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## Farmers Market getting closer



Workers for the McKeehan Construction Company started placing interior walls last week at the new Farmers Market on Richmond Street. The concrete pad is complete and officials hope to open the building for business before the end of the growing season this year.

## Matt Chaliff is newest city council member

By: Mike French  
Editor

Local native Matt Chaliff, 42, has been appointed to replace Jackie Weaver on the Mount Vernon City Council.

The council held their regular monthly meeting one week later than usual this month after postponing last week's meeting.

According to Mayor Mike Bryant, the meeting Thursday evening was a successful night with both agenda items handled in quick fashion.

With the resignation of elected council member Jackie Weaver, the council had 30 days to appoint a replacement for

Weaver's seat. If not accomplished in 30 days, Governor Andy Beshear would appoint the new member.

There had been some discussion about when the 30-day time frame began but, according to City Attorney Bobby Amburgey and City Consultant Josh Bray, that 30-day time frame began the night the council accepted the resignation and not when the resignation was submitted.

According to Mayor Bryant, councilman Clifford Mullins nominated Chaliff and, after some discussion about the nominee, the council voted unanimously to approve Chaliff's nomination.

Councilmember Shelly Lewis then asked for clarification that the appointment was made within the proper 30-day period and Amburgey and Mayor Bryant assured Lewis that all requirements were met.

"Matt is a very well educated, fine young man and I know he will have the best interest of the city as his agenda in all things," said Mayor Bryant.

The mayor said the nomination and approval came 28 days after the resignation of Weaver had been accepted. "We believe that accepting the nomination within the 30 time period is all that was required but, just to be

## Thirteen named in Grand Jury indictments

Thirteen people were named in indictments handed down by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury Friday, July 23.

Named in the indictments and their offenses were:

Christopher J. Foister, 28, of Somerset was in-

dicted for theft by unlawful taking. His bond was set at \$5,000 cash/property (c/p);

Brian Todd Davidson, 32, of Berea was indicted for theft by unlawful taking. Bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

Amber Michelle Tucker, 32, of Livingston was indicted for wanton endangerment. Her bond was set

at \$5,000 c/p; Shannon Lee York, 46, of Carolina Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted for

receiving stolen property. His bond was set at \$5,000 third party surety; Delbert Wayne Leger,

46, of Brodhead was indicted for unauthorized possession of a title or registration. His bond was set at \$2,500 c/p;

Craig McCreary, 31, of

(See "Jury" on A7)

## Three take Rocket Docket agreements

By: Mike French  
Editor

According to a press release from the Rockcastle Circuit Court

Clerk's office, the Rocket Docket Program processed three new cases in July.

The report says Samantha Key pleaded to possession of a controlled substance, first degree, first offense, and the Commonwealth Attorney recommended a three year sentence. Key also pleaded to another possession charge and again a three year sentence was

## River Sweep planned for this August

By: Mike French  
Editor

The Rockcastle River Sweep event this year is planned for Saturday, August 11 from 8 a.m. to noon and the focus will be on the removal of old tires and trash from the Rockcastle River.

(See "River" on A7)

## Brodhead drug arrests on the rise dramatically

By: Mike French  
Editor

The Brodhead Police Department added a new officer recently, doubling the size of the force. Kirk Mays joined Chief Richard Reynolds in attempts to make Brodhead a safer place to be.

For some time, officials in Brodhead had complained about "back packers" which is a small group of individuals who roam the streets in the early morning hours with a back pack. The worry centered around the fact that police did not know what the back packs contained.

But, as with most small towns, the biggest problem, according to officials, has been illegal drug activity in the area.

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's office, Livingston Police and the Mount Vernon Police Department have a team focused on illegal drug activity and now, Brodhead does also.

Reynolds and Mayor Walter Cash said bringing the second officer on board would make a difference and apparently the plan is working.

In the past week, the Rockcastle County Detention Center has shown several arrests by Mays who says he is constantly on the look out for such

activity. Among the arrests (See "Drug" on A7)

(See "Jury" on A7)

(See "Chaliff" on A7)

## Main Street loses power Monday

By: Mike French  
Editor

The south side of Main Street in Mount Vernon was shut down Monday morning when

workers at Highway 150 and U.S. 25, broke a telephone pole.

The pole was hit by the boom of a backhoe around 7 a.m. and busi-

nesses on Main Street were instantly without electricity.

The backhoe operator was apparently unaware that the pole had been

broken and continued to operate the heavy machinery for nearly 10 minutes after the

(See "Power" on A7)



Workers with Kentucky Utilities set a new pole on Highway 150 near Main Street Monday after a construction worker broke the existing pole with the boom of a back hoe. Electric was out on both sides of West Main Street for nearly seven hours causing businesses to close for most of the day. Shown at left is the broken pole and at right, workers drill the hole for the new pole.

## COVID still here

Rockcastle County remains in the orange zone, which is the second highest risk zone, as of Monday, July 26th.

With a new incident rating of 13.69 Rockcastle remains in orange while all other counties in the Cumberland Valley Region are now in the red zone. One positive case was reported in Rockcastle this week with 15 probable cases. Deaths remain at 9.

## Book signing

William F. Carman is scheduled to be at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame Friday, July 30 for a book signing. Carman is the author of *Saving Noah*, a novel about the murder of a Mount Vernon sheriff. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Little World's Fair

Don't forget the Little World's Fair starts Saturday, July 31. Gates will open at 5 p.m. each day and admission will be \$10. Everyone is encouraged to attend the event. All proceeds go to the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department.

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## Aces Over

By: Mike French



Dear Founding Fathers, you risked everything you had to create a free country where every man, woman and child were guaranteed life, could experience individual liberty and pursue happiness. A place where government didn't stand in the way of success and never put themselves above the people. A country of the people, by the people, for the people.

I want to tell you about America today. Just facts you may find interesting. No opinion, no guesswork, no politics. Just truth. Make of it what you will.

We had a President that built a wall almost around America to keep the drug cartel and criminals out. Democrats got in office and stopped the wall and invited all illegal immigrants to come on over. Now Democrats say it is Republicans' fault that illegal immigrants are flooding America.

That same Democrat stopped the Alaskan oil pipeline and funded Russia's pipeline. Now Democrats blame Republicans that gas prices have almost doubled in one year.

One hundred and fifty million Americans say there was voter fraud during the 2020 Presidential election. Democrats say we are wrong but the Supreme Court refused to even hear any evidence about it. Now when Republicans say there was voter fraud, we are called racists and conspiracy theory and we are demonized.

Democrats said people

who burned businesses down and beat people on the street and robbed citizens were expressing their rights. They even bailed them out of jail when a few did go. But when Republicans went to the Capitol to protest to those who were actually at fault, they were jailed and due process withheld.

Democrats say the wall to keep illegal people out is anti-American. Then they built a wall around the people's Capitol to keep Americans out.

Forefathers, Democrats now make the people buy third party products and say it is for our own good. You and I know that is called Socialism or Marxism and is as far from freedom as one can be. But they don't care.

Democrats joined with social media and decided to ban and block anyone who disagrees with them. Unless you say what they want you to say, you aren't allowed to speak the truth. I know, that isn't freedom either sirs. I'm sorry.

Our government shut down the country last year because it was flu season.

Hey, Founding Fathers, here's an interesting thing about the national media that you said should be a free press.

Democrats defunded police departments, refuse to arrest or charge thugs who riot and loot stores, released hardened criminals from prison

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## T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



It is That Time of the Season Again... Finally

Dear Journal,

Stanley and I have had one of the most enjoyable weekends we've had in a very long time. It seems that the season for family get-togethers is upon us once again after a long time. The COVID virus has cheated us out of so many good times that we could have had this past year. There were all of the holidays that were just let go. Some broke the rules and had them anyway but it may have cost some in attendance a very bad period of sickness or death. Now that the new Delta variant is here and before it gets really bad and the Lambda variant comes our way, the Cooks and Anglins slipped in a little quick get-together.

I think this week end was so special because we got to see people we hadn't seen in a long time and we just got to be around people. Who would have ever thought that just seeing and being around people could be so wonderful? Then, when you add good food and conversation, you couldn't ask for much more.

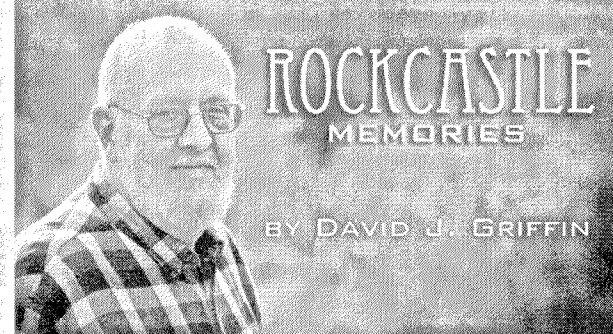
Stanley's sister, Edna, and her daughter, Gina, got to come in from Vir-

ginia. It was especially good to have seen Edna again. She had been sick and in the hospital since we had seen her. On Friday night, the four of us had a very good meal at the Limestone Grill. Sadly, they were out of the fried mushrooms, Edna's favorite. Once, she said that they had been made in heaven. She did get some fried green tomatoes, probably her second favorite.

The next day was the much anticipated get-together. It was held at a new venue, the Heritage, owned by the Craig Family. It was such a lovely place. It so reminded me of an old Southern plantation. Being the history buff, it really appealed to me. There was enough food to have fed a small army and enough left over to have fed another small army. We all really owe cousins Cathy Haynes and Robby Robbins a very big thank you for putting this wonderful event together. Hopefully, they can be coaxed in to doing it again in the future.

I'm finally learning several of Stanley's family, at least the older generations and a few of the

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Jerry's Restaurant

My wife (Kathy) recently came to me with an announcement she had discovered on her newsfeed that the Jerry's Restaurant in Paris, KY was celebrating their 60-year anniversary. Unaware that any Jerry's restaurants were still in existence in Kentucky, she was delighted and immediately lobbied for me to take her there.

After deciding to make the scenic drive to Paris to eat dinner on a Friday evening, we invited our friend Dutch Ishmael to join us.

In July 1961, A.B. and Maxine Pulliam opened the Paris Jerry's and it has been in business for the past 60 years. The Paris Jerry's is the only Jerry's Restaurant still operating in Kentucky.

Kathy, Dutch, and I

were equally tickled to learn that most of the traditional Jerry's meals are still on the 60 year old menu. Dutch and I ordered the J-boy platter while my wife enjoyed the Champ plate. The meal tasted the same after all these years. Ever the Cole slaw was "right." We were delighted and took pleasure in the memories we shared about going to Jerry's many years ago.

The experience took me back to both the Campbellsville Jerry's and the one in Mt. Sterling where I was coaching football as a young teacher and coach. After the home games, the team, cheerleaders coaches, and school administrators gathered at the local Jerry's to celebrate and share a post

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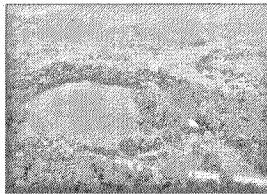
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TRACT 3 located across the road from tracts 1 & 2 and is pending survey.

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The owners of this well established business have contracted our firm to offer it at absolute auction.

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The lot measures approx. 97' along Hwy 150 and 200' deep on the west side, 97.33' on the rear and 205' on the east side. Subject to an easement as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 729, Slide 957 Tract 2.

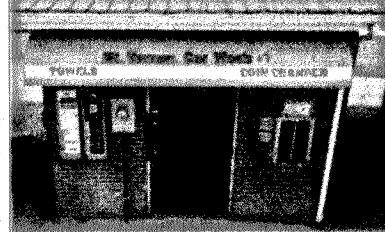
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**Monday, Aug. 2nd:** Calloway, Red Hill and Livingston.  
**Tuesday, Aug. 3rd:** Maple Grove, Orlando, Climax.

**Upcoming Classes at Rockcastle Extension**  
**Beginning Sewing Classes:** July 29 at 6-9 p.m. **Ultimate Scrap Quilt Class for Adults:** July 29 at 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Please call to register for the classes at 606-256-2403.

### Rockcastle Garden Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Rockcastle Garden Club will be Monday, August 16th at the extension office at 6 p.m. Carcille Carloftis Burchette, our current Garden Club state president, and Donna Smith, past state president, will present a program on how to prepare a horticulture specimen for a flower show. Be sure to mark this date as you won't want to miss this one. These ladies will share a wealth of information on selecting flowers and leaves from your own garden. You will learn tips on how to help your homegrown bouquets last longer. The public is invited, as always. Bring any questions you may have and bring a friend.

### Caregiver Connection Monthly Meeting

There will be a Caregiver Connection Monthly Meeting Friday, July 30th, from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Compassionate Care Center. Lunch will be provided. Free for any family caregiver. Share resources, tips, frustrations, joys and more with fellow caregivers. registration required. Learn more and register at [hospicecareplus.org](http://hospicecareplus.org) or 859-976-1500.

### Brodhead Alumni Banquet October 2nd

The Annual Brodhead Alumni Banquet, originally scheduled for April 10th, has been rescheduled for October 2nd at 6 p.m. at Brodhead Elementary School.

### Mt. Vernon High School Reunion

The Mt. Vernon High School Reunion is scheduled for September 11, 2021 at the Rockcastle County Middle School, beginning at 6 p.m. The classes of 1970 and 1971 will be honored. Invitations will be mailed out in July.

### 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 5908

Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members, those qualified to be members and family members. The post is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to close. The 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, the post hosts a Vet Help group for those veterans who are struggling. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander William B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882, Post Commander Glenda Botellos at 606-386-9360 or Service Office Micah Shuler 859-358-6606.

### American Legion Post News

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

### Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

**Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead:** Community Outreach Center, two sessions - Monday, 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Leaders: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590/Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099/Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** 7 p.m. on Williams St., Mt. Vernon.

**Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery Step Studies. Men Only.** Northside Baptist, 606-256-5577, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride on the church van.

**Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only.** Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Leaders: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 and Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

**AA Meeting,** 8 p.m. Open Share at the Brodhead Center.

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

**Saturday - Celebrate Recovery:** Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Road, Mt. Vernon. 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 606-308-8226, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

### DAR Meetings

The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to attend.

### 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.

## Legal Notice

Financial documents for the **Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission** may be examined by the public Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 2590 Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. The Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission holds its regular scheduled monthly board meetings at 4:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 2590 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. All meetings are open to the public.

## “Aces”

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and invite all the criminals from other countries to America. Today, that news media you said should be free and unbiased wrote headlines that say "Experts don't know why there is a 40% spike in crime."

I know, don't you?

## “Memory”

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game meal.

When I was coaching in Campbellsville, Head Coach Vince Hancock checked on the curfew of all the players on Thursday evenings before our Friday night games. After checking on the each of the players, in their homes, the coaches met at Jerry's to have strawberry pie and coffee.

At Mt. Sterling, the football coaches often met at Jerry's to finalize our coaching plans for the coming week. And once again, strawberry pie was usually shared by the coaches.

Also at Mt. Sterling, it was a given that the team and coaches would meet at Jerry's to celebrate our after-game meal. I remember that our Principal, Winston Hamilton, and the coaches would move from table to table to make sure that all players had enough money to cover their meals. The Mt. Sterling High School athletic department would often pay for the team's meal if the game was a special event.

I also remember that the parents, cheerleaders, and fans would all go to Jerry's immediately after the game to wait for the team members and coaches. Several tables would be reserved for us, and the fans would cheer when the team appeared.

I can't explain how much I loved the recent Jerry's experience in Paris. The restaurant, menu, and food took me back to the 60's decade when I was actively involved with football. I could almost visualize my former players and fellow coaches. That was a memorable time during my teaching career of 38 years. Thanks, Jerry's!

(You can reach me at [themtnman1962@gmail.com](mailto:themtnman1962@gmail.com) or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments.)

## “T.J.’s”

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younger ones, too. Hopefully, some of the younger generations in all families will continue to have reunions, but re-

unions are vanishing before our eyes. The younger generations just don't care so much about family...they just take it for granted. After almost twenty years, you'd think I could be more familiar with everyone, but I'm getting there. There were a few new faces this year. Cousin Steve and family have been through an extremely rough patch this past year. He and his daughter were so hurt and still are, I'm sure, but af-

ter a long struggle, he has found a wonderful lady to share his burden, to help him stand up under it and shoulder some of the pain. After meeting her, she seemed just like a breath of fresh air and such a delight to know.

For the final celebration, twelve of us gathered at the Mount Vernon Fuel Center (truck stop) at Burr Hill for breakfast. Oh, my goodness, what a good time we had. We were talking and laughing

so much we could scarcely eat although everything as so delicious. However, all too soon it had to come to an end. It was time for the various ones to go back to Ohio and Virginia. It was a bit-bittersweet time. We were so glad to have gotten to see the family but then, after what seems like only a moment they're gone leaving us hungry for that next opportunity, that season of get-togethers.

## Frankfort Update

By: **Josh Bray**  
**State Representative**  
*Historic opioid settlement reached: Could bring \$460 million to fight scourge of addiction across state*

There is no escaping the opioid epidemic. It knows no boundaries and I am hard pressed to find anyone who does not know someone struggling with an addiction to an opioid. We were making gains, until the COVID-19 pandemic and state government's shutdown left users isolated, lonely, and craving a crutch to get them through the stressful time. As a result, we saw drug overdose deaths increase by more than 50 percent last year. These were mothers, fathers, children, parents, and friends.

It is easy to question how someone could become addicted in this day and age. We know drug abuse is bad. After all, billions of dollars have been spent educating and advocating for children and adults to "just say no." Yet, addicts are created every day. Unfortunately, one of the greatest contributing factors is that some companies have used predatory practices to market and sell these highly addictive drugs - specifically opioids - despite knowing the dangers and laws prohibiting them. As a result, thousands of lawsuits have been filed against manufacturers by state and local governments in courts across the nation. Last week, we learned that three major distributors and one manufacturer have reached an agreement that may resolve many of these lawsuits. While states have 30 days to review the terms of the proposed settlement and sign on, it has the potential to provide critical resources to address the scourge of addiction.

According to the terms of this agreement, the four entities could pay a total of \$26 billion to governments. The three distributors would pay up to \$21 billion over 18 years. The manufacturer would have nine years to pay up

to \$5 billion. The formula used to determine each state's portion of the settlement includes several factors, like the number of deaths, the number of residents with a substance use disorder related to opioid use, and the number of opioids prescribed. The bottom line for our state, Kentucky could receive \$460 million.

While there is still some uncertainty surrounding this settlement, we do know how any settlement money would be allocated. This session we worked with Attorney General Daniel Cameron, and county and city representatives to craft and pass HB 427. The bill ensures that the settlement monies from any litigation against opioid manufacturers or distributors is used to benefit those most harmed by their practices. It calls for half the proceeds to go to the state and half to localities, and requires the money be used to combat the opioid epidemic.

I want to add that the settlement agreement goes farther than penalizing these companies. It requires significant changes in how they do business. They will begin reporting data about where and how often drugs are being shipped to a centralized clearinghouse - this should help identify and eliminate problems. The settlement

also prohibits shipping of suspicious opioid orders and requires they be reported to authorities. In addition, the opioid manufacturer must stop selling opioids and share clinical trial data with an open data access project. The manufacturer is also prohibited from funding grants that promote opioids and lobbying on activities that relate to opioids.

As you can see, this is a significant victory in the war for our people's mental and physical health. It is not over, but we have made a big gain. I want to recognize Attorney General Daniel Cameron for the work he and his office have done to secure this settlement. They have been aggressive and committed the resources necessary to represent our state.

Now, let's be clear - this money will not bring back those who have died. It provides little comfort to the child who lost his mother, or the parent who lost their child. However, it provides us with an opportunity to prevent future pain and anguish.

As always, I can be reached here at home anytime, or through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. Feel free to contact me via email at [Josh.Bray@lrc.ky.gov](mailto:Josh.Bray@lrc.ky.gov). If you would like more information visit the LRC website [www.legislature.ky.gov](http://www.legislature.ky.gov).

## City Hall heating up for everyone

As with many homes and businesses this year, high temperatures have caused the air conditioning system at Mount Vernon's City Hall to stop functioning. "That's a \$7,000 bill that we really didn't want. But sometimes there is nothing you can do," said Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant.

The lack of air conditioning caused temperatures to rise near 90 for several days at City Hall and the Mayor said he closed the doors for the safety of the workers. "It was too hot for everyone to stay in the office a couple of days and I had to send them home," he said. "We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused anyone and we hope to repair the system as soon as possible."

Mayor Bryant says the issue does not need council approval since the cost will be less than \$30,000 but he has talked with council members about the issue to keep everyone informed.

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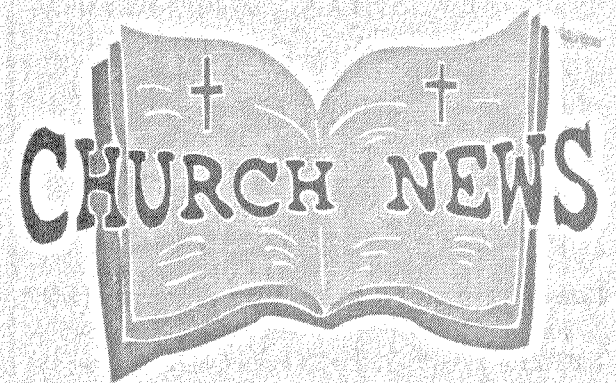
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# Obituaries



## Bryan Keith Mullins

Bryan Keith Mullins, 36, of Crab Orchard, died unexpectedly on July 26, 2021, at Rockcastle Regional Hospital due to injuries sustained from a tragic car accident.



He was a member of Northside Baptist Church, loved his friends and family, collecting good bourbon, and was notoriously late to everything. Most of all, Bryan was a devoted father and loved being Bryson's dad more than anything.

He is survived by: his son, Bryson Keith Mullins; his mother, Brenda Mullins; sister, Brandy Brock (Tim); niece and nephew, McKinzie Todd and Noah Brock; and his girlfriend, Carissa Ingram (Blake, Brooklyn, and Hunter Ingram); aunts and uncles, Barbara Mullins (Shelly), David Coffey (Jenise), Danny Bustle (Kristy), Edward Rice, Carol Winstead (Pat), Kaye and Paul Mason, Larry Neff (Von), and Steven Neff; paternal grandmother, Maxine Hatfield and maternal grandmother, Mary Coffey.

He is predeceased by: his father, Keith Mullins; his grandparents, Noah Mullins, Lee Rice, and Carl Coffey; and one uncle, Rodney Neff.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Shannon Franklin officiating. Burial was in Climax Cemetery.

Paulbearers were: Jacob Burdette, Derick Bradley, Noah Brock, Danny Bustle, David Coffey, Edward Rice, Blake Ingram, Dustin Renner, and Michael Hays.

## Farley Newcomb, Jr

Farley Newcomb, Jr., 43, of Brodhead, died at his home Saturday, July 24, 2021. He was born May 26, 1978, in Rockcastle County, a son of Farley Eldon Newcomb, Sr., and Deanna Faye Mink Cartmill. He was of the Holiness faith and attended Morning View Holiness Church. He enjoyed logging, kids, fishing, swimming, playing darts, landscaping, and socializing with people.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his father, Farley Eldon Newcomb, Sr., and Teresa of Livingston; and mother, Deanna Faye Mink Cartmill of Brodhead; a brother, Eldon Newcomb (Jacklene) of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Julia Kirby, and Angela Lynch (Shane), both of Brodhead, Tabitha Newcomb of Somerset, and Allison Newcomb of Brodhead; step sisters, Cassandra Harker of Stanford, and Amanda Lunsford of McKee; special nephew and niece, Joel and Samantha Newcomb; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Joel Newcomb.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 2021 at Alec Mink Cemetery with Jason Medley officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Farley's honor to his Burial Fund; PO Box 658, Brodhead, KY 40409.

## Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

### SMILEY'S WILTED LEAF LETTUCE

This is how my Uncle Smiley Jack always made his wilted lettuce. His daughter Jennie made the recipe like her father did and wrote the ingredients and their amounts down for me. In her note, she mentions that her Daddy didn't put the eggs in the salad, but her husband Al likes the eggs in there.

6 slices bacon  
1/2 cup chopped green onions with stems  
1/4 cup white vinegar  
1/4 cup water  
4 teaspoons sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
8 cups leaf lettuce, torn into bits  
2 boiled eggs sliced, optional  
Cook bacon until crisp; drain and crumble (save drippings). Add onion to drippings and cook until tender. Add vinegar, water, sugar, salt, and pepper. Cook and stir until boiling. Place lettuce in bowl. Pour hot dressing over lettuce; toss to coat of wilted. Add crumbled bacon to mixture. Top with sliced eggs. Serve at once. Will not stay fresh long.

### FREEZER PICKLES

5 large cucumbers, thinly sliced  
1 large onion, thinly sliced  
2 tablespoons salt

1/2 cup vegetable or canola oil  
1/2 cup sugar  
2/3 cup apple cider vinegar  
1 teaspoon dried dill  
3 cloves garlic, thinly sliced

In a large bowl, mix cucumbers, onion and salt. Let stand for 2 hours at room temperature. Drain. Pack into freezer containers leaving 1-inch space at the top. Mix remaining ingredients. Pour into each container to cover pickles and onions. Make sure there is some garlic in each container. Seal and place in freezer.

### Home CANNED salsa

Doris, Melvin's sister, gave me this recipe. Either fresh or canned tomatoes will work. Both are equally good.

1 gallon tomatoes, diced  
6 green bell peppers, diced  
4 onions, chopped  
4 jalapeño peppers, chopped  
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 cup white vinegar  
1/4 cup salt  
3 garlic bulbs, chopped  
1 can (12 ounce) tomato paste  
Mix all together and bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium and let boil for 30 to 35 minutes. Pack in sterilized jars and seal.

## Traci Machelle Parsons

Miss Traci Machelle Parsons, 35, of Somerset and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Saturday, July 17, 2021 at her home. She was born June 20, 1986 in Richmond, the daughter of Kathy Jo Thomas Parsons and the late Tully Parsons. She was a member of the Berea Church of Christ.

In addition to her mother, Kathy Parsons, she is survived by: a son, Dillon Parsons and a daughter, Madeline Parsons, both of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, Adam and Sarah Parsons of Mt. Vernon, Clinton and Sherry Parsons of Louisville, and Blake and Brislyn Saylor of Richmond; and two sisters, Becky and Randy Bullock of Brodhead, and Cathy Irene and Larry Kalzny of Milford, MI. Several nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by her father, Tully Parsons, and her step-father, Rick Combs.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 23, 2021 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial was in Maret Cemetery.

Paulbearers were: Ricky Healy, Adam Parsons, Clinton Parsons, James Parsons, William Parsons, Blake Saylor, Bryan Whitt, and Chris Whitt.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

## George W. Murphy

George W. Murphy, Jr., 94, of Lexington, died Saturday, July 24, 2021 at Bluegrass Hospice Care Center.

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

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


## Verna Mae Houston

Verna Mae Houston, 84, of Ft. Thomas and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, July 22, 2021.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, July 29, 2021 at 1 p.m. at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home after 11 a.m. Thursday.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.



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*Due to a dissolution of marriage, the owners of this property have authorized our firm to sell this house and lot at public auction.*

The house has a living room, kitchen and dining room combination, 3 bedrooms, bath and den. It has like new metal roof, electric heat, partial storm windows, washer and dryer hookup, kitchen cabinets and more.

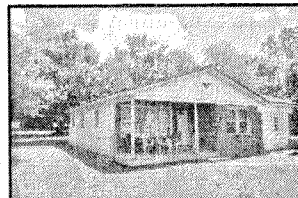
The house is situated on a nice level lot measuring 75' x 150' with nice shade trees and directly across from the Crab Orchard Elementary School.



**AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:** If you're looking for a home in a great location that needs some fixing up or an investment property, check this one out.

**NOTE:** The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property of lead-based paint. The period for inspections begins July 19th through July 28th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day inspection period.

**TERMS:** Real Estate- 20% down due within 48 hours of close of bidding, with balance in 30 days with deed. Personal Property- Payment in full due at pickup in the form of cash, check, Visa or MasterCard with an additional 3% processing fee (\$3 minimum).

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### Revival at Sand Springs Baptist

Sand Springs Baptist Church will be holding a revival beginning Monday, August 9th, until the Lord tells us to stop.

Services will be at 7 o'clock each evening with Bro. Johnny Shell as evangelist.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

### Church Services at City Park

A church service will be held at Mt. Vernon City Park this Saturday, July 31st.

The Bluegrass group, *Just Enough*, will be singing from 5 to 6 p.m. and special guests, Ms. Patti Halcomb from Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Ms. Judy Mullins will be singing at 6 p.m.

Bro. Jack Stallworth will be preaching and Bro. Andy Hall will also be participating in the service.

Hot dogs and refreshments will be served.

This event is sponsored by Bro. John Burton and Crosspoint Church of Mt. Vernon.

Please bring your lawn chair and come out and enjoy the service.

### Benefit Singing and Cook-Out

There will be a Benefit Singing and Cook-Out for Maple Grove Cemetery, to replace the fence, on Saturday, August 7th, beginning around 10 a.m.

The event will be held at the cemetery and there will be hot dogs, chili dogs, burgers, pulled pork BBQ, chips, water, soft drinks, coffee, cakes and brownies. There will be tables and chairs or bring your own chair.

Everyone welcome. Come and help us out.

All singers are welcome.

For more info, call 758-4489.

### Let the Bible Speak

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

### HONEY BEE SWARM REMOVAL

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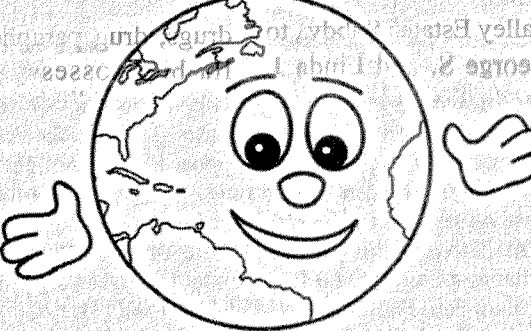
When you see a swarm of honey bees call D & A Swarm Chasers.

Contact us at:  
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This is a FREE community service by D & A Swarm Chasers.

Bees will be relocated to a safe place!!





## 2021 Rockcastle River Sweep

Join us on Saturday, August 21st from 8:00 am to noon to help remove tires and trash from the Rockcastle River.

Bring a canoe or flat bottom boat and be ready to get wet and muddy!

Meet at the Rockcastle River where you ford the river over to Wildcat Mountain.

Free t-shirts while supplies last & lunch will be provided after the cleanup.

Call the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information.

### Stimulus To Better Living

We understand what it means to be financially stimulated, our government sent us checks this past year to help us during the pandemic.

What about our daily life on this earth? If there were things we could do, to stimulate our life, to help us dwell among our friends in harmony, would we add those things to our life. Here are some things we should consider.

1. Have I spoken evil of any person this day? James 4:11 speak not evil of one another my brethren.
2. Have I taken the name of God in vain? Exodus 20:7 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
3. Have I been a gossip? Leviticus 19:16 Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people.
4. Have I this day been quick to speak and quick to wrath? James 1:19 Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to wrath.
5. Have I been a peacemaker on the job, in the school, in the church and in every walk of life? Romans 14:19 Let us follow those things which make for peace.
6. Have I been unselfish in all my dealings? Philipians 2-4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man on the things of others.
7. Have I been this day free of malice and hate? Titus 3-3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.
8. Have I been free of envy of another's honor, position, possessions or success? Proverbs 14:30 But envy is the rottenness of the bones.

Thank you for reading this message and I hope you and I consider these words, to help us live a more complete and full life upon this earth, next week Lord willing we will look at some more traits to stimulate our life. As always, I pray God has blessed you with the things you need, and we all remember to count our blessings and thank the good Lord above for seeing to our needs. If you would like to contact someone from the church at these numbers-606-878-8104 or 859-582-4021.

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# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## Marriage Licenses

Patricia Carpenter, property on Fern Lane, to Billy R. and Donna S. Hacker. Tax \$3.50

Carla Jeanette Rowe, property in Rolling Hills Subdv., to Michael Kevin Rowe. No tax

Danny O. and Nancy K. Helton, property in Rockcastle County, to Troy A. and Jackie R. Mahaffey. Tax \$96

Estate of Oliver Miller, property in Rockcastle County, to Jonathan Rhodus. Tax \$135

Terry and Catina Hasty, property in Rockcastle County, to Tate and Brooklyn Clements. Tax \$112

Dearl and Elva Rose, property on Hwy. 1912, to Justen S. and Jamie N. Rice. Tax \$250

The Beulah T. Lear Irrevocable Living Trust, property in Rockcastle County, to Kevin and Ladonna Miller. Tax \$165

Jeremy Tyler and Kayla Shearer and Brandon Shearer, property in Cromer and Lambert Subdivision, to Brandon N. Shearer.

Billie D. French and William C. Buckley, property on Conway Road, to Todd Back. Tax \$160

David and Anita Boyd, property in Pine Valley Estates Subdv., to George S. and Linda J. Dunn. Tax \$138

Jeremy and Jacinda Rowe, property in Rockcastle County, to James and Aricka Isaacs. Tax \$27

Roy Miller, property on Big Sink Road, to Will and Bridget Rodgers. Tax \$205

Amanda C. Bullock, property on Bandy Road, to Shane E. Mills. Tax \$115

Heather Leann Walling, 20, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle Regional to Zachary Eugene Wyatt King, 20, Mt. Vernon, Chapin Industries. 7/16/21

Natalie Faith Kirby, 19, Mt. Vernon, medical asst. and William Clifton Boone, 20, Mt. Vernon, barber. 7/21/21

Becky Ann Riley, 41, Berea, housewife and Bobby Allen Vanwinkle, 48, Berea, disabled. 7/21/21

Amy Renee Rogers, 44, Mt. Vernon, unemployed and Delbert Ray Stewart, 43, Berea, factory. 7/23/21

## District Court

July 19-27, 2021

Hon. Kathryn G. Slone Miguel Alfaro: Speeding, \$42 fine; no operators/moped license, \$50 fine plus costs.

Jason Paul Allen: fines/fees due (\$268), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), six days in jail or payment in full.

Randy Allen: possession controlled substance, criminal trespass (two counts), receiving stolen property, public intoxication, failure to comply w/bicycle safety regulations, no lights on bicycle, no tail lamps, operating on suspended/re-

voked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Maxsimino Arroyo: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

David Calvin Barnes: improper display of registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, no brake lights, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Mickey Donavon Barnes: fines/fees due (\$163), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Joshua D. Bengel: fines/fees due (\$228), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Jason Blair: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Matthew A. Blevins: possession of controlled substance (two counts), possession of synthetic drugs, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess (two counts), public intoxication, promoting contraband, alcohol intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Linda Ann Bowling: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to surrender revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Christopher Brumley: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

Donald J. Charlton: no/expired registration plates - receipt, improper registration plate, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Bryan Ross Clifton: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/substances, failure to wear seat belt, failure to give right of way to emergency stopped vehicle, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, possession of marijuana, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, possess open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, improper equipment, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

David Couch: fines/fees due (\$658 and \$808), bw issued for fta/31 days in jail or payment in full.

Craig A. Cromer: fines/fees due (\$198), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Temmy Denny: failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. in-

surance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Joshua Shane Dixon: fines/fees due (\$943), bw issued for fta/nine days in jail or payment in full.

Vernon Doan: fines/fees due (\$218 and \$143), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full; trafficking in marijuana, bw issued for fta.

Johnny McClure: possession controlled substance, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jack McCormick: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine; drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, \$100 fine plus costs.

James Miller: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

James Shawn Mink: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Judy Katrina Mink: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, improper display of registration plates, agreed order entered.

Jeffery Mullins: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Rikki Danielle Neeley: instructional permit violations, agreed order entered.

Rebecca Jane Newcomb: possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, agreed order entered.

Brittany Marie Noble: failure to use child restraint device in vehicle and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Mitchell Dylan Nolan: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure to surrender revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Michaela A. Jones: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

John B. Kemper: operating on suspended/revoked operators license (two counts), no/expired registration plates - receipt, speeding, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Robert D. Kennedy: fines/fees due (\$643), bw issued for fta/14 days in jail or payment in full.

Samantha L. Key: possession controlled substance, illegal possession of legend drug, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, agreed order entered.

Wilburn Demnis King: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Austin Wayne Lamb: alcohol intoxication in a public place (two counts), bw issued for fta.

Christopher Dale Lamb: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Robert Lamons: improper equipment, \$25 fine plus costs.

Kevin Dean Lawson: driving on DUI suspended license, failure to wear seat belts, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Albert D. Lear: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jimmy D. Lee: speeding and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Derek Clayton Lefler: fines/fees due (\$71), bw issued for fta/two days in jail or payment in full.

Joshua Clayton Emerson: fines/fees due (\$285), converted to six days in jail/concurrent.

Marlon Felix: speeding, and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

James Albert Fox: failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, agreed order entered.

Shelley M. Garner: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, agreed order entered.

Corey B. Gibson: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Kaitlyn Danielle Gilbert: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates and three other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Mickey Allen Gilley: fines/fees due (\$443), bw issued for fta/nine days in jail or payment in full.

Jason Scott Goff: fines/fees due (\$253), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Dustin Ray Griffin: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Bryan K. Hammond:

fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Bryan K. Hammons: fines/fees due (\$358), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.

James Hellard: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts, improper windshield, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Robert Brandon Himes: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine plus costs.

Billie Hines: license to be in possession, failure to wear seat belts, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Laurine C. Howard: speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, license suspended for fta.

Sammy A. Isaacs: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Joshua Owens: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Kenneth Wayne Powell: fines/fees due (\$788), bw issued for fta/16 days in jail or payment in full.

Billy J. Rayburn: fines/fees due (\$198), converted to four days in jail/concurrent with 12 month sentence.

Heaven Lee Renner: fines/fees due (\$178), bw

issued for fta/four days in jail or payment in full.

Shaun W. Roark: speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jasmine Lee Robinson: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

Jose Angel Rodriguez: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/five days in jail or payment in full.

Tommy Ray Russell: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Davanand Akeem Saddler: violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO (two counts), bw issued for fta.

Leonard Christopher Samples: fines/fees due (\$288), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

James Lee Seals: fines/fees due (\$268), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Steven Lee Sheldon: improper equipment (nine counts) and ten other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Wesley Singleton: fines/fees due (\$133 and \$143), bw issued for fta/seven days in jail or payment in full.

Michael Sizemore: failure to wear seat belts and three other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Amber Slate: hindering prosecution or apprehension, bw issued for fta.

Douglas Edward Smith: operating motor vehicle while under the

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## Farm Tax Exemption Law

Due to the new Farm Tax Exemption Law, in order for farmers to continue to receive their agricultural tax exemption a new application must be filled out and sent to the Kentucky Department of Revenue. If any farmers DO NOT have a tax exemption, please come by and pick up a form. We have these forms available at Kentucky Farm Bureau. If there are any questions, please feel free to call 256-2050.

## Notice

**Chapter 316 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes Governing Embalming and Funeral Directing. 316.150**

**Paying or offering to pay, directly or indirectly, any consideration of value to secure a funeral, prior to or after an individual's death, or allowing the applicants or licensee's employee or immediate family member to pay anything of value to secure a funeral is unlawful.**

**Soliciting business in any way by offering or giving any service which is not a normal function of a licensed Embalmer or a licensed Funeral Director in a regular service.**

**If you know of anyone soliciting a funeral, please notify the Kentucky State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, 9114 Leesgate Rd., Ste. 4, Louisville, KY 40222 or call 502-426-4569.**

## “Court”

(Cont. from A5)

influence of alcohol/drugs, and eight other charges, bw issued for fta.

Gordon Sowder: criminal mischief, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Alisha Catherine Durbin, \$40 fine plus costs; Melonise M. Johnson, Kelly D. Spencer, Fredrick M. Brabson, James Edward Briggins, Melissa Ann Cox, Jennifer M. Englund, Misty Gail Eversole, Kaitlin Marie Gordon, Curtis M. Graham, Jade D. Parris, Timothy B. Rutherford, Julie M. Schultz, Quintin H. Shinault, George A.

Walker, Alecia K. Whitt, license suspended for fta; Susan Nichole Lenz, court notice issued; Stanley D. Brown, agreed order entered.

Amanda L. Stevens: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Christopher Edward Stewart: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Duncan Charles Stives: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jeremiah Marks: operating on suspended/revoked operators license

and six other charges, agreed order entered.

James C. Swartz: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Kimberly S. Taylor: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Ashley Vanwinkle: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued for fta.

Shawn C. Vanzant: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/three days in jail or payment in full.

Elijah Walker: no/expired registration plates-receipt and three other charges, bw issued for fta/

license suspended.

Jeffrey T. Whisman: improper use of left lane/overtaking vehicle, license suspended for fta.

Jennifer Williams: fines/fees due (\$273), bw issued for fta/six days in jail or payment in full.

Shannon Wireman: fines/fees due (\$249.40), bw issued for fta.

Maggie Sue Bourland: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Michael D. Flanigan: improper use of left lane/overtaking vehicle, agreed order entered.

Sierra J. Hansel: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Malachi Israel: improper use of left lane/overtaking vehicle, license suspended for fta.

Kamrie E. Morrow: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Yuriy Poprozhuk: improper equipment, \$25 fine plus costs.

Joni Rachelle Winstead: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Gerald Andre Woodridge: improper equipment, \$25 fine plus costs.

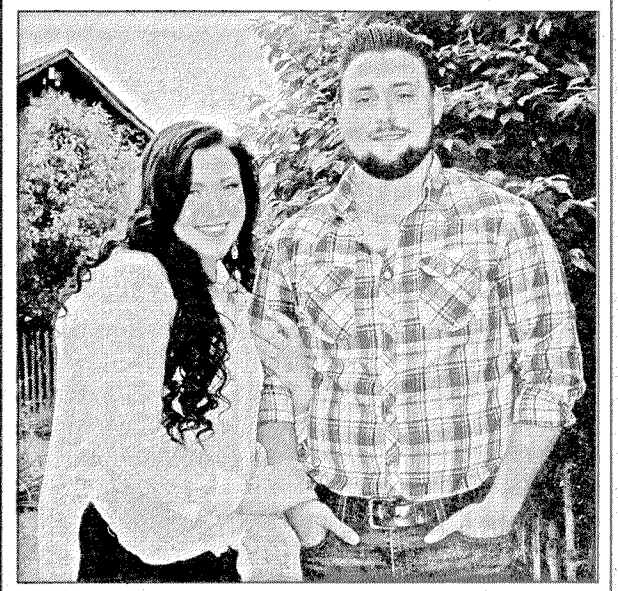
### Madison Stewart graduates from Berea College

Madison Stewart of Mount Vernon, received a Bachelor of Science in Technology and Applied Design from Berea College conferred on June 10, 2021.

### Spring Dean's List at Berea

More than 470 Berea College students were named to the Spring 2021 Dean's List. A student is named to the Dean's List who achieves a GPA of 3.4 or higher while passing at least four total credits, a course load equivalent to 16 semester hours.

Local students were: Michael Allen of Mount Vernon, Fig Cook-Vance of Brodhead, Lizzie Dixon of Mt Vernon, and Madison Stewart of Mount Vernon.



### Kirby-Boone

Angie and David Sisson of Brodhead and Jason and Amanda Kirby of Berea would like to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, Natalie to Clifton Boone, son of Daniel and Tara Boone of Mt. Vernon. The wedding will take place Saturday July 31st.

### Berea to host 21st Annual L&N Day at Historic Railroad Depot

Free activities for “kids” of all ages during the 21st Annual L&N Day in Berea, KY. On Saturday, August 7 from 9am-5pm, watch working model trains, shop for the perfect railroad treasure and join in on storytelling of days gone by. Stand within a few feet of the track as freight trains cruise past the station, and pick up a special commemorative ticket. Take a family “selfie” in front of the train silhouette. Special conductor hats and activities for children while supplies last.

Held at the historic 1917 L&N Depot, which is now home to the Berea Welcome Center, located at 3 Artist Circle in the heart of the Old Town Artisans' Village. This event is FREE and open to the public from 9am – 5pm.

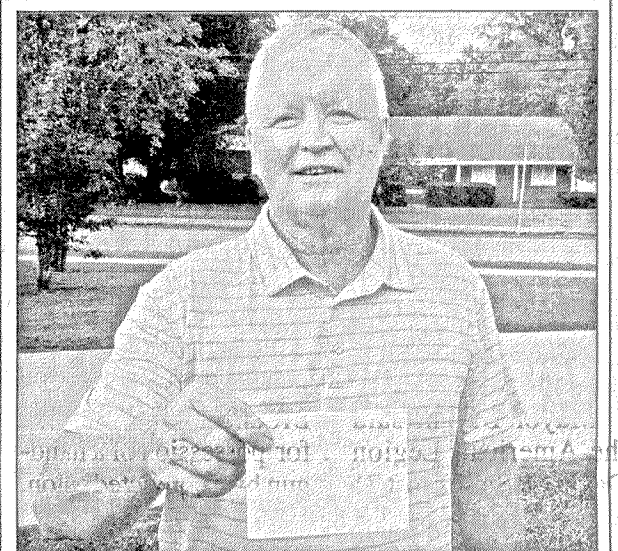
For more information call 1-800-598-5263 or visit the web at [www.visitberea.com](http://www.visitberea.com).



1st flight winners of the Cedar Rapids LLC 2-Man Golf Scramble all shot a 126 and places were determined by a scorecard playoff. Pictured from left are: Riley Clark and Autumn King-2nd place; Conner Ford and Griffin Jackson-1st place; and Jordan Cash and Warren Cash-3rd place.



1st and 3rd place winners of the 3rd Flight were from left: Elijah McKinney and Logan Bowman-1st place; and Lucas Gentry and Thomas Burdette-3rd place.



Ronnie Brown was the winner of the recent Kiwanis raffle. Ronnie won a pontoon rental donated by the City of Mt. Vernon, an Ozark cooler donated by Rockcastle County Jailer Nathan Carter, a case of Climax water donated by Rockcastle County Food Service Director Jamie Saylor and a dinner for two donated by the BackPorch Restaurant. Thank you for the donations by each person or group. The funds raised by this raffle will be used for children's programs in Rockcastle.

### Cedar Rapids LLC 2-Man Golf Scramble Results

#### Championship Flight

1st - Adam Kehoe/Ellen Castle 2 day score of 118  
2nd- Florian Loutre/ Z. Willis 2 day score of 119  
3rd - Josh Bray/ Eric Adams 2 day score of 121

#### 1st Flight

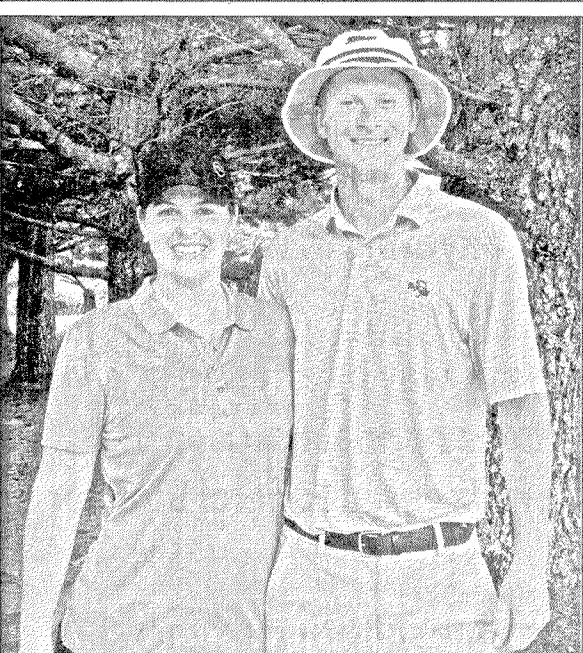
1st- Connor Ford / Griffin Jackson 2 day score of 126  
2nd-Riley Clark / Autumn King 2 day score of 126  
3rd- Warren Cash / Jordan Cash 2 day score of 126

#### 2nd Flight

1st- Tim Pennington / C Turner  
2nd- J Hogue/ K Withrow  
3rd - Richie Bray/ John Bray

#### 3rd Flight

1st - Elijah McKinney / Logan Bowman  
2nd - B West / J Gray  
3rd - Thomas Burdette / Lucas Gentry



Ellen Castle and Adam Kehoe were the 1st place finishers in the Championship Flight of the Cedar Rapids LLC 2-Man Scramble with a two-day score of 118.

### New deadline

Due to changes at printing plant, Mount Vernon Signal's deadline is 4 p.m. Monday

# Back-to-School COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

## Pfizer Vaccine Clinic for Students (ages 12 & up) & Adults.

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## “Power”

(Continued from front) disruption.

Officials say gas tanks had been removed from the site several years ago and state regulations required crews to remove the soil and replace it with gravel where the old tanks used to be.

Offices on Main Street closed shortly after the disruption but Kentucky Utility crews were on site within the hour, setting a new pole and attaching the broken wires.

One KU worker said most often such interruptions come from hitting an underground electric service but utility companies often have to replace poles after vehicle accidents. The worker said this is the first time he had to replace a pole that was hit by a backhoe.

## “Chaliff”

(Continued from front) certain everything was done properly, I swore Matt in the following day," he said. "This way if anything comes up, he is already serving on the council and can take part."

Officials plan a formal swearing-in ceremony this week. "We will do a formal swearing-in just so that Matt's family can be there and we can get photos," said Mayor Bryant. "But he was officially already sworn in."

In other action, a proposal met full approval of the council after an agreement to provide labor and equipment for a Veteran's Memorial at Lake Linville Park.

Mayor Bryant said the American Legion David M. Smith Post 71 asked the city to provide a small spot of land at the park and to provide the labor and equipment, since city workers are already working in the area.

The council voted unanimously to provide the space and labor with the legion members providing the materials and upkeep for the memorial.

"I think this is a nice project and will honor our veterans there in a beautiful location," said Mayor Bryant. "Everyone that visits our lake should be able to see the monument and honor our veterans."

Amburgey presented the land use contract designating 200 feet by 160 feet for use by the Legion.

At the end of the meeting, Lewis questioned the protocol of meetings, asking if a regular meeting time being moved forces the meeting to be a "special meeting" or a "called meeting." Lewis said she had been approached with the question. "I don't know the answer so I thought I would ask," she said. "If we move a regular meeting to another time, does that become a called meeting?" she asked.

Mayor Bryant asked the attorney to investigate the issue. "I feel certain it is still a regular meeting that was just postponed but that is a very good subject to bring up," said Mayor Bryant. Amburgey agreed to investigate the legalities of the issue and bring the information to the next council meeting.

The council then heard reports from department heads.

Chief David Bales

said the fire department had made 44 runs and used nearly 7,000 gallons of water in June.

Police Chief Brian Carter said his department received 568 total calls and made 28 arrests with five grand jury indictments.

Wayne Bullock, Director of the All American Club, reported picking up 20 bags of trash. Two names were found in the trash and officials say police can use those names to investigate littering charges.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 19 at 6 p.m. at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

## “Jury”

(Continued from front) Misty Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted on three counts: fleeing or evading police, wanton endangerment and speeding. His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p;

James Lee Hellard, 40, of Richmond St., Mt. Vernon was indicted for the offense of theft by unlawful taking. His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Jeremy S. Samples, 30, of Sigmon St., Brodhead was indicted for the use of a minor in a sexual performance and distribution of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor. His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

David Paradies, 37, of Sand Hill Rd., Livingston was indicted for the offense of strangulation, first degree and assault, fourth degree. His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Aaron Scott Hansel, 32, of Ottawa Road, Brodhead was indicted for possession of a handgun by a convicted felon. His bond was set at \$10,000 third party surety;

Timothy W. Clines, 43, of Rockwood Lane, Mt. Vernon was indicted on two counts of assault, one second degree and one fourth degree. His bond was set at \$10,000 c/p;

Nathan S. Renner, 21, of Spirit Camp Road, Mt. Vernon, was indicted for the offense of receiving stolen property of a value greater than \$1,000. His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p, and

Daniel Ray Griffin, 30, of Stanford was indicted for fleeing or evading police. His bond was set at \$5,000 c/p.

## “Docket”

(Continued from front) recommended to be served consecutive with a one year bail jumping sentence. The total of seven years was probated to four years. Key's actual sentencing was this week after press time.

Scott Holloway pleaded to possession of a controlled substance first degree, first offense and wanton endangerment as well as a D.U.I. charge. The Commonwealth Attorney recommended a two year sentence to run concurrent with a Pulaski County sentence.

Brandon Bullock pleaded to possession of

a fire arm by a convicted felon for a one year sentence. However, he is already on a diversion so the Commonwealth Attorney recommended a three year sentence for breaking the diversion and separate sentencing was waived. Bullock was sentenced to a total of four years.

## “Drug”

(Continued from front) made in the past seven days by Mays is 57-year-old Lloyd Hayes, 45-year-old Marsha Banks, 42-year-old Darren Bennett and 64-year-old William Woodard, all charged with drug offenses, according to the detention center. Mays is also listed as arresting officer on a case involving a sex performance with a minor.

"I am so glad to see our police officers making a difference in Brodhead," said Commissioner Brian Bullock. "The sheriff's office and the Kentucky State Police are always willing to help us in every way and when we have this kind of dedicated officers, working together, it makes a difference in the entire community."

Though there are only two officers currently, Mays and Reynold say they have worked out a detailed scheduling system which keeps an officer on the streets nearly every minute of the day. "We aren't going to have our streets unprotected anymore," said Mays in a recent interview. "Right now there are two of us but never rule out the Brodhead Police force growing even more, eventually."

Bullock said he and the other commissioners are pleased with the recent progress of the police department. "Brodhead is a wonderful community of people who love their town," said Bullock. "Each resident here deserves to feel safe and protected from illegal drug activity. We are proud of both Rich and Kirk and we are thankful for the other departments in the county willing to work together."

## “River”

(Continued from front) Organizers of the event are asking that anyone with a canoe or a flat bottom boat to come to the river that Saturday morning and be ready to get wet and muddy.

Those willing to help are invited to meet at the Rockcastle River where one can ford the river over to Wildcat Mountain.

Also, those volunteering will receive a free t-shirt, while supplies last, as well as a lunch after the clean up. Anyone interested in participating or needing more information may call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste office at 606-256-1902.

Officials say the event helps keep the river clean and helps protect wildlife in the county as well. All helpers would be greatly appreciated.

# Rockcastle County continues efforts to end transplant wait

As communities resume their favorite summertime activities, the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks' Trust For Life (TFL) continues its mission to educate Rockcastle Countians to register as organ, eye, and tissue donors. Driver licenses may be transitioning out of the Circuit Court Clerk's offices, but Rockcastle County's passion for saving lives through donation and transplantation is everlasting.

Levi, a fun and energetic 14-year-old here in Kentucky, is enjoying his summer all because a generous family said 'YES' to organ donation. At 8 months old, Levi received a multi-organ transplant (small intestine, liver, and pancreas) transplant. "In 2014 we had the privilege of meeting Levi's donor's mom. We were able to thank her in person for the gift she selflessly gave us. It was a wish come true. Levi continues to amaze us every day, and we are so thankful for every blessing God has given us," said Laurie Goff, Levi's mom.

Now Levi is in high school, traveling with his family, and making memories that will last a lifetime. Thanks to generous registered donors and philanthropic supporters like Kosair Charities, more kids across Kentucky will receive their gift of life.

"With 1,000 Kentuckians waiting on a life-saving organ transplant, there are many more families like Levi's who are in need. Everyone can register as a donor and give hope to kids waiting for their gift of life," Rock-

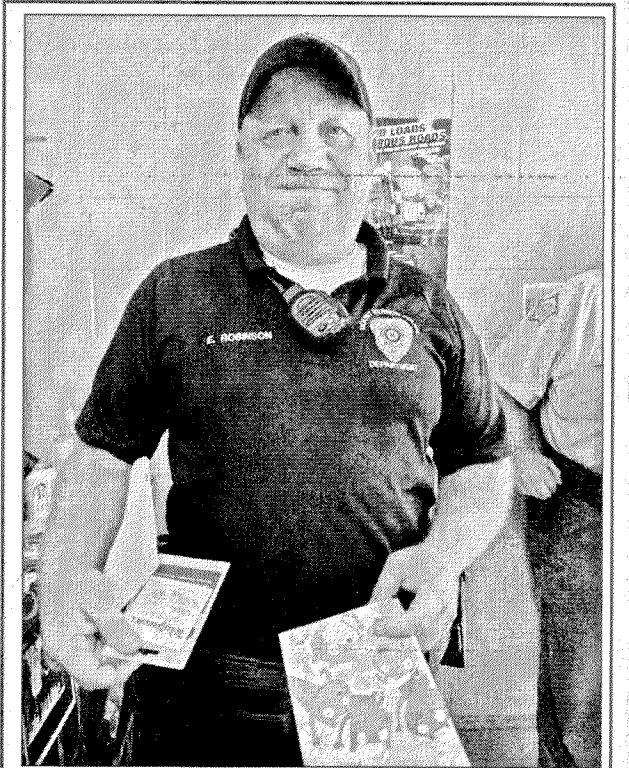
castle County Circuit Court Clerk, Eliza Jane York-Hansel said.

Since 1992 more than two million Kentuckians have joined the Kentucky Organ Donor Registry. Those registrations are critical to save the lives. Join the Kentucky Organ Donor Registry in one of the following ways:

- Online 24/7 at RegisterMe.org
- On your Apple

iPhone, go to your Health App and toggle to "organ donor."

•Driver's License Renewals: All KYTC offices have re-opened. Please note that driver license renewals through mail-in services ended June 30, 2021. You can renew your license online by going to: <https://drive.ky.gov/Driver-Licensing/Pages/Regional-Offices.aspx>



Mt. Vernon City Policeman Ed Robinson would like to thank all residents of Rockcastle County, and especially those living in the city of Mt. Vernon, for allowing him to serve them for all these years. Ed stated he will miss the friendship of so many. Ed will officially retire from the City of Mt. Vernon Police Department Saturday, July 31st.

## • Reunion •

### McHargue Reunion

The McHargue Family Reunion will be held Saturday, August 7th at Pine Hill Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

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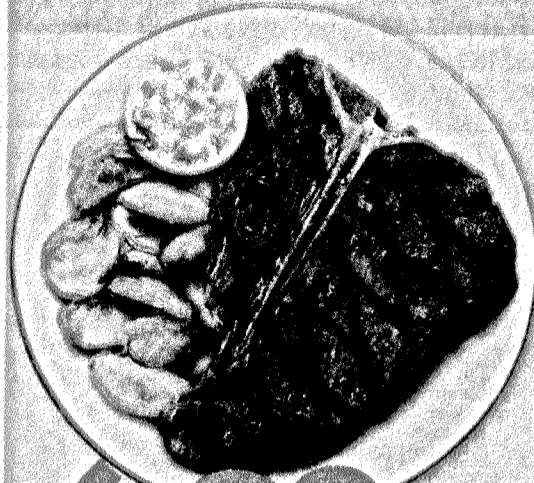
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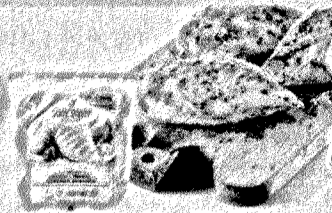
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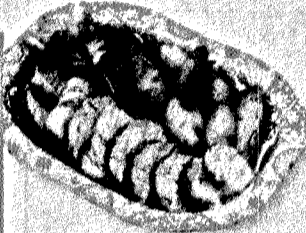
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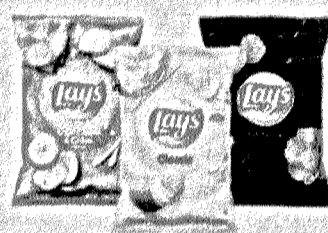
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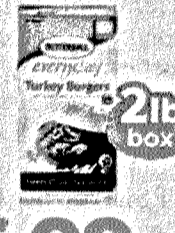
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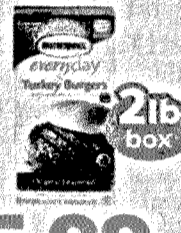
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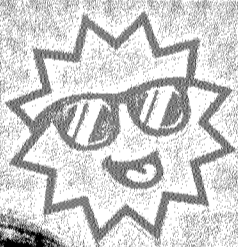
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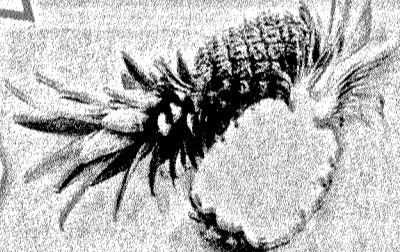


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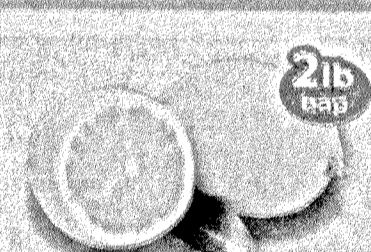
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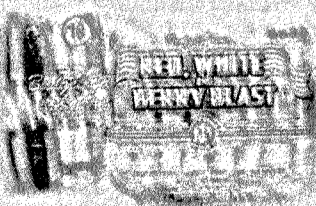
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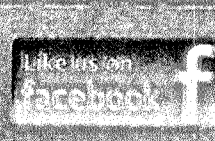
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## Local educators honored by Campbellsville University

By Joan C. McKinney,  
director,  
Office of University  
Communications

Campbellsville University's 35th annual Excellence in Teaching Award Program honored 205 teachers throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky from 72 districts and/or private schools.

Although the ceremony wasn't in person, a video was sent to each recipient with a welcome from Dr. Lisa Allen, dean of the School of Education, who thanked them for the job they do and their impact on students in the coming years.

She said the teachers have become better at what they do as a result of the technology they learned and used, and she expected the teachers to just keep getting better. "Teachers are vital in the lives of students and families and society as a whole," she said.

Shad Lacefield, a 2007 Campbellsville University graduate, who is a fourth-grade teacher at Garden Springs Elementary School in Fayette County and who has been featured on TV stations in Lexington due to his innovative teaching, was the guest speaker. He has taught in Kentucky, Missouri and China.

Lacefield, wearing sunglasses and coveralls with the name Maverick on them from the movie "Top Gun," spoke of his teaching methods and his goal to make his students smile during the pandemic, which he said was hard on him, teachers, students and their parents.

He said, "misquoting" Tom Cruise as Maverick in the movie, "I felt the need. The need to make kids smile."

He dressed in different costumes each day (over 120 in all!) and presented lessons in costumes pertinent to his subject matter.

He said the costumes didn't always work because students would smile while on Zoom, but when doing their independent work, the students weren't as excited.

So, he relied on Darth Vader from Star Wars to help him.

Dressed in a Darth Vader mask with a face mask underneath and in the black costume with his light saber, Lacefield decided to choose two students each Monday who had finished their work and turned it in for him to visit. He called his visits #vadervisits.

At their home visit, he played whatever socially distanced game the students wanted, varying from rock climbing, roller skating, drawing with sidewalk chalk and playing Harry Potter themed yard Yahtzee, which he even created a custom scorecard for.

He got those "miles of smiles" during those 50 Vader Visits. He said he missed those in-person smiles, and he decided he wanted to continue the

costumes when in-person instruction began.

His everyday costumes aren't as elaborate in person now, but he does show up once or twice a week in full costume to coordinate with the students' lessons.

He urged the teachers to make the students smile in their classrooms to have a great culture and climate. "I encourage you to think of fun ways once a week to make your kids smile, and, if they are smiling, I know you as a teacher are smiling too," he said.

He said teachers could have given the students one of the most awful and horrible memories of their educational experience but "I know the teachers watching this took time to make the best quality education we could give them. And for me, I'm going to think I was successful because of all those smiles."

"I want to salute you and thank you for being a 'top gun' in your field. I want to thank you for all your hard work, I know your kids are going to remember you forever," he said.

Lacefield has taught and coaches in kindergarten, first, second, fourth, seventh, eighth and ninth grades. He is the co-creator and director of the Do Something Extraordinary Golf Program in Lexington whose goal is to bring new experiences free of charge to low-income students in Title I schools, including free lessons, clubs and clothing.

Since its creation in 2017, this after school club has grown from one school and 10 students to three schools and 40 students.

Lacefield lives in Lexington with his wife, Whitney Morgan Lacefield, a 2008 Campbellsville University graduate, with his three children: Hannah, Caleb and Ella, who have many costumes in their home.

A total of 4,368 Kentucky teachers have been honored since the program began in 1987

with assistance from Earl Aaron and the Ward, Cundiff, and Aaron Memorial Fund. The purpose of the program is to recognize the quality teaching and learning taking place in the school systems throughout Kentucky.

The Excellence in Teaching Awards program is in partnership with Lexington's CBS-affiliate, WKYT-TV.

The teachers are selected by their school districts in each grade level (preschool/elementary, middle and high school).

Carrie Ballinger, superintendent; Tracy Lewis, Mt. Vernon Elementary School; Loren Maples, Rockcastle County Middle School; R. Brenda, Rockcastle County High School.

Lewis, of Brodhead, has taught at Mt. Vernon Elementary School since

1997. She formerly taught seventh grade at Rockcastle Middle School in 1994 and sixth, seventh and eighth grades at Meece Middle School in 1993.

From Eastern Kentucky University she received her bachelor of arts in 1993 and her Rank I in 2006. She earned her master of arts from the University of Louisville in 2002. She is a 1988 graduate of Laurel

County High School.

She is the daughter of Z.T. Jones, of London, and the late Evelyn Jones. She is married to Anthony Lewis and they have one child, Callie Lewis.

Maples, of Brodhead, has taught seventh grade science at Rockcastle County Middle School since 2015.

From Eastern Kentucky University, she received her Bachelor of Science in Middle School

Education and her Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership. She is a 2009 graduate of Rockcastle County High.

She is the daughter of Allison and Roger Reynolds of Brodhead. She is married to Matthew Maples.

Brenda, of Crab Orchard, has taught math and pre-engineering at Rockcastle County High School since 1999.

He received his Bach-

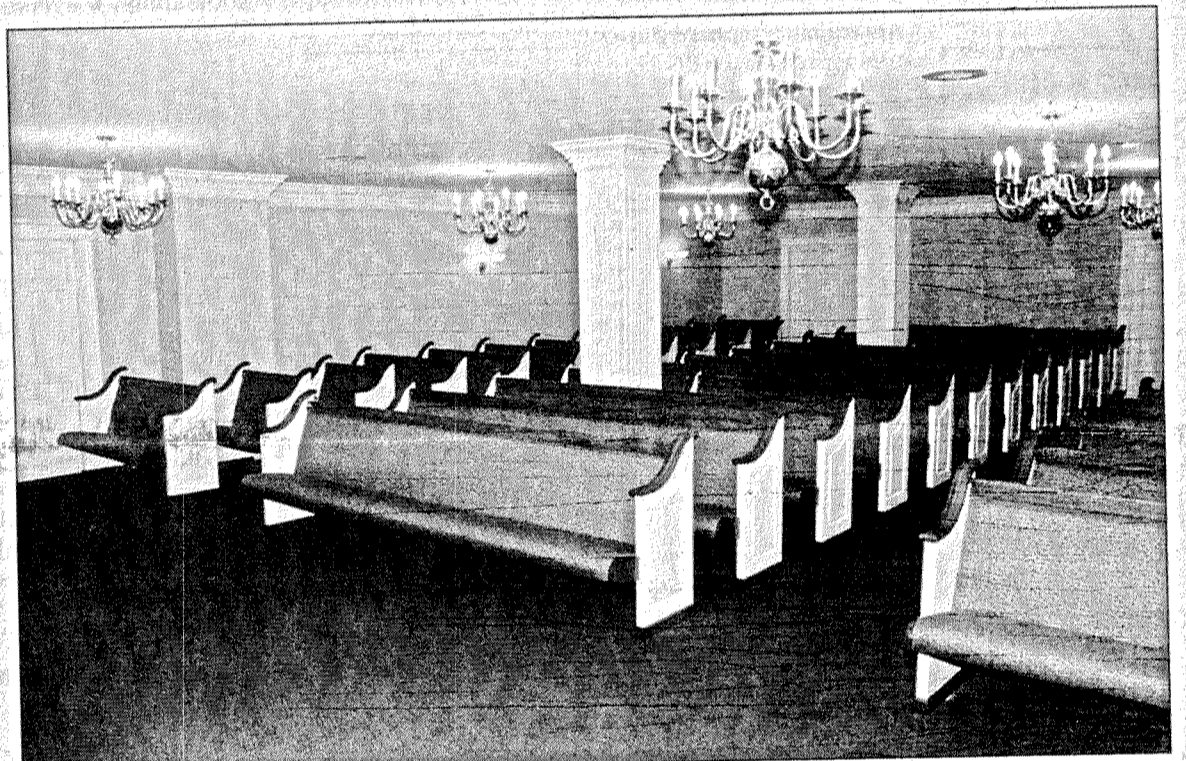
elor of Arts in Math Education from Berea College in 1996. From Eastern Kentucky University, he received his Master of Arts in Education and Instructional Leadership in 2003 and his Master of Arts in Secondary Education in 2009. He is a 1992 graduate of Lincoln County High School.

He is married to Judy Brenda and they have two children: Ashley and Benjamin Brenda.

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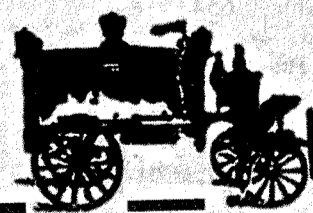
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**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Wayne and Marie bullock on Kincaid Ridge Road. 26x4

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

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

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

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

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

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## Frenches celebrate 75th anniversary

Ben and Geraldine Durham French celebrated their 75th anniversary on Tuesday, July 27th with family.

During the celebration, those present watched a slide show of a lifetime collection of family pictures that had been digitized and enjoyed a dinner and cake. They also gave potted American Hollies and Eastern Hemlocks to their fellow church members, at Maretburg Baptist Church, in honor of their 75th anniversary. These are trees that came from where they both grew up.

Mrs. Durham was born in her great grandfather's log cabin on the banks of Lower Horse Lick, close to the mouth of White Oak Branch. She was the eldest of five children.

Mr. French was born in his grandmother's home, in the middle of a family community of uncles and aunts on Lower White Oak branch that runs into Horse Lick Creek. He was the fourth son of six children.

Both Ben and Geraldine attended the Durham School, while growing up on their family's farm during the Great Depression. When Geraldine was in the second grade, she watched Ben, a seventh grader work on his school fair project of building a replica of Abraham Lincoln's log cabin. He even had wood shingles on the roof. He won first prize at the countywide school fair for that project.

Geraldine's mother stressed to her that getting her education was the only way out of poverty and Ben's family stressed to him hard work. Ben worked hard on the family farm and, since Ben's father was disabled, Ben, at age 16, supported his family by carrying the mail on horseback to families on Horse Lick all the way to Sand Gap in Jackson County, a 35 mile round trip every day. He passed Geraldine often on the road, as she made her way to Durham school.

When the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, in December of 1941, Ben quit his mail route in August of 1942, as soon as he turned 18, and enlisted in the Army. Geraldine, along with many others in the community, went to his home to see him off. She said he came out wearing a white shirt, mounted his horse one more time, then he, and his cousin, went down to the bus stop to take him to his Army training.

Ben was assigned to the 24th Division, Master of Scouts, and their first mission was to free New Guinea from the enemy. During this time, he and his troop were bombed, leaving many dead around him. Ben suffered a concussion with bleeding ears that would cause him to have hearing loss. He also rescued another soldier from drowning in a raging river, during a fast retreat with the enemy at their heels and was soon made sergeant.

After freeing New Guinea from the the Japanese, his division was sent to liberate the Philippines.

The Philippines's large eastern island of Leyte was the first to be invaded and was one of the major battles of the Pacific. There his troop lost their lieutenant and Sergeant Ben risked his life many times to save his men. During this time on Leyte, he and his scout troop overran a Japanese camp so fast that they left all their tents, equipment and an officer's sword. He took his picture with the sword, sold it to a fighter pilot for \$400 and sent the money home to his family. He was awarded three Bronze Stars. After Leyte, they rescued seven smaller islands in the area. Their ship came very close, several times, of being destroyed by suicide bombers.

His division eventually helped free the second big island of the Philippines, Luzon, where the city of Manila was located.

The third big island to be liberated was Mindana to the south. They first took the eastern coast of Mindana Island with its jaw-dropping beaches and killer surfs. The 24th Division, after taking the eastern side of the Mindana Island, were then transferred to the south of the same Mindana Island and took the city of Birang. They fought their way north to the city of Davao. The post Davao operation was the hardest, bitterest and most exhausting of their entire ten island campaign because of not only the Japanese's tenacious defense but because of the rugged terrain full of Abaca trees. The word Abaca was synonymous with Hell to the 24th infantrymen.

At the end of May 1945, after one such exhausting patrol through the Abaca trees, Sergeant, Master of Scouts Ben, was wounded. He was sent home on a ship named The Shawnee. It took 33 days to reach San Francisco, where he received additional rehabilitation and treatment for Malaria, a disease that would plague him for many years to come. He received a Purple Heart medal, then the Army sent Ben back to Kentucky by cross country train.

Geraldine, still growing up on Horse Lick Creek, continued to help tend her younger siblings, since she was the oldest in the family. She helped cut firewood with a cross cut saw, churned butter, fixed dinner, which was often a one egg cake, and polk sallet when in season, all while her parents worked their farm and timber. Most of all, she was determined to continue her education.

She transferred from the Durham School, that her grandfather Charles had donated the land for and then petitioned Rockcastle County School District to build a school, during the middle of her seventh grade year to Livingston city school's eighth grade class. She attended Livingston city school until her junior year.

During school breaks, she, and her friends, sat on the steps of the school and watched the miles of convoys of young men traveling the Mason Dixon, north/south road, heading off to

training and war. Many times she, and her friends, would go to the train station in town to honor young men of her community who returned in caskets, or visiting those injured and dying, listening for news on the welfare of local soldiers and comforting families whose sons were serving overseas.

In her junior year, WWII ended. Geraldine became reacquainted with the neighbor boy, Ben French, who had just returned from South Pacific combat, while attending Ben's uncle's funeral. Ben was surprised that the little blue eyed girl he had known all his life had grown up to have such a pretty figure but, most of all, was very smart and very interesting to listen to. Geraldine had his eye from then on, as he rode the bus with her to Livingston to watch ball games or hang out at Livingston for the day.

He told her sisters to make sure she attended a Christmas party they were all going to go to in his car.

Finally, one day, when they got off the school bus from a ball game, he told his sisters that he was walking Geraldine home. He told Geraldine that he would be up to see her on Saturday. He did not ask if he could come. Ben just said he would bring some firewood and they could sit by the fire and talk. Geraldine liked poetry and literature and Ben liked to listen to the poems and stories she told.

By spring, they were picking Bluebells together on the banks of Horse Lick. Everything took on hues of blue, including both their blue eyes, that they had for each other. Geraldine told Ben that if they were not careful, people would start talking about them and Ben said he didn't care.

Geraldine's mother and Uncle Robbie encouraged Geraldine to attend Annville Institute for her senior year. The school was one of the best high schools at that time. It was a Methodist sponsored high school, complete with dorms, a working farm, dairy, laundry, a cafeteria that each student took a turn working in. Her parents wanted her to finish high school and maybe this school would be far enough

away from Ben so that she would finish school. Ben managed to visit her there though, showing up on weekends for the school dances.

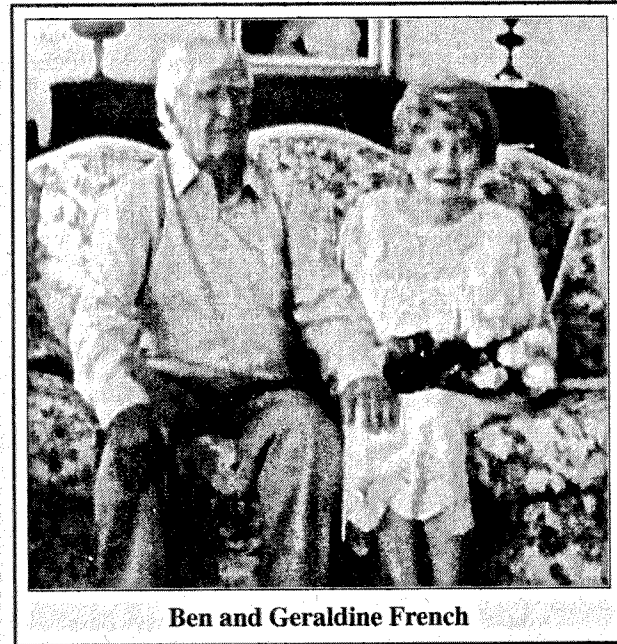
Soon after, they married.

After Geraldine graduated from Annville Institute, her Uncle Robbie took her to see the Jackson County School Superintendent. The superintendent told her if she could get some college courses in before fall, he would give her the Carpenter School on the upper part of Horse Lick, Raccoon Hollow, to teach the coming fall. She immediately took as many correspondence courses from Eastern Kentucky University that she could. She stayed with the Carpenters that fall, as she taught school, who also happened to be her aunt and uncle. She taught 40 plus students in a one room school, even as she continued to take more correspondence courses. For many years, after she took correspondence courses, she attended classes at Sue Bennett College and at Eastern, finally obtaining her Bachelor of Education degree.

The next years, after she taught the Carpenter School, her husband, Ben, whose trade was a builder, built her a nice house on their new farm, located between White Oak Branch and Horse Lick Creek, right below their childhood school, the Durham School. She taught the Durham School for five years, as Ben went to farm school, farmed and hauled coal. During that time, they welcomed their eldest daughter, Vincenta French Howard.

Their bustling community began to die though, because the newer north/south main roads were being built further and further away. So, like everyone else, they sadly left Horse Lick, the Bluebells, Hemlocks, Holly trees and their farm of lush bottom lands between Horse Lick Creek and the White Oak Branch.

They purchased a small farm between Brodhead and Mt. Vernon, in the Maretburg Community. They moved there in the early 1950s. Ben built his in-laws' new home and barns



Ben and Geraldine French

on their new farm that was just up the road from his own new farm before building his own barns and home.

Geraldine was able to get the best school in the area at that time near her home, the Negro Creek School. She taught there for two years, paused a bit to welcome her second daughter, Benedetta French Stilwell, into the world before teaching at the Level Green School for a year. She then taught at Maple Grove School for two years, before being transferred to the new grade school at Brodhead. There, she taught the second grade for 29 years on the second floor, welcoming her students into her beautiful room with a whole wall full of long high windows, wood floors, beautiful handmade posters about the reading literature they would cover that year, shelves full of interesting reading books, lots of art supplies, crafts and a caring attitude toward each student.

Ben worked at Parker Seal Rubber Plant in Berea where they made O rings for the space program. He became a maintenance mechanic there, since he was good at not only building but also with machines. He also continued to raise tobacco, beef cattle, chickens and even delivered milk.

Geraldine retired after 40 years of teaching with great regret. It was brought on soon after the tragedy of losing her eldest daughter, Vincenta, and son-in-law Larry, in a boating accident. She still longed to teach though and spent the next decade substituting, learning to decorate wedding cakes, learning to quilt, cro-

cheting dresses, sewing beautiful clothes for her grandchildren and working in Bible School at Maretburg Church.

Ben retired in 1979 from Parker Seal and continued to farm, mowing the Maretburg Cemetery where his daughter and son-in-law are buried. Both Geraldine and Ben became devoted to improving the cemetery and making it financially stable in the years to come. He helped build onto the Maretburg Baptist Church, became a deacon of that church and also a Sunday School teacher.

As a couple, they have always faced joy and hardships together and have been blessed to have each other.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on July 8, 2021, scheduling a hearing to begin on August 17, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Richard Raff Hearing Room at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of receiving public comment and cross-examining witnesses of Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") and intervenors in Case No. 2020-00349, Application of KU for an Adjustment of Its Electric Rates, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Deploy Advanced Metering Infrastructure, Approval of Certain Regulatory and Accounting Treatments, and Establishment of a One-Year Surcredit. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov. Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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