master Commissioner within twentyfour (24) hours of the date of sale. Failure of the purchaser to obtain such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, Flagstar to obtain said insurance and furnish the policy or premium thereon, and the property portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as the purchaser's costs. If there are purchase money bonds in connection with the purchase of the Property at the sale, the deed of conveyance shall provide that such insurance shall be carried and failure to carry such insurance shall be a default on the part of the purchaser for which the purchase money bonds may be declared due.

> John D. Ford Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 18-CI-00267

Interstate Intrinsic Value Fund A, LLC

Plaintiff

Jason Brock, Melissa Brock aka Melissa Nicole Kirby aka Melissa Kirby, Kentucky Housing Corporation Suntrust Mortgage, ING **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 11, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUN-DRED SEVENTY EIGHT AND 38/100 (\$54,678.38) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. 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 Thursday, January 17, 2020 Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA MAP NO. #021NE-00-009.12 96 Chestnut Street, Brodhead, KY 40409

Being the same property conveyed from Jason Brock and Melissa Brock F/K/A Melissa Kirby to Jason Brock and Melissa Brock, husband and wife. by deed recorded February 23, 2006 in Deed Book

209, Page 157 in the County Clerk's Office, Rockcastle County Kentucky.

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

1. 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.

2. 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.

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John D. Ford **Master Commissioner** Rockcastle Circuit Court