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Exela Technologies

By: Mike French
Editor

Exela Technologies, Inc., in Mount Vernon has announced 800 new essential job openings in Rockcastle and Laurel Counties, with 400 slated for each county.

The global company has over 20,000 employees worldwide, besides the additional 800 jobs available in 2022.

"This is a big plus for our county," said RCIDA Executive Director Jeff VanHook. "This kind of growth and development serves to demonstrate what this county has to offer. The potential in this county is of the charts."

Matt Robinson, Human Resource Director, says the jobs are available now. "We are ready to go," he said. "We have to get this done."

Robinson has made the application process easy

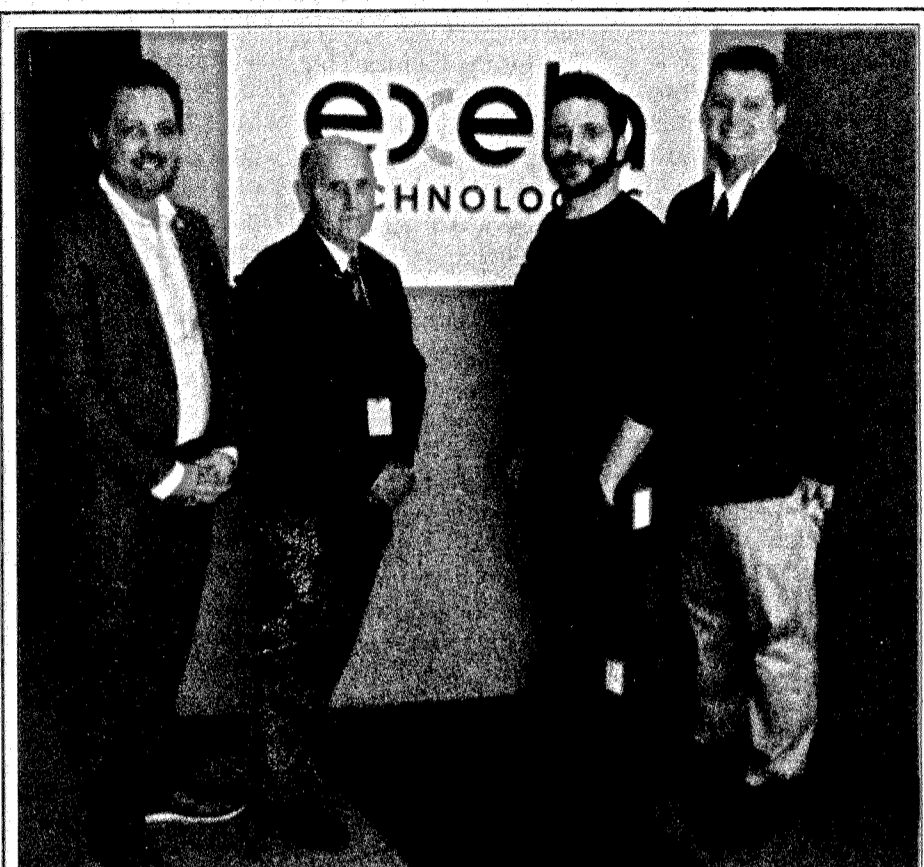
for anyone willing to work. "We have streamlined the process," he said. "We typically get the interview and the drug screen done on the same day. Once we get the government security check done, we are ready to hire everyone."

Since the company deals with government agencies, a security check is required but Robinson said a felony or other record does not necessarily exclude anyone from working with the company. "We consider everything involved and take the circumstances into consideration," he said. "A record doesn't exclude anyone from applying."

The company offers a benefit package and a production bonus as well as a referral bonus. But, employees can opt out of

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800 jobs are ready now



The world wide Exela Technologies Inc., has announced an additional 800 job openings immediately. About 400 of those jobs will be located in the Mount Vernon plant. Officials visited the local plant Monday to discuss the new jobs and its impact on the community. Shown from left are Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray, Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., Exela H&R Director Matt Robinson and Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority Executive Director Jeff VanHook.

Trash Drop-Off Day

Don't forget the Rockcastle County Free Trash Drop-Off Day, at the Brodhead Fairgrounds, will be Saturday, April 9th from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 256-1902

Fiscal Court

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held a special called meeting Tuesday with 10 items on the agenda. See next week's issue of the *Signal* for details.

Arts Show coming

The Rockcastle Arts Association is hosting an Art Show Saturday, April 30 at the Depot Building in Livingston from 6 to 8 p.m. The public is invited and anyone 15 and up may enter their art at the show for a \$10 entry fee. All who participate may exhibit up to three pieces of visual art. For more information email rockcastlearts@gmail.com

COVID may return

According to the Team Kentucky COVID-19 monitoring site, Rockcastle County remains in the lowest zone for transmission and outbreaks of COVID-19. The county remains listed in the Green Zone for the third consecutive week. However, most surrounding counties are now back in the Orange Zone and one (Laurel) is in the Red Zone. Health officials warn of a possible return of local outbreaks.

RCIDA meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5 at 8:30 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

Work crews help fight fire in Brodhead

By: Mike French
Editor

The Brodhead and Mount Vernon Fire Departments were called to a garage fire on Cedar Rapids Road Friday, March 25. However, when firefighters arrived at the scene, they discovered that Jackson Energy workers had likely saved the residential structure.

According to reports from the Brodhead Fire Department, Jackson Energy crews were working in the area when a fire

broke out in a detached garage in a Brodhead residence.

While the fire departments were on their way to the scene, Jackson Energy crews fought the fire with portable fire extinguishers on hand and cut power to the structure to prevent burning electrical wires or service.

When the fire department arrived on the scene, the blaze had been minimized and firefighters were able to completely extinguish the fire.

"If not for the quick actions of the Jackson Energy crews, this could have been a much worse situation," said Brodhead

Fire Chief John Dyehouse.

The cause of the fire is unknown and no injuries were reported. According

to officials at the BFD, only minimal damage was reported and the blaze did not reach the home.

Kindergarten registration

By: Mike French
Editor

It is time once again to be thinking about the next school year. For some, it may be the first time you have had to prepare for such things.

New parents should be aware that all children, between ages 6 and 18, must be enrolled in school, according to Superintendent Carrie Ballinger. There are specific times and dates to enroll your child into kindergarten classes. If your child will turn five years old by August 1 you may enroll your child into kindergarten this year. Children must enroll by age six.

Parents should first choose the school according to your residential address.

A form is on the school website at rockcastle.kyschools.us

to schedule an appointment for kindergarten screening. Parents must also have the child's birth

certificate, social security card, medical, dental and vision exams and immunizations.

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CAP volunteers needed now

By: Mike French
Editor

Sometimes people are ready to give back to their community in some way. If you are one of those ready to give of your time

and effort to benefit many, Christian Appalachian Project (CAP) may provide what you are looking for.

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Support your fire departments Events Saturday

The Brodhead Fire Department Fish Fry and Pie Auction and Climax benefit auction is planned for Saturday, April 2.

The fish fry was a

staple fundraising event for many years but, due to rising costs of food, the department began to lose money on the event causing officials to can-

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State hosts fire training in Livingston

By: Mike French
Editor

It takes a special kind of person to be willing to risk their lives to protect others, and first responders are that special kind of people.

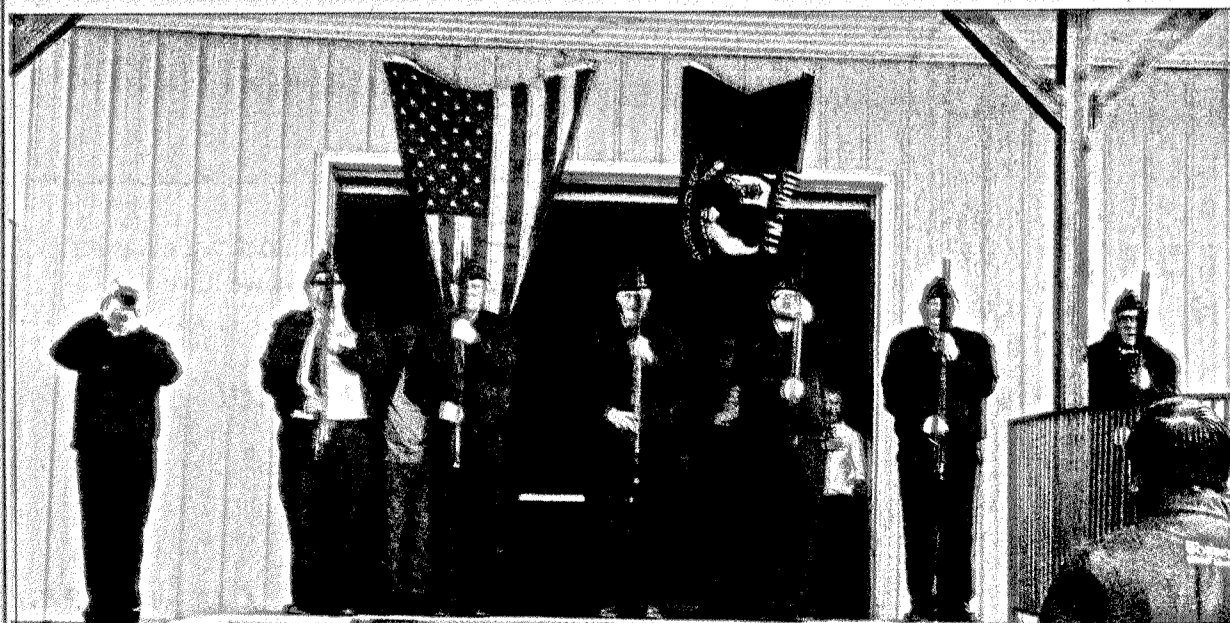
Firefighters save lives and property around the country and in Rockcastle

County, all the fire departments are volunteer organizations.

All Rockcastle County Fire Department are currently seeking volunteers. "We are in recruitment mode right now," said Brodhead Assistant Fire Chief Brian Bullock. "We

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Veterans honored



Members of VFW Post 5908 are shown Saturday at Lone Star Farm & Home where a 21 Gun Salute was held to honor and pay respects to Vietnam Veterans and first responders and local law enforcement officers for putting themselves in harms way to protect and serve. The ceremony was also In Memory of those in Ukraine who are giving their lives to protect Democracy and our Democratic way of life. Shown in the photo are, from left: David Harris, B.J. Thomason, Commander of the Rockcastle Honor Guard, Wayne Allen, Don Gabbard, Commander of the local American Legion, Michael Sluder, Larry Baker and Greg Sergeant.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I have not watched the Oscars for years now. I can remember as a child being so excited when it was time for them. I loved the grandeur of their gowns and tuxedos and getting to see all my favorite stars, like Jeff Chandler (and I have just really dated myself).

I loved them up until the last 10-15 years when I slowly began to realize that most of them have feet of clay and are not worthy of anyone's adoration. And, that was before the horrible revelations came out (that everyone in Hollywood had known about for years) about Harvey Weinstein's particular method of pay for play for young actresses -- I know they all want to be referred to as "actors" now but I want to make certain you understand which sex of "actors" I'm talking about.

The Hollywood swamp is deep and slimy, with few exceptions, and has gotten even worse over time. At some point, they decided that they had something important to say about politics and thought we would be interested in hearing their opinion. They couldn't have been more wrong, on my part at least.

I can count by years now, the last time I was in a movie theater. The price of tickets has gotten outrageous, not to mention the refreshments -- although I will have to admit the popcorn has a unique smell and taste that cannot be duplicated

anywhere else.

I didn't watch the Oscars this past Sunday night but there were clips that have come across my Twitter feed so that I saw what was evidently the highpoint of the evening, Will Smith smacking Chris Rock for joking about his wife's medical condition, Alopecia, which has caused her to lose most of her hair.

I thought the joke was in poor taste and was surprised to see Will Smith laughing uproariously at first. However, he soon got the stank eye from his wife and decided he needed to defend her honor? by marching onto the stage and delivering an open handed smack to Chris Rock. Various camera angles suggest it might have been a fake

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There is one thing I am not used to in life, it is very rare that I have nothing to say or am at a loss for words. If I said such a thing to my family, they would laugh at me.

But for the moment, I am indeed at a loss. I have no idea what to say.

I lost my mother two weeks ago. Since that time I have written four of these columns. I read them over and changed words and read them again. None of them even began to get across what I needed to say. I deleted them all one at a time.

I have reached the conclusion that there simply are not any words that fit the occasion. There are no words that could possibly describe my mom.

I guess it would be a testament to her memory

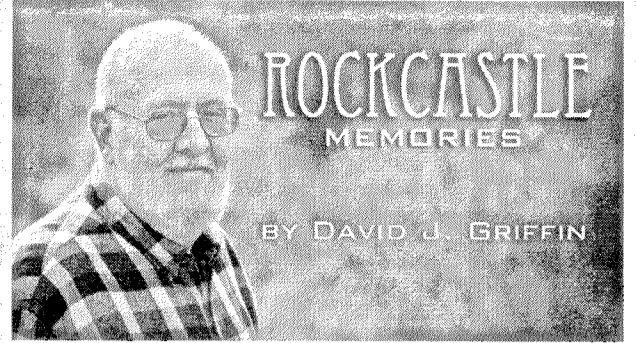
if I pointed out that in my 60-plus years I never once heard a curse word leave her lips or saw a drop of alcohol enter them.

I guess I could point out the times in my childhood that she told me she wasn't hungry so that I would get the last bite of food we had in our house. I guess I could talk about the sacrifices she made as a mother and the countless times that she was on my side even if I was wrong.

I could mention the times as a child she took up for me and she and I hid in the closet when dad came home drunk.

I could talk about mom's love for Christmas and things she did without so that I would have a good Christmas.

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Mommie's Purse

When I received my March issue of Southern Living Magazine, I was glad to see that Rick Bragg (my favorite columnist) had written about the purses of southern ladies. He said, "Of all the wonders of the earth, nothing surpasses a well-stocked purse."

The story that Rick told was about a lady he knew that kept everything possible in her pocketbook. My thoughts immediately took me back to my grandmother, Mommie Katie.

Mommie Katie always referred to her purse as her pocketbook, and she used that term often. All of her life she was a stay-

at-home housewife and maintained her home exquisitely. Her home was her castle, and she alone was completely in charge. One large chest of drawers in the guest bedroom was filled with her "unmentionables," and in the very back of that same drawer, she kept that big old pocketbook, well hidden. No one else ever opened that drawer, and none of us was actually sure of what she kept hidden there.

As the breadwinner of the family, my grandfather (Pop) customarily gave Mommie Katie cash each time he received a check from Aubry Feed Mills or Louisville Grocery, where he worked for over forty years. Of course, we never knew how much he gave her each month -- nor did we even consider asking about it. We just knew that each time he handed her money, she quietly walked to the guest bedroom and pulled out that old pocketbook.

Mommie Katie used her "stash" for her own purposes; there was never a discussion about it. After many years of observation, the rest of the family knew that she used most of that money for gifts, charity, and her weekly tithe to the First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon.

When I became a teenager, Mommie Katie consistently kept herself aware of my needs at that most important stage of

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



My Trip to the 125th DAR State Conference

Dear Journal,
I've been in the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) for several years now and love to go to the state conference every year. It is held in Lexington on the last weekend in March. This year was rather special for the DAR girls; it was the first meeting in two years

due to COVID restrictions. It also was the one hundred twenty fifth year of the state conference here in the state and the President General was going to be there.

I attended the Friday business meeting and the Saturday night banquet. I really love it. It gives me a chance to get all dressed up in formal with white gloves and have a fancy meal on Friday and Saturday nights. Stanley was in suit and tie and accompanied me as he usually does. Our chapter has won some several state awards that I'm sure will be noted in the newspaper. Our Regent, Karen Adams, has been voted in to serve as the Fourth District director and remains our regent as well, serving and overseeing some several counties in central and eastern Kentucky. Former Regent, Deborah Brown, will be serving as the new State

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RockStar
By Roxanne Hammond

"When I grow up I want to be a scientist," then seven year old Dyche Mullins told his parents, Roland and Nancy Mullins. Roland is a former Rockcastle County Judge Executive and a well known author. Nancy is an Educator (English Teacher) and gardener extraordinaire. Fast forward fifty years and that is exactly where you will find Dr. Dyche Mullins, a research scientist and professor at the University of California at San Francisco. Dr.

Mullins, affectionately known as Dyche in his Rockcastle circles, is the lead researcher at Mullins Lab while also a professor of Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology at UCSF.

Dyche grew up in Mount Vernon. He is brother to Attorney Carrie Amburgy and Pediatrician Dr. Callie Shaffer. He graduated Valedictorian of the RCHS class of 1982. He attended the University of Kentucky and gradu-

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- Rockcastle County is Falling Behind**
Many people I've talked with are unaware that Rockcastle has lost population in 7 of the last 10 years. The last 4 years we have lost population each year.

Rockcastle County is not keeping pace with the counties around us

Time for a change! We can do better

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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule
Monday, April 4th: Child Development, Tic Toc Pre-School, Lisa's Little People, Seek 'n Learn. **Tuesday, April 5th:** Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek and Wildie.

Christ's Discipleship Ministries Walk
Christ's Discipleship Ministries will host a Faith Prayer Walk on Saturday, April 2nd from 5 to 8 p.m. in the parking lot below the courthouse. The Prayer Walk is aimed at gathering as many pastors as possible to intercede on behalf of our county, state, nation and world scene. Everyone is welcome. For any questions, call: Jeff Cromer at 606-308-1314 or Randy Thompson at 606-308-5451.

BFD Fish Fry & Pie Auction
Brodhead Fire Department will hold a Fish Fry and Pie Auction on Saturday, April 2nd from 5 to 8 p.m. at their firehouse in Brodhead. The meal will be \$12 a plate and will include: fish, hush puppies, cole slaw, fries or baked potato, dessert and drink (dine in or carry out). The pie auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. Everyone will have a chance to meet the candidates running for office in the May primary.

Sign-Ups for Hot Rods/T-Ball
Registration for the 2022 Hot Rods/T-Ball season will be held April 2nd and the 9th, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. each day at the Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908, backside of Lake Linville beside the ball field. Registration fee is \$40 per child (cash only please) which includes a hat and shirt.

Brodhead Homecoming April 23
The Brodhead Homecoming will be held Saturday, April 23rd, beginning at 6 p.m. at Brodhead Elementary School. Classes to be honored are: 70, 71 and 72. Reservations and \$25 each and check should be received by April 14th. Make check to Brodhead Homecoming and send to Brodhead Homecoming, c/o Brodhead Elementary School, P.O. Box 187, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

RCHS Alumni Banquet
RCHS Alumni Banquet will be Saturday, April 23rd at RCMS. Contact Facebook® page for any questions.

Kiwanis Club
The Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club meets each Thursday at noon at the Snack Shack dining room. Kiwanis is a service organization working to improve the lives of children. The public is invited.

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.

Celebrate Recovery/AA/NA
Monday-Celebrate Recovery-Brodhead: Community Outreach Center, Monday, 6 p.m. 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Nathan DeLeon 859-230-9590, Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099 or Tammy McGuire 606-308-1614.

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon: Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Tuesday, 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828.

Tuesday-Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, KY Contact 859-308-8900

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon: Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Rd., Mt. Vernon. Wednesday, 6 p.m. Contact: John Burton 606-308-8226, Frankie Woodall 606-308-2382 or Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190.

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only: Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099.

Thursday-Alcohol Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Call 606-308-8900.

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe 9226 Main St., Livingston. 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

Saturday-Narcotics Anonymous-Brodhead: 3 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, KY, contact: 606-392-1577.

Sunday - Celebrate Recovery Step Studies-COED 6 p.m. Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: Jason DeBord 606-386-0646 or J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828.

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

ramblings

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blow. The Smiths reportedly have an "open marriage" which involves his wife having an inappropriate relationship with a rap singer about the same age as her son. Smith has, as far as I know, never publicly taken offense to that so it's a little surprising that he took offense to what was a joke in poor taste at worst.

Hollywoodites will do anything for attention, such as the three women hosts, singing, for the people of Florida that they were going to have a gay, gay, gay, gay, evening. If you didn't see it, it was obviously in reference to a recent law passed in Florida banning graphic sexual material being readily available to pre-k through third grade children. The word gay is not mentioned in the bill, liberals are simply using that to throw slurs at people who do not condone this type of grooming, uh... I mean "education."

I often wonder what depths, we as a society will sink to, in order to be seen as tolerant of diverse life styles and I think we are in the process of finding out.

Florida Governor Ron DeSantis is standing firm, even when, get this, the leadership of Disney World has come out with a public statement of how horrified they are about the passage of this bill. Disney World??

The Magic Kingdom is not so magical anymore in my opinion.

Aces

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I could mention the times that dad was gone and mom took my hand as we walked two miles to get to church on Sunday mornings.

All of that is good stuff. It is all true and I remember every smile and every grin and every frown.

Mom was a product of the 1950s but she was always willing to change with the times. She knew how to put vegetables in a jar to store it all winter and how to make meals for a whole family out of very little in the cupboard.

But to attempt to describe what mom's life was like and get across some tiny portion of who she really was, is more than I can find words for.

A million details come to mind and each tiny instant of time over the past 60 years would provide a story in itself. It would take all the ink and all the paper ever made before anyone could really un-

derstand who mom was.

I guess I can only think of two words that would describe my mother. Just two words that may give people an idea of who mom was.

The biggest part of mom was her loving nature. How much she loved God, loved me, loved dad, loved her church, loved her extended family, loved life, loved laughter, loved people.

I'll just leave it there. All the tiny moments and laughter and joy and caring that was Ona French, I'll sum up in two words and hope that somehow, someone may understand what I am trying so poorly to say about mom.

I guess there are no better words to describe her and I'll simply leave the details out. There are too many of them.

But in my farewell to mom, as inadequate as it may be, I'll leave just two words.

She loved!

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Dr. Dyché Mullins

ated with a Bachelor of Arts in Electrical Engineering and Mathematics. He also completed his Masters and Doctorate degrees at UK. Dyché also minored in Russian language studies. His Doctorate is in Biomedical Engineering. Dyché's professional path would lead him first to Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland to work closely with renowned Professor of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, Dr Thomas Pollard. This research introduced Dr Mullins (Dyché) to the SALK Institute, which in turn led him to the University of California at San Francisco. Dr Mullins research interests is in the assembly and regulation of cytoskeletal networks and the roles they play in living cells. Mullins and his team seek to understand how collections of macromolecules work together to establish long range order in cells, through dynamic self assembly into much larger structures such as membranes and cell walls. Dyché morphed from an electrical engineer to a cell biologist. Attending the intense Marine Biological

Laboratory Physiology Course assured his transformation and earned him a post doctorate place with the course director at the time, Dr. Pollard and progressing to the SALK Institute and eventually his present place at UCSF.

At the end of 1998, Mullins team discovered another nucleation factor, Spire.

Dyché returned each summer of 2009-2013 to Woods Hole, Massachusetts to lead the Physiology course with his co-director and lab partner.

Dr Mullins has also been the recipient of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) Award. This investigator program supports more than 250 Investigators located at more than 60 research institutions across the United States who are widely known for their scientific discoveries, innovations and success in pushing the boundaries of knowledge in biomedical research. In October of 2021, two of Dr Mullins colleagues received a Nobel Prize. David Julius, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Physiology and Morris Herzstein Chair in Molecular Biology and Medicine at UC San Francisco, was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology with Ardem Patapoutian, PhD, a Scripps researcher, and a UCSF postdoctoral alum.

With HHMI's backing, scientists have radically changed our understanding of cells, the brain, immune system and causes of human disease. The awards creates and directs lab research teams, like Mullins Lab, (<http://mullinslab.ucsf.edu/>) with the post doctorate scientists, equipment and environment necessary in tackling profound scientific questions. Rockcastle county, for a small community, has produced some amazing people whose main objective is to make our lives better. Congratulations to Rockcastle's own renowned investigator, researcher, scientist and professor, Dr Dyché Mullins, from Mount Vernon to San Francisco. In interviewing his mother, Nancy, she related to me that Dr Mullins is still the same Dyché who grew up in Rockcastle County and still listens to WRVK and reads the Mount Vernon Signal.

Dr Mullins resides in San Francisco with his wife and two children. He is more than a local Rock Star. Dyché Mullins is a global Rock Star on the grandest scale.

Memories

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life. When she noticed that I was getting ready for a date, she would ask, "David Joe, do you need some money for your date?" Of course, my answer was usually the same - that I could sure use it. She would then proceed to retrieve her pocketbook and out came a "secret amount" of cash, which she pressed into the palm of my hand. I never knew how much she had handed over until I left the house.

When I was preparing to leave Mt. Vernon to attend college at UK, Mommie Katie took me for a walk into the woods behind her house. I could not help but notice that she brought along her big old pocketbook on our walk, so I was pretty sure of what she had in mind. When we had ventured far enough to be out of sight of anyone, she reached into that big old purse and handed me a small roll of cash.

She then instructed me, "Put some of this away for emergencies and use the rest when you need a good meal." We hugged there in those woods, and a tear rolled down my cheek because I knew that she was making a sacrifice because she loved me so much. Even when she was older, she would tell my mother, "Ruby, get me my pocketbook. David Joe needs some cash."

Every time I came home from UK, Mommie Katie made sure that we took a walk in the yard before I returned to Lexington. She never failed to send me back to school without some cash in my jeans pocket. She always asked, "Is there anything special that you need this time?" I would let her know if there was something unusual going on at UK.

It seems strange to me now that the use of the word "pocketbook" can bring back such fond recollections of my wonderful grandmother. She made a tremendous difference in my life, and for that I will always be thankful. Her Christian influence followed me all the rest of my life. And I could never forget the times she "bailed" me out of financial problems as a young man.

Even after she has been gone all these many years, I still miss her presence in my life - and I don't mean her pocketbook.

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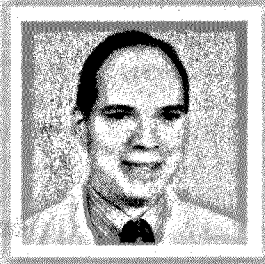
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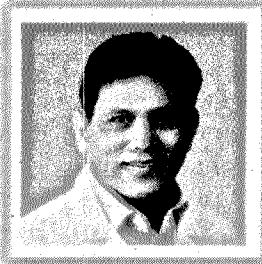


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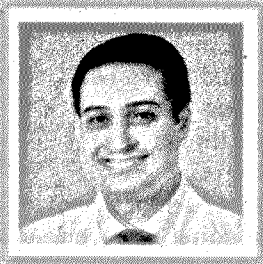
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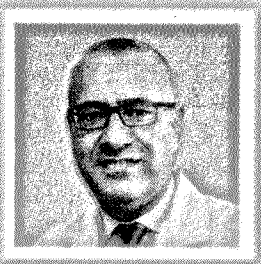
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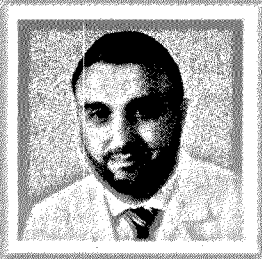
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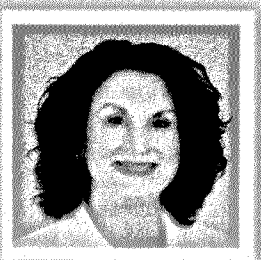
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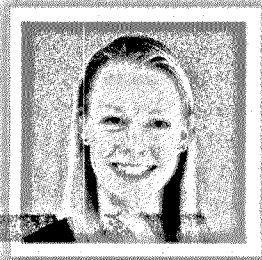
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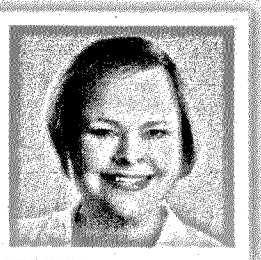
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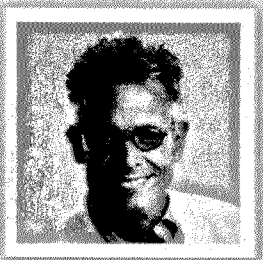
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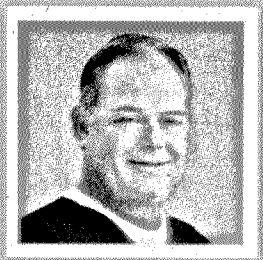
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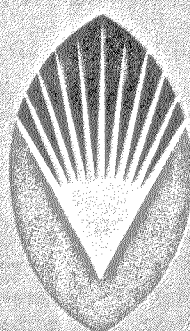
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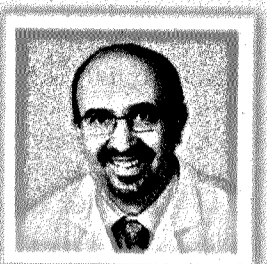
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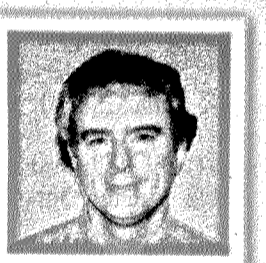
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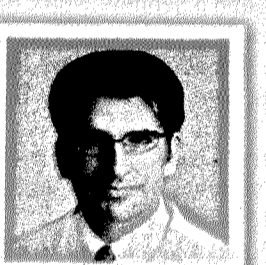
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Adolescent Medicine



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Physician Assistant



Jonathan White
Physician Assistant



Dr. Justin Williams
Hematology/Oncology



Dr. Denis Yalkut
Urology

Not Pictured:
Dr. Hammad Siddiqui
Nephrology

Thank you for your dedication to the care of our community. Your commitment is greatly appreciated.

Happy Doctors' Day

Obituaries



Sheila Faye Bryant

Sheila Faye (Adams) Bryant, 57, of Brodhead, died Sunday, March 20, 2022 at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington. She was the wife of Bro.



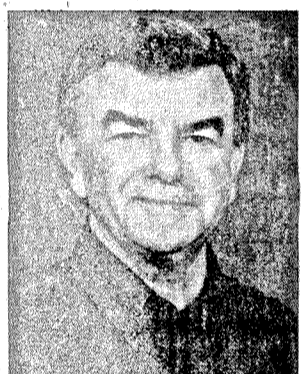
William David "Billy" Bryant, whom she married on October 24, 1987. Sheila was born in Lincoln County on December 9, 1964, a daughter of the late Milton and Janet Faye (Brummett) Adams. She was a graduate of Lincoln County High School and had attended both Eastern Kentucky University and the Somerset Community College. Sheila was a member of the Church of God and a faithful Christian. Her family was her life, she was a wonderful lady who unconditionally loved her husband and children. She loved people and was a kind, generous and compassionate person. She was a talented piano player, singer and cook. Sheila was well known for her special homemade sweets and catering. She will be desperately missed by all those that she's left behind. Our hearts are so broken by this unexpected loss.

Survivors include: her loving and faithful husband, Bro. Billy Bryant; daughter, Latasha Renee Bryant of Brodhead; son, Brandon Tyler Bryant of Hazard; brothers, Roger (Mary Ann) Adams of Broughtontown and Kenny (Janet) Adams of Crab Orchard; father and mother-in-law, John and Joyce Bryant of Crab Orchard; brother-in-law, Johnny (Tonya) Bryant of Richmond; and nieces and nephews, Nicole Pettit, Katie Wynn, Kenton Adams, Cari Baugh, Kathy Carrier, and Conner Bryant.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 25, 2022 at Crab Orchard Church of God, Cedar Street with Bro. Stephen VanHook officiating. Burial was in Mt. Zion Church of Christ Cemetery.

Jimmy Cummins

Jimmy Douglas Cummins, 86, of Corbin, died Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Baptist Health Hospital. He was born in Mt. Vernon on January 4, 1936, the son of



Edwell and Ina Meadows Cummins. He had been a dispatcher for L&N and CSX Railroads for over 42 years before his retirement and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Corbin. He was Valedictorian of his graduating class of Mt. Vernon High School in 1954, as well as an avid collector and a Lions Club member.

He is survived by: his loving wife of 65 years, Anna Mildred "Midge" Cromer Cummins; three sons, Randy (Brenda) Cummins, Rick Cummins, and Doug (Cathy) Cummins, all of Corbin; 10 grandchildren, Erica (Adam) Ooten, Amy (Caleb) McEndree, Jade Martin, Chad (Tiffany) Cummins, MacKenzie Meadows, Holly (Lee) Marcum, Kelsey (Amanda) Cummins, Brianna Cummins, Jake Fuller, and Eli Fuller; and 15 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: a brother, Alfred Cummins and wife Vivian; a sister, Doris Brown and husband Lonnie; and a nephew, Mark Brown.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 24, 2022 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Kevin Roach. Burial was in A.R. Dyche Memorial Park in London.

Pallbearers were: Chad Cummins, Kelsey Cummins, Von Dilbey, Lee Marcum, Joel McHenry, Adam Ooten, Austin Ooten, and Johnny Riley.

The family requests donations to Calvary Baptist Church of Corbin.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Lack of Knowledge

In the long ago, God stated a core reason why his people had become weak and failed in their life service on this earth. Truth had eluded them at their own choosing. Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. To be free we know we must obey the truth. John 8:32 Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free. A lack of truth will put one into slavery and spiritual bondage. Bondage of the soul gains dominance from a lack of study. Throughout the Bible there are warnings for those who fail to read and study the Bible. We need to exhort one another to read and study our Bibles.

There is not enough time spent today in studying the holy scriptures Jesus once said John 5:39 Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. Any man who will not search the scriptures to see that Jesus Christ is who he says that he is, truly does not want eternal life, because there is evidence of who Jesus is, from beginning to the end.

The Bible tells us the Bereans were nobler than those at Thessalonica, in so much so they searched the scriptures daily to see if those things were so. Acts 17:11. I wonder how many folks picks up their Bible daily and studies the word of God, or how many checks to see if what the preacher has preached, is true.

The apostle Paul in his training of Timothy told him, 2 Timothy 2:15 Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needed not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. I wish we could see how important it is to study the word of God and grow in the knowledge of this Book, how much better our lives would become. And again, he told Timothy to give himself to reading the scriptures.

We need to remember knowledge is not given, but it is gained through study and prayer, of this holy book. Hopefully we remember what God told his people of long ago in Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. (Knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens). Thank you for reading this article, I pray we all remember to count our blessings, and name them one by one.

We have free Bible correspondence courses, for all, who would like to begin a study of the scriptures, we have videos on our Facebook page, Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ, you can contact me at the number listed below or you can e-mail me, we would love to hear from you.

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Calvin Morgan

Calvin Morgan, 85, husband of Pauline, of Berea, died Monday, March 28, 2022, at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born October 10, 1936, a son of the late George and Lora Smith Morgan, in Rockcastle County. He and Pauline Rucker were united in holy matrimony on October 12, 1959. He was of the Baptist faith, and enjoyed fishing, hunting, and working on machinery.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 62 years, Pauline Rucker Morgan; his son, Warren Morgan of Berea; two brothers, Paul Morgan and Jean of Crab Orchard and Jerry Morgan of Russell Springs; three sisters, Anna Margaret Tuggle and Gilbert of Lancaster, Barbara Stinnett of Stanford, and Hellen Tuggle and Robby of Lancaster; as well as a host of many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by five siblings, Effie Mae Lissal, Juanita Adams, and Dallas, Junior, and Mike Morgan.

Services will be held Thursday, March 31, 2022, at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, beginning with the visitation at 12 p.m., until the time of the funeral at 1 p.m., with Randy McFerron officiating. Burial will follow in Cartersville Cemetery.

Casketbearers will be: Jeff Smith, Bill Turner, Richard Stinnett, Jimmy Pingleton, and Odell and Matthew Durham.

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

Edna Margaret Turner

Edna Margaret Cook Turner, 75, of Lebanon, VA, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, March 27, 2022. Born January 5, 1947, she was the daughter of the



late Harrison and Laura Cook. She liked to play piano and taught herself to play by ear. She was an RN and worked for Cumberland Mountain Community Services, Russell County Medical Center and Home Nursing Company. She was full of sass and would always tell you how it is and she was

a natural caretaker.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Larry Cook; and the father of her children, Bobby Turner.

Survivors include: her sons, Donnie Turner, of the home and Jeffrey Turner and wife Shannon of Lebanon; daughters, Susan Gilman and husband Ron of Blountville, TN and Gina Turner of Bristol, VA; brothers, Dale Cook and Stanley Cook; grandchildren, Aubrey Turner of Lebanon and Haleigh Gilman of Charlotte, NC; several nieces and nephews; and special friends, Kitty Barton and Judy Whitaker.

A special thank you to Sherry Lewis and Caris Hospice.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at the Combs-Hess Funeral Service Chapel with Pastor Jeff Kinder officiating.

Expressions of sympathy can be made at Combs-Hess Funeral Service Facebook page and website www.chfunerals.com.

Combs-Hess Funeral Service, 291 Highway 71 Fincastle Road, Lebanon, Va. 24266 (276) 889-4444 is serving the Turner family.

Ona Francis French

Ona Francis Robinson French, 79, died Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at Berea Health & Rehab. She was the widow of Paul French, to whom she was married for 50 years.

Ona was born July 8, 1942 in Estill County, and was the daughter of Leonard and Rosetta Hutchins Robinson, both of whom preceded her in death. She was a longtime member of Viney Fork Baptist Church and had retired as head cook for Richmond's Home Meals Delivery program. Ona enjoyed bird watching, collecting ceramic birds, and sewing. She absolutely loved Christmas and spent the entire year preparing for it.

Survivors include: Mike French (Dora Hacker), of London; three grandchildren, Kyla Clements (Alan Pike), Mark French Shannon (Brianna Lakes), and Paul French Shannon (Londyn Shannon), all of Berea; one great grandchild, Jocelyn Sarah Noelle Clements; three brothers, Johnny Robinson, Hubert Robinson, and Richard M. Robinson; and two sisters, Mary Ruth Babb and Gladys Fern Muncie.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by: three brothers, Robert Clayton Robinson, William H. Robinson, and Walter T. Robinson; and three sisters, Edna M. Newman, Anna Katherine Newman, and Mona Louise Robinson.

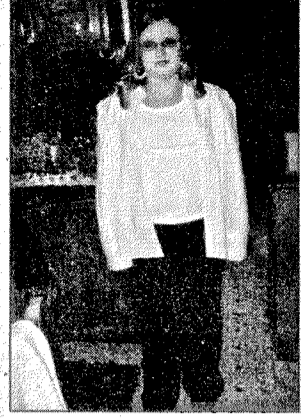
A funeral service was held Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home. Burial was at Flatwoods Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Mark French Shannon, Paul French Shannon, Alan Pike, George Smith, William Newman, and Robin Newman.

Alexis "Allie" Sue McDowell

Alexis "Allie" Sue McDowell, 27, peacefully departed from her earthly home February 23, 2022 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born September 16, 1994 to her mother Tammi Kelly.

Allie was a loving and compassionate person who cared deeply for her church, family and animals. She was deeply loyal to those she loved, excellent at math and made the best pancakes in the entire world.



She is preceded in death by several family members.

Allie will be deeply missed by all that knew and loved her. When you think of her, celebrate the good memories you have of her. Remember life is fragile,

painfully short and should be appreciated each day.

Please join us as we celebrate the memories and good times we spent with Allie.

Funeral was conducted at Wallowhole Church with Pastor Gary Sparks and Asst. Pastor DeWayne Laney officiating February 28, 2022. Burial was at Elliott County Memory Gardens in Sandy Hook.

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Curator. She will be overseeing the state headquarters in Paris, the Duncan Tavern. Yours truly has been selected and asked by the new State Regent, Linda Conrad, to serve as the new State Native American Chair. I remember getting the call from her and she asked if I would be her committee chair and of course, I said "yes". I was so honored. It was a personal appointment. I couldn't tell anyone until she was officially voted into office. I sure has been a long couple of months waiting to be official. This is a really big honor for me being almost forty percent Lumbee Native American. We will be serving three year terms. The Rockcastle Chapter daughters now hold three state offices. Rockcastle is well-represented on the state level.

On Saturday, I didn't think I was ever going to get ready. Just about everything went wrong that could go wrong. Just let me say that I've sworn off pantyhose for life and be sure to try on anything you order to wear before time to wear it, especially new formal dresses. I finally managed to get dressed and got in the car and we were on the way. Karen had saved us some seats. We went in about five minutes late. I stopped on the way and got a steak for me as I don't eat pork. They were serving a \$45.00 a plate pork tenderloin dinner that featured a salad, the tender loin, a small serving of rice and about six to eight green beans, cooked whole and with yeast rolls. For dessert, there was cheese cake and one glass of tea to drink.

They didn't offer refills. The day before, I had a chicken sandwich, a fruit cup, a small garden salad and one glass of tea all for "only" \$35.00. Don't anyone ever complain about gas prices until you have been to a DAR meal.

Just let me say that the room was decorated more beautifully than I've ever seen. It was all in bouquets of sunflowers in clear vases with royal blue tissue paper inside. The table linens complimented the flowers. All was so beautiful and gave a nod of remembrance to Ukraine. The President General Denise Doring Van Buren was on hand and spoke giving a very inspiring speech. There were videos of the one hundred twenty five years of historical accomplishments of the Kentucky Daughters as well as all of the National accomplishments. They were narrated in part by DAR member and former Kentucky Second Lady and Miss America, Kentucky's own Heather French Henry. The DAR was founded in October of 1890. One of the founders in buried in the Lexington Cemetery. It seemed to me that when the country was at its worst, the Daughters were at their best. They really stepped forward during the World Wars and during COVID. America's tragedies never slowed us down but served as a rallying cry. The Ladies of Liberty were on hand and sang several songs from the World War I and II eras and some patriotic songs. They were so very, very good.

The evening was coming to an end and the time to go home was at hand. It was like Cinderella coming home from the ball. Fortunately there will be another ball next year.

Does God want us to have assurance of our salvation?

Let's see if we can answer this question using the bible. My objective is to use the bible to show us that God does want us to have assurance about our salvation. I remember a brother in Christ gave a testimony before the congregation a long time ago and at the end of it, he made a statement, I am not sure about my salvation. So that put me to thinking, can one be assured of their salvation? So, after services I ask him why was he uncertain about his salvation? His response was that he had feelings toward a business partner that were bad because this partner had cheated him out of a lot of money. I told him that I understood, but I told him not to let that cost him his soul. If we let another person come between us and or God, we are making that person bigger than God and more powerful than God to us! *Mark 8:36-37*, For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? *V 37* Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? He understood what was hanging in the balance. He could forgive the man of his wrongdoing and move forward to serve God or he could hang on to it and let malice and hatred grow and his heart to the point it could cost him his relationship with God. *Galatians 6:20* Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies *21* Envyings, murders, drunkenness, reveling, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

We do have a second law of pardon, *1 John 1:8*, If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. *V 9* If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *V 10* If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. Our willingness to confess our sins is an acknowledgement to God of our weakness and of his strength of forgiveness.

When we sin and realize it, we need to ask God to forgive us, his word tells us he will do just that. Then our relationship with God is restored and we don't have to question or doubt our eternal destiny. *Hebrews 4:11*, Let us labor therefore to enter that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. *V 15* For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. *V 16*, Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

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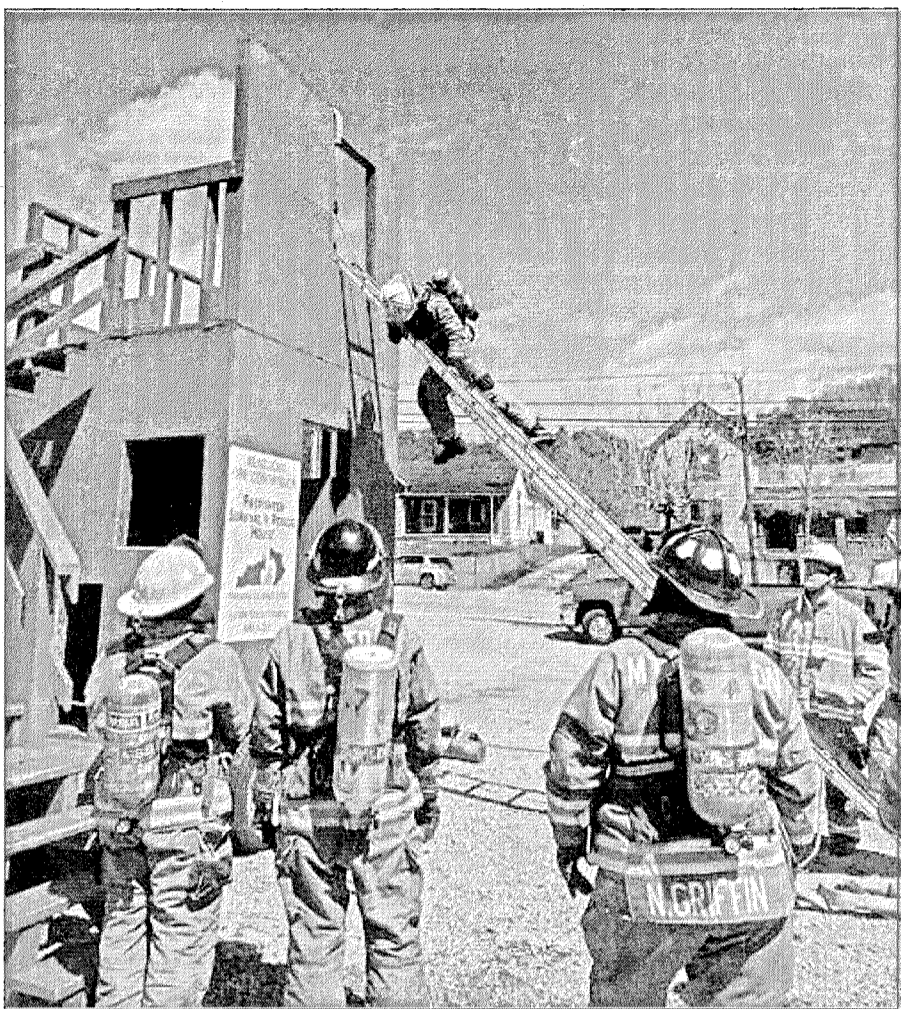
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Sunday Morning Worship: 10:20-Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00

“Training”

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Fire fighters took part in intensive training during the state sponsored training exercises held in Livingston last weekend. Fire fighters from several counties participated in the event.

are in need of people willing to protect their neighbors, give back to their community and has a giving heart.”

Of course, everyone serving as a firefighter must be properly trained in the many aspects of fighting fire, proper use of the equipment and countless rescue techniques and services. Such training is free. “We provide the equipment and the training. All the volunteer needs to do is want to help their community,” Bullock said.

One of the training examples came this past weekend in Livingston where Livingston Fire and Rescue hosted the annual Regional Firefighter Survival and Rescue Training seminar.

The event, sponsored by the Kentucky Fire Commission, provided training in techniques in “last resort” life and death situations as well as self-rescue operations.

Jeff Carpenter, Livingston Fire and Rescue chief said the event is of the utmost importance. “This training can absolutely mean the difference between life or death for a firefighter or for the victim,” he said. “It is intense training and very serious maneuvers that every firefighter must learn. This is the kind of training you hope you never need but almost inevitably will. The skills we acquire here are priceless.”

In fact, for state certification, every firefighter must attend some such training events throughout the year and this particular training was attended by many different departments in Rockcastle and surrounding counties.

In fact, the Brodhead Fire Department, Mount Vernon Fire Department, Livingston Fire and Rescue, Pond Creek Fire Department in Jackson County and the Camp Ground Fire Department in Laurel County, were all represented at the event.

“I have no doubt that we all came out of this training better prepared for such emergencies,” said Carpenter. “This very training may well be what saves a life in Rockcastle County some day.”

Anyone interested in volunteering as a firefighter should contact their local department. Training and equipment will be provided and officials say the biggest reward comes when you have taken part is helping your entire community.

Anyone may go to brodheadfire.com for an application. The BFD has four state and internationally certified instructors and all training is offered locally. Also, some classes, taken during the training, qualifies for free college credit, according to officials at the department.

“Screen”

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nization records. Appointment times available for screening are as follows:

Roundstone Elementary School
Screening held at the Teaching and Learning Center **April 14** from 1:30 to 5:30, **April 28** from 1 to 5 and **May 5** from 1 to 4.

Mount Vernon Elementary School.
Screening held at Rockcastle Academy **April 22, April 29** and **May 6** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day.

Brodhead Elementary School
Screening at BES, **April 13** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., **April 20** from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and **May 19** from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

“CAP”

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CAP is currently seeking anyone willing to volunteer some time to help others. If you are willing to help for an hour per month, a few hours per week or just during special events throughout the year, CAP has volunteer work ready for you.

For nearly 60 years CAP's life changing programs and services have restored hope for thou-

sands of children, families and seniors who struggle each day to break free from poverty.

Volunteers of all ages, faiths and backgrounds are needed to build hope and transform lives through your service.

Some of the specific areas of work needed involve the Grateful Threadz Thrift Store through sorting donations, steaming or hanging clothing, cleaning and helping on quarter sales events among other duties.

There is also need at the Grateful Bread Food Pantry stocking shelves, cleaning, shopping with participants, sorting and more.

Volunteers are also needed for the Hunger Walk and Santa Day.

Anyone interested in helping with your time, may contact CAP at christianapp.org or by calling 606-256-3035, option 1.

“Fish”

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cel the monthly fish fry for some time.

However, the event is scheduled again for this weekend and the entire community, as well as surrounding communities, is urged to attend.

The funds raised through the event helps provide needed equipment for the department.

Each plate is now \$12 and includes fish and hush puppies, cole slaw, fries or baked potato, dessert and drink. The event will be held at the Brodhead Fire Department on Main Street and visitors my dine in or carry out.

A dessert auction will begin at 6:30 and patrons are urged to bid high to help the department protect and serve the community.

It will also be a time when you can meet and talk to candidates running for office in the May Primary. The Climax Fire Department Benefit Auction, Singing and Bake Sale will be Saturday at 4 p.m. The \$6 meal includes chili, soup beans, pizza with Kraut, cornbread, drink and dessert. There are lots of items to be auctioned.

Spring musical

The Rockcastle County Middle School Spring Musical is scheduled for tonight, Thursday, March 31, beginning at 6 p.m. The event will be held at the RCHS auditorium and will be free to the public. The performance will be *Annie* and everyone is invited to attend.

“Jobs”

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the benefit package and add its value to their salary for a total of \$16.43 per hour in Mount Vernon and \$16.21 in Laurel County, around \$4 an hour more than with the benefit package.

Currently the Mount Vernon location has employees from Somerset, Jackson County and further. “Anyone from any surrounding county may apply and we welcome them,” said Robinson.

Exela was originally called Source-HOV Company but changed its name in 2017 to Exela Technologies, Inc.

For those interested, there is a Monday through Thursday shift that allows for a three-day weekend and there are also weekend shifts. More shifts will be added soon.

“This will have an impact on Rockcastle County,” said Jeff VanHook, RCIDA Executive Director. “The occupational tax alone will be helpful and once again, Rockcastle County is bringing outside dollars into this area.”

Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook was also pleased with the announcement. “Exela has been a good partner to

work with over the years and we are happy to watch them continue to grow and expand,” he said.

VanHook added, “Without Exela and their previous growth, this county would not be in the condition it is in,” he said. “And now, 400 more jobs? Imagine the long term, regional effects that will have on our county. This is a big deal.”

Anyone interested in applying with Exela should call 606-765-5025 or just visit the plant. “We love walk-ins. Come on,” said Robinson. The office is located at 30 Industrial Park in Mount Vernon

Community Volunteer Opportunities

Join us in transforming lives around us!

Volunteers of all ages, faith traditions, and backgrounds needed to build hope, transform lives, and share Christ's love through service in Appalachia.

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Whether an individual can serve for an hour each month, a few hours a week, or during special events throughout the year, the energy and heart that our Community Volunteers bring to CAP has a tremendous impact.

We invite you to be part of what we do!
Interested in learning more?

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Grateful Threadz Thrift Store
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Vote



Micah Owens Rockcastle County Jailer

I am Micah Owens; a lifelong citizen of Rockcastle County.
I am asking for your vote in May for the Office of Jailer.

I have worked under two different administrations at the Rockcastle Detention Center, which has enabled me to evaluate the problems that continue to go unanswered. I have studied the most efficient ways to correct the current situations. I promise to bring dedication, determination, and integrity back to the Office of the Jailer. I promise to be on site and working 40 plus hours weekly to make the change to better our community. I will have a hands-on role in the daily operations of the jail, and to be available daily to address any questions or concerns the community may have.

My plans include:

- Holding deputies and inmates accountable for all actions.
- Improve the quality of the food and sanitation of the jail kitchen
- Provide hands on training for all deputies to better serve the community.
- Improve the security of the jail.
- Bring back window visits to ease visitation with loved ones.
- Offer GED classes to help rehabilitate the inmates being released.
- Regular Church services for inmates.
- Develop a rotating schedule for Work Release so the inmates do not know their exact location day to day thereby improving jail security.
- Organize and run Operation “Clean the Rock”. A specialized Work Release program that focuses on cleaning up the trash on the road sides and in towns, playgrounds, and cemeteries of our county.



Vote Micah Owens for Rockcastle County Jailer

Bringing Accountability and Integrity Back

Paid for by Micah Owens for Rockcastle County Jailer

Yards to Paradise

*By Max Phelps
Inflation Affects Gardening and Landscaping*

As the first season of Covid scares and thousands at home instead of at the office overtook normal life and habits, over a third of the gardens planted were done by first-timers. And many a backyard project got underway. Stimulus checks resulted in a record number of zero-turn riding lawnmowers being sold—that's just a 'for instance', as many other things ran short and prices spiked.

Next came factory closures, online ordering, and ships of goods from other nations sitting at anchor awaiting a scaled back schedule by dockworkers, a short supply of unionized truckers, and recently the increased cost of fuel and the threat of food shortages ... this has sent prices spiraling at a 7% official rate; but gas, food, aren't included in government cost of living calculations anymore, or the rate would be quite a lot higher.

Add in war: Russia invading Ukraine has turned economies upside down, and the effects are likely to be more price hikes, and even actual food shortages of some staple items like bread. Also, add high costs of fertilizers, mostly thanks to high natural gas prices and much of them being produced for worldwide consumption by the two countries that are at war and not producing or exporting much of anything.

The current issue of

Nursery Management magazine encourages garden centers to be sure and raise prices not just to cover the rise in cost of plants and other inputs—but to take the opportunity to raise pricing to a point they can make a comfortable profit, since "everyone is already expecting" price increases this year!

So, it picks up speed like a ball rolling downhill. (Until demand declines due to the pricing, or due to the slush of stimulus funds finally being contained and thus reeling in consumption.) If traffic on the interstate or at the big box stores is any clue, prices have not gone up enough to reign in spending.

Next chapter and next surprise is only an exercise in guessing. But, from garden seeds to fruit trees to mulch and planting mixes, there are likely to be some empty shelves before the summer is over, and definitely pricing increases of three times or more the "official" rate of inflation.

Laying up several days of necessities in case of interruptions in the supply chain is just smart. But, so is planting seeds or trees and raising some of the things you like to eat.

Landscaping may cost more than it did a year or five years ago, but it still makes real sense both aesthetically and as an investment that increases as plants mature. Amenities such as decks, patios, garden beds, outdoor cooking and relaxation should continue to be in demand—but budgets may be smaller than the

costs and projects have to be spaced out or scale back.

In almost every city I visit or do projects in, construction is going on all over; homes, service stations, apartment complexes, dormitories, you name it. And you can't get or keep dependable laborers. And those that are actually looking for a job, expect a big salary increase over their last position.

That's sort of the state of affairs from a landscape gardener and landscape contractor's perspective.

It's a time not to hide but to face the reality and be proactive for the betterment of your family.

Governments like to think they can control things, not just our lives but also prices. The truth is they can do little if a rumor gets started and everyone buys just one extra package of toilet paper or one extra loaf of bread and shelves go empty and people go to panic mode and buy other things they don't need just yet but hord out of fear or expected future price increases. (And it can go both directions; sometimes people shut their pocketbooks and get by on less, and this too causes big disruptions in the marketplace.)

Be prepared to have less selection of product or sizes, and to pay a higher price this year than

last.

Inflation is basically economics; supply & demand in action. But, so many things seem to be able to gum up normal business lately. There's knee-jerk government actions. There's fighting, hunger and diseases that may continue. And there's everything else from ships blocking a canal or port, to strikes and protests, to computer hacks of fuel or transportation or electricity or banking...interruptions, shortages and pricing spikes seem likely to be even more prevalent in the coming months.

Inflation affects all of us, and it certainly is affecting supply and demand in gardening and landscaping, and ultimately the price as calculated in dollars.

The author is a landscaper. Visit: rockcastles.net for contact or for many blog topics.

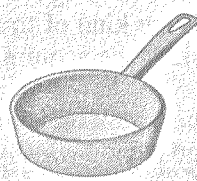
Georgetown College Dean's List

Georgetown College is pleased to announce and congratulate Alyssa Lunsford and Kerrigan Medley from Mount Vernon who made the Dean's List for fall 2021.

To qualify, a student must have completed the semester with at least 12 credit hours and a minimum 3.7 GPA. A total of 319 students made the Dean's List for fall 2021.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins



CAPRESE PASTA SALAD

This makes a lot of salad, but it also keeps well in the refrigerator. In the summertime, I like to keep some made so we can have a quick, easy, and cool meal (or snack).
1 package (16 ounce) mini bow tie pasta
2 cups grape tomatoes, halved
7 ounces fresh mozzarella cheese, cubed
1 medium sweet yellow pepper, chopped
1 small red onion, chopped
1/2 cup pickled banana pepper rings, chopped
1 can (3.8 ounce) sliced ripe olives, drained
1/2 cup fresh basil leaves,

thinly sliced DRESSING:

1 cup red wine vinegar
1 cup olive oil
1 garlic clove, minced
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon dried basil
Cook pasta according to package directions; drain and rinse in cold water. In a large bowl, combine pasta, tomatoes, cheese, yellow pepper, onion, pepper rings, olives, and basil.

In a jar with a tight-fitting lid, combine the dressing ingredients; shake well. Pour over salad and toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour before serving.

SEVEN (OR EIGHT) LAYER SALAD

Uncle Paul's wife June was the first to bring this salad to our holiday and Sunday meals. It has certainly withstood the test of time as it is still one of our favorites.

1 medium head lettuce, shredded
1 sweet onion, chopped
1 cup celery, chopped (optional)
1 package (about 16 ounce) frozen green peas, thawed and drained
5 hard-boiled eggs, chopped
8 strips bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled
1 and 1/2 cups Miracle Whip® or mayonnaise, spread evenly over bacon layer
2 cups Cheddar cheese, shredded
Layer ingredients in order given in a 9 x 13 glass dish. Do no toss. Refrigerate several hours or overnight before serving.
NOTE: Some of the family likes to thin the Miracle Whip® out a little bit by mixing it with 2 tablespoons milk and 1 teaspoon sugar. Adjust the amount of Miracle Whip® to your taste.

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Pennymac Loan Services, LLC Plaintiff
V.
Michael Berry, individually and as administrator of the estate of Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Berry Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 12, 2020 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO DOLLARS AND 34/100 (\$117,972.34) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, April 1, 2022
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said real property being more particularly described as follows:

77 Scenic View Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Map ID# 044-00-049.06

Being the same property conveyed to Perry R. Sams and Rhonda B. Sams, husband and wife, jointly, with remainder in fee simple to the survivor of thereof, from Benton Bullock and Theresa Bullock, husband and wife, by deed dated February 12, 1997 and recorded February 14, 1997 in Deed Book 164, Page 546; of the records of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office. Perry R. Sams aka Perry Reed Sams died on January 9, 2018. Upon his death, all right, title and interest in the subject property became vested in Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams by the right of survivorship clause. Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Berry Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams died on January 8, 2019. Upon her death, all right, title and interest in the subject property became vested in her heirs at law.

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

1. The real property shall be sold together as a whole.
 2. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
 3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
 4. The purchaser shall pay the 2021 local, county and state property taxes.
 5. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
 6. Full satisfaction of the judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
 7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
 8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
 9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".
 10. All sales shall be conducted pursuant to the COVID19 safety regulations set out by the Governor and Kentucky Supreme Court, including but not limited to the following:
 - Only bidders or parties of the civil action or the party's representative shall be present at the auction.
 - All persons present at the sale shall remain 6 feet apart.
 - All persons present at the sale shall be required to wear a mask.
- The sale shall occur outside on the Courthouse steps (main street entrance).

John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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Frankfort Update

By: Josh Bray
State Representative
Approaching the final days of session

We are approaching the end of this year's session, with only four days remaining on the legislative calendar. While we focused on the bills and resolutions on our agenda, we are also aware that last week



Kentuckians across the state saw tragedies, including the deadly coal mine accident in Harlan County and a bomb scare at the Jewish Community Center in Louisville. Events like these always put into perspective how the policies we enact in Frankfort have a real impact on Kentuckians and are never far from my mind when I take a vote on your behalf.

While many bills are still up for consideration, only a few will make it through the process to become law. Under the current legislative calendar, I will join fellow legislators for two days this week, then we will return on April 13 to deal with any unfinished business. The final two days are always reserved to give us time to consider any vetoes that a Governor might issue on bills we have passed.

Here are a few examples of the legislation passed this week:

Child Abuse and Neglect: Members of the House approved SB 8, which renames the State Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Prevention Board to the State Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board to reflect the Board's expanded scope, membership and functions. The board would include all forms of maltreatment including child abuse and neglect. SB 8 expands the definition of fictive kin to include individuals that have a relationship with a biological parent, sibling, and half-sibling from birth to 12 months of age and expands access to abuse prevention services by providing preservation services to chil-

dren who are moderately at risk of out of home placement.

Lily's Law: On Wednesday, the House passed HB 185, The measure toughens the state's driving under the influence (DUI) laws by making it a Class D felony and requiring those arrested for a DUI to remain in custody for eight hours. HB 185 is named Lily's Law after Lily Fairfield, a 16-year-old girl who was tragically killed in an automobile crash caused by someone who had been arrested days before after driving under the influence.

Healthcare Worker Loan Relief Program: This week, the House passed HB 573, which creates a state program aimed at recruiting and retaining healthcare workers throughout the Commonwealth. Healthcare workforce shortages have plagued our state for years, and, like many things, the pandemic exacerbated the problem. Under this measure, eligible program participants would receive a tax-free student loan repayment in exchange for a two-year full-time service commitment.

Combating Catalytic Converter Theft: Legislation requiring the purchasers of catalytic converters to maintain a record makes it a Class B misdemeanor to purchase stolen, Class b misdemeanor for failing to keep a registry. SB 114 is the response to the increase in catalytic converter theft in our state.

Full Name and Address Act: On Thursday, the House approved SB 272. The measure requires a website operator or online service dealer in the electronic dissemination of commercial recording or audiovisual works to disclose their true name, physical address, telephone number, and email address. SB 272 would prohibit the performances of imposter bands.

Election Integrity: SB 216 passed on the House floor this week. The measure expands the existing audit process, moves up

the deadline for transitioning to universal paper ballots, and ensures that election machines are not hooked up to the internet.

Early High School Graduation Requirements: This week, SB 61 passed the House. With many colleges and universities preferring the SAT used to measure what students have learned, SB 61 removes the end-of-course ACT and the benchmark requirements from the early high school graduation program.

Site-Based Decision Making Council Reform: Legislation aimed at developing an accountable authority for filing principal vacancies passed the House this week. The measure includes guidelines for selecting school curriculum and instructional materials.

Teaching American Principles Act: SB 1 includes much of SB 138. The measure indicates that public school instruction should align with state social studies standards and be consistent with the concepts of American democratic principles of equality and personal agency.

Road Plan: Legislation laying out the budget for road projects over the next two fiscal years passed on the House floor. The three main road projects outlined in HB 242 are: Brent Spence Bridge, I-69 corridor in Henderson, and Mountain Parkway road widening in Eastern Kentucky.

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's update. I appreciate that our local media is willing to run these columns and, of course, hope you'll let me know if you have any comments or questions. I can be reached during the week from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (EST) through the toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via e-mail at Josh.Bray@lrc.ky.gov. You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at legislature.ky.gov.

Swearing in



Crystal Lear Rush has been named Mount Vernon City Clerk and the swearing-in ceremony was held after the recent City Council meeting. Shown present at the event from left are: Mount Vernon Fire Chief David Bales, Mount Vernon Chief of Police Brian Carter, Kinley Raye Rush, Mayor Mike Bryant, Councilmembers Clifford Mullins, Jamie Bryant, James Bowman, Shelley Raines Lewis, Sharon Saylor and Wayne Bullock, Assistant Police Chief Joe Rush, Crystal Lear Rush, Torsha Lear and Ray Lear.

Rockcastle County proclaims:

April is PRIDE Spring Cleanup Month

Judge-Executive Howell Holbrook has proclaimed April as PRIDE Spring Cleanup Month in Rockcastle County. Throughout April, citizens are encouraged to volunteer to pick

up litter across the community.

The proclamation, signed Feb. 28, encouraged Rockcastle County residents to participate in the PRIDE Spring Cleanup. It said that the

area's natural beauty is a treasure for residents and tourists, and it benefits the health, enjoyment and economic prosperity of all. The PRIDE Spring Cleanup is an opportunity

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Brenda Ann Callahan, 48, Mt. Vernon, WalMart and Joseph Robert Singleton, 50, Mt. Vernon, truck driver. 3/22/22

Krissy Marie Cromer, 43, Livingston, unemployed and James Weston Phillips, 46, Livingston, retired. 3/22/22

Deeds Recorded

Peggy McClure, Linda and Stephen Zupancic, Gary and Tracy Nicely, property in Rockcastle County, to Linda and Stephen Zupancic. No tax

Richard L. Dickhaus, property on Sand Springs Road, to Paul E. Dickhaus. No tax

Billy and Retta Graves and Billy Ray Graves II and Daniella Graves, property in Rockcastle County, to Brandon Wayne and Morgan Rae Nicely. Tax \$60

Gary W. and Tracy Nicely and Jessica and Rick Smith, property on Charley Todd Rd., to Jessica and Rick Smith. No tax

Ronnie and Judy Jons, property on Hwy. 461, to Carlos McClure. Tax \$5

Patricia and Frankie Martin, property in Rockcastle County, to Jeremy Martin. No tax

Ronnie L. Gevedon 2005 Revocable Trust, property on Lawrence Lane, to Merna Diana Overbay. Tax \$38

Shirley Jean Wallin, property in Rockcastle County, to Roger Wallin, Deborah Francisco, Matthew Wallin and Calli Wallin. No tax

Jennifer Burke Bradley and James Bradley, property in Rockcastle County, to Joshua Dale Burke. No tax

Ranona Ann Craig and Jacinda Gayle Rowe, co-executors of the estate of Ramona Lee Denney and Ranona Ann and Patrick Craig and Jacinda Gayle and Jeremy Rowe, property on KY 70 and Old

Brodhead and Quail Road, to James Walter Isaacs. Tax \$219.

A&R Contractors LLC, property in Benton Bullock Subdv., to Mustard See Property Group LLC. Tax \$67

Mallory Gill, property in Rockcastle County, to Lori Ann Gil. No tax

Zac Wynn Realtor Guy, LLC, property in Rockcastle County, to Linda Schlegel. Tax \$80

Joseph E. and Joyce Cummins, property on old Brodhead-Mt. Vernon Road, to Roy B. Cummins. No tax

Mark A. Cummins, property on Old Brodhead-Mt. Vernon Road, to Roy B. Cummins. No tax

David and Tara Carpenter and James Wayne and Jessica Carpenter, property in Rockcastle County, to Kenneth Eugene and Sandra Terry Vasey and Ryan Jensen and Libby Layne Hess. Tax \$124

Century Property Development LLC, property near Rockcastle River, to Joseph E. and Diane Kay Green. Tax \$10

District Court

March 16-23, 2022

Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

Marsha S. Banks: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, improper display of registration plates and five other charges, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/license suspended.

Milton Abundio Roblero DeLeon: speeding, \$34 fine plus costs; no operators/moped license, \$50 fine.

Christopher Snyder: rear license not illuminated and failure to wear seatbelts, \$25 fine each charge; failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine plus costs.

Jodie L. Uhlig: (charges from 9/6/20) No/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine each charge; operating on sus-

pending/revoked operators license, \$100 fine; failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, \$500 fine plus costs. (charges from 10/18/20) No/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to surrender revoked operators license, \$50 fine each charge; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine, failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine/costs merged.

Hugh A. Rader: fines/fees due (\$268)/converted to six days in jail/concurrent.

Timmy Brock: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs (two counts), reckless driving, operating ATV on roadway, receiving stolen property (two counts), drug parapherna-

lia-buy /possess, public intoxication (three counts), order entered.

Treston Daniel Edwards: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Austin Mickale Hefley: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, possess open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, instructional permit violations, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Gary Phillip Maxie: reckless driving, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, operating motor vehicle under influence alcohol, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Glen Eric Rhodes: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/liense suspended.

Amanda B. Vice: reckless driving, failure to wear seat belts, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol, possess open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

James D. Wynn: theft by unlawful taking, 10 days in jail/credit time served/costs merged.

Phillip Barnett, Jr: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to wear seat belts, failure to illuminate

head lamps, possession controlled substance (two counts), drug paraphernalia -buy/possess (three counts), no operators/moped license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, no/expired registration plates - receipt, obstruction vision and/or windshield, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, driving DUI suspended license, bw issued for fta.

Zachary Robinson: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, 90 ays in jail/probated 24 months on condition; public intoxication controlled substance, 90 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition/concurrent, plus costs.

"Pride Clean Up"

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to be good stewards of this important resource.

The annual PRIDE Spring Cleanup is hosted by Eastern Kentucky PRIDE, Inc., a nonprofit organization that promotes environmental cleanup and education, as well as economic development through tourism, in 42 counties of southern and eastern Kentucky. The 2022 PRIDE Spring Cleanup sponsors are Outdoor Venture Corporation and Fibrotex, USA.

"I want to thank Judge Holbrook for his leadership in promoting April as Spring Cleanup Month," said Tammie Nazario, PRIDE President/Chief Executive Officer.

"April will be the perfect time to get outdoors with friends and family, working together to make sure your favorite spot

looks its best," Nazario said. "Please consider picking up litter near your home, school, church or business."

To volunteer, contact Rockcastle County PRIDE Coordinator James Renner at 606-256-2856 or rockcastlewaste@yahoo.com.

To learn more about the Spring Cleanup, please visit www.kypride.org.

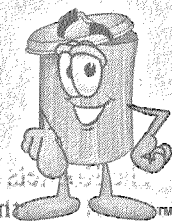
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April 9, 2022 Rockcastle County FREE TRASH DROP-OFF DAY

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court is pleased to offer a **Free Trash and Bulk Goods Drop-Off Day**. This event will be held **Saturday, April 9, 2022** from **8 a.m. to 3 p.m.** (rain or shine) at the **Brodhead Fairgrounds**.

This event is open to Rockcastle County residents only! Identification and sign in at the gate will be required!

We will be accepting the following items: household trash, bulk goods (such as couches, chairs, mattresses, etc), appliances, televisions, computer equipment, etc.



We will **NOT** accept any tires, liquids, paint, brush, leaves, clean wood, propane tanks or hazardous materials.

Limited personnel will be on hand to assist with unloading items.

For more information, call the **Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office** at **606-256-1902**

Rockcastle County Recycling Center open for recycling drop-offs

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

The following items may be recycled:

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

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

Recycling Drop-Off Trailers are available for use at:

- Brodhead (behind City Hall)
- Conway (by Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.)
- Livingston (between Liv. Fire Dept. & City Hall)
- Pongo (by Pongo Volunteer Fire Dept.)
- Climax (by Climax Volunteer Fire Dept.)

Violations may be issued for putting trash in the recycling trailers!!!

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



Funded in part through a grant from the Kentucky Pride Fund, Division of Waste Management.

ROCKCASTLE ARTS ASSOCIATION

CALL FOR ARTISTS

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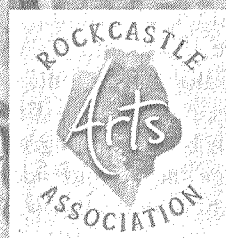
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SPORTS

Rocket softball beats Jaguars

The RCHS Rockets softball team picked up a big win over North Laurel Thursday defeating the Jaguars 7-5 in eight innings.

North Laurel took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second before the Rockets answered with two in the top of the third.

Adyssine Lovell drew a walk and scored on a Makayla Coffey double. Coffey scored on a Haley Pingleton ground ball.

North Laurel tied the game at two in the bottom of the third.

Rockcastle took the lead in the top of the fifth with one run. Katie Denham drew a walk and Kailee Collins, running for Denham, scored on a Laney Bryant line drive.

Rockcastle added two more in the top of the sixth. Ella Bussell singled and advanced to second on a hit by pitch to Haven King. Addison McClure sacrificed the runners and Katie Denham singled to score the runs and take a 5-2 lead.

The Rockets couldn't hold off North Laurel with the Jaguars scoring one in the bottom of the sixth and two in the bottom of the seventh to send the game into extra innings.

Rockcastle wasted no time putting two runs across in the top of the eighth.

Denham reached on a passed ball and Collins, running for Denham, advanced to third on a Lovell ground out. Collins scored on a Coffey double. Bryant singled and Coffey scored on a Pingleton double to take a 7-5 lead.

Denham closed out the game by retiring the first three batters she faced in the bottom of the eighth.

Denham went eight innings giving up six hits and five runs.

Coffey, Bryant and

King each had two hits with Coffey and Denham picking up two RBI each.

Last Friday, Bourbon County came to town and an eight run seventh inning doomed the Rockets in the 11-7 loss.

The Rockets wasted no time getting on the scoreboard with two runs in the bottom of the first.

Makayla Coffey drew a walk, advanced to third on a Laney Bryant sacrifice and scored on a Haley Pingleton single.

Kylee Fletcher, running for Pingleton, scored on a Haven King single for the second run of the inning.

Rockcastle added another run in the bottom of the third after Haven King doubles and scored on an Addison McClure bunt to take a 3-1 lead.

Bourbon tied the game at three after two runs in the top of the fourth.

Rockcastle added three more runs in the bottom of the sixth.

Adyssine Lovell started with a single, Coffey reached on an error and Bryant loaded the bases with a bunt single.

Lovell scored on a Pingleton ground out and Bryant scored on an Ella Bussell ground ball.

Needing just three outs for the win, a combination of hits and errors spelled doomed for the Rockets with Bourbon County putting eight across the plate in the top of the seventh to take an 11-6 lead.

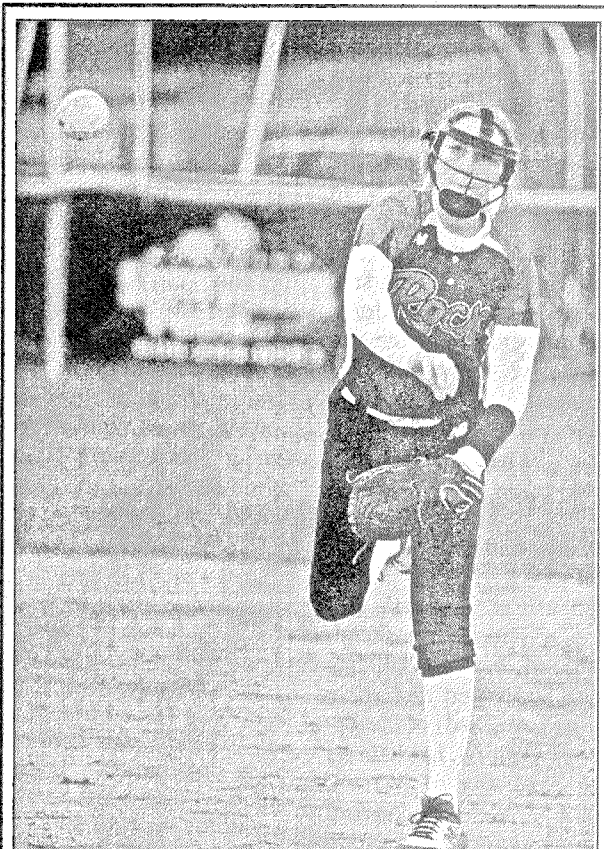
Rockcastle managed only one run in the bottom of the seventh.

Bryant, King and Lovell all managed two hits for the Rockets.

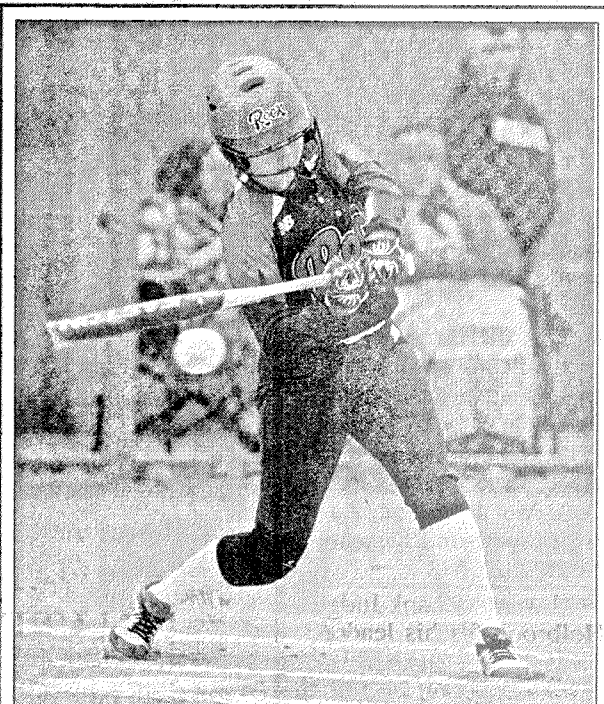
Southwestern came to town Monday and handed the Rockets an 8-0 loss.

Offensively, Laney Bryant was four for four and Makayla Coffey was two for four.

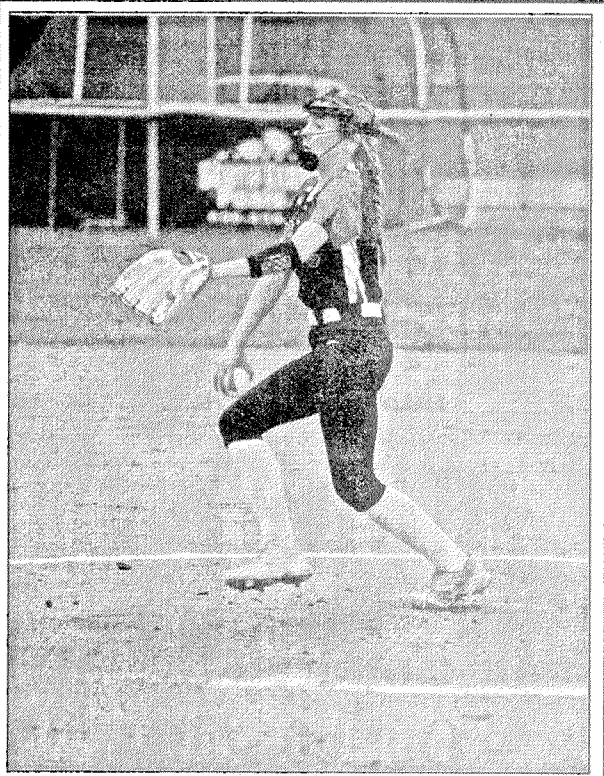
The Rockets will host Western Hills Friday night at 7 p.m. in the Where's the Beach Classic.



Laney Bryant makes a play at shortstop during the Rockets' loss to Bourbon County Friday.



Makayla Coffey takes a cut during the Rockets' 11-7 loss to Bourbon last week.



Abby Burdette started on the mound for the Rockets against Bourbon County.

Rocket baseball win two of three

The RCHS Rockets baseball squad won two of three over the last weeks with wins over Paul Laurence Dunbar and Whitley County and a loss to Great Crossing.

Last Friday, the Rockets traveled to Lexington to face the Bulldogs of Paul Laurence Dunbar and came away with a 9-5 victory.

The Rockets scored first in the top of the second scoring one run.

Dalton Gibbs got things started with a single, advanced to third on a Cade Prewitt double and scored on a Carson Carrera single.

The Bulldogs answered in the bottom of the inning with four runs to take a three run lead.

Rockcastle came right back in the top of the third with a big six run inning.

Carson King got things started with a hit by pitch, Landon Dillingham and Gibbs drew walks to load the bases and a Cade Prewitt single scored King. Carrera drew an RBI walk to score Dillingham. Silas Shaffer doubled to score Gibbs and Prewitt and Carrera scored on the throw. Ethan Fain followed Shaffer with a double of his own to score Shaffer for the final run of the inning and a 7-4 lead.

Rockcastle tacked two more on in the top of the seventh.

Carrera and Shaffer singled with Carrera scoring on an Ethan Fain ground out and Shaffer scored on a Cam Prewitt fielder's choice.

Dunbar managed only one run in the bottom of the seventh in the 9-5 win for the Rockets.

Ethan Fain started on

the mound for the Rockets going five innings, giving up four runs on four hits and striking out five.

Carson King got the win going two innings surrendering one run on three hits and two strikeouts.

Shaffer, Cam Prewitt, Gibbs, Cade Prewitt and Carrera each had two hits while Shaffer had three RBI and Ethan Fain and Carrera with two RBI apiece.

Saturday, the Rockets traveled to Whitley County and defeated the Cardinals, 13-6.

The Rockets scored runs in five of their seven innings gathering 13 hits throughout the game.

Cade Prewitt was the man with runners in scoring position picking up five RBI with two hits and a walk.

Shaffer, Noah Fain, and Carrera also had two hits in the win.

Noah Fain got the win for the Rockets going six and two-thirds innings, allowing seven hits and six runs while striking out seven.

The win gave the Rockets a 4-1 record on the young season.

In the second game of the day, Rockcastle took one on the chin losing to Great Crossing 18-0.

Landon Dillingham got the lone hit for the Rockets in the game.

The Rockets were set to host Wayne County Tuesday, March 29th and travel to North Laurel Thursday and Jackson County Friday.

Southwestern comes to town Saturday for a 12:00 game and the Rockets will face Lincoln County at 4 p.m.



Ella Bussell fouls off a ball during the Rockets 11-7 loss to Bourbon County last Friday night.

Sign-Ups for Hot Rods/T-Ball April 2nd/9th

Registration for the 2022 Hot Rods/T-Ball season will be held April 2nd and the 9th, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. each day at the Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908, backside of Lake Linville beside the ball field.

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Notices

Notice: Deborah Newland wishes to thank everyone who has sent her cards, funds, correspondence or who has tried to call her. However, she wants to say that there is no use to attempt this as Eastern State Hospital will not allow her to receive correspondence or to have phone privileges. Ms. Newland wants everyone to know that she is very appreciative of those who have remembered her.

Notice is hereby given that Vernon L. Heacock, 18468 Button Bush Lane, Goshen, IN 46578 and Michael Beck, 812 Anglin Falls Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 have been appointed Co-Administrators of the Estate of Loren Vern Heacock on the 14th day of March, 2022. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Vernon L. Heacock and Michael Beck or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 14, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 6x3

Notice is hereby given that Donna Jean Pingleton, 283 Copper Ridge Lane, Crab Orchard, Ky. 40419, has been appointed Executrix (w/will attached) of the Estate of Lillie M. Durham on the 23rd day of March, 2022. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Donna Jean Pingleton, or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 1328, Mount Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 23, 2022. 8x3

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Notice is hereby given that Luther Cromer, Jr., 462 Doc Adams Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Peachie Boone on the 28th day of March, 2022. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Luther Cromer, Jr., or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, Rowe Law Office PLLC, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before September 28, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 8x3

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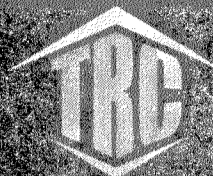
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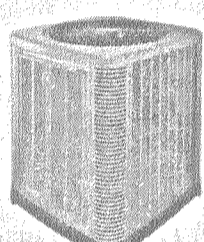
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Church News

Benefit Singing

There will be a Benefit Singing Friday, April 1st, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Livingston Pentecostal Church. All proceeds will go to Bro. B.J. McKinney to help with financial needs, following the loss of his wife.

He is a good man of God and such a blessing to everyone. So come out and help with this cause and show Bro. B.J. how much we love him.

Bro. Jim Miller and congregation welcome all pastors, singers and everyone to this event.

Good Friday Service at First Christian

First Christian Church will host a Good Friday Service on Friday, April 15, beginning at 7 p.m.

The service will combine video, music and singing, a devotional and a very personal time of challenge and encouragement.

Please join us as we remember the sacrifice Christ Jesus made on our behalf.

May God bless you!

Faith/Prayer Walk is Saturday, 9 a.m.

C.D.M. (Christ's Discipleship Ministries) will host a Faith/Prayer Walk on Saturday, April 2, 2022, beginning at 9 a.m. at the parking lot below the courthouse on Main St. in Mt. Vernon.

The purpose of the Faith/Prayer Walk is to gather as many pastors together as possible to intercede on behalf of our county, state, nation and world scene.

It's time for church leadership to come together to see the denominational walls that hinder the body of Christ come falling down.

The Body of Christ needs to be restored in Love, Authority and Power.

All pastors are asked to come and bring as many of your congregation as possible, that we may come together in unity and one accord.

Let's start leading by example and win this war against evil forces that come against us. Everyone is welcome, hope to see you there!!

For questions, call: Jeff Cromer 606-308-1314 or Randy Thompson 606-308-5451.

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PURSUANT TO KRS 178.070, a Request has been filed by Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, for the Fiscal Court to discontinue county maintenance on FOREST HILL, CR-1709 (435.84 ft.)

The proposed discontinuance being described as follows:

From the intersection of Hwy 1505 and Forest Hill to the end of the county maintained road, a distance of 435.84 feet.

A public hearing will be held on the proposed discontinuance for the purpose of receiving public comments and in addition, to address the following specific question:

Does the portion of Forest Hill, CR-1709 proposed to be closed provide a necessary access for a private person; and what inconvenience will the discontinuance of this portion of the road cause?

DATE OF HEARING: April 12, 2022
 TIME: 3:30 pm
 LOCATION: 3rd Floor Conference Room, Rockcastle Courthouse, Mt. Vernon, KY

NOTICE FOR TAX PREPARERS

An Amendment to Rockcastle County Ordinance Number Twenty-Three (Occupational License Fee)

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained by the Fiscal Court of the County of Rockcastle that this Amendment Number Three be herein enacted.

Section (\$12 Penalties)

Any person who is an income tax return preparer who willfully fails to prepare or inform any business entity of the necessity to file any returns or any reckless or intentional disregard of rules or regulations of the ordinance by any such person, such person shall pay a penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) with respect to such return or incident.

So Ordained on the 14th day of December, 2010
 Rockcastle County Fiscal Court 606-256-1293

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PURSUANT TO KRS 178.070, a Request has been filed by Citizen, Darrell Payne, for the Fiscal Court to discontinue county maintenance on PAYNE ROAD CR- 1107 (460.141 FT.).

The proposed discontinuance being described as follows:

From the intersection of Chestnut Ridge Road and Payne Rd to the end of county maintained road, a distance of 460.14 feet.

A public hearing will be held on the proposed discontinuance for the purpose of receiving public comments and in addition, to address the following specific question:

Does the portion of Payne Road CR-1107 proposed to be closed provide a necessary access for a private person; and what inconvenience will the discontinuance of this portion of the road cause?

DATE OF HEARING: April 12, 2022
 TIME: 3:30 pm
 LOCATION: 3rd Floor Conference Room, Rockcastle Courthouse, Mt. Vernon, KY

NOTICE

Rockcastle County Government Tax Collection

1.5% Occupational License Tax

The Rockcastle County Government provides that, effective July 1, 2008, the 1.5% (one and one-half percent) Occupational License Tax (Ordinance No. 23) applies to all businesses, including home businesses, farms, rental property, and employers in Rockcastle County.

The rate is:

- 1.5 % of the Net Profits of every business from activities conducted within Rockcastle County. The Net Profit License Tax Return must be used by each business to report annually its net profits subject to 1.5% license fee.
- Each employer must withhold 1.5% Occupational License Tax from gross wages, salaries and commissions paid to employees for services performed within Rockcastle County. The Occupational License Fee return should be used by employers quarterly and returned by April 30, July 31, October 31 and January 31.

Each business becoming subject to the Ordinance must register for Occupational License Tax for Rockcastle County. Registration applications may be picked up at the Fiscal Court Clerk's office or call 606-256-1293 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday.