

Primary Election held Tuesday Incumbents have strong performances

By: Mike French
Editor

Howell Holbrook Jr., will remain as Rockcastle

County Judge/Executive and Shannon Franklin will serve another term as Rockcastle County Sheriff after votes were tallied Tuesday evening.

Starting early Tuesday morning, election day, County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen and her staff

and election workers, began counting absentee ballots at the courthouse with many of the candidates present. Holbrook

and Franklin took an immediate lead and ended the day holding on to that lead to keep their seats in office by comfortable margins.

Holbrook got 2,332 total votes for County Judge/Executive to

former County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop's 1,297

Franklin got 2,422 votes for Rockcastle County Sheriff to challenger L. Dale Miller's

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Rockcastle County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen (center) read the absentee ballots early Tuesday morning while election workers kept records of each vote.

Winners

- Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive.
- Shannon Franklin, Rockcastle County Sheriff.
- Nathan Carter, Rockcastle County Jailer.
- Kathy Robinson, Rockcastle County PVA.
- Jeremy Rowe, Rockcastle County Attorney.
- Danetta Ford Allen, Rockcastle County Clerk.
- Dawn R. Carpenter, Rockcastle County Coroner.
- William Leger, Division I District Judge.
- Josh Bray, Kentucky State Representative.
- Lee Earl Adams, Magistrate, District 1.
- William Sherman Denny, Magistrate, District 2.
- Doug Prewitt, Magistrate, District 3.
- Wendell Shane Thacker, Magistrate, District 4.
- Michael P. McGuire, Magistrate, District 5.
- Rodney Adams, Constable District 1.
- Steve Griffin, Constable District 2.
- Rick Brummett, Constable, District 3.
- Donnie Cope, Constable, District 4.
- Brian Wynn, Constable, District 5.

New Middle School construction estimated at about \$34.7 million

By: Mike French
Editor

The first official step towards the new Rockcastle County Middle School (RCMS) building was approved unanimously, by the board of education, at last Tuesday's regular

monthly meeting. The current, preliminary cost estimate of the new RCMS building is \$34,749,333.95.

According to Superintendent Carrie Ballinger, the district has qualified and been approved for \$10

million in equalization funding, Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray was able to bring \$4 million more in state funding and the school district will be bonding for the remaining \$20,750,000.

Facilities Director Trent Clark presented the BG-1 form to the board members last week which breaks down costs in each category of construction and must be submitted to the Kentucky Department of Education to begin the process of construction.

"This BG-1 form is the first official step towards getting the ball rolling," Clark said. "This breaks down to about \$340 per square foot which is the state average right now and we feel it is a good estimate. Now that you

\$14M coming from state

have approved this first step tonight, let's build a middle school."

Original estimates ranged from \$14 million to renovate the existing middle school, to well above \$30 million for a new school. But when estimates began to settle

around \$34 million, Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray was able to add the \$4 million in a bill so that the project was reachable through equalization funding, state

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Fiscal court deals with several issues

By: Mike French
Editor

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday and dealt with many issues.

The court agreed to provide \$1,255 to the Rockcastle Development Board for program support. The funds include the contract pay for Lynn Tatum and the fee for the board to belong to the Chamber of Commerce.

The court also studied the animal shelter report which shows 81 dogs and 42 cats were disposed of through adoption, euthanization, natural death or returned to their owners.

The list does not break down how many animals fit into each category. Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook said a rescue group has asked to be on the June agenda to address the court with ideas.

The court accepted the Livingston Gymnasium report showing a total of \$700 in rentals. County Attorney Jeremy Rowe told the court he needs to

install a sign at the gym listing rules and regulations since a citizen was hurt in the gym recently. "Not only is this a liability for the county or the city but we need to keep everyone safe while using the facility," he said. The idea passed unanimously.

The court voted to eliminate the annual Magistrates Association membership fees of about

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Sheriff's Department gets high-tech gear

By: Mike French
Editor

Rockcastle County Sheriff's Deputy Sam Brock has spent many years in law enforcement but he continues to keep up with modern techniques. Brock recently completed a six-week training course, teaching him to use ultramodern accident reconstruction equipment.

The equipment arrived last week and was funded through several

sources.

Brock, along with Sheriff Shannon Franklin, is now searching for funding for a high-tech drone that would supplement the equipment and, together, all the equipment can reconstruct an auto accident with much more accuracy. And that's not all, the time it takes to reconstruct an accident is greatly reduced with

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County Judge/Executive named in civil lawsuit

By: Mike French
Editor

A civil suit has been filed against Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive by Larry and Cecelia Gregory. Doug Hysinger is also named in the suit.

The suit claims that each defendant has "wrongfully and maliciously, for the purpose of injuring the plaintiffs, obstructed and interfered with the plaintiff's quiet enjoyment of their property, by intentionally acting and making false statements that have caused the plaintiffs to expend money to defend the Lovell lawsuit."

The civil suit also claims, "each defendant committed slander of title by knowingly and maliciously communicating false statements which have had the effect of disparaging the plaintiff's title to their property."

Though no specific

dollar amount is listed, the suit says the plaintiffs are "entitled to recover damages for their losses in defending the Lovell lawsuit, and their attorney fees for the wrongful statements and acts committed by the defendants."

The suit apparently stems from disagreements about property and roadway on Menifee Hill Road in Rockcastle County which began in 2019.

The attorneys who submitted the civil suit are listed as Hon. Chris Miniard and Hon. Jonathan Jones, of London.

The suit listed Hysinger, individually, and Holbrook in his official capacity as Judge/Executive and personally. The suit was filed on Friday, May 6.

A civil action law suit shows only one side of any story.

City council

The Mount Vernon City Council regular monthly meeting scheduled for tonight, has been postponed to Thursday, May 25 at 6 p.m. in City Hall. Officials say discussion of the new vacant property ordinance will be discussed. The public is invited to attend.

Memorial Day

Don't forget the Memorial Day Event planned for Monday, May 30 on the courthouse lawn at 10 a.m. The David M. Smith American Legion Post 71 will host the event and Veterans will be recognized from WWI, WWII, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The public is encouraged to attend.

Livingston meeting

The Livingston City Commission has called a special meeting for Wednesday, May 18, at 6 p.m. The agenda will include discussion of recent water issues and the first reading of customer water agreement ordinance, according to City Clerk Amanda Carpenter.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

Thank God for Senator Rand Paul, it's only a shame we can't clone him and replace our other senator - McConnell - with another Rand Paul.

Paul is, at heart, a Libertarian (an advocate or supporter of a political philosophy that advocates only minimal state intervention in the free market and the private lives of citizens).

Paul is also something of a hawk on government spending and managed, single handedly, to stall another relief bill to Ukraine - this time worth \$40B. He did it for one simple reason. He wants an inspector general to go along with the \$40B to oversee the spend of many many more US taxpayer dollars. Reasonable, right?

Well, to date, his action only managed to forestall passage of the bill in the Senate from last Thursday to this week at some point and infuriate Major Leader Mitch McConnell (R) and Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D) equally.

On Monday, the Senate voted to advance the legislation by invoking cloture which will allow debate to begin on the aid package. Of course, all of this while Americans are reeling from the highest inflation in 40 years along with over \$4 a gallon gas (over \$6 in one part of the country) and food shortages, including formula for our nation's infants.

McConnell even weighed in at one point, saying "the most impor-

tant thing going on in the world right now is the war in Ukraine." And, then he went on his merry way to Ukraine for his turn at a photo-op with Zelensky, supposedly in the middle of a war zone.

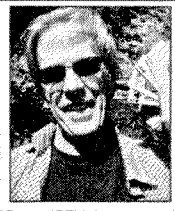
I have complete frustration with McConnell's statement. For one thing, it is so denegrating to the American people that our Senator considers the war in Ukraine the most important going on in the world right now, completely ignoring: record high inflation that is causing a major problem for middle class Americans; the left losing their mind completely over the leaked draft of a SCOTUS opinion that might keep millions more babies from being murdered; the fentanyl deaths increasing in this country because of an open Southern border (that saw 234,088 illegals cross over in April) allowing drugs to flow freely into our country and the loss of 105,000 of our citizens in 2021 due to drug overdoses; the shortage of formula for babies (unless you are an illegal immigrant who needs formula for their baby); the proven theft of the 2020 election, by the movie 2000 Mules, which brought about everything we are currently facing and which the majority of Republicans in office turned a blind eye to.

Of course, Congress also has other pressing

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



Some things are just flat wrong.

One would have to be a Nazi regime lover to think it is a good idea to have a government agency that gets to decide what is truth and what is a lie, based upon their opinion on any given subject.

The "Disinformation Governance Board?" Are they serious? This is the same board that said Hunter Biden's laptop was a fantasy and a lie cooked up by the Russians. Of course they were dead wrong but if they had existed then, all those who were telling the truth about his laptop all along could be in jail right now.

These are the same people who believed Adam Schiff's outright lie about having proof that Donald Trump colluded with Russians. It has now been proven that too was a plain, ordinary lie. But if this board had existed then, all those who were reporting the truth could have been arrested.

They are completely, dead wrong about climate change and its effect on

the world and the future. But they don't care. Anyone who speaks the truth that they disagree with could be banished or something.

This government has lied to the people every step of the way through the entire COVID event. Outright lies! But they don't want you to be able to hear the facts.

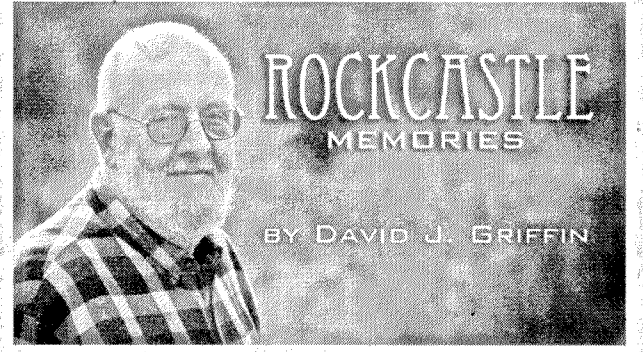
It is an absolutely ridiculous idea. It is absurd. "I'm always right and you can't be allowed to disagree with me?" And real, live human beings, supposedly with a brain, support that kind of idea?

Everyone used to be convinced the Earth is flat. Those "round-earth" thinkers should have been burned at the stake, I guess.

And now there is this fad going around where some nut jobs are proclaiming there is no differences in men and women. It is even difficult to type such stupidity without laughing at the human race.

Now they have hired a

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Redbud Trees

For most of my life, I have looked forward to the lavender-pink blooms of the redbud trees. It just seems that the new flowers signal a renewal of life.

The area in front of my mother's (Bee) house always brought forth the pink flowers first in our neighborhood. The bare branches were covered with the pink blooms, even though the leaves had not appeared. I always thought it was odd that these trees produced flowers before the leaves.

Bee loved our redbuds and could be seen standing in our yard gazing at the pink flowers. The redbuds and dogwoods were her favorites. Our yard had both. She talked about missing them when we moved her to Lexington, where we lived at the time.

When my wife and I bought our A-frame house on Furnace Mountain in Powell County, we were amazed at the num-

ber of redbud trees that appeared during the first spring. We would stand on our deck and take in the wave of pink flowers that were on the edge of our woods. Occasionally, people would pull into our driveway to take photos of the blooming redbuds.

Years later, when we purchased our new home in Mt. Sterling in 2019, we had a mature redbud tree in our backyard. My wife was thrilled to learn that we had a "touch of the mountains" just outside the window in our new home.

Unfortunately, and to my wife's distress, that tree was completely destroyed by an ice storm that first spring. It literally split right down the middle, all the way to the ground. We were extremely saddened to see its demise. That tree reminded me of the places that I lived when I was young.

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In just two weeks our country will once again recognize our fallen soldiers on Memorial Day, followed a few weeks later with a celebration of the freedom these brave men and women valiantly fought for on Independence Day. During these memorials and celebrations our thoughts are often turned to the many sacrifices people have made to preserve the freedoms our country and citizens enjoy. It was President Franklin Delano Roosevelt who said, "He stands in the unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that freedom might live, and grow, and increase its blessings. Freedom lives, and through it, he lives - in a way that humbles the undertakings of most men."

Rockcastle county can trace our many heroes in countless conflicts back to that first conflict for freedom, the Revolution-

ary war and into the 20th and 21st century. This county raised up and lost men and women, the ultimate sacrifice, during WWI, WWII, Korean conflict, the Vietnam war and many other military theaters involving combat. All of them deserve recognition.

One young soldier, however, rises to the very top. A drive along highway 461 reveals his name. A portion of that highway in Rockcastle County bears the name, David M. Smith highway. These designations are often a reminder to never forget. David Monroe Smith, from one of the many "hollers" in the Livingston community of Rockcastle county posthumously was awarded a Medal of Honor. The highest military honor. The Medal of Honor is the oldest continuously issued combat decoration of the United States Armed Forces. The presi-

dent typically presents the Medal of Honor at a formal ceremony intended to represent the gratitude of the American people, with posthumous presentations made to the primary next of kin. According to the Medal of Honor Historical Society of the United

States, there have been 3,530 Medals of Honor awarded to 3,511 individuals since the decoration's creation. (Only 618 given posthumously) with over 40% awarded for actions during the American Civil War. In 1990, Congress

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



The Blood Moon
Dear Journal,
I really must apologize, Journal, that I haven't written in you for a few days but I have had some health issues and family issues. Hopefully, things will get on track soon.

In only a few short hours there will be a spectacle in the heavens that is somewhat rare. It is a "blood moon". They are a rarity and this one in particular is said to be one of the longest on record. These "blood moons" occur when the Earth passes between the moon and the sun. Well, doesn't the Earth pass at the same rate on each eclipse or "blood moon"? Where is that Neil De Grasse Tyson when you need him? He knows everything there is to know about space and then some. The next "blood moon" is to be on November 22 of this year, if I'm not mistaken.

I may be behind the times but I had never

heard of a "blood moon" until about six or seven years ago. It was one of all nights the Passover, the night before Christ was to be sacrificed and spill His blood. It was really in the news. Well, as it happened, I went to Passover services that night. It pressed heavily on my mind about the coincidences of it. Could something out of the ordinary happen of the spiritual mature this night? After I got home that night, I went back out on the porch to take a look at the moon and see this spectacle, now that the moon was almost fully eclipsed. After the Passover service is complete, you are to go straight home and not come back out until daylight. I thought, what would it hurt to just go out on the porch? Well, I got sent back in really quick. I

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Attention Non-Profit Groups or Organizations

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management is pleased to announce
Rockcastle County Solid Waste \$100.00 Per Mile Roadside Litter Clean-Up Program!

Non-profits such as Churches, School Groups, Clubs, Fire Departments or other organizations which have a state tax-exempt ID number on file, may now raise needed funds to help their respective organization or group by cleaning up roadside trash, while also helping to

Keep The Rock Clean!

The Rockcastle County Solid Waste office will assign qualifying groups or organizations a road and/or section of road to be cleaned up, while funding remains available.

Contact the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for further details

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.

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problems. In fact, they are about to begin hearings on UFOs. Terribly important of course. Maybe they are going to discuss who they would take an alien to who wanted to speak to our leader. It would prob-

ably be a toss up between Nazi George Soros and Obama or maybe even "Dr. Jill."

Very soon, the World Health Assembly, and WHO, are going to be attempting to give the authority to WHO to rule over countries for "global health security" thereby neatly bypassing our

country's Constitution.

There has been almost no news about this rapidly approaching conference that our government needs to refuse to cooperate with. However, from what I've read this will not be the case and, if it is passed and WHO takes over the healthcare decisions of nearly every nation on the planet, including deciding when lockdowns are needed. The UN is involved with all these machinations and I assume, will be the enforcement arm of WHO. At that point, it will be too late for Americans to wake up.

Reportedly multiple governments have already committed to signing the "WHO Pandemic Treaty."

One good piece of news recently. According to *The Daily Wire*, a federal court has halted Biden's mandates forcing both healthcare providers and religious employers to provide transgender surgeries, counseling and procedures against their religious beliefs.

The Christian Employers Alliance's (CEA) request for a preliminary injunction, enjoining the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Department of Health and Human Services "from interpreting or enforcing the law in a manner that would require its present or future members to provide insurance coverage for gender transition services."

"No government agency ought to be in the business of evaluating the sincerity of another's religious beliefs," the court order said.

But, fear not, there will still be help available to kill our infants since Starbucks has reportedly offered to foot the bill for its employees' abortions, causing one wag to comment that Starbucks decided it was more economic to pay for an abortion than maternity leave.

In my opinion, I completely agree that "abortion is when a baby gets the death penalty for someone else's actions." *author unknown*

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new press secretary that lives a life that God Himself calls an abomination and openly expresses her pure racism and hatred for freedom. But this board wouldn't allow you to disagree with her. And that's okay with people?

This board is supported by the same people who said the 2020 election was the most fair and honest election ever held and there is nothing to be questioned there.

They spend years

spewing out election fraud theories and conspiracies about the 2016 election but then when they win in 2020, they scream that anyone who would question an election is a terrorist. The left can question, the right cannot. This is the freedom some nuts will support?

It took 200 years to get our elections safe from voter fraud and yet they changed every single method of voting practically overnight, blaming Covid 19 (the flu), and claim it went perfectly. Sure, I was born at night...but it wasn't last night. I'm not that stupid.

It doesn't take Einstein to figure them out. The highest voter turnout in history was 57% but they tell you that 92% of registered voters turned out in 2020. Bull! Yet with this new disinformation board, you aren't allowed to question those statements.

Hillary Clinton had never complained of email trouble before and owns one of the best computer systems known to man. Then she was under subpoena to turn her emails over and suddenly all 33,000 of them were accidentally deleted? Yet these "truth seekers" believe it was an accident and you aren't allowed to suggest otherwise.?

You can't even delete emails without a massive technical force team of experts. The CIA can find deleted items on computers that have been practically burned into ash. Yet all 33,000 of Hillary's emails are completely gone? Righttttt. If you had done it, you would be in prison. Period!

These are the same people who declared out loud and proudly that you do not qualify for a supreme court judge's seat if they don't like the shade of your skin or your sex. Qualification, education, talent, ability, experience and desire does not matter to them. Only the color of their skin and their gender determined who would be appointed to the highest judicial office in the country. And these people want to decide what you are allowed to think is right or wrong.

It is complete idiocy to have a government board that will determine what you are allowed to think is the truth. Of all the ignorance displayed every day on CNN and NPR, this one takes the "Most Ignorant Award."

Anyone who could possibly support such an intrusive, anti-freedom, censorship centered, spoiled-rotten brat of an idea like a

"disinformation board", does not support freedom or independence in any way.

Editor's note:

Thank you for the note Joe Allen. I greatly enjoyed reading that, and yes, the darkness of unbelief is a dangerous place indeed.

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designated March 25 annually as "National Medal of Honor Day".

David M Smith was born in Livingston on November 10, 1926. He entered service at Livingston. His rank was Private First Class, in the U.S. Army, Company E, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division

He sacrificed his life Near Yeongsan, Korea, September 1, 1950.

His Medal of Honor was G.O. No.: 78, August 21, 1952

The Citation reads, "Pfc. Smith, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and outstanding courage above and beyond the call of duty in action. Pfc. Smith was a gunner in the mortar section of Company E, emplaced in rugged mountainous terrain and under attack by a numerically superior hostile force. Bitter fighting ensued and the enemy overran forward elements, infiltrated the perimeter, and rendered friendly positions untenable. The mortar section was ordered to withdraw, but the enemy had encircled and closed in on the position. Observing a grenade lobbed at his emplacement, Pfc. Smith shouted a warning to his comrades and, fully aware of the odds against him, flung himself upon it and smothered the explosion with his body. Although mortally wounded in this display of valor, his intrepid act saved 5 men from death or serious injury. Pfc. Smith's inspirational conduct and supreme sacrifice reflect lasting glory on himself and are in keeping with the noble traditions of the infantry of the U.S. Army." David M Smith was also awarded a Purple Heart. His body was returned home to Livingston and as one young eye witness has said, he was greeted by the entire community. He is buried just outside Livingston in the Jake Ponder Cemetery, Medal Honor Lane. A community effort is underway to

upgrade his burial site in appreciation of his ultimate sacrifice and bravery.

The Bible teaches us in the Gospel of John, "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."

So, this Memorial Day, may we as citizens of Rockcastle county, the Commonwealth of Kentucky and a great American nation, really take time to reflect, show greater gratitude and thus teach our children and grandchildren and generations to follow, the importance of our freedoms, the sacrifices, courage and love for God and country these brave men and men displayed.

Memorial Day through the years has lessened in purpose and has become just another day off work and more time to play. It should be a day to pray and thank God for men like David M. Smith and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice, their lives. Many of these men and women did so because of their loyalty to a Savior, Jesus Christ, who out of obedience laid down His life.

The late General Colin Powell reminded us to "take time to honor our fellow Americans who have given their last full measure of devotion to our country and the freedoms we cherish."

In my research for writing this article I spoke with several people from the Livingston community. One man, somewhat close to the family and knowledge of David M. Smith said he was just a 23 year old young man who served his family, community and county to the best he could. He remembered well the community of Livingston gathering at the railroad when his body was returned home. Quite a touching scene for this sad group, but proud community to receive this son home again.

So, now, as your drive down highway 461 in Rockcastle county and see the name David M. Smith Highway, pause to remember David Monroe Smith and the many others who served so valiantly to defend and preserve our freedom.

It is with great love and honor that we convey our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Pfc David Monroe Smith, a real hero and much more than a Rock Star. Thank you for your service and sacrifice.

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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule
Monday, May 23rd: Brodhead and Copper Creek. **Tuesday, 24th:** Green Hill, Fairview and Brindle Ridge. **Wednesday, May 25th:** Cave Valley Apartments, Wayne Stewart Center and Day Health Senior Citizens Center.

Board of Health Meeting
The Rockcastle County Local Board of Health Meeting will be Wednesday, May 25th at noon at the Rockcastle County Health Department.

Health Department Closed Memorial Day
The Rockcastle County Health Department will be closed May 30th in observance of Memorial Day. Our office will reopen at 8 a.m. on Tuesday the 31st.

Southern KY AHEC School Camp
Southern KY AHEC will host a Health Careers High School Camp June 13-16 at Rockcastle County High School. Go to <http://1isoahec.org/summer-health-scholars/> or call Sherry Spragens at 606-256-0950 for more information.

Kentucky Public Retirees Meeting
The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Friday, May 20th at David's Steak House in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be House District 71 State Representative Josh Bray. Nominations for new chapter officers for the next year will take place during the meeting. Nominations for new chapter officers for the next year will take place during the meeting. For more information, call 606-260-0490.

Kiwanis Club meeting
The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club now meets at Limestone Grille each Thursday at noon. 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-Men Only. 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.

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Obituaries

Christine (Barnett) Scott

Christine (Barnett) Scott, 91, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, May 15, 2022, at Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington. She was born September 3, 1930, in Brodhead, a daughter of the late Henry and Lily Webb Barnett. She was united in holy matrimony to Garvin Scott on May 5, 1951. They enjoyed 57 years together prior to his passing on July 18, 2008.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Gary Wayne Scott of Mt. Vernon, and Robert Estill Scott and Kathy of Lexington; six grandchildren, Kevin Dwayne Scott and Shanda, Michael Scott, Christy Michelle McKinley and Jonathan, Kelli Lynn Isaacs and Matthew, William Brashear, and Hunter Brashear and Caitlin; three great grandchildren, Jackson Wiley Isaacs, Wesley Lyndon Isaacs, and Madelynn Mae Scott; two sisters, Irene Roberts of Erlanger, and Josephine Rose of Franklin, OH; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers, Ray, Oscar, Dewey, Roy, and Charles Barnett.

Services will be held at Brindle Ridge Baptist Church on Saturday, May 21, 2022, beginning with the visitation from 10:30 a.m., until the time of the funeral at 12:30 p.m., with Ron Roberts officiating. Burial will follow in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers will be Matthew Isaacs, Doug Roberts, Tommy Baldwin, Jonathan McKinley, and Michael and Kevin Scott.

Lorene Falin

Lorene Hasty Falin, 75, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, May 6, 2022 at her home. She was born in Rockcastle County on May 16, 1946, the daughter of



William "Bill" and Alene Manis Hasty. She had been a homemaker and was a member of Flat Rock Baptist Church. She loved spending time with her family, especially her great grandsons.

She is survived by: a daughter, Kim Renner of Mt. Vernon; three grandchildren, Johnny Mackey and Amberly Harrison and husband Robert, both of Mt. Vernon, and Kathryn Mackey of Lexington; two great grandsons, Gavin and Liam Harrison; a brother, Clinton Hasty of North Carolina; and two sisters, Norma Jean Romines of Mt. Vernon, and Lois Johnson of Indiana. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Henry Lee Falin; a daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Chris Mackey; and a brother, Earl Hasty.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Chad Burdette and B. J. Bradley. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers and honorary pallbearers were: Chris Bell, Jimmie Broughton, Jamie Bradley, Scott Bradley, Mike Gatewood, Patrick Hasty, Rocky Hasty, and Luke Retherford.

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

Francis Bailey Mullins

Francis Bailey Mullins, 38, of Berea, died Sunday, May 8, 2022 at U.K. Hospital-Lexington after a courageous battle with cancer. She was a Waynesboro, Mississippi native, born August 10, 1983, daughter of the late Charles Richard Bailey and Vicki Powell Pigg. She was a homemaker and resident of the Berea area most of her life.

In addition to her mother, survivors include: three children, Seth Lanham, Conner Winstead, and Audrey Mullins; siblings, Crystal Gail Pas, William Bailey, Thomas Bailey, and Arthur Bailey; as well as numerous relatives and friends.

In accordance with Francis's wishes, she was cremated and no public service is scheduled at this time.

Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

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Jerry Pensol

Jerry Franklin Pensol, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, May 11, 2022 after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was born in San Antonio, TX on April 2, 1958, the son of the late Bro. Harvey and Emily Dixon Pensol. A graduate of Rockcastle County High School, he was a retired restaurant operator, coach, and local radio announcer, whose voice could be heard hosting regular programs as well as sporting events. Jerry loved serving his community and stopping to talk with anyone, anywhere. He was very active in the Rockcastle Youth League Football program and was a member of Brodhead Baptist Church.

He is survived by: his wife, Darlene Pensol; son, Zachary Franklin Pensol; mother, Emily Pensol; stepchildren, Adam Holt and wife Tammy, and Ashlie Carrera and husband Stephan; two granddaughters, Lila Holt (mother, Betty) and Arden Carrera; two brothers, Harvey Allen Pensol, and David Andrew Pensol and wife Kelly; and two nephews, Samuel Pensol and Andrew Pensol, his wife Cali, and their daughter, Andi Claire. He was preceded in death by his father, Bro. Harvey Pensol.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 14, 2022 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Shannon Franklin. Burial was in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Stephan Carrera, Adam Holt, Andrew Pensol, and Sam Pensol.

The family requests donations be made in Jerry's memory to the Rockcastle Youth League Football program, in care of Rockcastle County High School, P.O. Box 1410, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

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

David Reed Lindsey

David Reed Lindsey, 64, of Crab Orchard, died suddenly on Tuesday, May 10, 2022. David was born in Paducah on August 7, 1957, the son of the late Warren and Claudine Williams Lindsey. He was of the Christian faith, an employee with Victory Sports Racing and RedBud MX, and a former member and chairman of the Rockcastle County Grottoes. Of his many hobbies, some he enjoyed the most were playing guitar and singing, riding and working on motorcycles, building and repairing motocross tracks, being outdoors, collecting firearms, and spending time with his family and friends.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his four children, Davey Lindsey and April of Bowling Green, Nicholas Lindsey of Malibu, CA, Melinda Clouse and Jacob of Middletown, OH, and Sarah Caldwell of Brodhead; 12 grandchildren, Natalie Renner, Aubrey Clouse, Christa Renner, Jonah Massey, Katelyn Lindsey, Aaliyah Caldwell, Elijah Massey, Noah Lindsey, Deegan Caldwell, Luciana Caldwell, Lyla Clouse, and Suzie Clouse; two sisters, Linda Nesler of Mayfield, and Cathy Priddy and Kenneth of Smith's Grove; special friend, Elizabeth McMillan; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: a son, John Glass; his siblings, Jean and Jane Stevens; and a nephew, Eric Baumgarten.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, beginning with the visitation at 11 a.m., until the time of the funeral at 2 p.m. with Rickie Stevens officiating.

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

James A. Morris

James A. Morris, 97, of Lexington and formerly of Rockcastle County, husband of the late Jo Ann (Safreed) Morris, died May 5, 2022, at Central Baptist Hospital. He was born at Burr, March 30, 1925, the son of Stephen and Fannie Lovell Morris. He attended Mt. Vernon High School and the University of Kentucky and graduated from the University of Cincinnati.

A retired federal government employee, Mr. Morris was a Veteran of both World War II and the Korean War. He was a member of Porter Memorial Baptist Church in Lexington.

He is survived by: his daughter, Mary Carole Highlander (Brian); granddaughters, Brittany Parker (Seth) of Lexington, and Ashley Trenzeluk (Tony) of Madison, WI; great grandchildren, Nash Taylor Parker, Theo James Trenzeluk, and Olivia Sinclair Parker; sister-in-law, Mary Lou Kordenbrock; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, a brother, and four sisters.

Mr. Morris's funeral was held May 16, 2022, at Milward Funeral Directors. Burial was in Blue Grass Memorial Gardens.

Jesse Allen

Jesse E. Allen, 87, of Huber Heights, Ohio died Tuesday, May 3, 2022.

He was born February 28, 1935 in Livingston. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 12 at Newcomer Funeral Home, North Dayton Chapel with interment in the Willow View Cemetery in Dayton, Ohio.

Cemetery Notices

Maple Grove Cemetery

We are asking for donations for the upkeep and mowing of Maple Grove Cemetery. Anyone that would like to help may go to Community Trust Bank and make a deposit in the Maple Grove account. Donations may also be sent to Penny Cameron at 37 Bob White Lane, Brodhead, Ky. 40409

We will be at the cemetery Friday through Sunday, May 27-30. We are asking anyone with a family member buried in the cemetery, please help us keep it up. If everyone would give a little, it wouldn't hurt anyone.

You may call 606-758-4489 for more information or to make a donation. We would like to thank everyone that has given and the ones that will give. Please don't let us down. Every dime given goes for the upkeep of the cemetery.

McKinney Cemetery

The annual meeting will be held Sunday, May 29, beginning at 1 p.m. at the cemetery shelter. There will be an election of three committee officers. A potluck dinner will also be held at noon. Bring a covered dish and lawn chair and join us.

Donations can be made for the upkeep of McKinney Cemetery during the Memorial Day weekend. Checks or money orders, payable to McKinney Cemetery please. No cash will be accepted.

If you are not able to attend the Annual Meeting, you may mail your donation (check or money order) to: McKinney Cemetery, P.O. Box 1404, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Roberts Cemetery

Please help keep Roberts Cemetery (old Freedom Cemetery) mowed.

Send donations to: Roberts Cemetery c/o Nancy Meadows, 20 Trinity Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Livesay Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of the Livesay Cemetery to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Mareburg Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of the Mareburg Cemetery to:

Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Briarfield Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Briarfield Cemetery. Donations can be mailed to: Briarfield Cemetery, c/o Tim Robinson, 5408 Big Cave Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460 or to Briarfield Cemetery, c/o Kenny Reams, 4145 Hwy. 490, East Bernstadt, Ky. 40729 or Joe Robinson, 90 McK Farm road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Donations will also be collected on Memorial Weekend at the cemetery.

Thanks for all your support.

Sand Hill Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing of Sand Hill Cemetery to: Brady Hensley, 2683 Sand Hill Road, Livingston, Ky. 40445.

All donations are greatly appreciated.

Maret Cemetery

The annual Maret Cemetery meeting will be held Saturday, May 28th at noon at the cemetery.

Donations for upkeep will of the cemetery will be taken at the meeting or may be mailed to: Sandra D. Ramsey, 245 Sunset Ridge, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Please make all checks payable to Maret Cemetery.

Johnetta Cemetery

Memorial Day Service at Johnetta Cemetery will be held Sunday, May 29th.

If anyone would like to donate to the mowing and upkeep of Johnetta Cemetery, please send donations to Nelce Drew, 5599 Climax Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Oak Hill Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Oak Hill Cemetery.

Anyone wishing to help should mail donations to: Oak Hill Cemetery, c/o Bill Lear, 60 Hope Drive, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Donations will also be accepted Saturday, May 28th through Monday, May 30th at the cemetery.

To contact Bill, his phone number is 606-308-3244.

Thank you for your support, it doesn't go unnoticed.

High Dry Cemetery

Please make donations for the upkeep of the High Dry Cemetery to: High Dry Cemetery, c/o Coy Cromer, 1058 Rank Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

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Library summer reading participants have chance to win \$529 towards college

Four Kentucky children will win \$529 each to put toward a college savings account this year by participating in a summer reading program at their local public library.

Check at your Rockcastle County Public Library for information on Summer Reading 2022 "Oceans of Possibilities"

Registration begins May 31st and the library will be using the Beanstack app, once again. Call 606-256-2388 for information or stop by for a calendar of events. Check the library facebook page for updates.

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA), the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) and KY Saves 529 have launched the Explore Oceans of Possibilities College Savings Summer Reading Sweepstakes as part of the 2022 summer reading program at participating public libraries across the commonwealth.

"The Summer Reading Sweepstakes is a fun way to encourage children to read during the break and learn more about what is offered in their local public library," said Gov. Andy Beshear. "For many families, the local public library is one of the few places their children can go to access free educational resources, activities and programs."

"In recent years, about 100,000 children have participated in Kentucky's summer reading programs at their local public libraries. When children keep reading and learning during the summer, they do not lose any of their skills during the break," said Terry Manuel, commissioner of KDLA and state librarian, archivist and records administrator. "We are so pleased to collaborate with KHEAA as part of the Kentucky Summer Reading Program to offer children the extra incentive of funding college while they learn about the ocean and develop a love for reading."

The sweepstakes, which runs May 16 - Aug. 12, 2022, will award four \$529 college savings accounts to Kentucky children and young adults 18 years old or younger. In addition, each winner's local public library will receive \$500 toward future reading programs.

"The KY Saves 529 program is pleased to again partner with Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives on the summer reading program. As libraries across the commonwealth welcome families, the sweepstakes inspires children to read and families to start saving and planning for future educational opportunities," said David

Lawhorn, KY Saves program manager.

After children participate in the summer reading program at their local public library, parents, grandparents or guardians can enter each child for the sweepstakes by filling out the entry form at <http://kysaves.com/oceans>.

Visit <http://kysaves.com/oceans> for official rules and prize details. For more information about the Kentucky Educational Savings Plan Trust (KY Saves 529), visit kysaves.com or call toll free 877-598-7878. It is administered by KHEAA and managed by Ascensus College Savings Recordkeeping Services, LLC.



The Rockcastle County Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation would like to congratulate the winners of the 2022 scholarship presented at their Board Meeting held May 10th. They wish each recipient the best on their bright futures ahead. Pictured from left are: Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation President Terry Lawson and scholarship winners, Paige Lovell, Natalie Tolle, and Destiny Adams.

Discussion Time

By: Flossie Christine McKinney (1983)

Mommie, dear sweet Mommie,
I don't wish to bother you,
But, while we're here alone together,
Could we have a word or two?
I know we have a secret
And we had to be discreet
As we slipped away last evening
To that clinic down the street.
But, Mommie, I'm so very scared
By all the things they said,
It seems from what I gathered,
That I'll very soon be dead!
They say I'm just a "fetus"
(Whatever that may be),
Please, Mommie, don't go there again
Lest they destroy me.
For I can tell they think I'm bad
And maybe it is true,
But if you'll help to save my life
I'll make it up to you!
Alas, you didn't hear

my plea
Or heed my burning tears,
For here I am in Heaven,
Surrounded by my peers.
But, Mommie, it is lovely here,
I know you'll like it too,
And if you'd care to join us
I'll be here to welcome you.
We'll have a special party
For those we love the most,
And you will meet my Jesus
Who'll be the party's host!
But while we wait and count the days
Till our mommies come to meet us,
Could you answer just one thing for me:
Mommie, what's a fetus?
Note: This was written to commemorate the first decade of legalized abortion in America. See why this country has finally realized the desperate need for Donald Trump? fcmc

Prayer Meeting at Famous Cave Ridge Meeting House

Christ's Discipleship Ministries will be hosting a Prayer Meeting at the famous Cave Ridge Meeting House on Saturday, June 11th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This meeting will include a Communion Service and the theme will be *Seeking the Face of God*.

The gathering is simply to pray, seek the face of God for Revival in our own heart and to be in God's presence, and to show our Lord that nothing else matters and nothing else will do but His will for our lives.

Can we all worship our Saviour without denominational walls? If our hearts and our spirits are in tune with God, "We Can." We need to carpool and convoy to the meeting house as parking is limited. We should leave the lower parking lot of the courthouse in Mt. Vernon no later than 9 a.m. on Saturday morning.

2nd Corinthians 2:17 says *Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*

For questions or concerns, contact: Cave Ridge Meeting House, 1655 Cane Ridge Road, Paris, Ky. 40361, Jeff Cromer 606-308-1314 or Randy Thompson 606-308-5451. See you there.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

ZITI CASSEROLE
1 box (16 ounce) ziti pasta.
1 pound smoked sausage/kielbasa
1 can (14 ounce) tomatoes w/green chilies (may use plain tomatoes)
1 pound shredded cheese (cheddar, Mexican, jack and cheddar)
Cook pasta al dente. Cut sausage into bite-sized slices and sauté in a heavy saucepan. When sausage is slightly browned, add tomatoes and stir. Add in the pasta and mix together slightly. Pour mixture into a casserole dish sprayed with cooking spray. To this mixture, stir in 1/2 the cheese, and then top the casserole with rest of cheese. Bake in 350° oven for approximately 30 minutes or until mixture is bubbly and cheese on top has melted.

SPAGHETTI CASSEROLE
Mum loved this. She asked Judy to fix it for her often.
8 ounces spaghetti
1/2 cup milk
1 egg, beaten
1 pound sausage
1 onion, chopped
1/2 cup chopped green pepper
16 ounces spaghetti sauce
4 ounces cheddar cheese, shredded
4 ounces Monterey jack cheese, shredded
Cook spaghetti until almost done. Drain. Add

salt and pepperto taste. Place spaghetti in greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Mix milk and beaten egg. Pour over spaghetti. Preheat oven to 425°. Brown sausage with onion and green pepper. Drain. Add spaghetti sauce. Pour over top of spaghetti, milk, and egg. Top with cheddar cheese and Monterey jack. Bake at 425° for 15 minutes. Let set 1 hour before eating.

MACARONI SALAD
If you don't have macaroni, try this with any pasta you have on hand. For a tangier taste, try dill pickle juice instead of sweet pickle juice
1 pound macaroni, cooked according to package directions and drained
1 large onion, chopped
3 hardboiled eggs, chopped
1 cup sweet pickles, chopped
2 tablespoons sweet pickle juice
1 cup Miracle Whip® or mayonnaise
Cool cooked macaroni slightly. In large bowl combine macaroni with the onion, egg, and pickles. In smaller bowl combine Miracle Whip® and pickle juice. Pour over macaroni mixture. Stir gently. Sprinkle with salt and pepper to taste. Serves about 18 but can be halved if desired.

The Importance of a Pure Heart

It is the heart of man that determines who and what he is - it is his identity. Who we are, what we are determines life? The gospel of Jesus Christ is concerned about the heart: all its emphasis is upon the heart. **Matthew 5:28** says, *Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.* The word pure comes from the word katharos, it carries the ideal of cleansed or purified, unmixed, a pure substance - one not mixed with something else, like oil and water. Example, pure olive oil, pure honey, pure sugar, it means not diluted with anything. So, as we think about a pure heart, the gospel is the standard which determines what is pure.

We must agree on what the standard for purity is. For example, if you think a man's creed is that which determines what is pure, and I think the gospel determines that which is pure then we probably won't agree on the process of purification. God's Word is the only thing that can make us pure

Hebrews 9:14 says *How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purged your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Hebrews 10:22 says *Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.**

Christianity is not about the outward appearances but rather the inward man, the hearts of men and women. In **Matthew 23:25-26** Christ gives reference to this idea. He said *Woe unto you Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye make clean the outside of the cup and platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. Vs. 26* Thou blind Pharisees, cleanse first that which is within the cup and the platter, that the outside of them may be clean also. **Vs. 27** *Woe unto you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whitened sepulchers, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of uncleanness.*

When we get our hearts right by letting the Word of God penetrate deep into our hearts, the rest of these things will fall into place. God's Word can convict and convert the heart to be as He would have it to be. Thank God for the good news, the gospel.

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Upcoming Reunions

Bond Reunion

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Bring a well-filled basket. For more info, call Nonetta Tunell, 765-935-5568.

Thacker/Brooks

Family Reunion

The Thacker/Brooks Family Reunion will be

held Saturday, June 11, 2022 from noon till ??? at Roundstone Baptist Church.

All descendants please bring a covered dish and join us.

Also, if you will provide us with a mailing address, e-mail address or phone number of any relatives, we will gladly provide them a copy of this and future reunions.

For more information, call Jesse Thacker at 606-308-4308; Brenda Chappell at 606-256-5275 or E-Mail: jwthacker10@gmail.com.

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Guard The Truth

1. Guarding the truth is a Christian duty. Paul commanded Timothy: (1 Tim:6-20) O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science which falsely so called. Paul repeated this charge in his second letter Timothy. (2 Tim:1-13) Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. The truth or sound words had been committed to Paul and was a sacred trust for him to guard. We also have been in trusted with the gospel. (1 Thess:2-4) But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God, which tried our hearts. (This is the world's most valuable trust).

2. The gospel truth must be protected from false teaching and its teachers. (Gal:1-6-7) I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel. Which is not another, but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. There is not another gospel, it is only a perversion of the true gospel. (John:8-32) Only the truth can free men from there sin.

3. False teachers. Christ warned us, (Matt:7-15) Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravening wolves. Paul warned the elders at Ephesus against false teachers. (Acts:20-29) I know that after my departing, grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Remember a false teacher may look like a sheep, but he is a wolf. No doubt some false teachers are sincere, but others. Paul in writing (1: Tim:4-2) Speaking lies in hypocrisy having their own conscience seared with a hot iron. Their conscience is fried to the point, they no longer can discern good and evil. Many good folks have reached this point in their life on this earth, they call evil good and good evil, a very sad state indeed.

4. Some ways to guard the truth.
(Heb:5-14) But solid food belongs to those of full age, that is, those by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. Heresy is a mixture of truth and error. Error is most dangerous when varnished with truth, because it is more deceptive. Error never starts out full grown. Its development is a matter of growth. Error in its infancy appears to be innocent and harmless to many. Error is only discerned by more alert and better-informed students of the Word. From simple beginnings, scores of unscriptural doctrines have developed. The church needs loyal and discerning and discerning members who can detect error in its infant stages and destroy it. This will safeguard the church against digression.

Thank you for reading this article, we have free Bible correspondence courses, several videos and articles to read and watch on our website. Please contact us we would love to hear from you at the number or e-mail address below. (Remember God love you).

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SPORTS

Softball defeats Wayne 15-5

Lady Rocket softball picked up a 15-5 win over Wayne County last Friday.

Wayne County took an early 4-0 lead after the first inning but the Lady Rockets got their offense going scoring 15 runs over the next five innings.

Katie Denham was the winning pitcher going six innings, allowing five hits and five runs while striking out two.

Offensively, the Rockets were led by Laney Bryant, Haley Pingleton and Ella Bussell.

Bryant was three for four with a walk and three runs scored.

Pingleton was four for five with four RBI. Bussell was four for four with two runs scored, three RBI and a walk. Addison McClure was one for four with two RBI and two runs scored. Haven King was two for four with a run scored and an RBI. Kylee Fletcher was one for three with two RBI and a walk. Lexie Brock had an RBI and a walk. Adisynne Lovell was one for four with two runs scored. Makayla Coffey was one for two with two runs scored and a walk. Makyla Hester had a run scored and a walk. Kailee Collins

scored two runs for the Rockets.

Bryant, Coffey and Collins each had a stolen base.

Earlier in the week the Rockets lost 13-3 on the road to Estill County and a heartbreaker to Madison Central 3-2.

The Lady Rockets travel to Madison Southern this Thursday and host Frederick Douglass on Friday for the first regular season game.

Monday, May 23rd, the Lady Rockets will travel to Somerset to take on Pulaski County in the first round of the 47th District Softball Tournament.



Pitcher Katie Denham and her teammates will finish their regular season this week and take on Pulaski County next Monday night at Somerset High in the first round of the 47th District Softball Tournament.

Brodhead Hustle 5K Run/Walk this Saturday

The Brodhead Hustle 5K Run/2-Mile Walk will be held Saturday, May 21, at 8 a.m. ET in Brodhead.

In-Person Event Details
•Race website: www.rockcastleregional.org/

county-wide-stride

•Distance: 5K run, 2-mile walk.

•Race start time is 8:00 am EST at Brodhead Elementary School.

•Race will be chip

timed.

•\$23 registration fee due by Wednesday, May 11. Cost is \$28 May 12 through race day. Registration fees are non-refundable.

•Free custom T-shirt (Due to inventory issues, we recommend registering early to guarantee your t-shirt. We must order shirts in advance, so quantities may be limited.)

•If you need to change your registration to virtual, please contact us by Wednesday, May 18.

The Countywide Stride Race Series, organized and sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital, offers monthly run/walk events at various locations throughout Rockcastle County with a goal of providing fitness options and raising money for charitable organizations. Yearly participation incentives are provided. Questions? Email s.turley@rhcc.org.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Planning New Landscaping

Landscape, to landscape, and landscaping are words used regularly. The term can refer to a lovely painting, to maintaining a lawn and plantings, or manipulating the land for aesthetic or practical reasons. This improving or manipulating of the terrain, the plants, and structures, is the definition that will be considered and described in the following paragraphs.

In a broad sense, anything outside the home itself is part of the landscape. From the perspec-

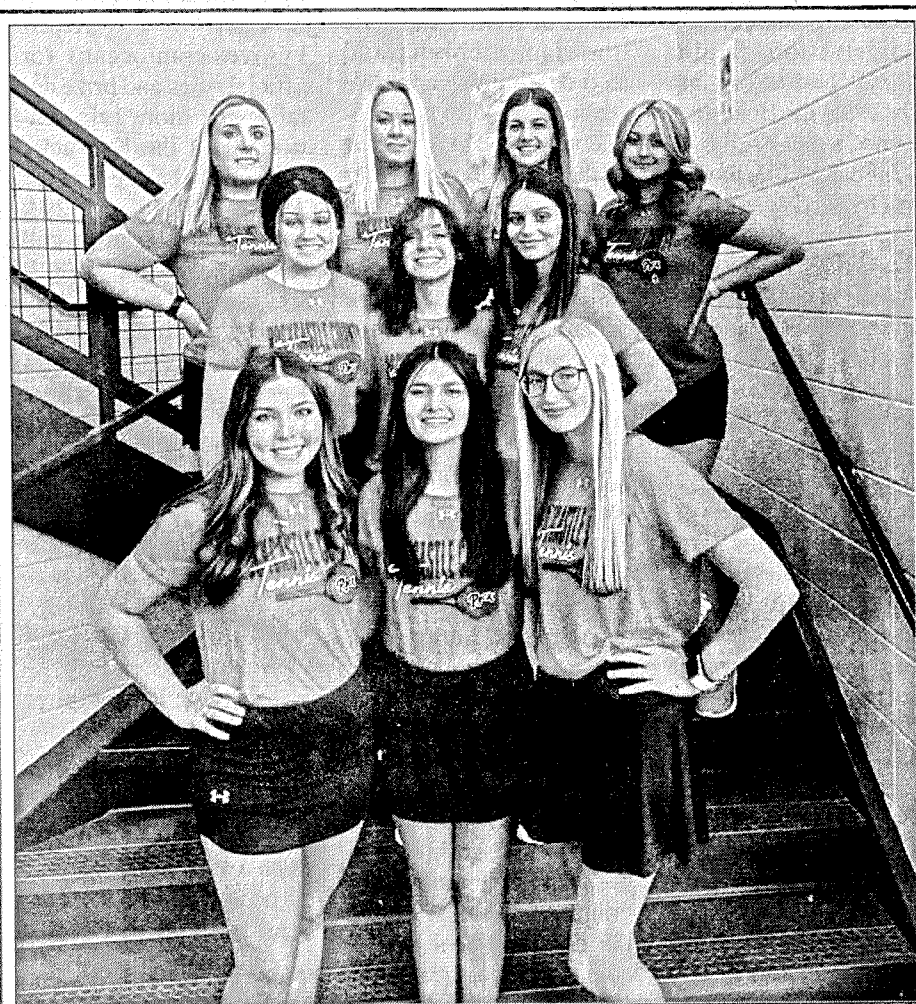
tive of a landscaper, landscaping is planning, laying out, and then constructing (or perhaps altering) the desired changes. Both professional and do-it-yourself projects ought to first be planned or designed prior to plants or materials being purchased in most cases, otherwise extra time and money may be spent and the result be rather 'unplanned' looking.

Think and do the planning. Rainy or snowy days are good for this. Plot the things you wish to do in your yard first on

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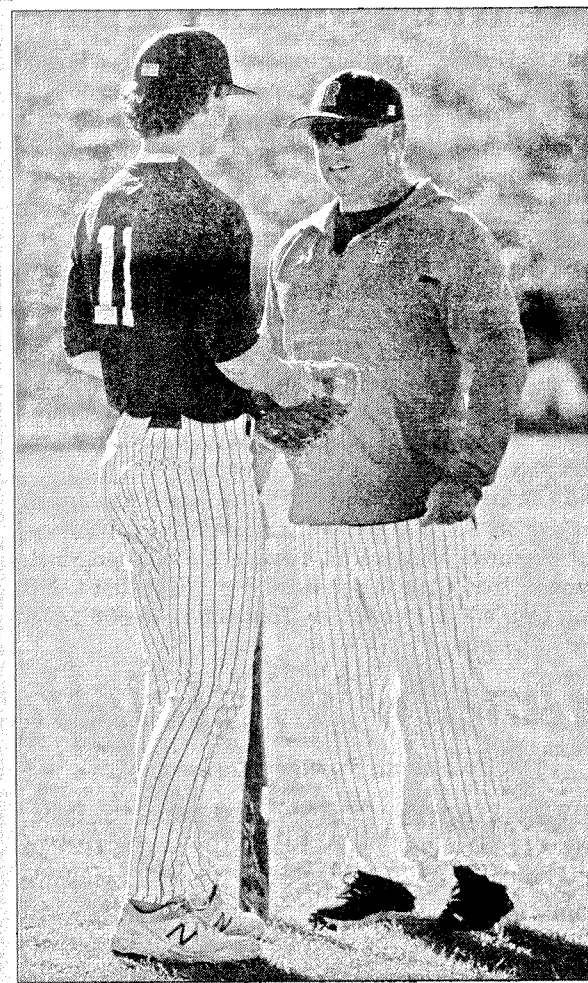
Congratulations to team RC/JC for winning the 2nd annual Tourney for a Journey hosted by Livingston Baptist church.



RCHS Tennis.....

Members of the RCHS Tennis Team are shown above, front row from left: Madalyn Morgan, Ashleigh Abney and Katie Osborne. Middle row from left: Anna McCoy, Natalie Alexander and Darla Delph. Back row from left: Mallory Morgan, Haley Abney, Raychel Carpenter and Kaylee Carpenter.

Rocket head baseball coach Mikhael Shaffer talks with his son, senior Silas Shaffer, during a recent game. The Rockets finished out their regular season last week and began 47th District Tournament action Tuesday night at Somerset against Casey County. The winner of that game will take part in the championship game Wednesday night at Somerset at 5:30 p.m. The Rockets finished their regular season with an 18-10 record.





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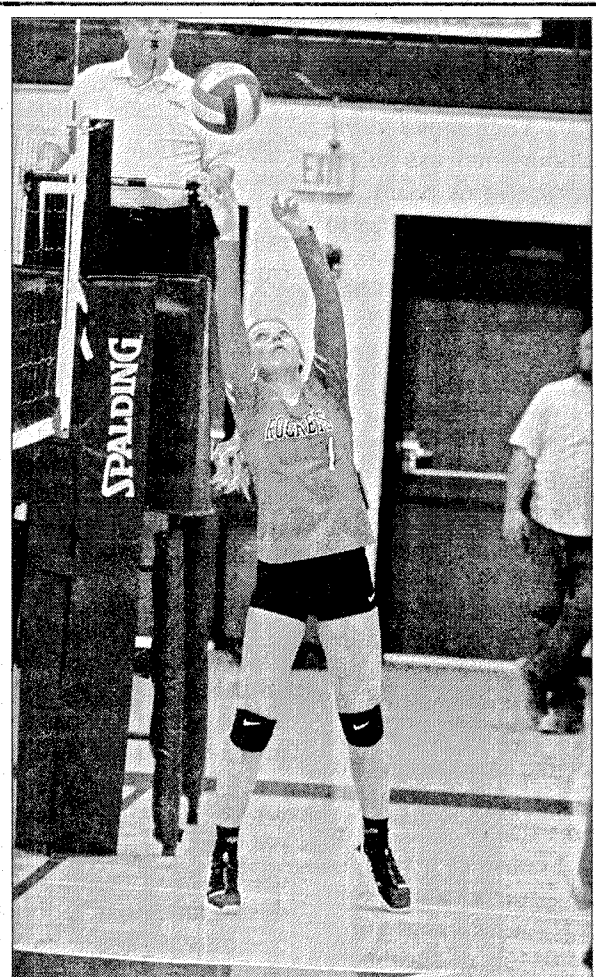
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Item pick up will be in Mt. Vernon on June 3rd with an address provided at a later date. Image at left is for graphical purposes only. Items will not be posted online until May 19th.

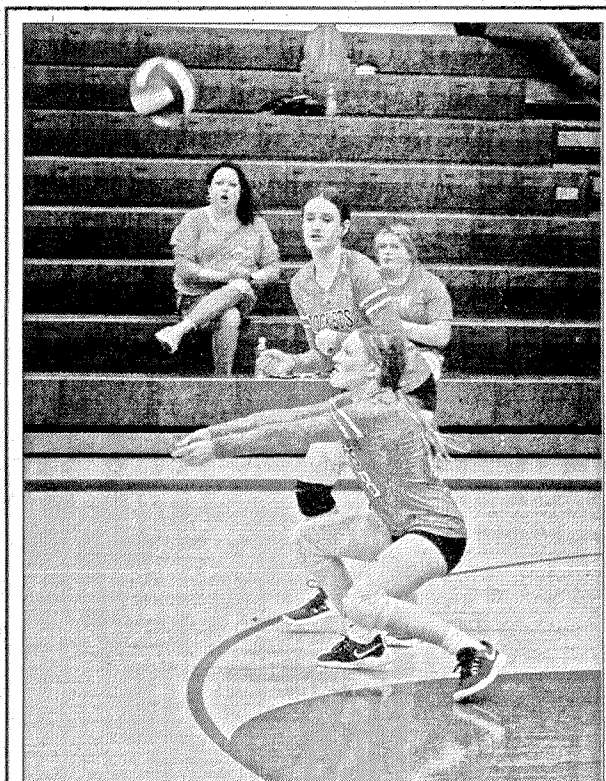




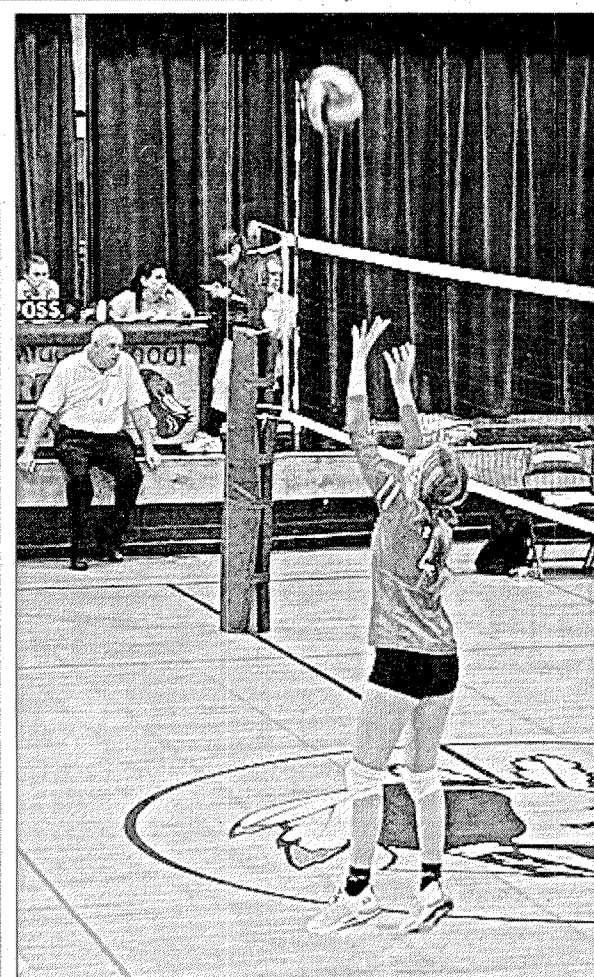
# RCMS Volleyball



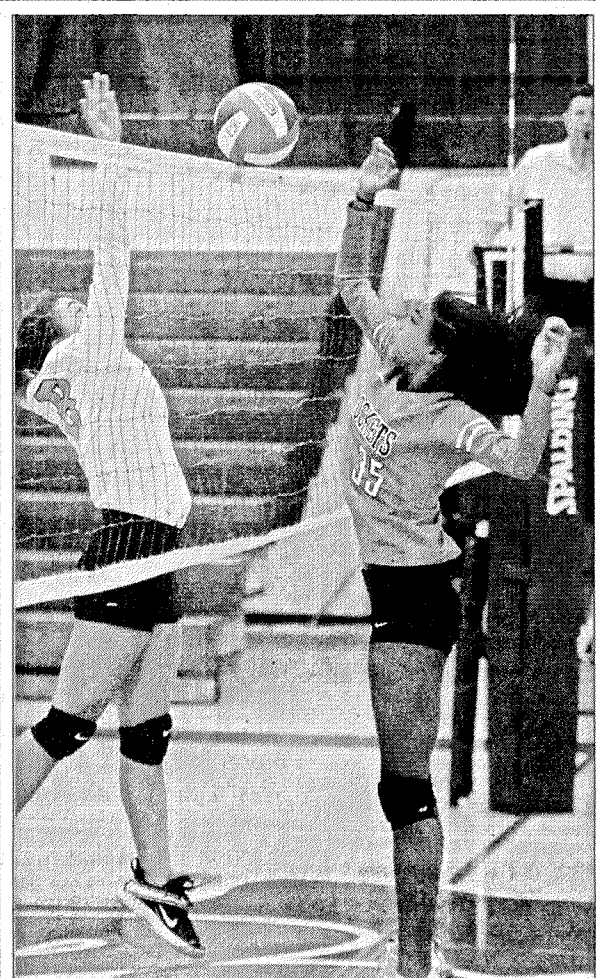
Eighth grader Taylor King sets a teammate in middle school volleyball action.



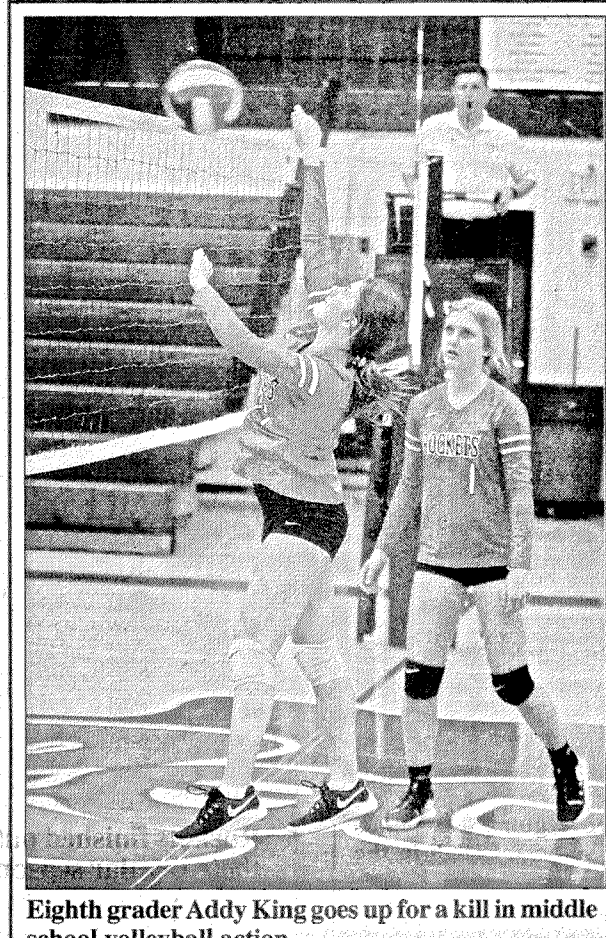
Eighth grader Hannah King makes a pass in middle school volleyball action. Also pictured is Brilie Bussell.



Seventh grader Abby Hopkins sets a teammate in middle school volleyball action.



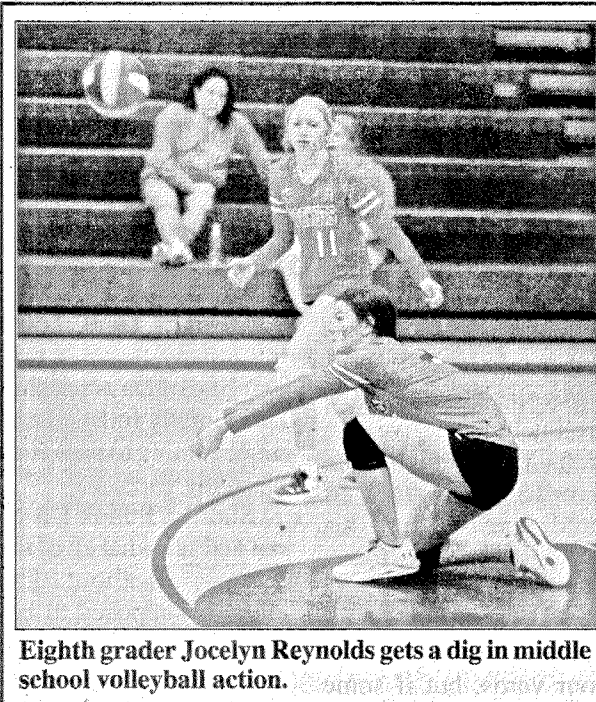
Eighth grader Aisha Njie battles at the net in middle school volleyball action.



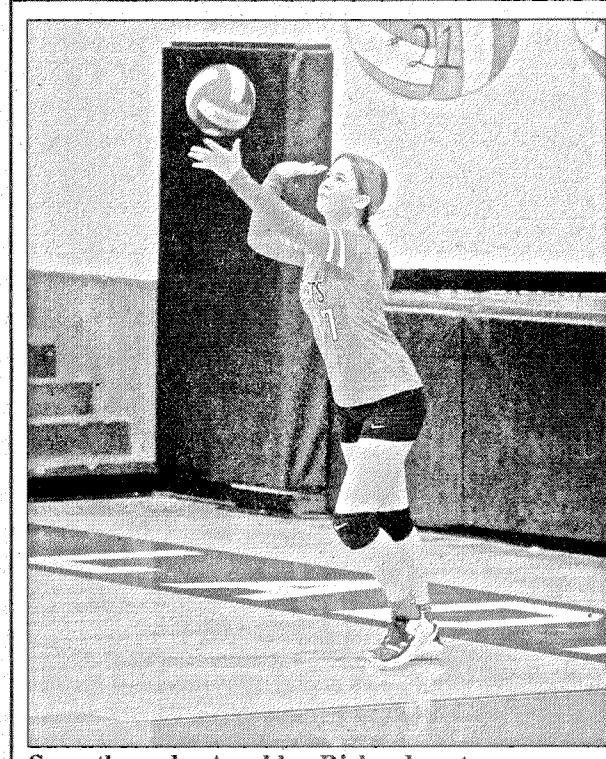
Eighth grader Addy King goes up for a kill in middle school volleyball action.



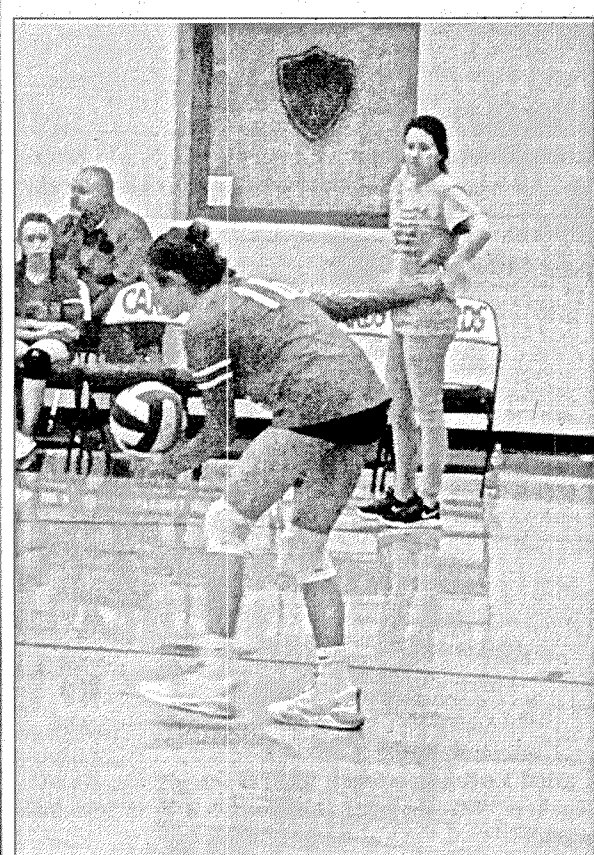
Sixth grader Jaycee McIntosh prepares to hit the ball over the net in middle school volleyball action.



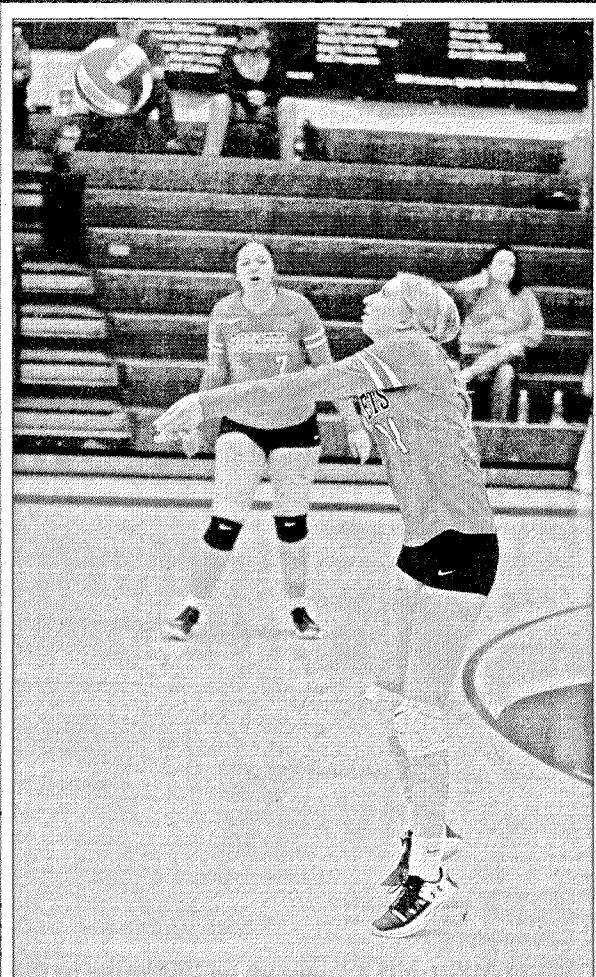
Eighth grader Jocelyn Reynolds gets a dig in middle school volleyball action.



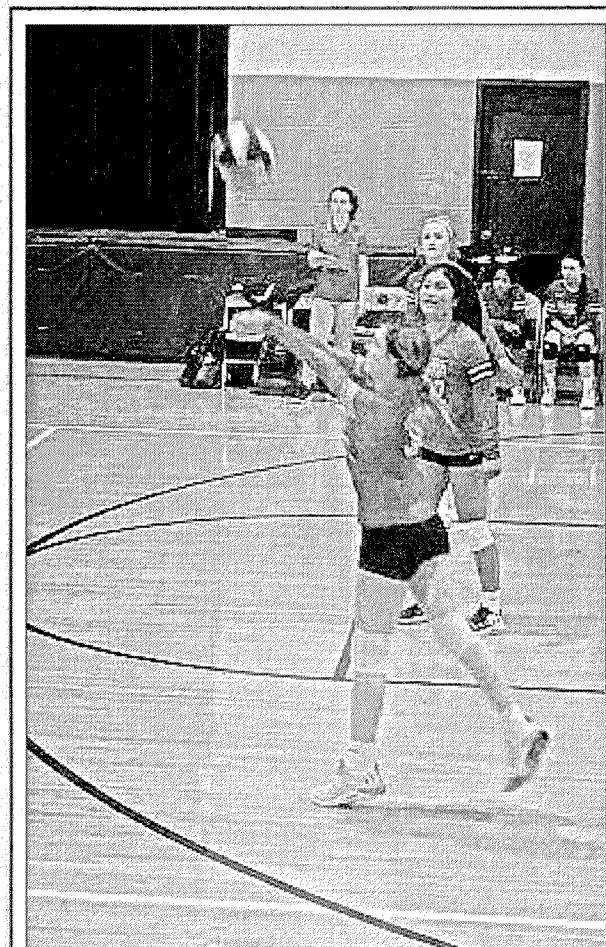
Seventh grader Arrahlyn Richards puts up a serve in middle school volleyball action.



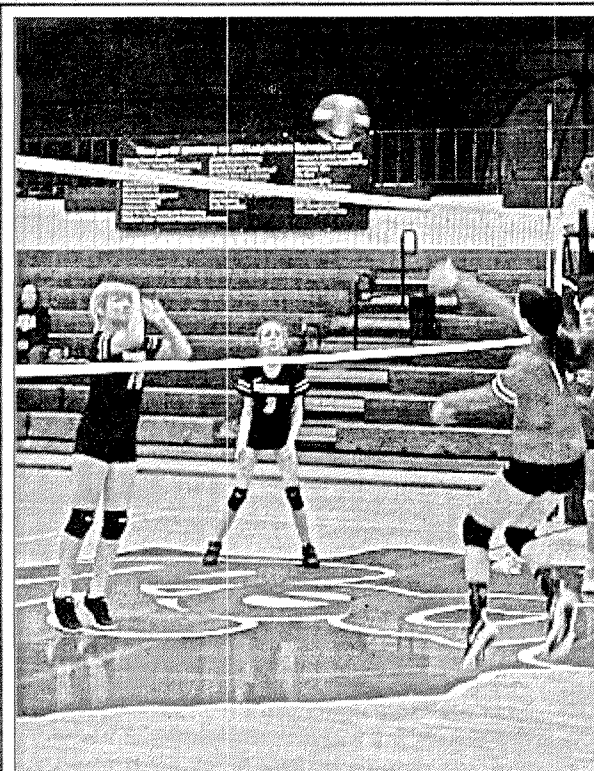
Sixth grader Madalyn Parsons delivers a serve in middle school volleyball action.



Eighth grader Emma Noel makes a pass in middle school volleyball action. Also pictured is Addy White.



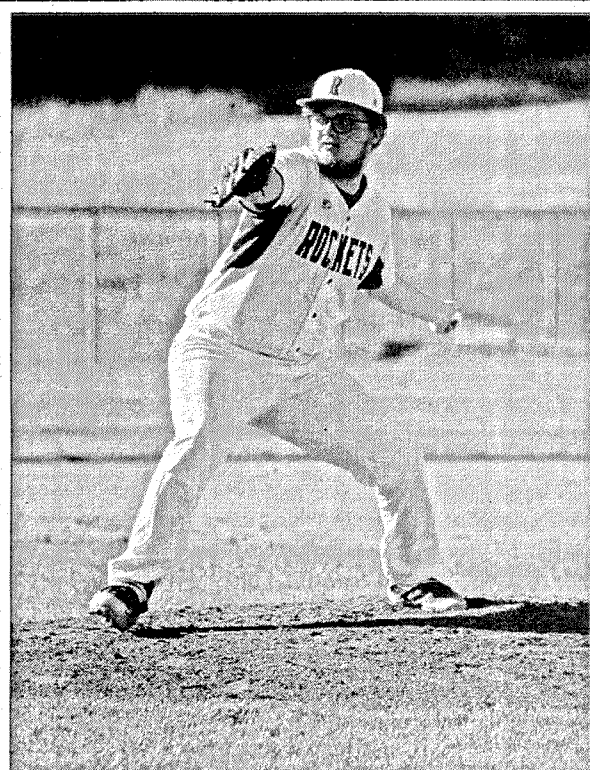
Sixth grader Leighton McKinney makes a pass in middle school volleyball action. Also shown is teammate Katie Valle.



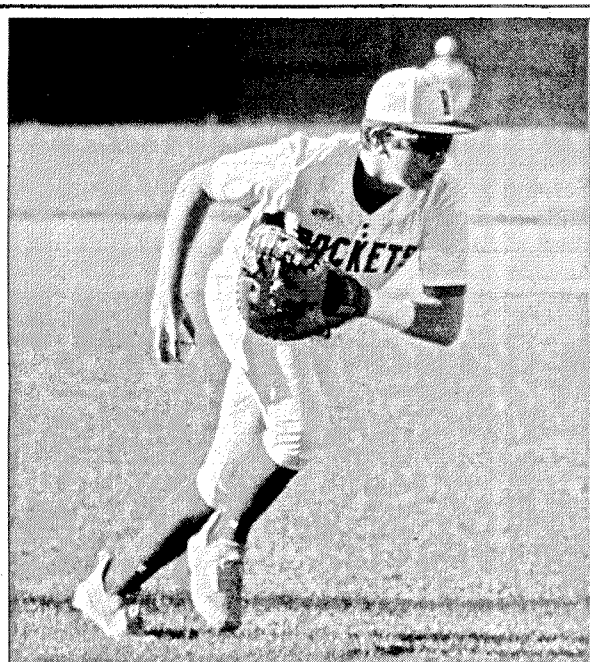
Seventh grader Kinsley Smith goes for a kill in middle school volleyball action.



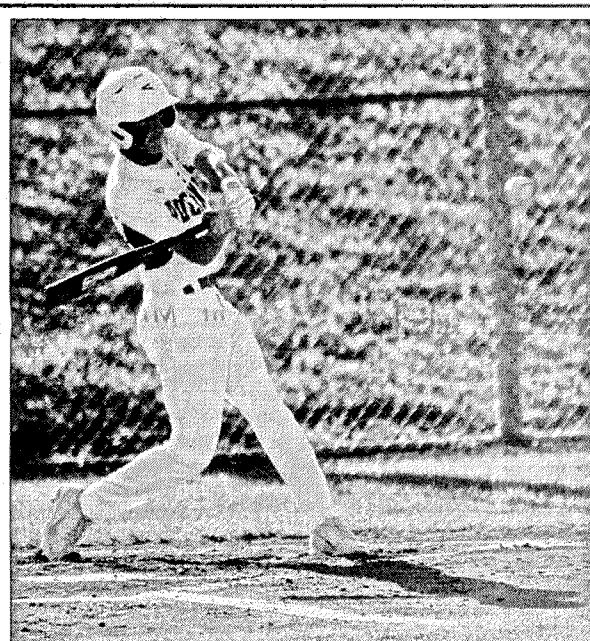
# RCMS Baseball/Softball



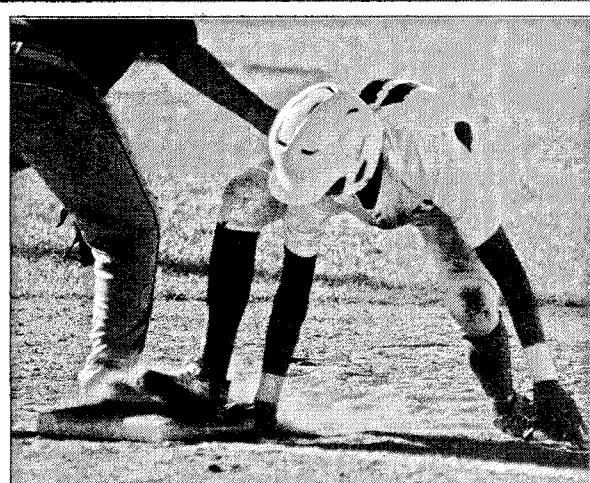
Braedon Campbell combined with Maddox Parsons to shut out the Southern Warriors 9-0 last week.



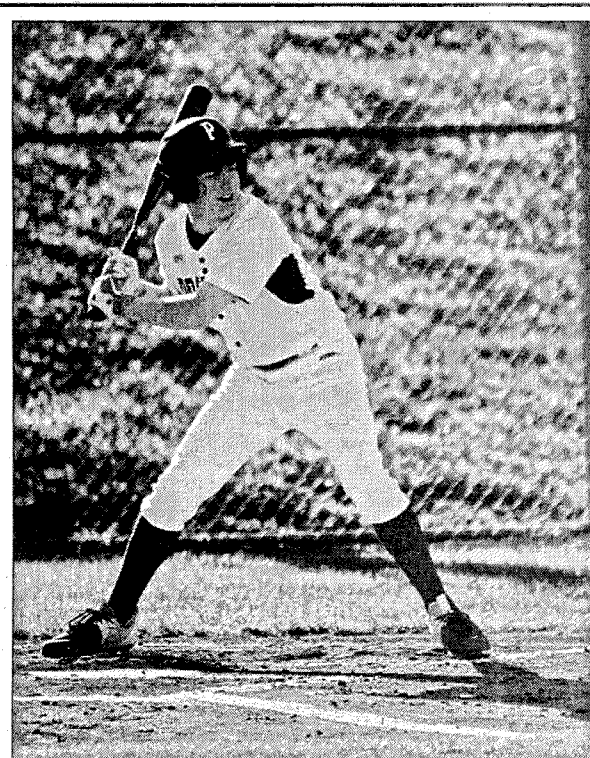
Cameron Smith rushes to make a play at first during the RCMS Rockets' 9-0 win over the Southern Warriors last week. Offensively, Smith was one for three with a homerun, four RBI and a run scored.



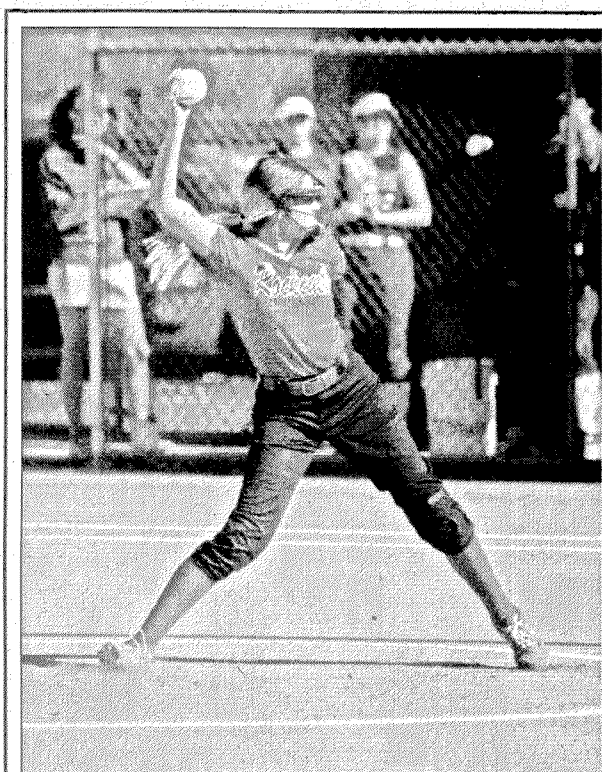
Ethan Weaver goes for a hit during the RCMS Rockets' 9-0 win over the Southern Warriors last week.



Caden Lovell gets back to first during the RCMS Rockets' 9-0 win over the Southern Warriors last week.



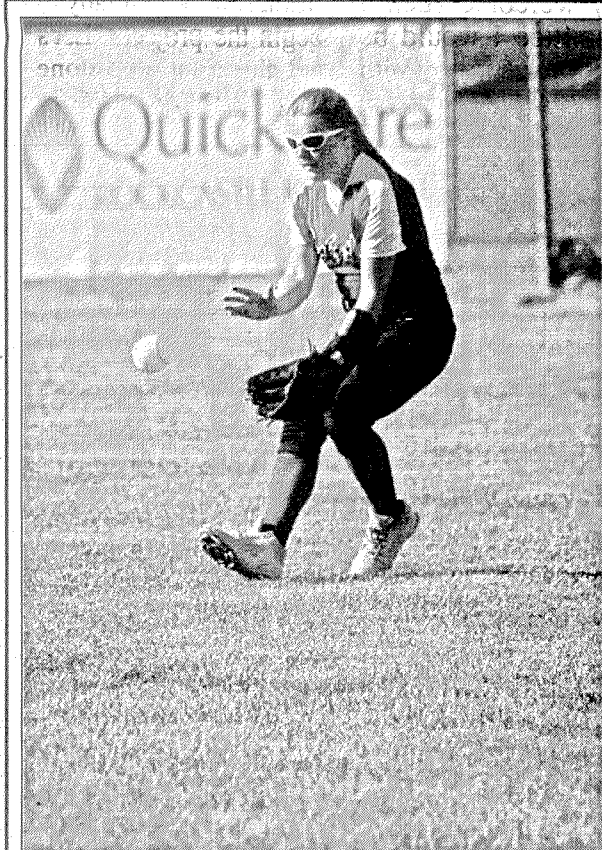
Hunter Pingleton takes a high pitch during the RCMS Rockets' 9-0 win over the Southern Warriors last week. Pingleton was three for three with an RBI and a run scored. The Rockets are 17-6 on the season.



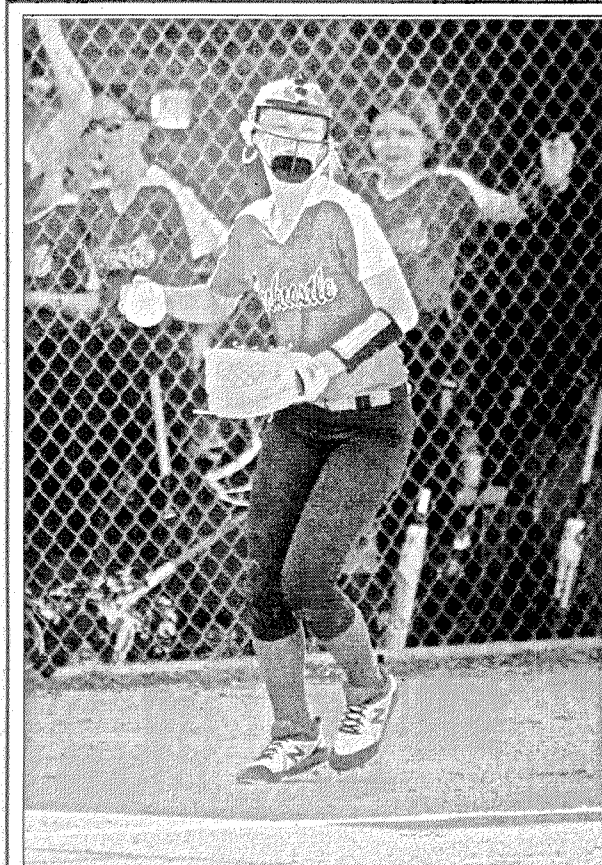
Sydney Holcomb took the mound for the RCMS Rockets last week against Northern Pulaski. The A-Team Rockets finished their season with a 20-6 record. The B-Team was 13-1-1 on the season.



Macy Spivey goes for one of her two hits last week against Northern Pulaski. Spivey was two for three with a run scored.



Kelsey Maupin makes a play in centerfield for the RCMS Rockets last week against Northern Pulaski. Maupin was two for three with two RBI and a run scored.



Third baseman Ella McKinney makes a play in foul territory for the RCMS Rockets last week against Northern Pulaski. McKinney was one for two on the night.

## Yards Memories

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paper. Then move to the outdoors and use rulers and marking paint, or other tools if you need to improvise to lay out your plans. The thinking and planning are a prerequisite. (Even if only in your mind; otherwise it's like beginning a trip on an unknown road with no map or compass or GPS.)

Plan re-sculpting the land first. If you need to fill a low area, remove a hill, put in a ditch or culvert because of water, consider these things before planting trees, building sheds or patios and the like. You might not have to put in the culvert immediately, but if you don't consider it as a future project, you might find you've spent for a tree or lots of shrubbery that must be destroyed or moved at a later time.

Perhaps you have a steep slope, and terracing is the change you need to make to get more use of the land you have.

Plan structures. This might be the new driveway, a patio or deck, or a detached garage or storage building. Planning first means you didn't plant things or spend to create something nice only to have to tear it out to build the swimming pool or the detached garage or office.

Trees are also part of the skeleton of your yard, and their placement should be considered before creating the gardens, flower beds or doing all the small things.

Once your plan is established and you are ready to proceed to altering and beautifying your space, you're not required to do the big things or the expensive things first. But you may go ahead and do some of the simple things that give you instant satisfaction—being confident you've not expended the effort in vain because you have a plan and the things you are doing are going to be permanent pieces in the comprehensive plan. You may need to do things in a patchwork fashion, but if you planned first then each piece fits, just like in putting a puzzle together.

As the months pass, my intent is to give you ideas followed by the how to implement or build some of them. This little composition today does not provide the space to elaborate on all the things we might do in your yards, but if some project gets into the plan, then we'll be able to more easily make it happen at a future date.

The author is a landscaper. Email: rockcastles@gmail.com Your suggestions welcome.

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My wife was insistent that we replace the redbud at some point in time, and this spring we have made that dream come true. With the help of a well-informed neighbor, we were able to find a Merlot redbud that was the right shape and size. It is a small tree with an upright shape that will have pink blooms in early spring on bare stems. It has glossy, dark purple foliage.

Our new redbud is supposed to grow about 18 inches each year, developing into a graceful multi-stemmed plant reaching 20 feet tall and wide. We understand (and hope) that it is more resistant to sun and dryness than most redbud trees. In addition, pests and diseases normally do not trouble this variety.

I was pleased to hear that pruning isn't necessary because it keeps its shapely form naturally. All we have to do is keep this newly-planted baby moist during its first few weeks in the ground. Then we can sit and wait to enjoy this beautiful springtime bloomer—and remember our days in the mountains.

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

## T.J.s

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could feel a very evil presence in the air and could actually smell blood in the air as well. Was it the Death Angel coming through that night and claimed all of the Egyptian first born children and animals? Go ahead and call me crazy. I'm like those people who have seen UFOs. I do believe that they really did see something, but what? That is my story and I'm sticking with it.

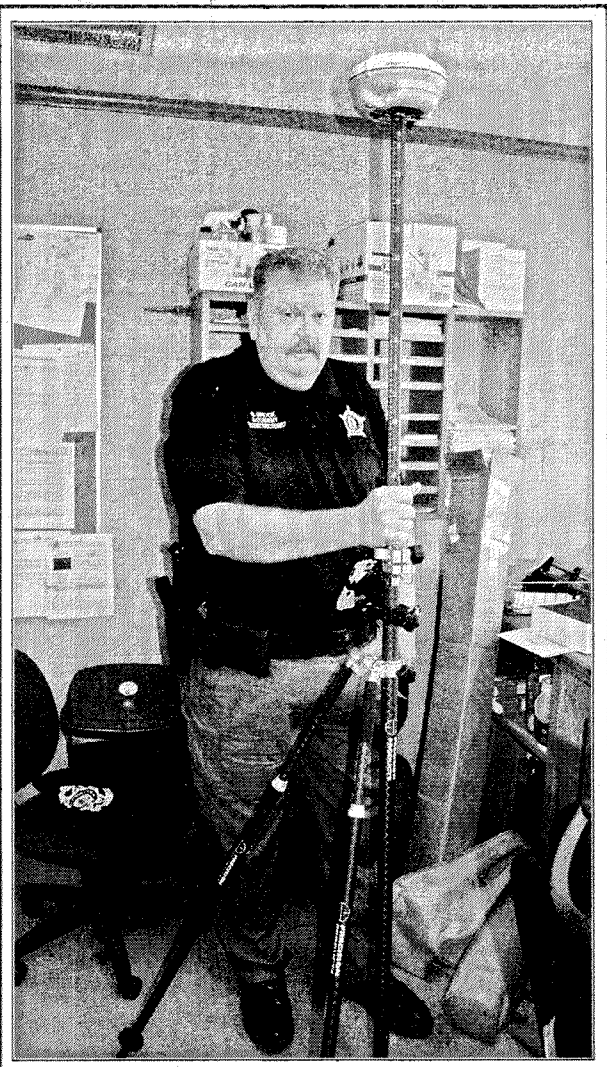
There has been a history of "blood moons" since back as early as the 1100s B.C. Now, people are claiming that it is a sign of the end of days. Not to say that it isn't the end of days as we know it. Actually, there are several End of Days prophecies already fulfilled and more coming to pass at an alarming pace.

Shortly, I think I'll go out and see what all of the hype is all about. The show is supposed to begin around 9:30-ish and continue until around 1-ish. I won't be up until 1 AM to see the spectacle but I may watch the first hour...maybe depending on how I feel, how chilled I get and, of course, the skeeters.



Mahala Miller hits a homerun on this swing in the RCMS Rockets game against Northern Pulaski. Miller was one for two with an RBI and run scored.





Rockcastle County Sheriff's Deputy Sam Brock sets up his new accident reconstruction equipment. The high-tech system can reconstruct an accident from the first moment of the accident and determine the cause of the accident.

## “Gear”

(Continued from front) this process, according to Brock.

“This is basically surveillance equipment but when used with the proper software, I can take an accident back in time to the point of recognition (the point when the operators of the vehicles should have recognized an accident was about to occur) and can determine what could have been done to avoid the accident,” said Brock.

Officials say that every accident that has ever taken place could have been avoided and proper accident reconstruction not only discovers the reason for the accident in question, it can help avoid accidents in the future.

The three top reasons for an auto accident, according to Templeton Smith research, are distracted driving, driving under the influence and speeding, in that order. But even in the rare case of auto malfunction, automobile manufacturers and engineers may learn how to avoid such malfunctions in the future.

The new equipment, along with the drone, helps Deputy Brock go through each accident from the point of recognition through the full stop. Such information, according to Brock, is helpful to insurance companies and sometimes a help to families to better understand what happened to their loved one.

Deputy Brock not only completed the training course for using the equipment, but has also been certified and licensed to use the high-tech drone that he hopes to add to his equipment. The drone, about \$13,000 including software, has not been funded but the Sheriff's office is currently searching for ways to fund the purchase.

“This is not your ordinary drone,” said Sheriff Franklin. “This drone is very specific and technical. So specific and capable that the FCC requires a licensed operator to use this device.”

Brock said the equipment will be a big help to the force. “This equipment eliminates guesswork and human error and can be used in court when needed to determine the cause of an accident,” he said. “This will greatly reduce the

time an officer is out on the scene and therefore not available on the streets of Rockcastle County.”

The fiscal court had been approached by Brock to fund the equipment but the subject was tabled during a monthly meeting. Brock then found funding through other sources including the Walmart Distribution Center in London, Sam's Club and EcoTech Environmental Systems.

“This is not a toy. It is a very important need for any good sheriff's department and provides us with information that is invaluable,” said Franklin. “We can provide a much better service to the people and that is our ultimate goal.”

## “Court”

(Continued from front) \$1,500 saying no one benefits from being a member of the association.

The court agreed to pay a \$16,350 bill from Bee Garbage for Trash Drop Off Day held recently. “This is \$16,000 worth of trash that is not in our ditches,” said Holbrook.

The court looked closely at the interest and penalties involved in paying off the bonds that were associated with the Microfoodery Plant and the Chapin Manufacturing plant. Both entities paid off their buildings recently and the county has the funds but has decided not to pay off the bonds at this time, since the penalties are still in place. “I think it is best to have the money in our bank drawing interest and have it available if something comes up that we need to use it for, like another industry or something, than it is to pay \$128,000 in penalties just to be rid of the debt,” said Magistrate Doug Prewitt. The court agreed. The penalties are dropped after 2025 and the court agreed to revisit options again at that point, if not sooner, since the penalties lessen each year.

The court accepted \$236,535 allotted for the county flex funds from the Transportation Cabinet. The Cabinet has agreed to resurface KY 618 and KY 2614 which will leave the \$236,535 for the county to use on fiscal court approved resurfacing.

The court was tasked

with electing two new board members for the Library Board. In one seat, Brenda Saylor won handily. But in the other seat, Barbara Congleton and Alice Smith tied with three votes each. After discussion concerning what to do, Magistrate William Denny simply made a motion to accept Barbara Congleton. The motion passed unanimously.

The court voted to give \$2,500 to the American Red Cross following a request by the organization.

County Treasurer Joe Clontz read the county financial statement to the court, listing each fund individually. Clontz and Court Clerk Vickie Miller then requested transfers of \$356,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund and then \$1,500 from the general fund to the forestry fund, \$50,000 to the 911 fund and \$105,000 to the Jail fund.

A lengthy discussion concerning the sheriff's department then ensued with Magistrate Shannon Bishop offering his suggestions to Sheriff Shannon Franklin concerning how to schedule and how to pay employees in order to maximize available budget.

After discussion about employees, salaries and overtime, scheduling, budgeting, employee turnover and expenses, Bishop recommended a committee to study the issues and meeting with the sheriff's department to work out options.

Franklin agreed. “Anything we can do to be as fiscally responsible as possible, I am all for it,” he said. “I would not only welcome such a committee I would be very pleased to work with any group and listen to any ideas that will help.” Bishop suggested the department may be able to eliminate some overtime by hiring more deputies and use that overtime pay to pay the deputies thereby getting more police hours on the roads. Franklin said this is not a new idea to him but he is happy to revisit the idea. “We have lost five deputies to higher paying departments recently. It is hard to find qualified deputies at what we can offer,” he said.

Having no further business, the court was adjourned. The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14 at 4 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

## “RCMS”

(Continued from front) funding and district bonding.

Clark and others have been involved in several meetings with architects and engineers since the state budget was released and \$14 million became available last month through the State of Kentucky. “We have had some good discussions already,” he said. “We are finding out what different people want and need and it turns out that apparently plenty of windows is one of the priorities to most we have talked with so far.” Clark says he has walked school property and discussed countless options and ideas with the designers involved. “We have talked about individual spaces and design and, of course, everyone wants an auditorium and things have started out very well,” he said. “This

has so far been a good process and having these face-to-face meetings have been very helpful.”

Clark answered several questions from board members and explained that he expects the final design to be ready for the bid process in about eight months. “I think we can expect something flashy from the architects at the June meeting. It will be preliminary but it will be a good start. The surveys are already underway and we are moving forward every day.”

Ballinger said an exact location for the new RCMS building has not been determined but current surveys and property inspections will help with that decision.

Clark said the estimated costs may change slightly, as design changes are recommended or other factors change, but that he expects the \$34.75 million to be a good starting point leaving \$20.7 million as the district's responsibility.

Ballinger said the district will “finance the construction of the new middle school through the use of restricted funds that are reserved for capitol construction and/or major renovation projects.”

These funds are not part of the district contingency funds, Ballinger said. “Our district will continue to maintain a healthy contingency rate of seven percent,” she said. The state only requires a 2% contingency fund but Rockcastle County Schools have maintained 7% for several years.

Chairman Angela Mink said she is ready to begin the project. “Let's get this first step done and build a middle school,” she said.

In other action, the board heard from mental health officials within the district who gave them reports concerning the mental health of Rockcastle County students. Anonymous surveys were given to students, which indicate there have been 11 actual attempts at suicide by eighth grade students in Rockcastle County. Even more were reported by ninth and tenth grade students, according to Mental Health advocate Angie Payne. Surveys also indicate several students who have intentionally hurt themselves.

Members of the mental health staff with the school district addressed the issues of depression, anger, worry, bullying, frustration, coping and many other areas that affect mental health. Workers addressed different methods of dealing with each case as well as reporting such issues.

In other action, Ballinger said she had met with Finance Director Jenny Sweet recently to discuss postponing the “step-up” increases for employees that had been discussed earlier in the year. “We had talked about a step up for our employees but under the circumstances, we have decided it would not be fiscally responsible to move ahead with that at this time,” said Ballinger. “We can look at it again next year and make that a goal but this year it would not be the best thing for our district. I am glad we were able to give the \$2 hourly raises but the step up that was discussed needs to be postponed.”

The board then ap-

proved the amended Salary Schedule.

In other action, Brandon Reynolds, Director of the Technology department, asked the board for two new positions known as “Computer Specialists.” The total salary for both position will be \$92,000 according to Reynolds who said they have become imperative positions. “When we started out with these Chromebook, virtual systems, things were a lot different,” he said. “We now have an enormous number of Chromebooks and copiers and technology out there. Everyone has a Chromebook and I can't be the expert on everything that we have now.”

The motion passed unanimously.

The board also received the Superintendent's Personnel Action Report. It is as follows:

### Full time classified employees hired

William Brent Lovell, volunteer assistant baseball coach at RCMS; Alecia Slagle, cook/baker 7.5 hours at RES; Tabitha Ward, administrative secretary in the central office; Sierra Hansel, volunteer assistant cheer coach at RCMS.

### Resignations

Brent Jones, custodian at RES.

### Retirements

Theresa Davis, teacher at RCMS; Ronnie Abney, bus driver; Charles Lawrence, custodian at BES.

### Certified Substitutes hired

Jamie Ellison Shepherd, substitute teacher.

### Classified substitutes hired

Michelle Bustle and Alecia Slagle, substitute cook/bakers; John Caleb Ballinger, substitute custodian (lawn care).

*(Publisher's Note: The original amount of the new school was always reported by the board, with one exception by Facilities Director Trent Clark who mentioned a \$14-\$30 million figure. Rep. Josh Bray said that he was aware of the \$34 million figure when he secured an additional \$4 million in funding in the last days of this year's legislative session but did not mention, at the time, that an additional \$20 million would be needed. pma)*

## “Elect”

(Continued from front) 1,176.

In the Jailer's race, incumbent Nathan Carter held on to his office with 2,532 votes to Micah Owens' 1,012.

## Brodhead Hustle 5K Run/Walk this Saturday

The Brodhead Hustle 5K Run/2-Mile Walk will be held Saturday, May 21, at 8 a.m. ET in Brodhead.

- In-Person Event Details*
- Race website: [www.rockcastleregional.org/county-wide-stride](http://www.rockcastleregional.org/county-wide-stride)
  - Distance: 5K run, 2-mile walk.
  - Race start time is 8:00 am EST at Brodhead Elementary School.
  - Race will be chip timed.
  - \$23 registration fee due by Wednesday, May 11. Cost is \$28 May 12 through race day. Registration fees are non-refundable.
  - Free custom T-shirt (Due to inventory issues, we recommend registering early to guarantee your t-shirt. We must order shirts in advance, so quantities may be limited.)
  - If you need to change your registration to virtual, please contact us by Wednesday, May 18.

The Countywide Stride Race Series, organized and sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital, offers monthly run/walk events at various locations throughout Rockcastle County with a goal of providing fitness options and raising money for charitable organizations. Yearly participation incentives are provided. Questions? Email [s.turley@rhrc.org](mailto:s.turley@rhrc.org).

In the PVA race, Kathy Robinson got 2,011 total votes to Anthony Asher's 1,588.

County Attorney Jeremy Rowe ran unopposed as did Rockcastle County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen.

In the race for County Coroner, Dawn R. Carpenter won with 1,722 votes to Doug Hughes' 1,657.

In the race for 28th District Division I Judge, William Leger won the county with 1,900 votes, B.J. Hardy received 871 votes and Dylan Gorski got 839. However, Hardy and Gorski, who tallied the most votes in the race which included Pulaski County, will now face off in November.

Josh Bray ran unopposed in his race for Kentucky State Representative.

Former Magistrate of District 1, Lee Earl Adams won the race for that office with 427 votes over Tammy Cox who received 190 and Michael Pingleton who got 129 and Robert Kirby 70.

In the race for Magistrate in District Two, incumbent William Sherman Denny held on to his seat with 419 votes, while Christopher Thomas Ayers received 122.

In the race for Magistrate in District Three Doug Prewitt held on to his seat with 589 votes while Debbie Mason received 161 and Richard Martin received 140.

Magistrate in the Fourth District will remain Wendell Shane Thacker who received 438 votes to Brandon Hellard's 93 and Ronald Chasteen's 94.

In the Magistrate race in the Fifth District incumbent Michael P. McGuire will remain in office after receiving 509 votes to challenger James Bryan King's 212.

In the constable races, District One was won by Rodney Adams with 96 votes. District Two was won by Steve Griffin with 307 while District Three was won by Rick Brummett with 575. In District Four Donnie Cope won a close race with 226 votes while in District Five, Brian Wynn won with 371

There were 187 absentee ballots issued but only 137 were counted Tuesday morning as 50 were rejected for different reasons, according to Allen. In that early morning start, Leger, Holbrook and Franklin started the day with a majority of absentee voters and stayed ahead throughout the day.



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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, May 19, 2022

## Garden Club places color in downtown

Several years ago the Rockcastle Garden Club requested flowers in pots on Main Street in Mount Vernon. However, there were two problems with the plan. First the plants would have to be watered and maintained on a regular basis, and secondly, someone had to plant the flowers.

Vitalize Mount Vernon Director Lynn Tatum didn't see a problem. Instead, she saw an opportunity.

Tatum helped organize two committees to oversee those two issues and once the City of Mount Vernon agreed, the task of beautifying downtown Mount Vernon was under way.

This is the third year that Garden Club members

have planted colorful summer flowers in the History Garden and along Main Street. The Garden Club was joined this year by Community Trust bank employees Rachel Glissner and Malinda Pigg.

Garden Club member Nancy Mullins assisted with plant selection and organizing Garden Club members to volunteer their time. Other club members who helped included Martha Cox, Tammy Cox, Delores Carpenter and Sheila Neal.

This year, the colorful plants were furnished by Owens Greenhouse and Anaris Sickles, Kroger's Hometown Pickup Coordinator, made a generous financial contribution to help the City of Mount Vernon

pay for the flowers. Sickles also provided large totes so that volunteers could carry the plants to each container.

Tatum called the event a huge success. "Beautification Day was certainly a success on many levels. People and organizations came together for one goal and that is always a success," she said. "Landscaping adds so much to the downtown area and I hope we can expand the beauty every year."

There has been some talk of other possible beautification projects in the downtown area and Tatum and the Garden Club will likely be ready to jump in wherever they are needed to help.



Members of the Rockcastle County Garden Club helped beautify the City of Mount Vernon last week by planting flowers in pots and along Main Street and in the History Garden. Shown above are Nancy Mullins, Martha Cox and Kroger Pickup Coordinator Anaris Sickles.



Members of the Rockcastle County Garden Club with help from Community Trust Bank helped beautify the City of Mount Vernon last week. Shown are Malinda Pigg, Delores Carpenter, Sheila Neal, Tammy Cox, Martha Cox, Nancy Mullins and Rachel Gleissner.

## Cody Jackson receives NSDAR national recognition for his essay

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution actively supports historic preservation, promotion of education and patriotic endeavors. One of the many ways the Society promotes education is to sponsor every year in the school systems an American History essay contest open to all 5th-8th graders. All students in public, private, or parochial school, or those who are home schooled are eligible. This contest is conducted without regard to race, religion, sex, or national origin.

The topic for this year's American History essay for grades 5th-8th was "Tomb of the Unknown Soldier". November 11, 2021, marked the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The student was to imagine that they had a brother who lost his life on the battlefields of France during World War I. They and their family attended the November 11, 1921, dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. The student was to describe what this meant to them and their family. Why is it important to remember those who gave their lives to serve our nation?

This year's state winner for the 8th grade category is Cody Jackson of RCMS. As the winner of his category, Mr. Jackson represented Kentucky in the national judging of the contest. His essay received first place in the East Central Division which consists of five states, Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and West Virginia.

Mr. Jackson was unable to attend the state youth awards ceremony held in

Bardstown, KY in April, so on May 2, 2022 in the presence of local DAR members and his family, Mr.

Jackson was presented his award by KSDAR State Regent Carol Rogow and Rockcastle Chapter Regent, Karen

Adams. The awards he received consisted of a certificate, medal, and a check from the state society.

### "The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier-Patriotism through dedication"

American History Essay - By Cody Jackson  
NSDAR East Central Division Winner for 8th Grade Category

On 11 November 1921, my family and I stepped off of the plane in Washington D.C. and onto a train headed straight for Arlington National Cemetery. It was cold on the train, not that I cared. The mixed feelings of anticipation and nervousness were enough to keep me warm during the ride.

As I sat looking around at the other passengers, I remembered the last time I was on a train. We were headed to New York, my brother and I, to attend the opening baseball game against the Red Sox. This is a different ride though.

Excitement and cheerfulness have been replaced with loneliness and sorrow since my brother has passed. Mother had begged him not to enlist, but he felt that he was called to serve his country in the Great War. We never could have imagined he would not return home.

The jarring brakes of the train pull me out of the past. We have finally arrived at the Arlington National Cemetery. As my mother and father stand and reach for their coats, I can

hardly recognize them. The war and losing my brother have certainly taken a toll on both of them. We scurry off of the train and start heading for the cemetery. After walking for what seemed like hours, I can finally see the entrance. We walk through the crowds of people and under the brown arch way. I look up and see the "McClellan" written in gold paint at the top, and I wonder who he is. Is he the unknown soldier I keep hearing my mother and father speak of? Surely not.

I close my eyes and try to remember what mother said about why we were coming here today. Of course, we were coming to pay our respects to my brother and the other men who gave their lives for us, but there was something more. That's it! Mother had mentioned that President Harding would be presiding over a dedication ceremony for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

As we step through the gate we are among hundreds, if not thousands of people. Mother and father glide through the army of onlookers and we make our way to the front. The once loud roaring crowd is now

but a whisper. I look over and see a flood of soldiers and other men marching through the gates, accompanied by a casket covered with an American flag and flowers. A few moments go by, and

President Harding takes his place next to the soldier who gave his life for me and all of America. Even though thousands of people are gathered around, it's quiet, somber, and peaceful throughout the entire cemetery. The President begins his speech. "Mr. Secretary of War and Ladies and Gentlemen: We are met today to pay the impersonal tribute. The name of him whose body lies before us took flight with his imperishable soul. We know not whence he came, but only that his death marks him with the everlasting glory of an American dying for his country." (Harding 1921).

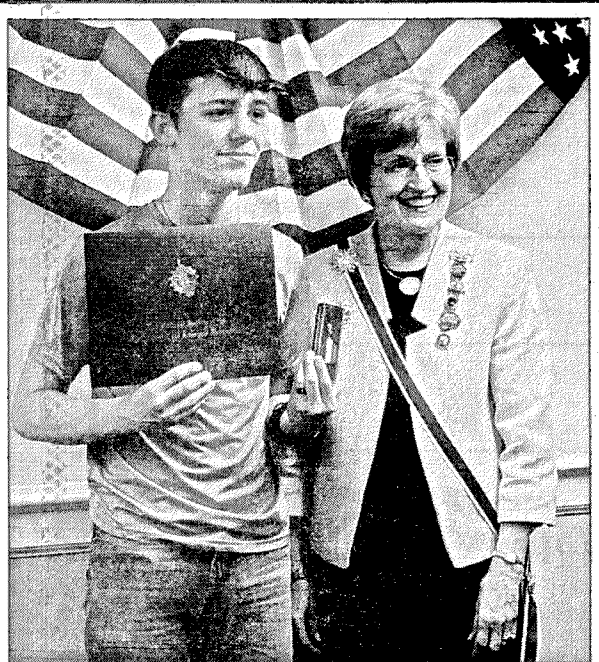
As I continue to listen to the speech, I'm overcome with emotion. Tears start flowing down my cheeks, and don't subside until well after the dedication is over. I now realize that the unknown soldier is more than just one hero who will be buried in the tomb. He

is symbolic of every hero who has departed this life while at war. I turn and look around at all the graves that are filled with the brave men who have given their life for this country.

Even though I am still very young, I think I finally understand what father means when he says that our freedom isn't free.

I am once again overcome with emotion. Still looking around I realize that even though my brother is not physically among these men in this cemetery, he is here, as is every service man that has given his life for our country and our freedom. This is sacred ground that I don't feel worthy to even stand upon. Everything I have, everything

I am, everything that I could be, is because of these great and fearless men. They sacrificed everything right down to their last breath for nothing other than our country. These men deserve the highest respect, and here respect will surely be given.



Cody Jackson was this year's state winner for the 8th grade category in the American History essay contest. As the winner of his category, Jackson represented Kentucky in the national judging of the contest. His essay received first place in the East Central Division which consists of five states, Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and West Virginia. Jackson was presented his award by KSDAR State Regent Carol Rogow (above right) and Rockcastle Chapter Regent, Karen Adams. His award consisted of a certificate, medal, and a check from the state society.



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**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Wayne and Marie Bullock on Kincade Ridge Road. 5x18

**Posted:** No trespassing on property owned by Shannon Hellard on Cove Branch Road in Rockcastle County. All violators will be prosecuted. 52x28

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## Notices

**Notice is hereby given that** Donna L. Atherton, 5106 Christie Avenue, Louisville, Ky. 40216 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Kenneth Herbert Kirk on the 9th day of Mary, 2022. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Donna L. Atherton on or before November 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 14x3

**Notice is hereby given that** Stacy Blanton has filed the Final Settlement of her accounts as Administratrix of the Estate of Lillie Fleming, who was the Administratrix of the Estate of Gary Fleming, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held June 20, 2022 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before that date. 15x1

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 Cecil and Judy King, property in Rockcastle County, to Christopher D. and Alyssia L. Gray. Tax \$120  
 Kimberly M. and Robert Brooks, property in Rockcastle County, to Catherine Carrier. Tax \$285  
 Ronald C. and Lois Renee Burdett, property in Mt. Vernon, to W. Lewis Burdett. Tax \$87  
 Dennis Curtis and Eloise King, property on Tyree Street, to Gordon Stephens. Tax \$118  
 John G. and Connie Hamm and John E. and Sheila Clontz, property in Castle Ridge Subdv., to Michael W. and Carol L.

Bryant. Tax \$11  
 Darlene Clark, property in Benton Bullock Subdv., to Jennifer Denise and Donald Alexander. No tax  
 Darlene Clark, property on waters of Clear Creek, to Jennifer Denise Alexander. No tax  
 Russell Paquette, property in Rockcastle County, to Misty Dawn Sutton. Tax \$10  
 Mary Lou McCracken, property at Boone, to Cheryl Powell and Wayne McCracken, Jr. No tax  
 Bethada Mullins, property on U.S. 25, to Jeffrey Wayne and Anissa Cromer. No tax  
 Regina and Danny Bruce Hamm, property on Line Creek Road, to Joshua and Beverly Shaddox. Tax \$128

## Marriage Licenses

Kellie Ann Caldwell, 24, Baxter, stay-at-home mom and Jacob Lee Collins, 23, Mt. Vernon, factory. 5/4/22

## Circuit Civil Suits

Kenneth R. Owens, vs. Kenneth E. Gumm, complaint.  
 Justin Miller vs. Isaiah Baker, et al, complaint.  
 Krystal Ann Chaliff vs. Joshua David Chaliff, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Bank United N.A. vs. Linda L. Neal, foreclosure.  
 Tiffany Lashey Goebel vs. Zachary Bryan Goebel, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 James Lunsford, et al, vs. City of Brodhead, Kentucky, complaint.  
 Tommy V. Miller, et al vs. Mary A. Reed, complaint.  
 Nannette Howard vs. Alan Meyer, complaint.  
 Campus USA Credit Union vs. Jessie L. Tyree, complaint.  
 Sherri Renee Mullins vs. Randall Matthew Mullins, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 James Lawson vs. Darnell Lawson, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Casey Hayes vs. Zachary Hayes, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Marybeth Marie Lamb vs. Justin Lee Lamb, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 James Gabbard vs. Betty Gabbard, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 John B. Richardson vs. Rebecca A. Davis, complaint.  
 Mandalyn B. Hester vs. Perry W. Mattingly, complaint.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Jessica Dia Hobbs, complaint.  
 Connie S. Hunt vs. LP Brodhead, LLC, et al, complaint.  
 Tammy Singleton vs. William Singleton, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Loren Reynolds Maples vs. Matthew Frank Maples, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Novera Decker vs. Steve Cameron, et al, complaint.

Amber Tucker vs. Jerald Gray, et al, complaint.  
 Robert Dale Payne vs. Samantha Christine Payne, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Michael Nathaniel Parsons vs. Shannon Nicole Shuler, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Christopher Franklin Cook vs. Samantha Tracey Cook, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. vs. Robert J. Prichard, complaint.  
 Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Zachery D. Abney, complaint.  
 Kerri Abrams vs. Ricky Barron, complaint.  
 Destinie Price vs. Ernest L. Coburn, Jr., et al, complaint.  
 Cassandra Sparkman vs. Roy Sparkman, petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 Stevie Luttrell vs. Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, complaint.  
 Larry Gregory, et al, vs. Hal Holbrook, Jr., et al, complaint.  
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 Mandalyn Hester vs. Perry Mattingly, complaint.  
 Ford Motor Credit Company LLC vs. Anola G. Davis, complaint.  
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 Montana B. Kelley vs. James A. Biggs, et al, complaint.  
 Discover Bank vs. Peggy Johnson, complaint. 22-CI-00089

Baptist Healthcare System, Inc. vs. Josh Wallin, complaint.  
 Jerry and Elaine Blair vs. Nicole Hatton, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Cumberland Financial Services vs. Paul Felty, complaint.  
 Eagle Financial Services, Inc. vs. Jason Daniels, complaint.  
 LVNV Funding LLC vs. Isiah Baker, complaint.  
 Jackie D. Lunsford, vs. Shirley Lane, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Sam Akers vs. Brandy Riney, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Jordan Chasteen vs. Jason Stewart, et al, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Jordan Chasteen vs. James Mink, et al, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC vs. David R. Sowder, complaint.  
 Mark Piotrowski vs.

Connie Sann, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Donna Pratt, complaint.  
 Cash Express, LLC vs. Barry James, complaint.  
 Ruby Epperson, et al, vs. Travis Adams, et al, forcible detainer complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Stacy Thacker, complaint.  
 Republic Finance LLC vs. Rachael A. Ballinger, complaint.  
 Mariner Finance, LLC vs. Chris Watkins, complaint.  
 Cash Express LLC vs. Kennedy Convery, complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Kristina L. Ware, complaint.  
 Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center vs. Sara Adams, complaint. 22-C-00072

## President's List at Cumberlands

In recognition of academic performance, the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs at University of the Cumberlands has announced the students named to the President's List for the spring 2022 semester.  
 Local students are: Hannah Bryant of Brodhead; and Kirbie Reynolds of Mount Vernon.  
 To be eligible for the President's List, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours (a

full course load), maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 4.0, receive an "A" grade in UC Engage, and be in good academic standing. (Note: All students who are named to the President's List automatically make the Dean's List, since the Dean's List requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5; however, Cumberlands only lists students on either the Dean's List or the President's List, to avoid overlap.)

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## Community Action Agencies assisting households through LIHEAP Spring Subsidy Cooling Component

### Cooling program offering one-time electric assistance to qualified households across Ky.

Kentucky Community Action Agencies are accepting applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Spring Subsidy Cooling Component. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis through June 17, 2022, or until designated funds are depleted.

This year's Spring Subsidy will help Kentuckians stay cool as the temperatures rise. Households, up to 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, can receive a one-time benefit to offset their home electric cost. The benefit amount awarded is based on a household's income and housing category. Benefits are paid directly to electric vendor.

Kentucky's Community Action Network collectively operates outreach offices in all 120 Kentucky counties. Qualified applicants are encouraged to contact their local Community Action outreach office for specific applications instructions.

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

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

Community Action Kentucky administers LIHEAP in partnership with the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services who receive the funding as a pass-through block grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. More information about LIHEAP and a listing of LIHEAP outreach offices can be found at the Community Action Kentucky website at [www.CAPKY.org](http://www.CAPKY.org).

## District Civil Suits

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Justine Alcorn, complaint.  
 Resurgent Receivables LLC vs. Stephen Hopkins, complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Bobby Rogers, complaint.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Charles Abney, complaint.  
 LVNV Funding LLC vs. Georgia M. Clemmons, complaint.  
 Capital One Bank USA N.A. vs. Nona L. Burke, complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Melissa Martin, complaint.  
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 Second Round Sub, LLC vs. Jeff Gilbert, complaint.  
 Midland Credit Management vs. Slade Moore, complaint.  
 Eagle Financial Services, Inc. vs. Trena Thomas, complaint.  
 Resurgent Receivables LLC vs. Harmon Messer, complaint.  
 Resurgent Receivables LLC vs. Sabrina Stephens, complaint.  
 LVNV Funding LLC vs. Gladys Hasty, complaint.  
 Portfolio Recovery Associate, LLC vs. Marty Harris, complaint.  
 Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Stacie Smith, complaint.  
 Cash Express LLC vs. Brandi Johnson, complaint.

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## Request For Bids

### Courthouse Masonry

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court requests bids for masonry work at the Rockcastle County Courthouse. Attendance is mandatory at the pre-bid site meeting at 2 pm on May 26, 2022 at the Rockcastle County Judge-Executive's Office, Rockcastle County Courthouse, 2nd Floor, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Bids can be mailed to Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, POBox 755, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. Please mark envelopes "Courthouse Masonry - Sealed Bid". Bids are to be received no later than 3 pm on June 14, 2022. Bids will be opened at the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Meeting at 4 pm on June 14, 2022.

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court reserves the right to award the bid to the lowest vendor or the bid that meets the specifications of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court. Rockcastle County Ambulance Service, Inc. Rockcastle County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Questions regarding the bid package should be addressed to County Judge's Office at 606-256-2856.

## Request For Bids

### Construction Work

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court requests bids for construction work on Freedom School Road. Attendance is mandatory at the pre-bid meeting beginning at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, County Judge Executive's Office, 2nd Floor, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 at 10 am on May 26, 2022. Attendees will then travel to Freedom School Rd from the Courthouse.

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## 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.

For nearly 60 years, Christian Appalachian Project's life-changing programs and services have restored hope for thousands of children, families, and seniors who struggle each day to break free from poverty.

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?

### Specific Areas of Service include:

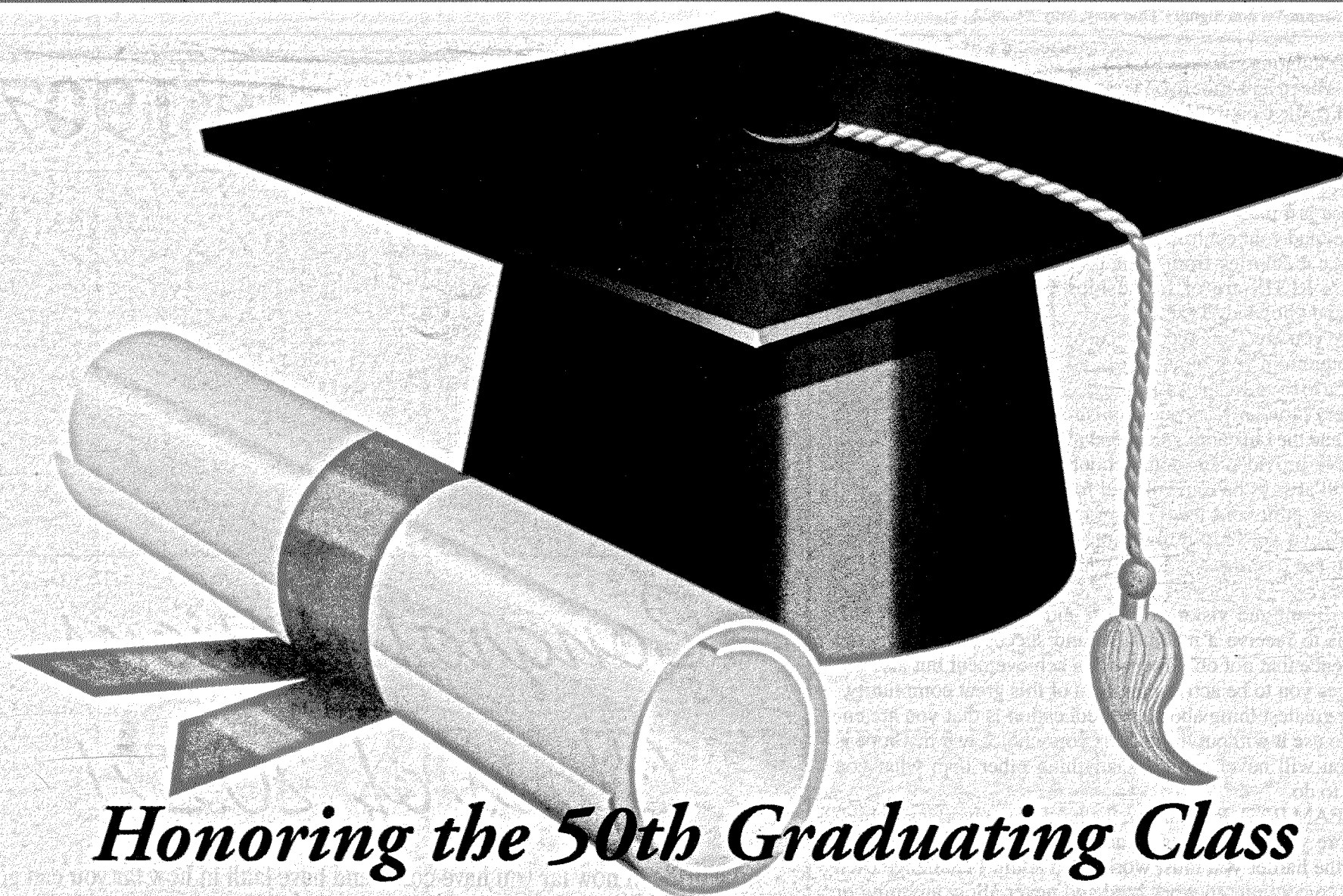
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*Honoring the 50th Graduating Class*

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*Rockcastle County Middle School Football Field*



### 50th Graduating Class of RCHS:

It has been an honor to be your principal for your four years at Rockcastle County High School. Congratulations and commendations to each and every one of you on this remarkable achievement of graduation from "The Rock" through these unprecedented times.

These last three years will forever be synonymous for reasons beyond your control. My hopes are your memories from your four years at RCHS are of friendships made and knowledge gained.

Now you are prepared to receive a diploma from your alma mater and move on to the next step of your lives. I am very proud of your accomplishments and the outstanding leadership you have provided for your school. You will always be remembered for this work ethic and leadership you have shown not only during your years at RCHS but especially these past three years as you had to deal with COVID-19.

My dream and vision for each and every one of our students is to receive a memorable and successful educational experience that not only focuses on achievement but also encourages you to be active members of this great community.

The greatest thing about your education is that you are entitled to use it without limits. It is your choice and my hope is that you will never settle for anything other than what you aspire to do.

**DREAM BIG!** Remember, the harder you work as a child, the more you can play as an adult. The more you play as a child, the harder you must work as an adult. I challenge each of you to continue to work hard and never allow anything or anyone to stand in your way of achieving your career goals.

As you experience graduation from RCHS and all of the activities associated with it, please stop and take notice. This is a time that brings your family great joy, happiness and pride. A time that acknowledges friendships and experiences that will last a lifetime. As you move on through life's hoops and hurdles, always remember that you are, and will forever be, a Rocket!

I will be honored to stand on stage with each of you as you make that walk, diploma in hand, and ready to make your mark on this world.

And as you go forth from your high school experience, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.



With my most sincere regards,

J.D. Bussell

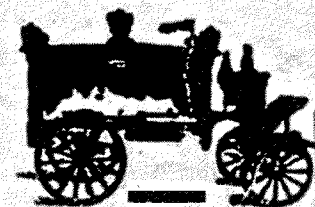
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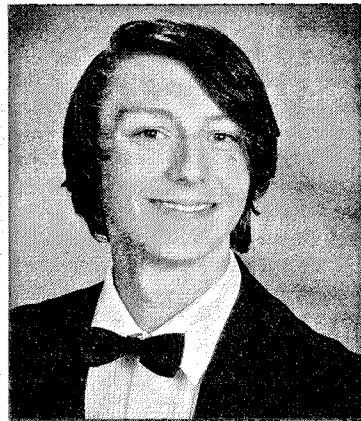
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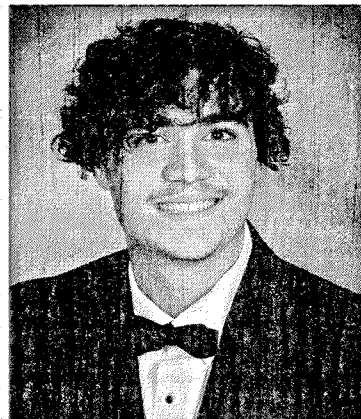
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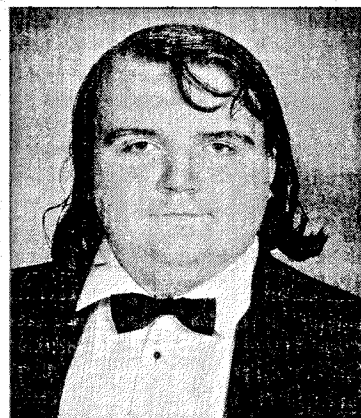
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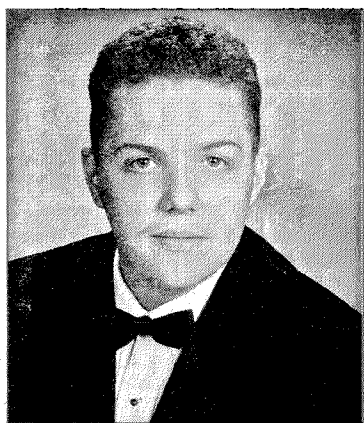
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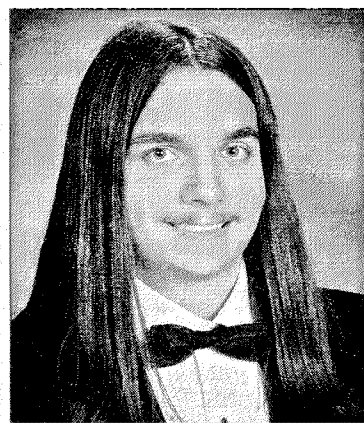
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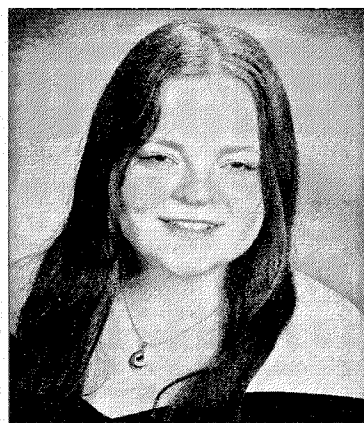




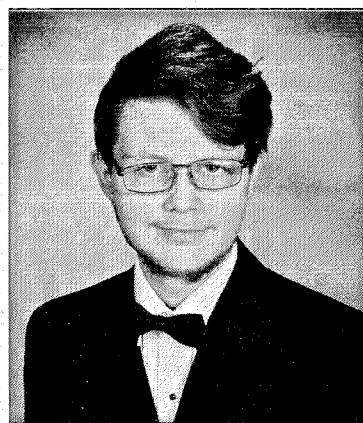
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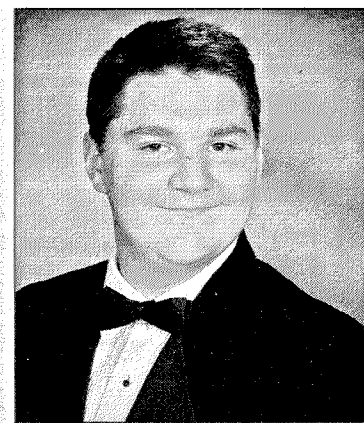
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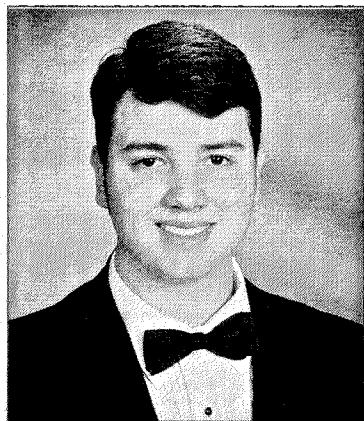
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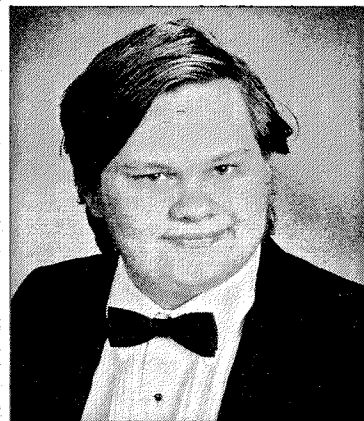
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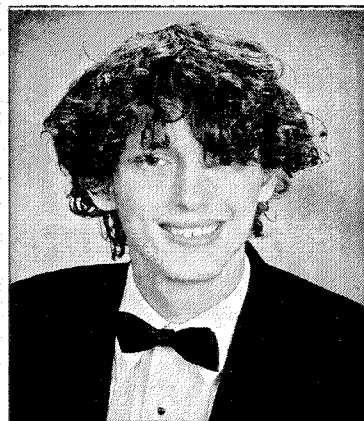
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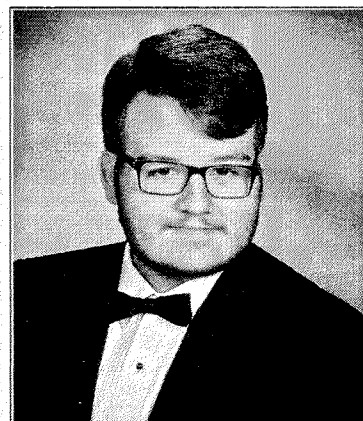
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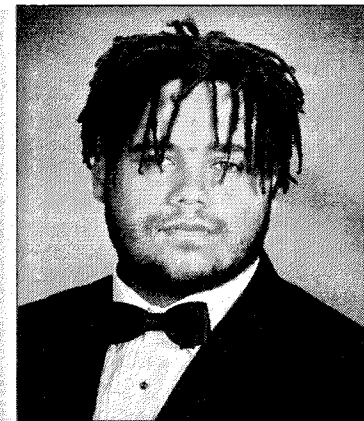
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Jay'Von Malik Bowden

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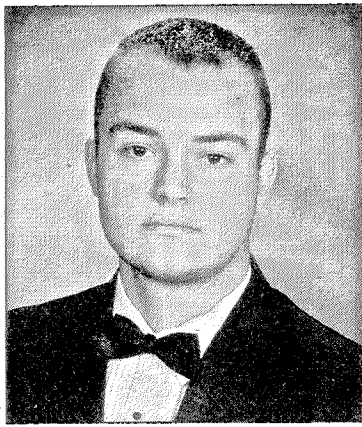
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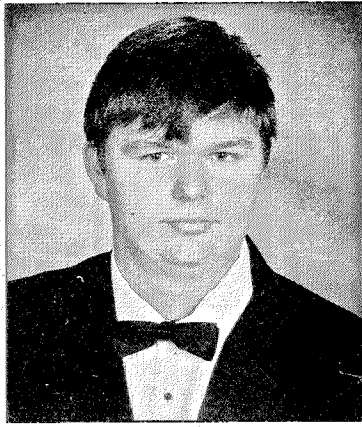
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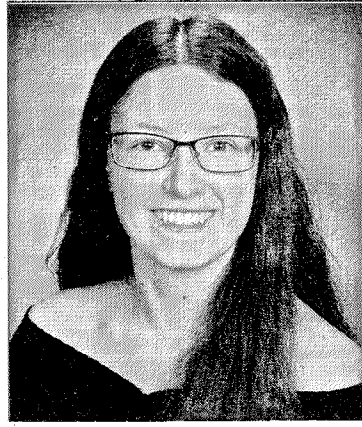




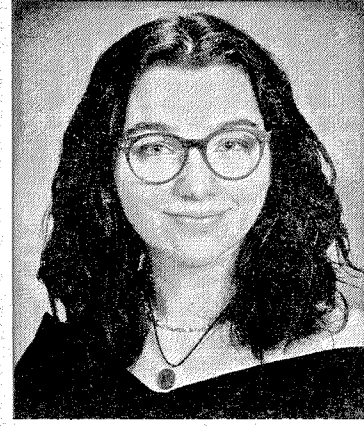
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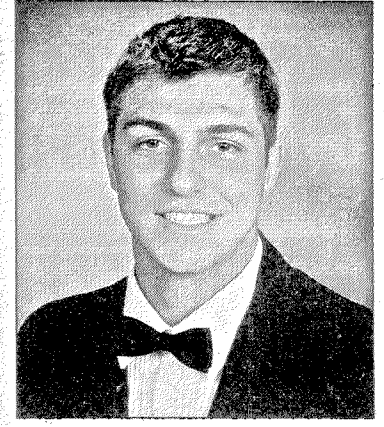
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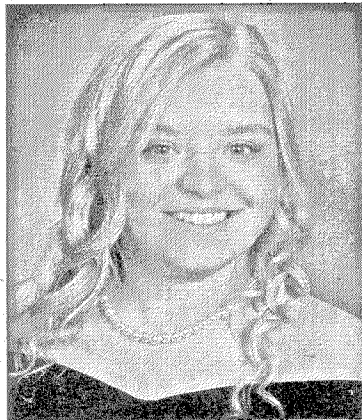
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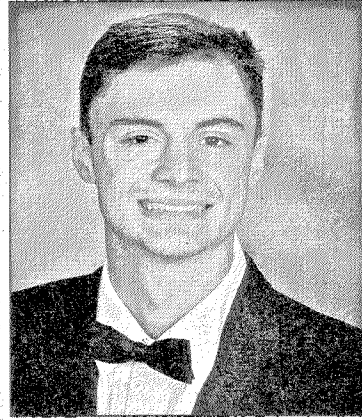
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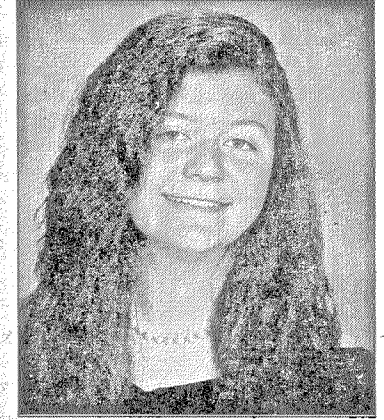
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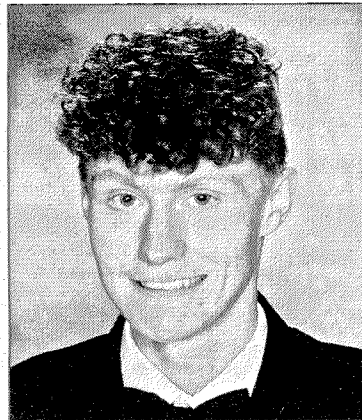
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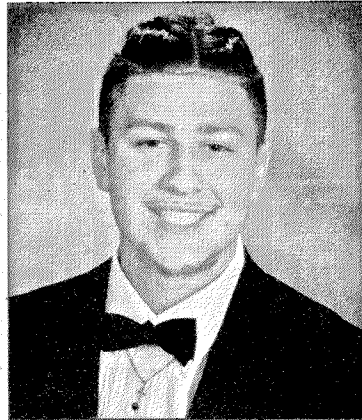
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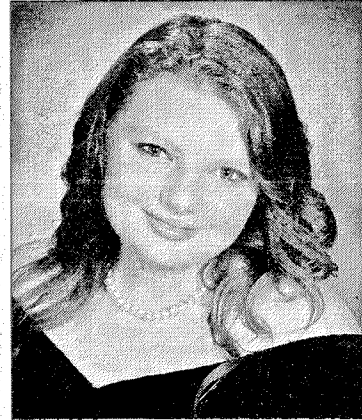
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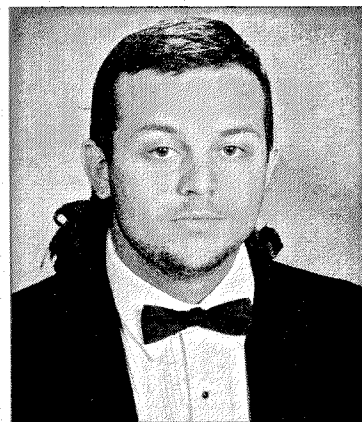
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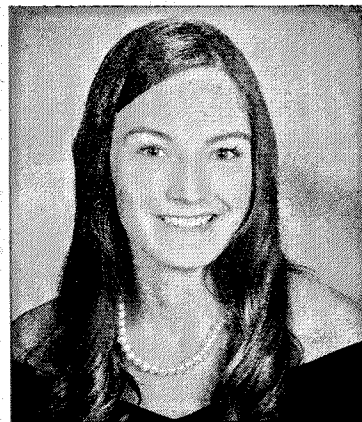
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**Shannon**  
**Franklin**



## 2022 Senior Class

**Haley Marie Abney**, daughter of Gary Lee Abney and Tara Renee Abney. Dance Blue and Rock Walkers.

**Jordon Abney**, son of Rebecca Abney and Donald Abney. OSHA T-10 Certification. Skills USA (alternate) Vice President, FFA.

**Kimberly Abney**, daughter of Byron Abney and Ellie Blythe. Dance Blue, UNITE, FFA, Chorus, FCCLA.

**Shelby Abrams**, daughter of Sheila Abrams and Billy Abrams. Child Development Rope, Environmental Club, Floral Design, Peer Friends, Game Club, Drama Class.

**Destiny Adams**, daughter of Scott and Angela Adams. 2021 Homecoming Queen. FFA, Honors Club, Student Council, FFA President, Honors Club Reporter, Student Council Treasurer.

**Jaydon Albright**, son of Jeff and Joanna Albright.

**Anthony Alcorn**, son of Roger Alcorn and Angela Alcorn.

**Joey Alcorn**, son of Julie and Joey Alcorn. Young Feminist Club.

**Daniel Ashcraft**: son of Ashley McClure and Bobby McClure and Daniel Ashcraft and April Ashcraft. Presidential Award for Community Service (Gold). JROTC Club.

**Elijah Ashcraft**, son of Jennifer Ashcraft and Tim Ashcraft. RCHS Football (two years).

**John Asher**, son of Donna Asher and Bill Asher. Academic Team, VEX Robotics, Guitar Club.

**Trinity Baggett**, daughter of James Baggett and Rebecca Robinson. FFA (one year).

**William Baker**, son of Angela Baker.

**Kayman Baldwin**, son of Marilyn Chesnut and Dean Baldwin. Cadet of the Year 2020-21 and Best Squad and Best Platoon 2021-22. JROTC, Band.

**Ben Ballard**, son of Jessie Ballard and Amy Parker. OSHA 10 Card. President of D and D Club, Skills USA - two years, Director for Props and Set for Drama Class, Drama Club - one year.

**Kenneth W. Ballinger II**, son of Kenneth W. Ballinger and Rachel Ballinger. MOS Certified. D and D Club, International Club, Young Feminists, Settlers of Catan Club, eSports.

**Trinity Barnett**, daughter of Sheena Pittman and Anthony Barnett.

**Ethan Benge**, son of Robert Benge and Melissa Owens. 3 on 3 Basketball.

**Stephanie Bishop**, daughter of Sarah Randolph and Ricky Bishop. RCMS Softball.

**Trace Boone**, son of Sharon Boone and Jeff Boone. FFA, Guitar Club, Archery, Fishing Team.

**Jay'Von Bowden**, son of Doug and

Dianna Crutcher. RCHS Football - four years.

**Andrew Brent Bradley**, son of Heather Bradley and Mark Bradley. Joined National Guard January 28, 2021. Have been promoted twice, currently a Private First Class. JROTC, Rock Walkers, Dream Team, Rifle Team, Adventure Team.

**Jesse Bradley**, son of John and Karen Bradley.

**Makayla Bratcher**, daughter of Jamie and Justen Rice.

**Ashley Brenda**, daughter of Travis and Judy Brenda. Greenhand and Chapter FFA degrees, FFA Agronomy State High Individual, FFA Agronomy National Silver Emblem. Honors and Beta Club, FFA, FCA, Karate Club, Art Club, Math Club.

**Caroline Brickley**, daughter of Beth and Jeff Brickley. International Club, Young Democrats, Young Feminists Club, Prom Club, Drama Club.

**Landen Broaddus**, son of Shayne Broaddus and Tasha Broaddus. RCHS Football-four years.

**Azlan Brock**, daughter of Katma Brock and Eric Brock. Choir, Walk Club, FFA, Dance Blue.

**Laney Bryant**, daughter of Mike and Steffany Bryant. Homecoming Court, Honor Roll. Softball, FCA, Rocket Club, Honors Club, Beta Club, UNITE, Prom Committee, Dance Blue.

**Caleb Mikel Bullock**, son of Carrie Lynn Bullock and Charles Curtis Bullock. Baseball.

**Makayla Bullock**, daughter of James Bullock and Amanda Bullock. Scrapbooking, Floral Design, Honors Club.

**Alexandra Kasey Burke**, daughter of Sandra Burke and Casey Burke. Chess Club, JROTC, RCHS Band, Marching Band.

**Caleb Cameron**, son of Boone and April Cameron.


**Cheyenne Carpenter**, daughter of Amanda Atkinson and Allen Carpenter. Dance Blue Club, Friends Club, Guitar Club, Rocket Club, Walking Club.

**Ethan Carpenter**, son of Mark and Deanna Carpenter. Honor Roll. Dance Blue, UNITE, RCHS Football, Bass Fishing Team - three years.

**Sydney Carrera**, daughter of Dana Carrera and Andrew Carrera. Honor Roll, Cheerleading Scholarship at Georgetown College and Academic Scholarship at Georgetown College. FCA, 3 on 3 Basketball, Dance Blue

### Congratulations

# RCHS

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**Shari Proctor, Amanda Brown & Vina Cain**

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# Congratulations

## Class of 2022

*a sad ending to a new beginning....*



**Special Congratulations  
to senior employee  
Taylor Whittemore**



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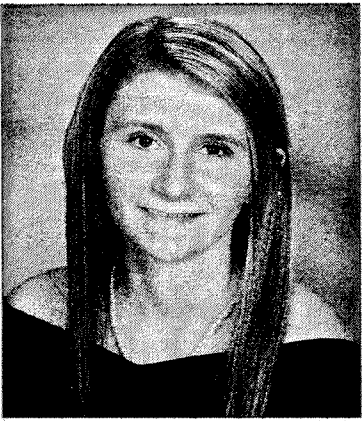
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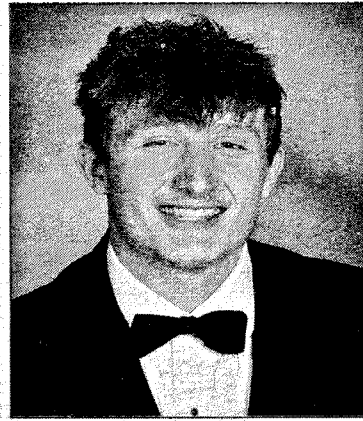
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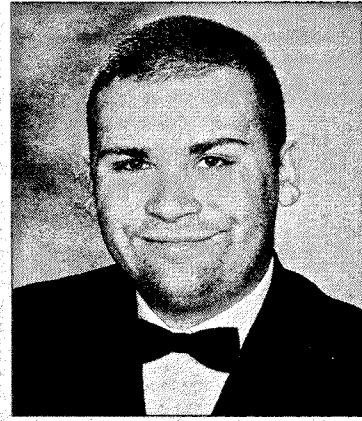




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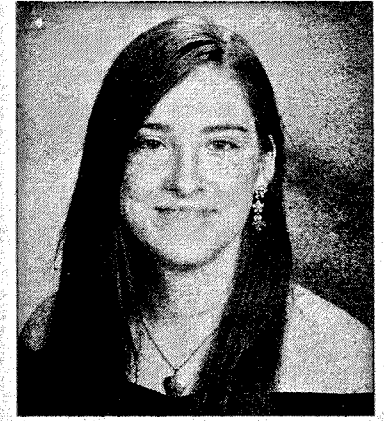
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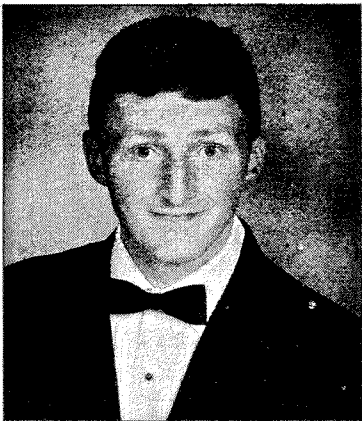
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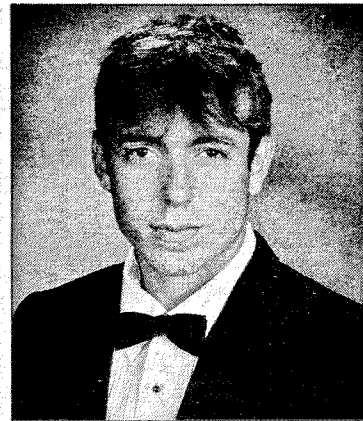
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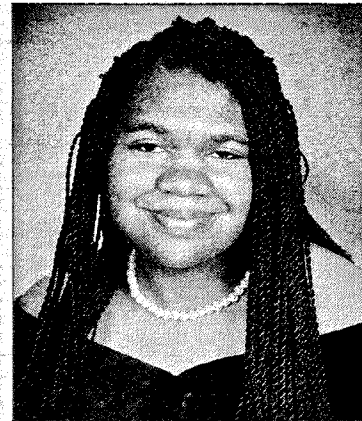
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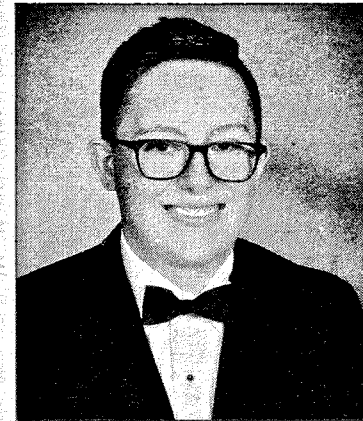
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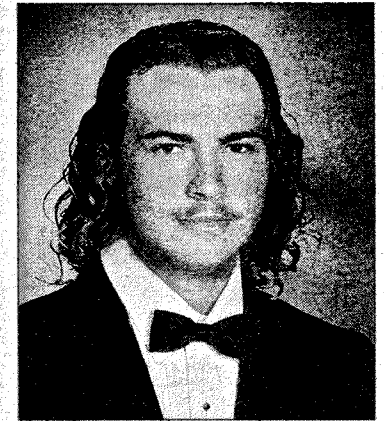
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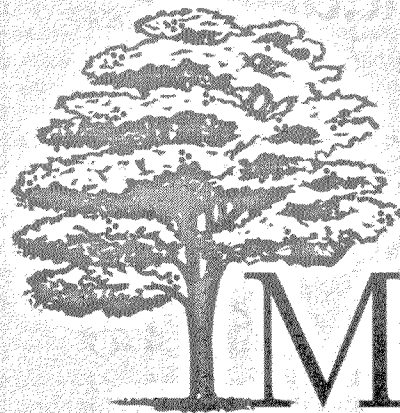


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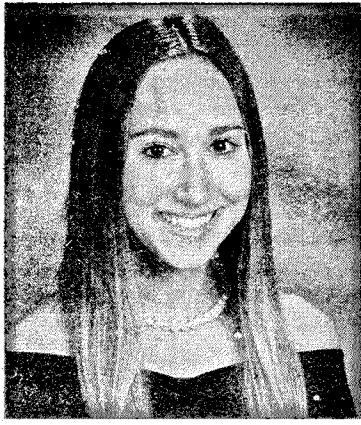
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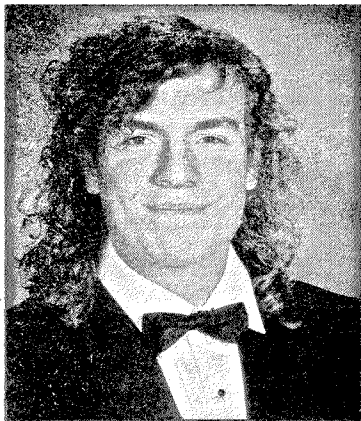
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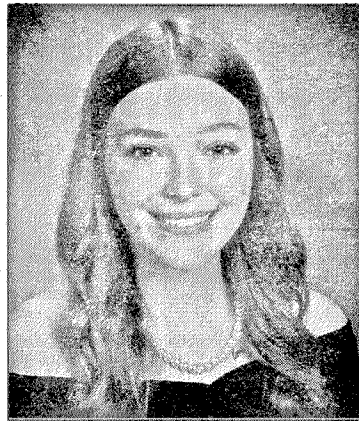
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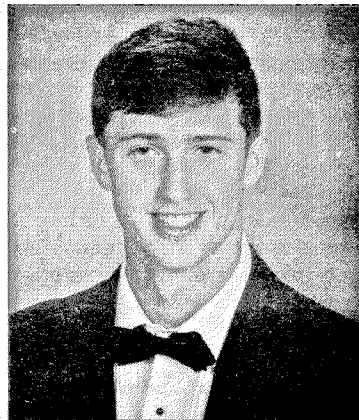
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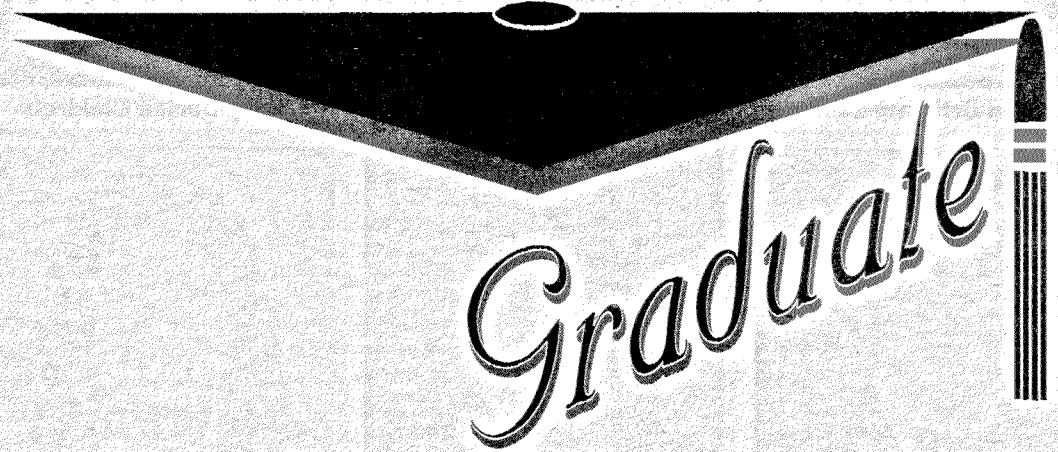


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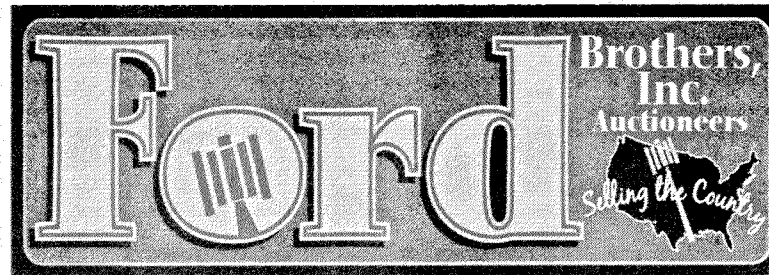


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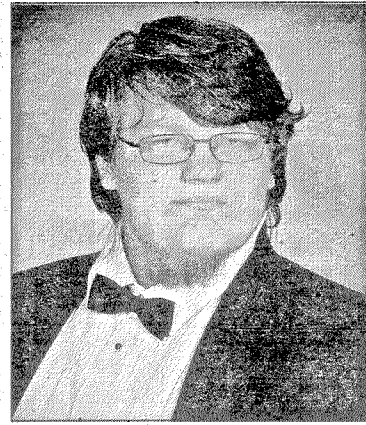
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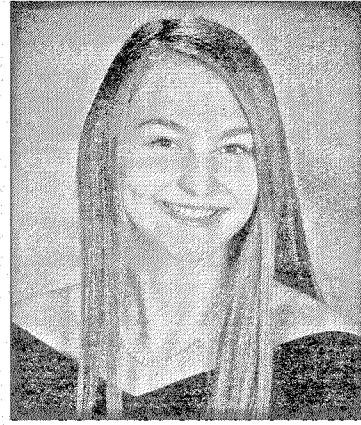




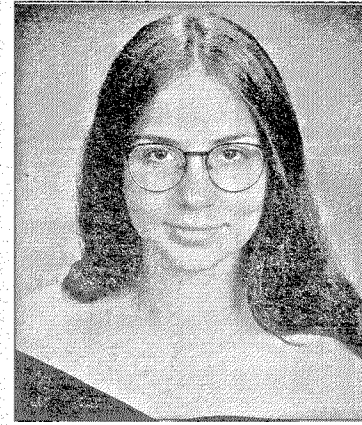
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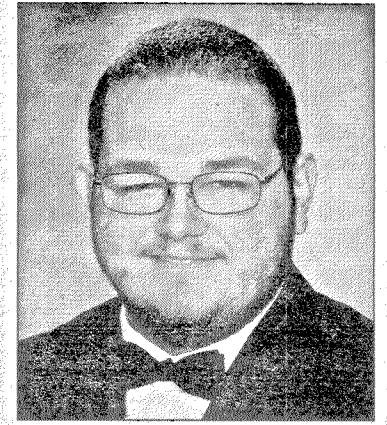
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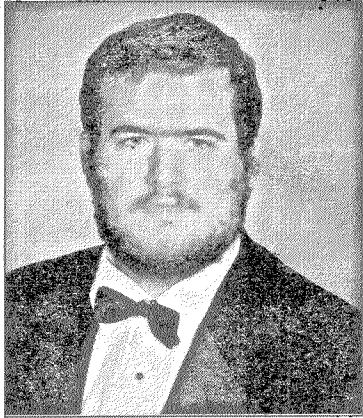
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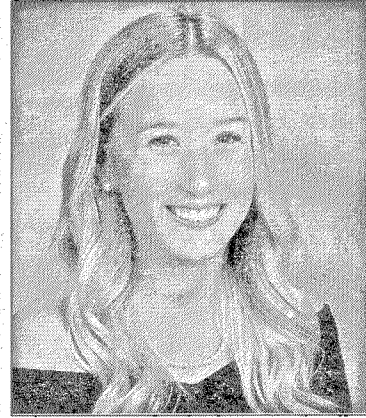
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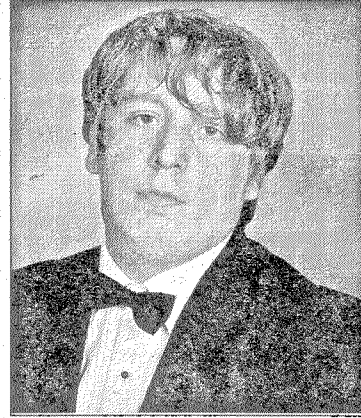
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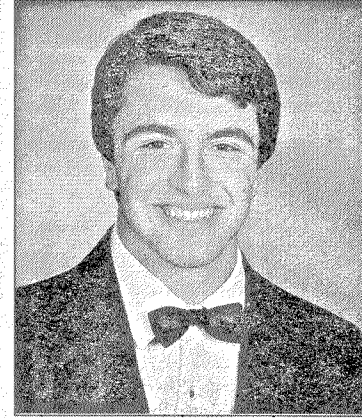
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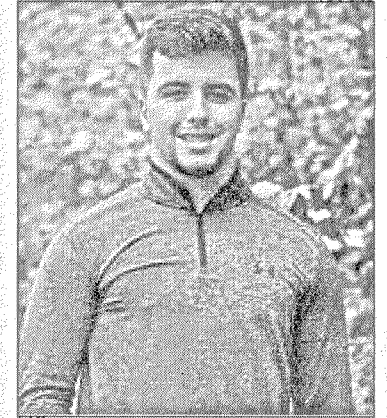
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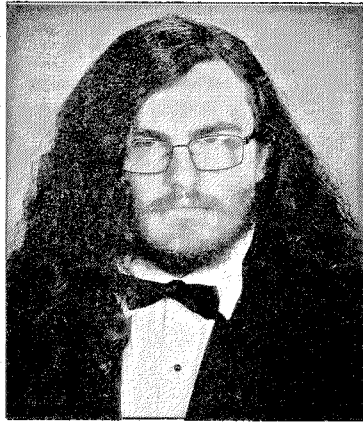
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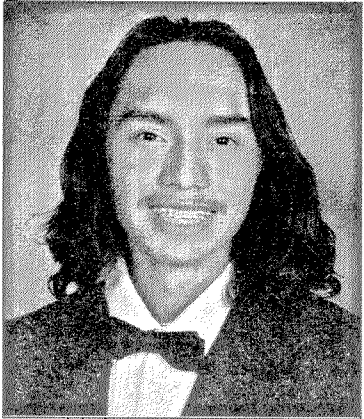




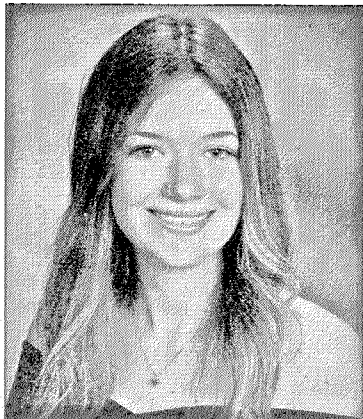
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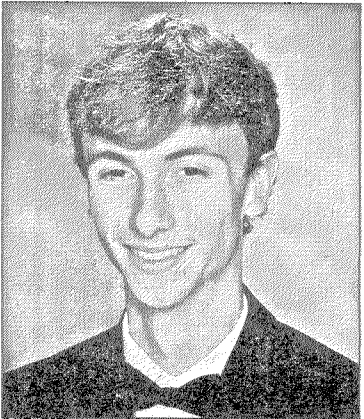
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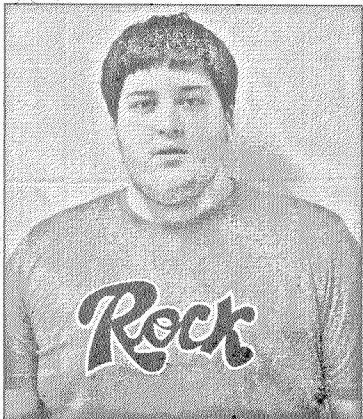
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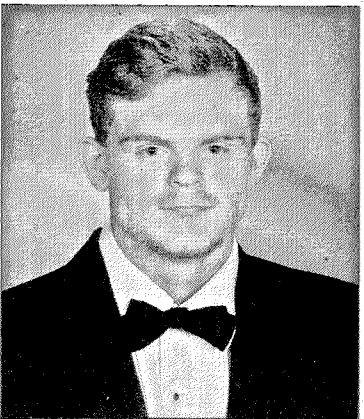
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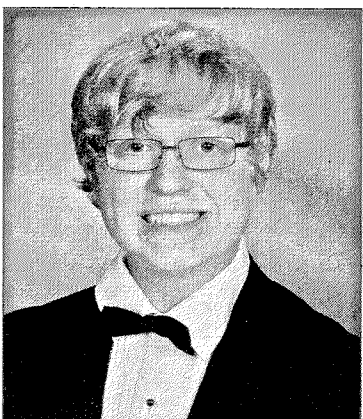
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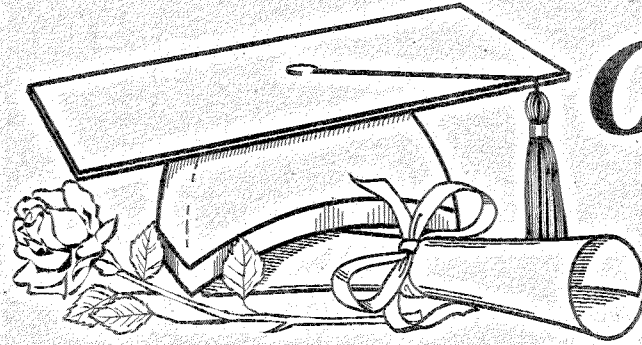


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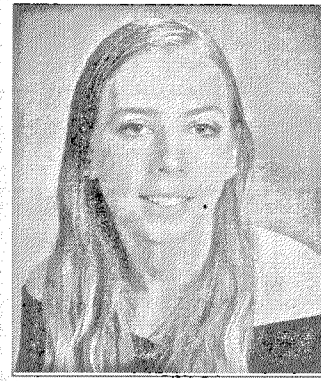


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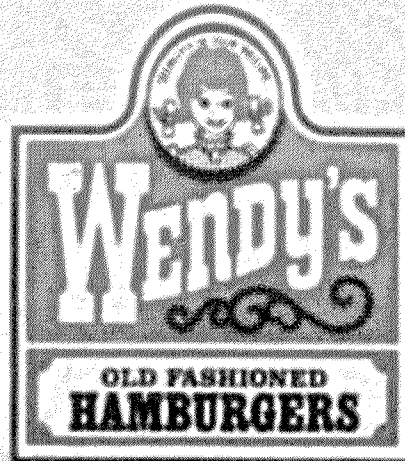


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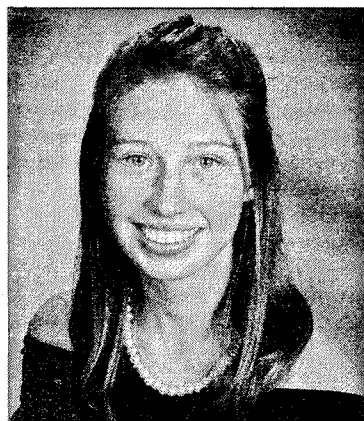
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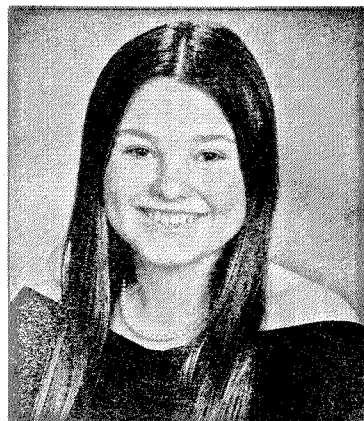




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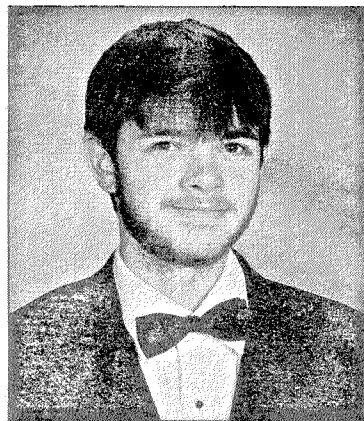
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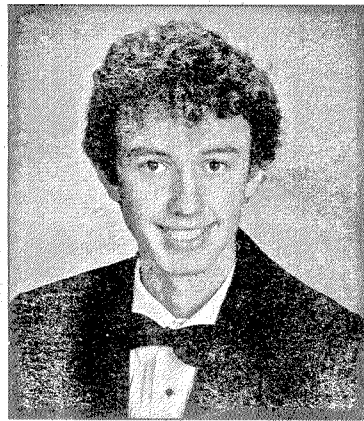
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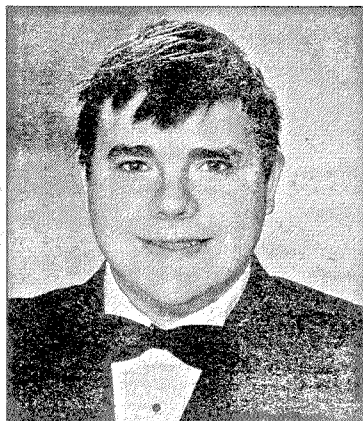
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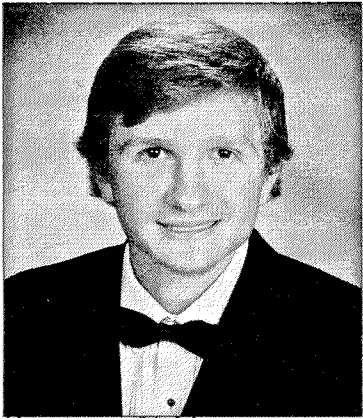
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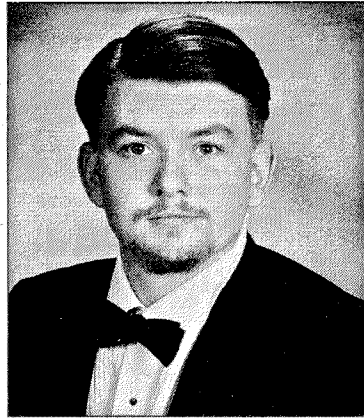
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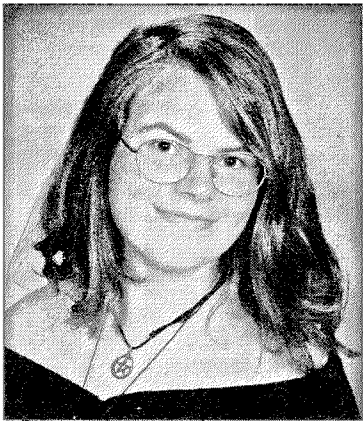




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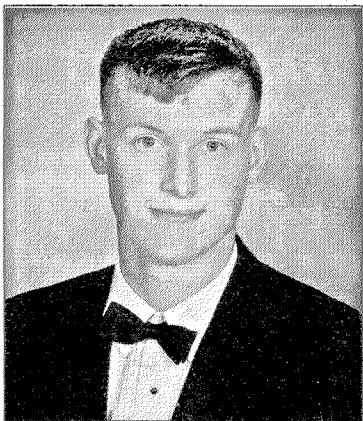
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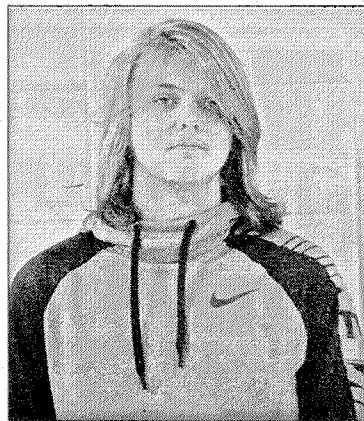
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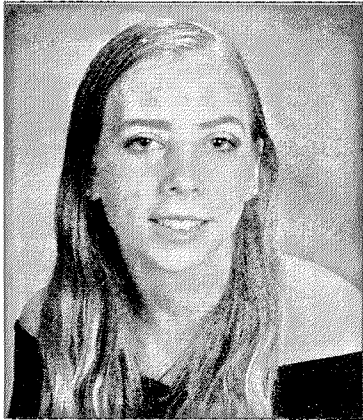
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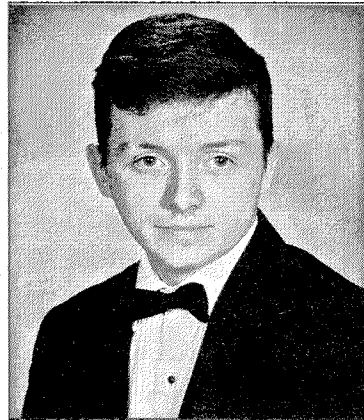
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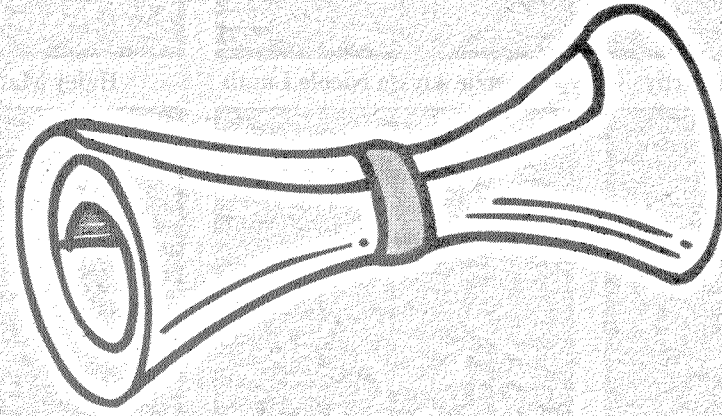


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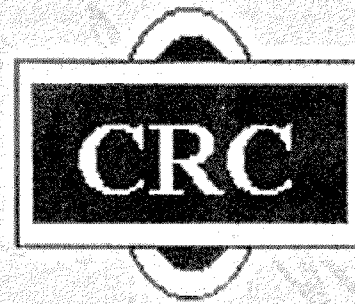


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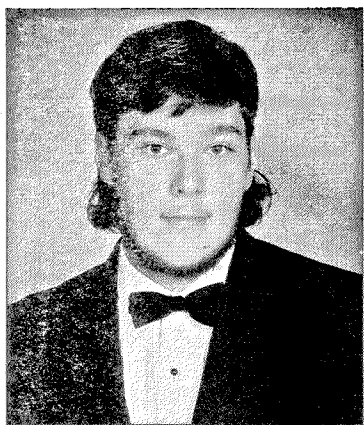
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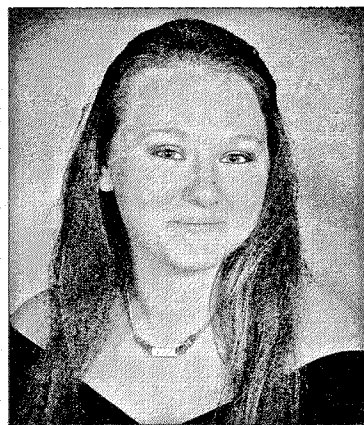
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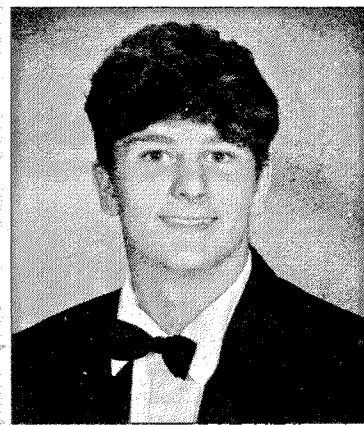
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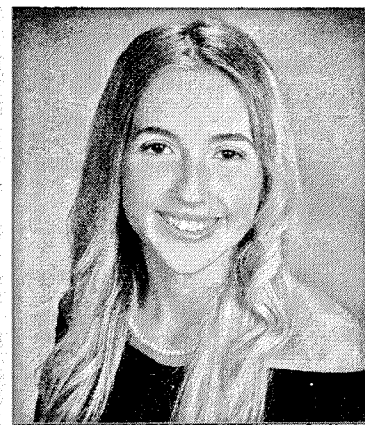
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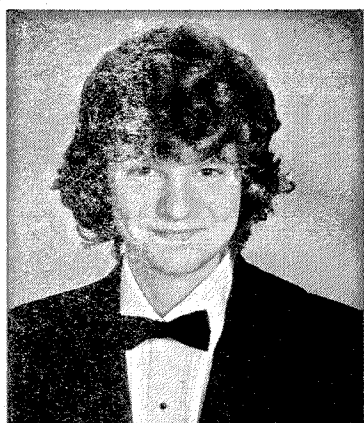
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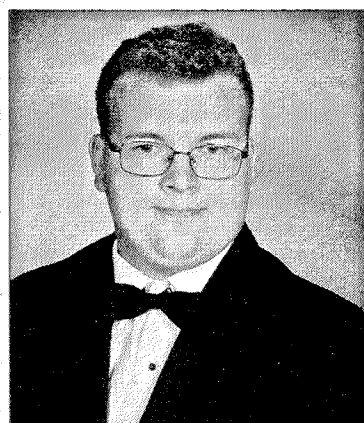
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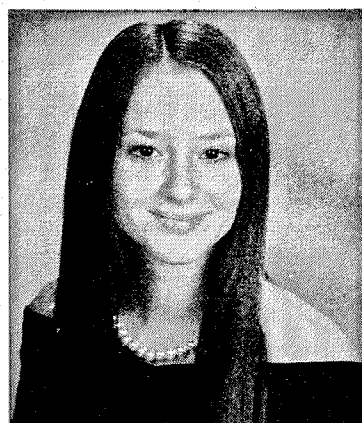
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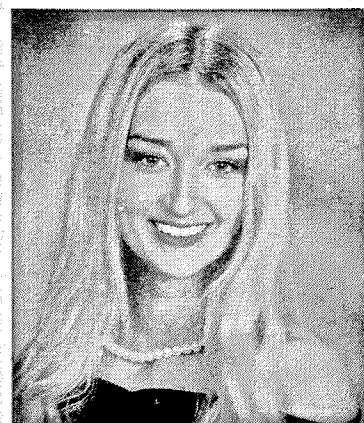
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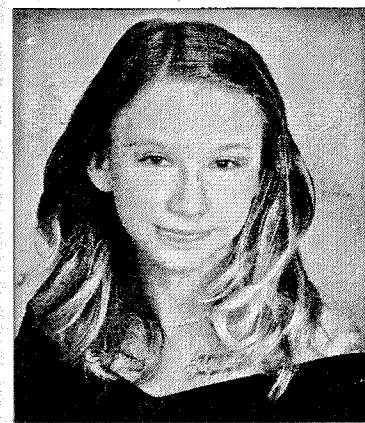
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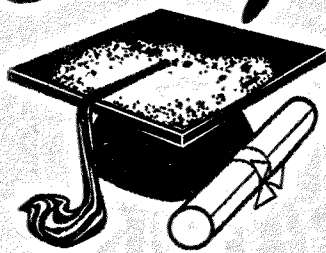


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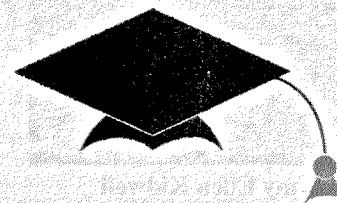
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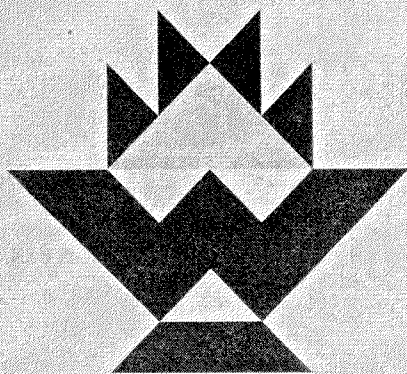




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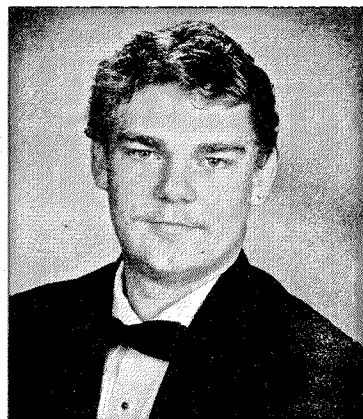
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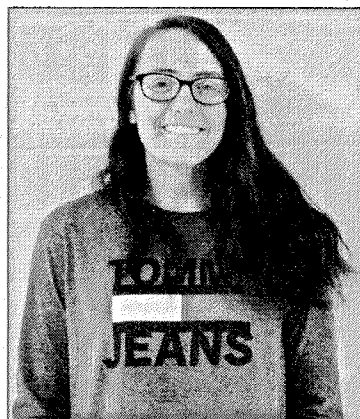




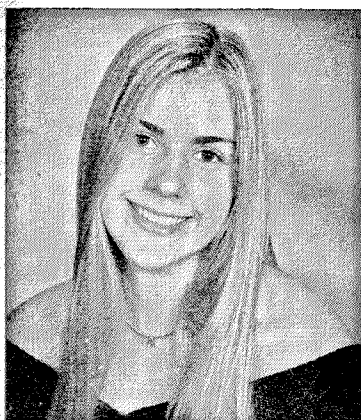
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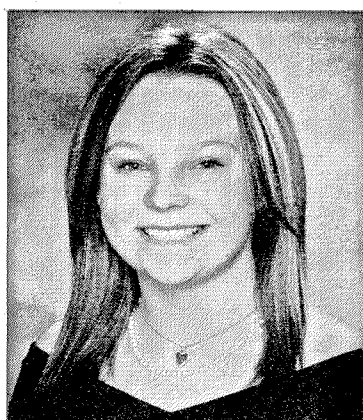
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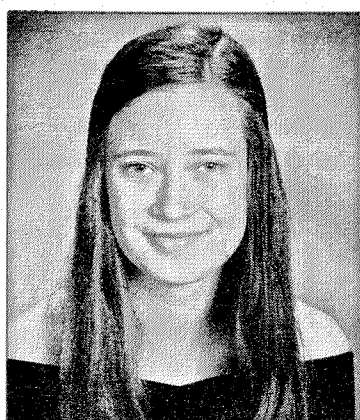
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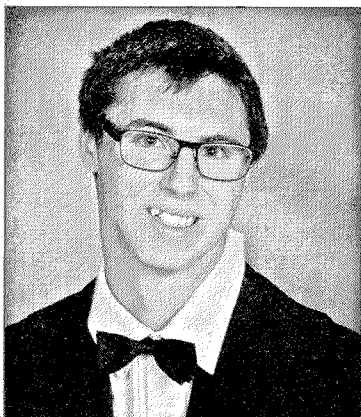
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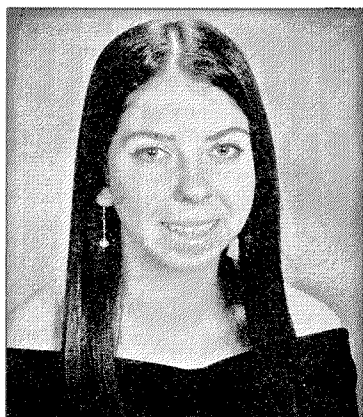
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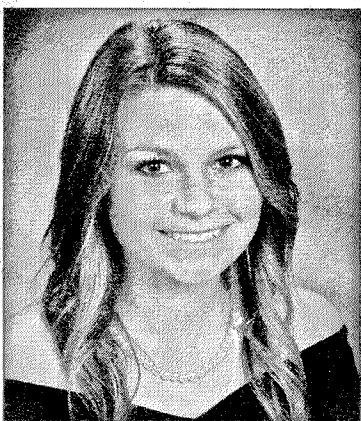
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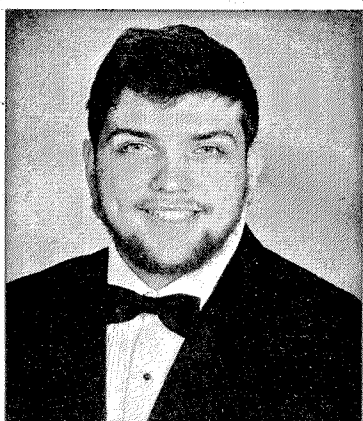
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crew member, Rock Walkers, Key Club, UNITE, Rockcastle Cheerleader - one year, Cheerleader for South Central Athletics - three years. **Heather Carroll**, daughter of Amanda Carroll and Anthony Carroll. Book of the Month Club, Art Club. **Jaylen Cash**, daughter of Jason Cash and Gail Smith. **Matthew Chasteen**, son of Denzil Chasteen. All District Football, All State Football. RCHS Football-four years, RCHS Basketball-four years. **Riley Childress**, son of Crystal Childress and Brian Childress. Trac-

tor Driving, Welding, FFA, Key Club, Dance Blue. **Elizabeth Heavenly Faith Clines**, daughter of Evelyn Scalf and Timothy Clines. **Isabella Faye Clouse**, daughter of Lisa Dawn Plummer Mink and Norman Richard Clouse, Jr. Perfect Attendance. JROTC-three years, Math Club - three years, Scrapbooking - two years, Art Club-two years, Honors Club - one year. **Zachary Coffey**, son of David Coffey and Marcia Coffey. Honor Roll - four years. Dance Blue-one year, 3v3 Bas-

ketball - four years; UNITE - four years, Corn Hole - one year, Key Club - three years, Teenage Republicans - three years, FCA - one year. **Travis Reese Coguer**, son of Jason and Sara Coguer. All District Football, Merit Scholarship EKV, Legacy Scholarship EKV. RCHS Football - three years; Basketball - four years, Key Club, three years, Student Council - one year, Prom Club, FCA - four years. **Shameka Leeann Conner**, daughter of Genetta Setser and Clinton Setser. Martial Arts Certificate. Art

Club - three years, Martial Arts Club - one year. **Ethan Cotton**, son of Crystal and Scottie Cotton. FCA, UNITE, Dance Blue, Bible Club, Teenage Republicans. **Christopher S. Cox II**, son of Chris and Ashley Cox. **Molly Craig**, daughter of Chris and Mary Lee Craig. Outstanding Media Delegate at KYA, Game MVP Cheerleader. RCHS Cheerleading - three years, Student YMCA - six years, UNITE - two years, Rocket Club - one year, FCA - three years, RAK - two

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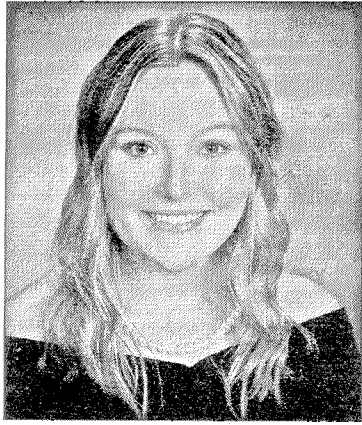
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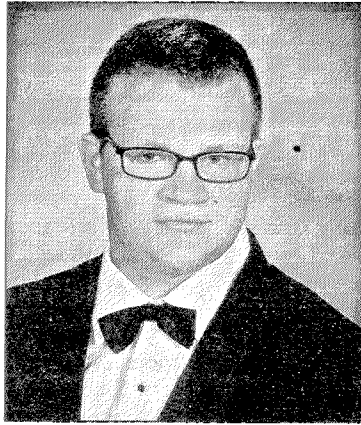
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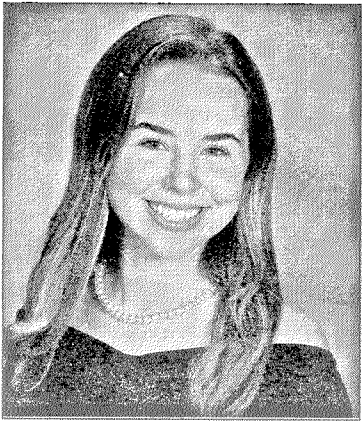
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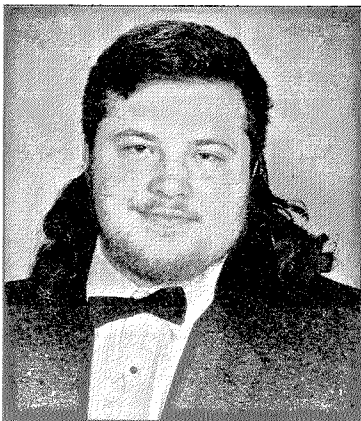
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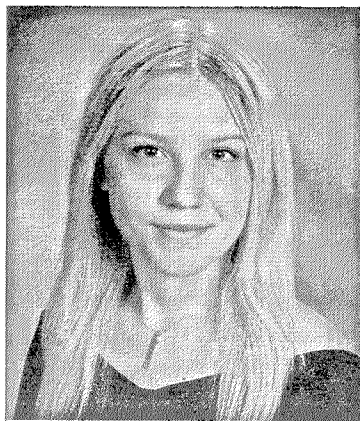
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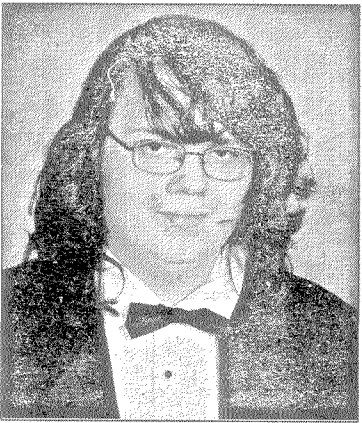
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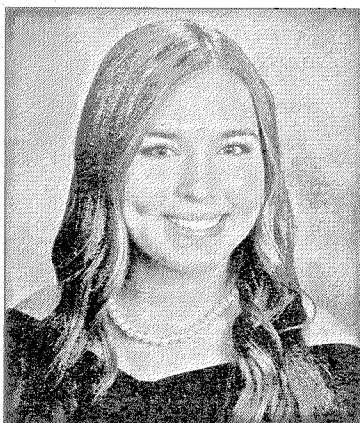
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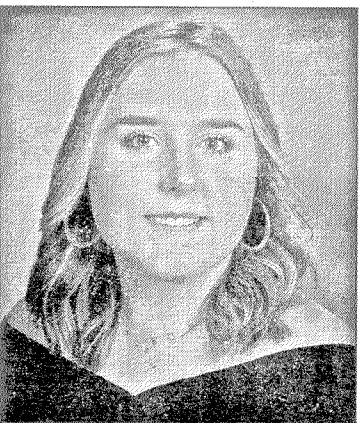
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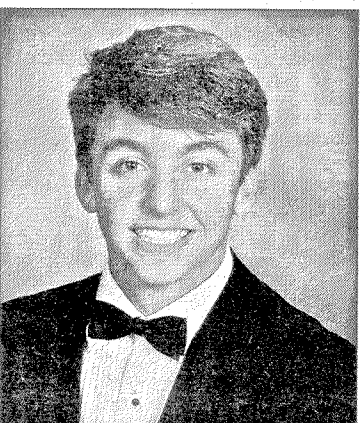
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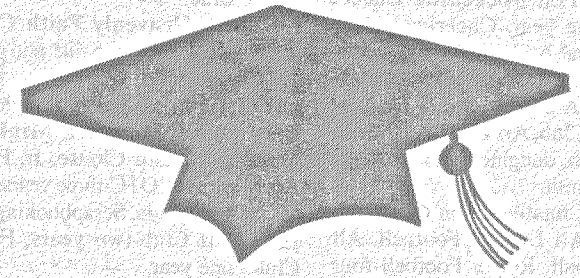
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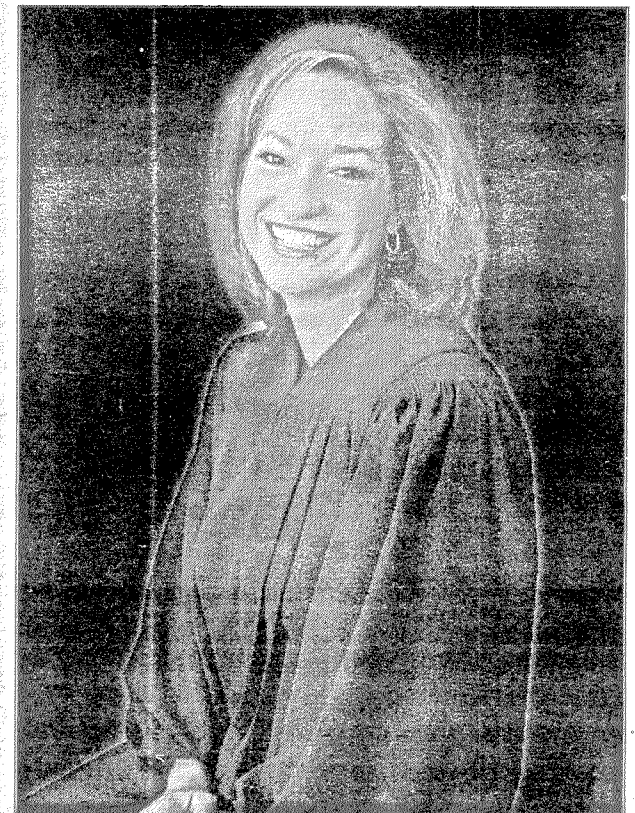


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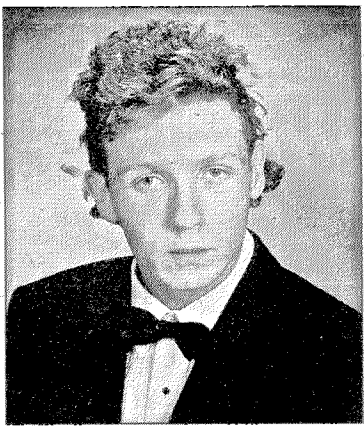
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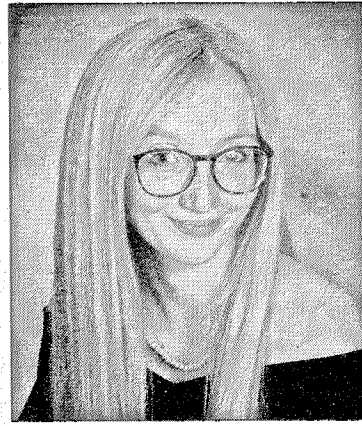




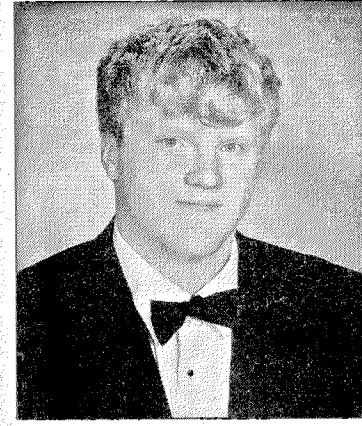
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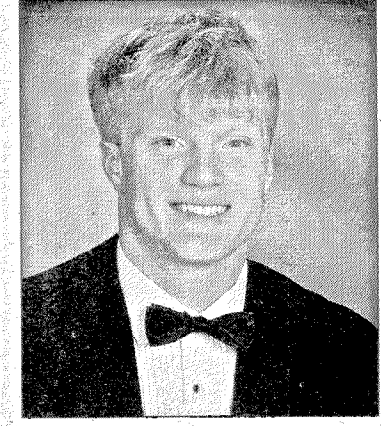
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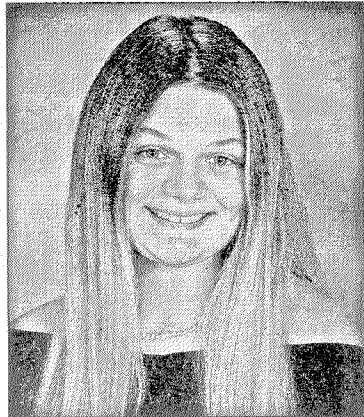
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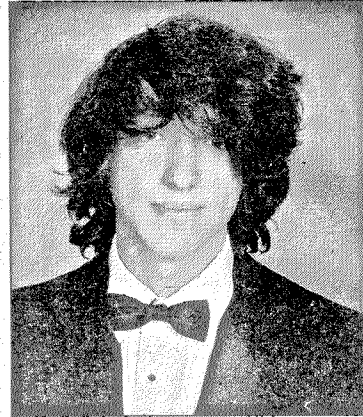
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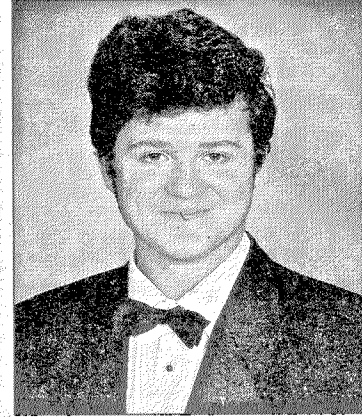
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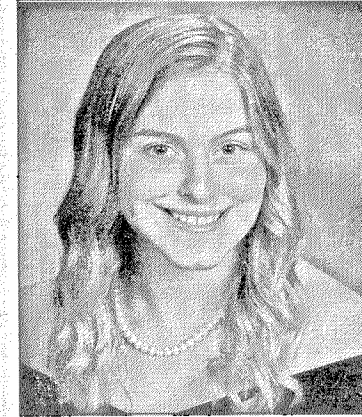
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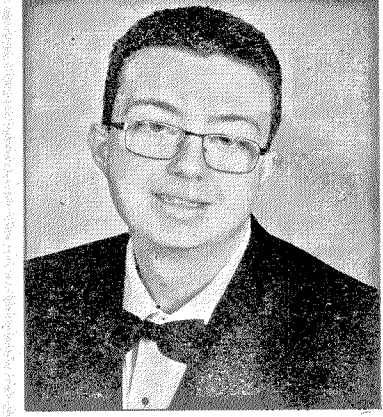
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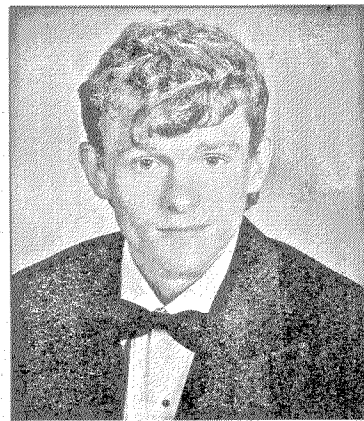
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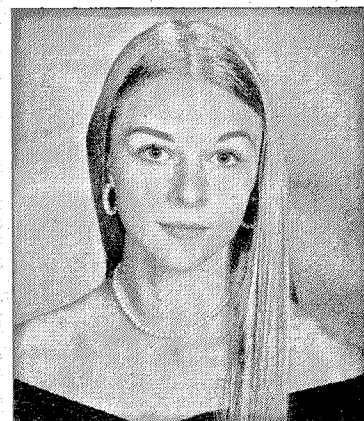
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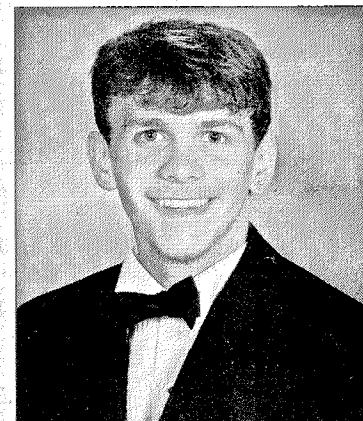
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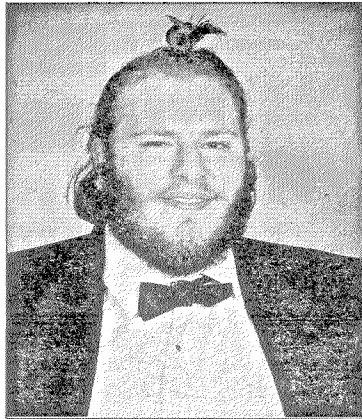
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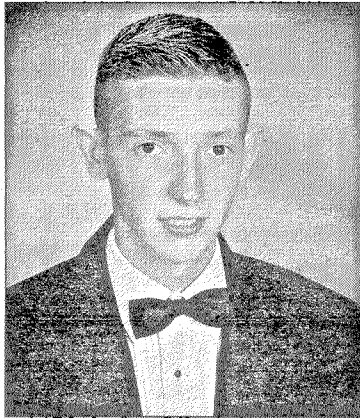
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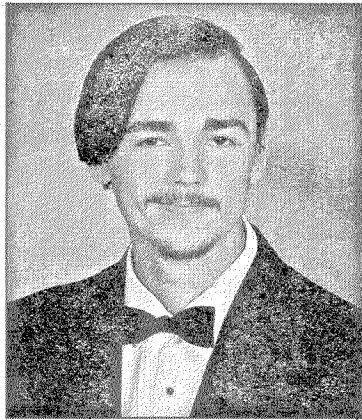




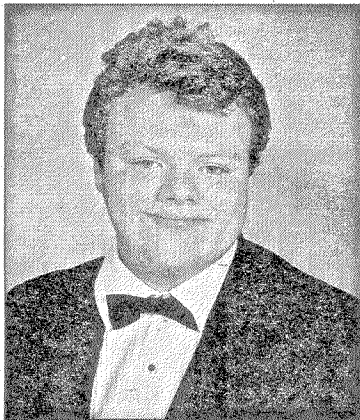
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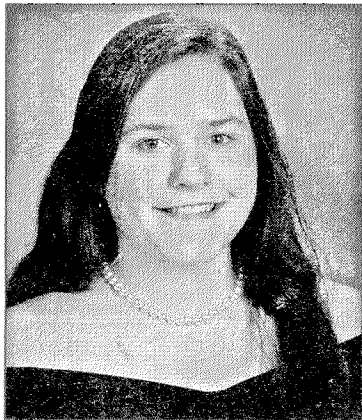
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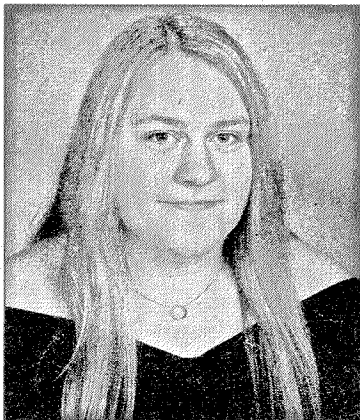
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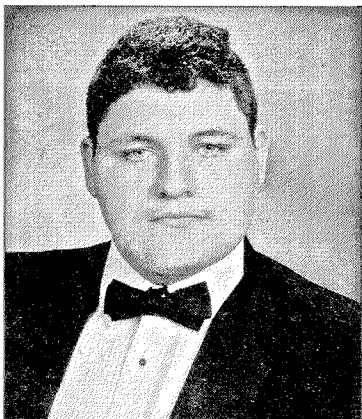
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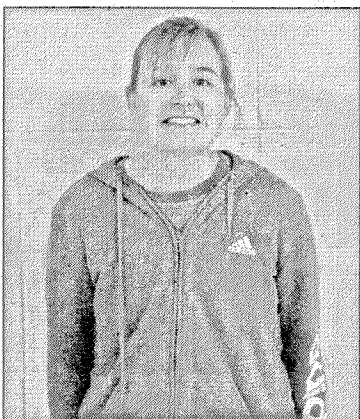
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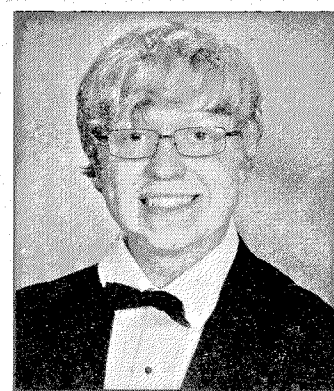
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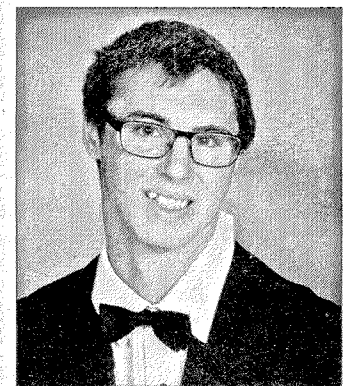


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**Kenya Cromer**, daughter of Kathy and Willie Hammond, Kayla Hammond McClure, Kenneth Cromer. Microsoft Certified. FBLA - three years, Art Club - two years, FCA - two years.

**Rebekah Daniel**, daughter of Brandy Daniel and Murray Daniel. MOS Expert Excel and Word, MPS Associate Powerpoint and Outlook, Underclassman Rewards Business and Office, Level 1. Academic Team - three years, Math Club - two years, FBLA - one year, Art Club - one year, FCCLA - one year, Game Club, one year.

**Isaiah Dehart**, son of Allen Dehart and Jessica Dehart. All District Football. RCHS Football - four years, Young Republicans - four years.

**Elizabeth Denny**, daughter of Keith and Melanie Denny. Honor Roll. Scrapbooking Club, Floral Design Club, Art Club, 3 on 3 Basketball, Rock Walkers, Dance Blue, Kick Club, FFA. Lady Rockets Basketball - two years.

**Makayla Didelot**, daughter of Vanessa and Jeffery Doan.

**Landon Dillingham**, son of Jason and Tasha Dillingham. Football - four years, Baseball - four years, Basketball - three years; FCA, Rocket Club, Dance Blue. **Natalee Dillingham**, daughter of Valerie Dillingham and Randy Dillingham.

**Kaiden Doan**, son of Andy Doan and Paige Neal. Chess, Walk Club.

**Leann Doan**, daughter of Lula Scarborough and Junior Doan. Volleyball - four years.

**Allie Dunn**, daughter of John Dunn and Amanda Dunn. Drum Major, JROTC Company Commander, Governor's Scholar. RCHS Band, Academic Team, JROTC, Choir, Drama Club.

**Andrew Durham**, son of Andrea Durham and James Durham. JROTC - four years - Drill Team, Raider and Rifle Teams, VEX Robotics - three years.

**Alexander Edwards**, son of Gloria Edwards. Drama Club, Rook Club, Karaoke Club.

**Alexis Elam**, daughter of Cassey Mullins and Eric Elam. Volleyball - four years.

**Ethan Fain**, son of David and Melissa Fain. Governor's Scholars Program '21, 2019 47th All-District Baseball team. Varsity Baseball - four years, Track and Cross Country - one year, FCA, Honors Club, Rocket Club, Y Club, Dance Blue.

**Noah Fain**, son of David and Melissa Fain. Honors Club Secretary, All-District Baseball 2021. Honors Club, Baseball, FCA, Rocket Club, Dance Blue.

**Travis Flint**, son of Debbie Collins and Mike Flint.

**Kirsten Fletcher**, daughter of Lindsay York. HOSA, Dance Blue, UNITE, Game Club, Walk Rockers.

**John H. Flores-Warren**, son of Abelardo Flores Mejia and Samantha Beciez. Microsoft Certified - Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Microsoft Specialist. Rock Soccer, Dance Blue, Game Club, RCHS Football - two years.

**Luree Gabbard**, daughter of Lindsay and Brent Gabbard. Greenhand Degree - FFA 2018, Chapter Degree - FFA 2020, Parliamentary Procedure Regional Champs - FFA 2021, State Winning Agronomy Team - FFA 2021. FFA-2018-22, Swim Team, 2017-20, Honors Club, 2021-22.

**Brett Gardiner**, son of Joe and Mindy Gardiner. First in Region Welding - FFA contest.

**Landon Gentry**, son of Stacy Gentry and Gary Gentry. FCA, Rocket Club.

**Conner Gibson**, son of Shirley Gibson and Brian Gibson. FFA, RCHS Varsity Football.

**Granville Graves**, son of Granville and Melissa Graves. FFA.

**Jamie Gray**, daughter of Tabitha and James Gray.

**AJ (Alyssa) Hacker**, daughter of Barbara and Richard Schrink. National Certified Phlebotomy Technician, University of Kentucky Provost Merit Scholarship, HOSA President, 2021-22 term, ACT Composite-27, Official Keeper of the Senior Chain. HOSA - three years; Honors/Beta Club - three years, Key Club, three years, Dance Blue - three years.

**Emma Hackworth**, daughter of Audrey and Bill Hackworth. Honors Club - secretary junior year, Agriculture Essay Regional Runner-up. Varsity Softball, Honors Club, FCA, Prom Club, Rocket Club.

**Garrett Hamilton**, son of Michael and Teresa Hamilton. Starting center on varsity football team, lead actor in Drama Club Play, Drama Club, RCHS Rockets Football - four years, Dungeons and Dragons Club.

**Ben Hamm**, son of Tabitha Hamm and Greg Hamm.

**Aubrey Hayes**, daughter of Patty Hayes and Andrew Hayes. Floral Design Club, FFA.

**Owen Hazelwood**, son of Julie Hazelwood and Clayton Hazelwood.

**Richard Logan Hensley**, son of Trina Mink and Richard Hensley. Grandparents, Danny and Kathleen Owens.

**Jonathan Drew Hopkins**, son of Amy and Johnny Hopkins. RCHS Basketball, FCA.

**Matthew Hubbard**, son of Natasha and Darran Hubbard.

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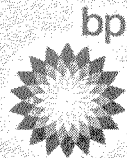
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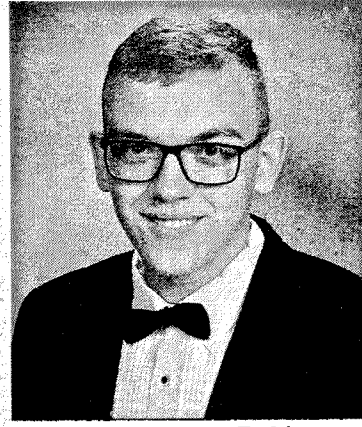




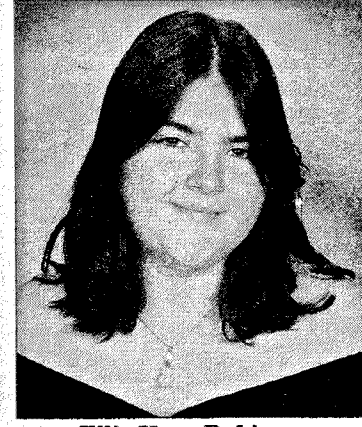
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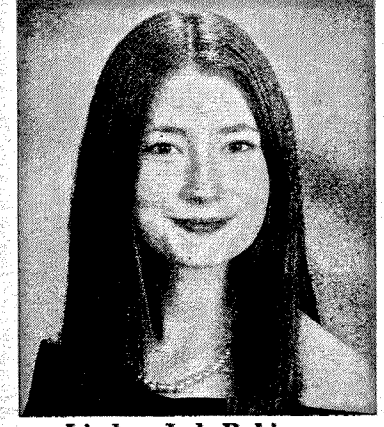
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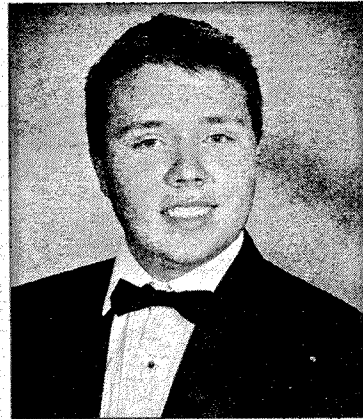
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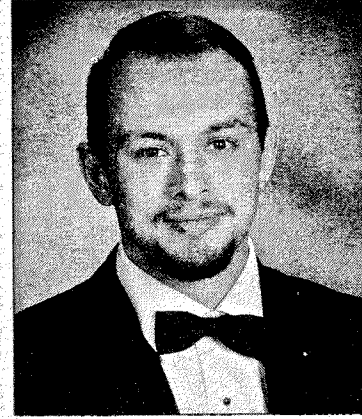
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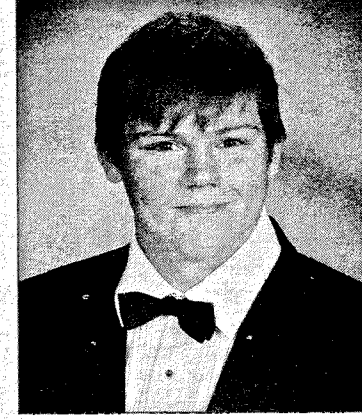
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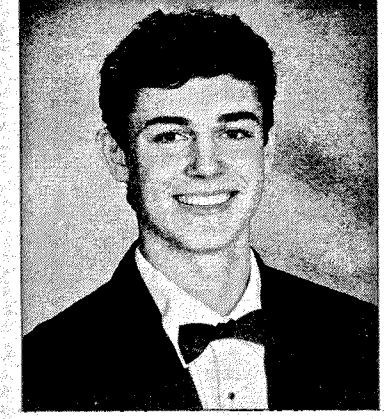
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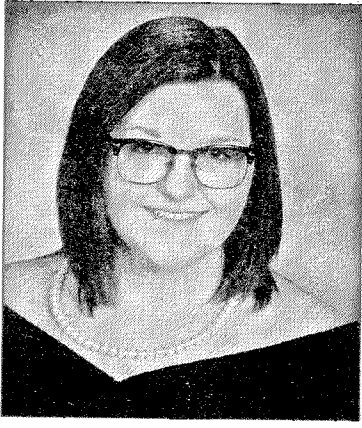
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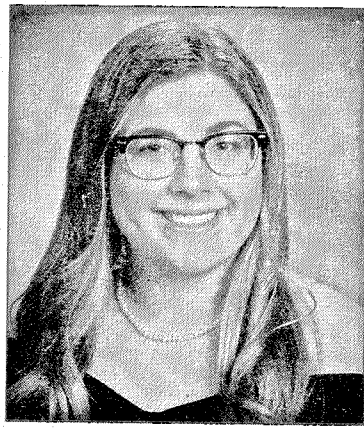
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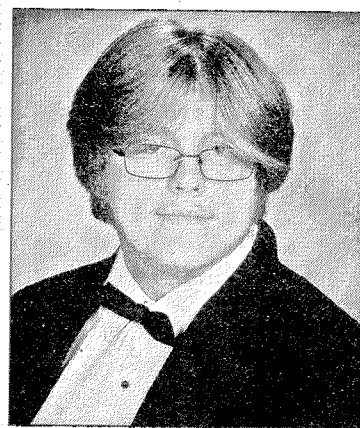




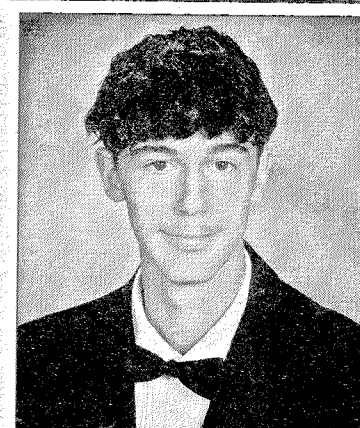
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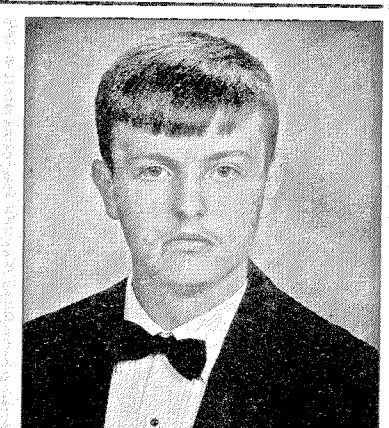
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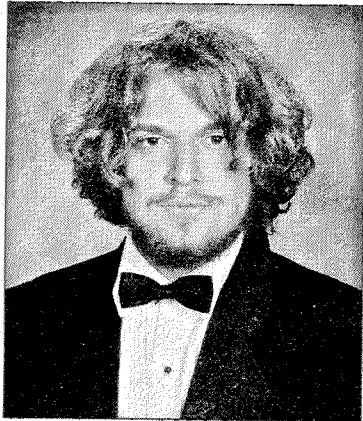
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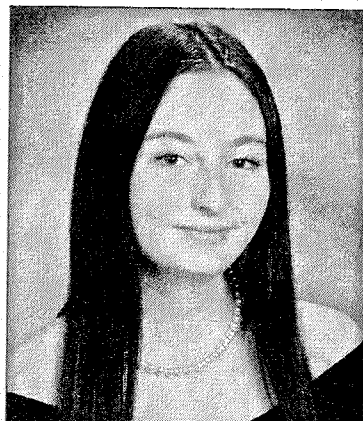
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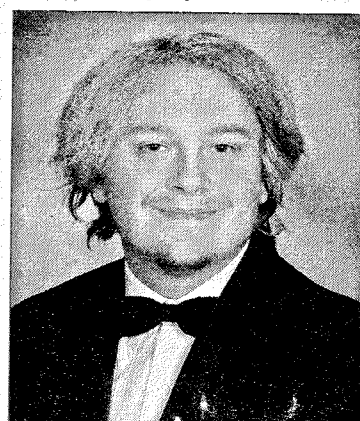
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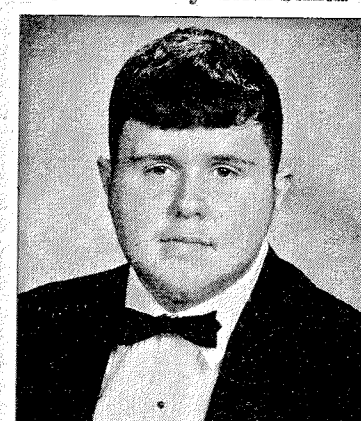
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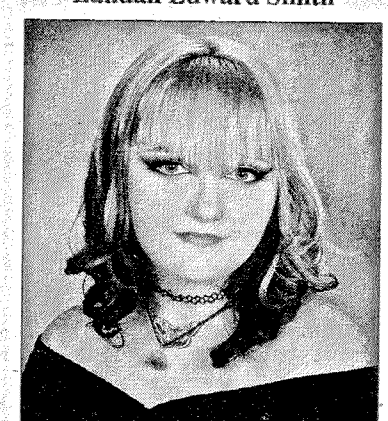
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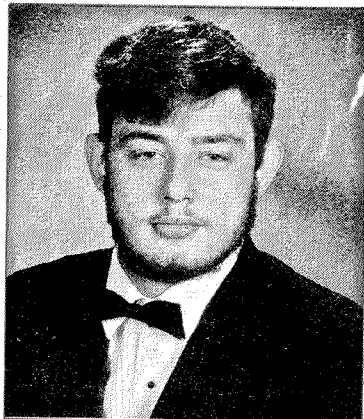
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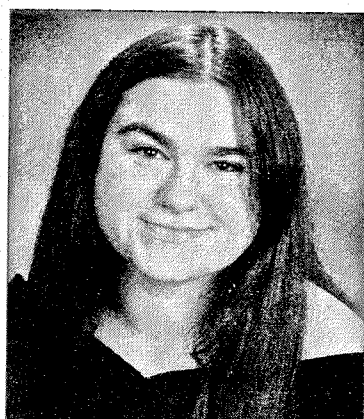
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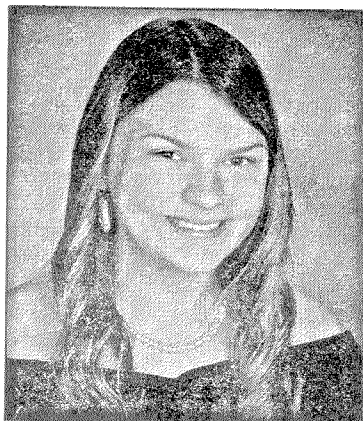
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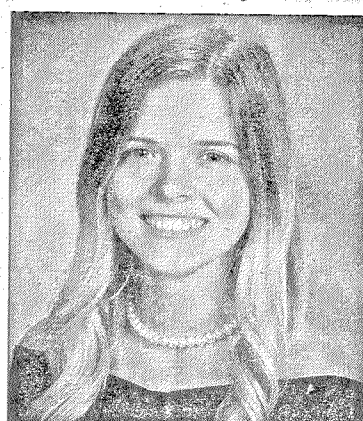
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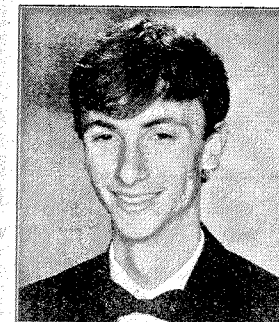
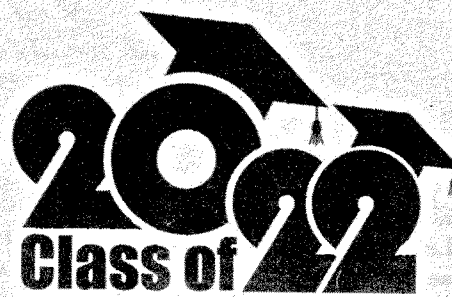
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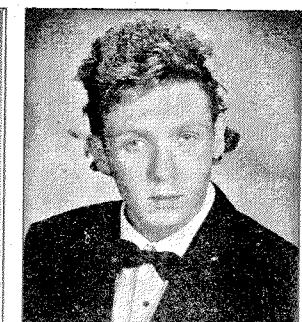
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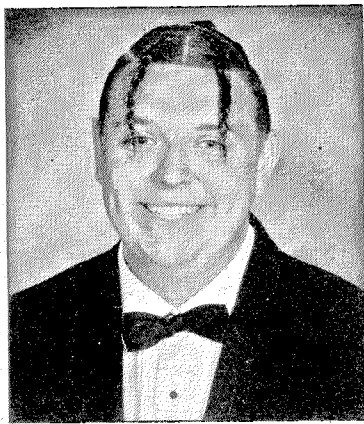


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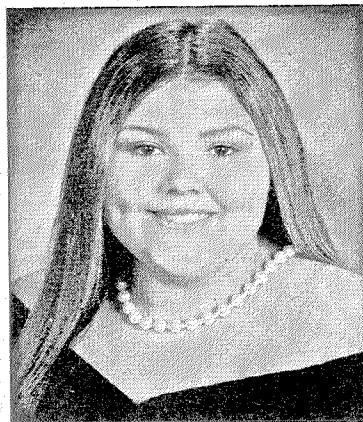
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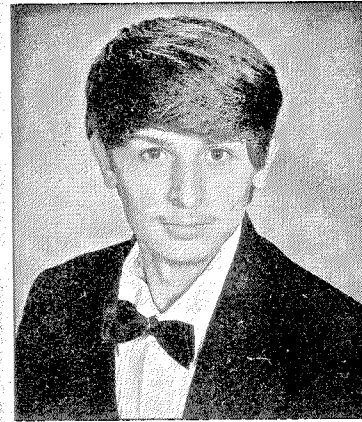




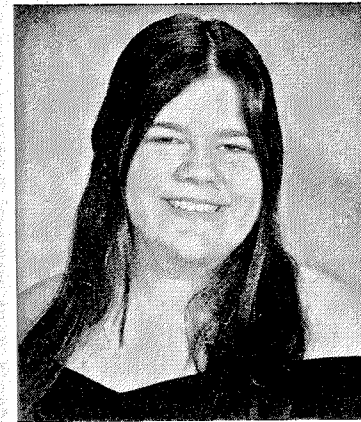
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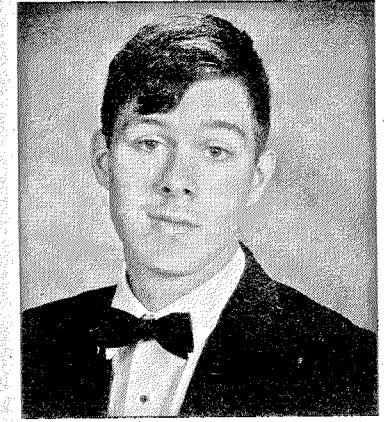
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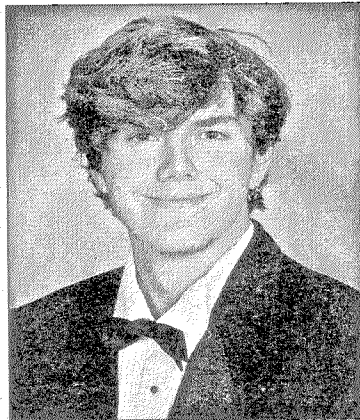
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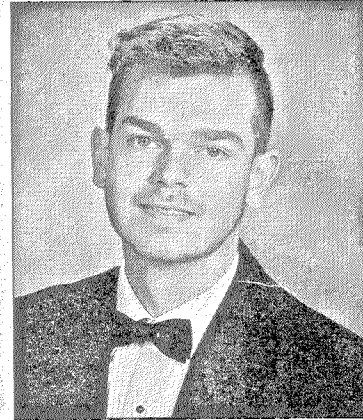
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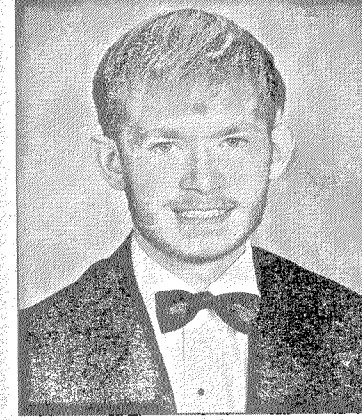
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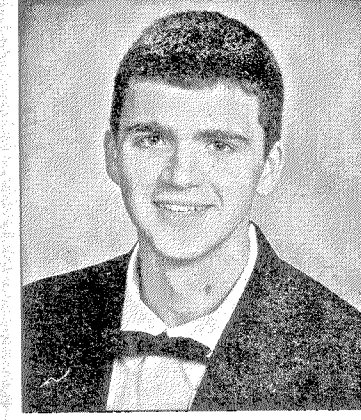
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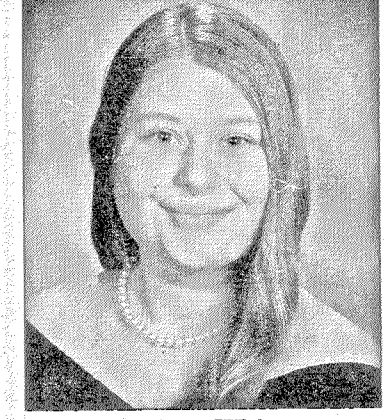
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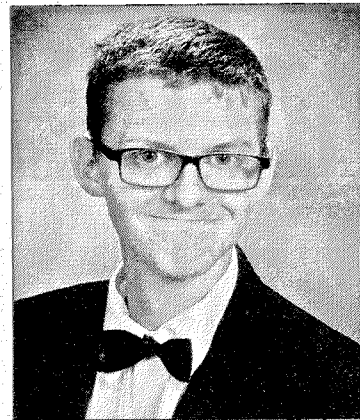
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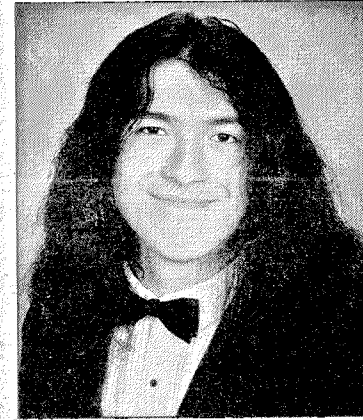
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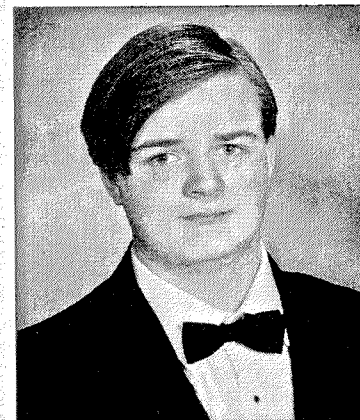
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# Congratulations *Class of* 2022

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**Julian Isaacs**, Crystal Isaacs and Justin Isaacs. Proficiency in Solo and Ensemble, Participant in the WKU Honors Band. Concert Band - seven years, Marching Rockets Band - five years. **Jasmine Johnson**, daughter of Jessica and John Johnson. FCCLA.

**Canaan Jones**, son of Kevin and Beverly Jones.

**Jesse Jones**, son of David Jones and Regina Grady.

**Amy Kidwell**, daughter of Jeff Kidwell and Jenifer Kidwell. FFA, Environmental Club.

**Adam Kimsey**, son of Jenifer Mills and Keith Mills. FCCLA Club, FFA Club.

**Cody Kirby**, son of Charlie Kirby and Kerry Kirby.

**Rachel Kun**, daughter of Tina Kun and Jason Kun.

**McKenzie Lamb**, daughter of Holly Denny and Jerry Denny.

**Jetta Lear**, daughter of Connie Fletcher and Mike Lear. FCA, FCCLA, Skills/USA, Rock Walkers, FFA.

**Kendrick Lear**, son of Alicia Denny and Randy Lear. D and D Club.

**Wyatt Lepore**, son of Joe Lepore and Missy Lepore. FFA, Welding Team. Dance Blue, FCA, FFA, Rock Walkers.

**Natalie Long**, daughter of Jeromy and Dorothy Long. Sit and Reach - Freshman year. FCCLA, FCA, Dance Blue, Rock Walkers, UNITE, Honors Club, Art Club.

**Karalinn Loudermilk**, daughter of Mark and Linda Loudermilk. State Runner-Up in High Jump, 2019, Volleyball District Champions, Track Indoor State Champions - eight years. Volleyball, FCA, Dance Blue, UNITE.

**Bobbie Brooke Lovell**, daughter of Bobby Lovell and Kimberly Sandusky. Scholarship to Somerset Community College.

**Paige Lovell**, daughter of Susan and Brian McNew and David and Sheila Lovell. Cheerleading Squad Regional runner-up 2018- Placed 4th at State, Regional UCA winner, Regional runner-up 2021, Greenhand Award. Cheerleading, FCA, Dance Blue, FFA, Rocket Club, Prom Club, Rock Walkers, UNITE.

**Michael Madden**, son of Robin and William Madden.

**Candace Mahaffey**, daughter of Ramona Mahaffey and Dwayne Mahaffey. NOCTI, 3.53 GPA. Dance Blue, FCA, UNITE, FCCLA.

**Allison Martin**, daughter of Merita and Richard Martin. Indoor Track 400, Long Jump State Champion, Outdoor Track Long Jump State runner-up, 200 Meter School Record Holder, 4x4 Meter Relay School Record Holder.

Track and Field-four years, Cross Country - four years.

**Alyssa Martin**, daughter of Christopher and Christina Martin. Archery-five years, never shooting below a 225. Attended "Worlds Tournament" in 2021 at Myrtle Beach for everyone in world who qualified. FCA - four years, Floral Design - one year, Bible Study Club - one year, Rock Walkers - four years, Game Club - four years, Dance Blue - two years.

**Jailey Martin**, daughter of Jaime Martin. State Champion in Track and field (individual and team), Regional Champion in Business Communications (FBLA), FBLA Officer - Reporter, FBLA, Key Club, Honors Club, FCA, UNITE. Track and Field and Cross Country.

**Keaton Martin**, son of Charolette Martin and David Martin. Second place in first VEX Robotics competition. Vex Robotics - four years, Rock Walkers - two years, International Club - one year, Math Club - one year.

**Kylie Martin**, daughter of Monica and Van Martin. Rogers Scholar, National Honor Society member. Junior contributing author at Novelty, 2021 Level 9 Gymnastics State Champion, Montclair State University Presidential Scholar, Qualified to the 2019 and 2021 Gymnastics Region 5 Championships. Level 9 Gymnast at Excel Gymnastics. Key Club - four years, Secretary of Young Democrats - one year, Treasurer of International Club - one year, Young Feminists - one year, Honors Club, 3 years, Prom Club - one year, Environmental Club - one year, Drama Club - one year, Social Media Manager of Rise - one year, Dance Blue - one year, HOSA - one year, Y Club - one year.

**Emily Maupin**, daughter of Brian and Jessica Maupin. VCA Pathway Completer. Archery Team - seven years, FCCLA - three years, FFA - one year, Honors Club - one year, Game Club - one year.

**Addison McClure**, daughter of Crystal Clark and Dusty McClure. Softball District Champions 2019, Basketball District Champions 2020, Basketball Region Runners-Up 2020. FCA - four years, Rocket Club - four years, Honors Club - one year, UNITE - four years/officer, Dance Blue - four years, Young Republicans - two years, Y Club - one year. Basketball-four years, softball-four years.

**Lazarus McClure**, son of Lisa and Tim McClure. Ag Mechanics High Individual Winner senior year and Certificate for Electrical Construction Level 1 freshman year. FFA, Skills USA, FCA, UNITE, Dance Blue, Key Club.

**Anna McCoy**, daughter of Suzette

McCoy and Jimmy McClure. Tennis, FCCLA.

**Azlynn McFerron**, daughter of Mike and Shana McFerron. Academic Award. FCA - three years, Dance Blue - two years, Rock Walkers - four years, Game Club - seven years.

**Dalton McGuire**, son of Kenny McGuire and Carrie Neeley. JROTC - four years, already enlisted in the National Guard.

**Erica McGuire**, daughter of Marvin McGuire and Melissa McGuire.

**Journey McGuire**, daughter of Michael and Melinda McGuire. Advanced to FFA National Talent, Rock FFA Talent Winner, Rock FFA Local Creed Winner, Regional Field Day Creed Winner, Ag Mechanics Regional Winner, JV Parliamentary Regional Winner, Star Greenhand (FFA), Parliamentary Regional Winner, Rock FFA Local Speech Winner, Outstanding FFA officer. HOSA, FFA, Honors Club, Teenage Republicans, FCA, UNITE, Beta Club. FFA - four years - vice president 2021-22 - secretary 2020-21 - Chaplain 2019-20, HOSA - two years - vice president 2021-22, Honors Club - two years/vice president 2021-2022, FCA, four years/part of leadership team.

**Hunter Miller**, son of Brie Miller and

Dennis Miller. FCA, Dance Blue, UNITE.

**Kayleigh Mink**, daughter of Christina and Jesus Pavon.

**Christian Thomas Moore**, son of Ariber Elizabeth Senters Moore and Anthony Scott Moore. Test Out PC Pro Certification, Test Out Security Pro Certification. International Club - three years, VEX Robotics - three years, Dungeons and Dragons Club - one year, Game Club - one year.

**Steven Tyler Moore**, son of Steven Grant Moore. VEX Robotics.

**Madalyn Ruth Morgan**, daughter of Eva and Doug Dicken and the late Mike Morgan. FCCLA, Honors Club, RCHS Tennis, Dance Blue.

**Mallory Leigh Morgan**, daughter of Eva and Doug Dicken and the late Mike Morgan. FCCLA, Dance Blue, Tennis.

**Daniel Mullins**, son of Kevin and Angela Mullins. Transylvania University Presidential Scholarship, Basketball 1,000 Point Club, 12th Region All-Star, All-Region Team, Academic All-Region Team. Basketball, FCA, Rocket Club, Corn Hole Club, Prom Club.

**Emilee Rheya Nash**, daughter of Gerald Nash and Melanie Campbell. Kentucky Scholars Award - Morehead

State. Vex Robotics, Young Feminists Club - four years, Prom Club.

**Joshua Robert Dale Newcomb**, son of Angela Lovell and Robert Newcomb and grandson of Julia Blackburn OSHA 10 Card. Dance Blue.

**Jayden Nicely**, daughter of the late Stacy Nicely and the late Stacy McGuire and granddaughter of Teresa Smith. President of Young Feminists, Vice President of Young Democrats, President of Jobs for Kentucky's Graduates. Academic Team, Educators Rising, Drama Club, International Club, Math Club, Dance Blue.

**Katelyn Elizabeth Osborne**, daughter of Sandra and Shawn Osborne. FCA, Tennis, Scrapbooking Club, FCCLA and Dance Blue.

**Tanner Osborne**, son of Shawn and Sandra Osborne and father of Mandalynn Nicole Osborne.

**Tyler Osborne**, son of Shawn and Sandra Osborne. Week 5 Defensive Player in Kentucky - Football. Football, JAG.

**Haylie Nicole Owens**, daughter of Brittany Pittman and Ben Owens. Volleyball, Yearbook, UNITE, FCA, Dance Blue, FCCLA.

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## Congratulations

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**Isaiah Owens**, son of Lyndsay Owens and Ray Owens.

**Halek Payne**, son of Heath and Tammy Payne. Received NOCTI College Credit Recommendation and the Knowledge-Based Workforce Competency Credential. FCA, Rocket Club, Guitar Club, Walk Club.

**Gracie Anabella Payne**, daughter of Becky and Jason Payne. Received the NOCTI College Credit Recommendation and Knowledge-Based Workforce Competency Credential. Honors Club, Beta Club, Key Club, Teenage Republicans.

**Austin Hunter Pigg**, son of Andy and Judy Pigg.

**Austin Polk**, grandson of Donna Ruffin.

**Taryn Powell**, daughter of Becky Powell and Steve Powell. Senior Elite, 4.0 GPA Club. Cheerleader - two years, HOSA - three years, Key Club - four years,

Honors Club - three years, FCCLA - one year, Dance Blue - three years.

**Emma Price**, daughter of Jessica Johnson-Renner and Jerry Price II.

**Darren Scott Quinley**, son of Jessie Debord, Jennifer Sams and Michael Quinley.

**Gary Ramsey**, son of Amanda Owens and Gary Ramsey. 4.1 GPA, Ky Tech Student Advisory Representative. Competed and placed twice at state and regionals for Global Business-FBLA, Completed the ATC Business Program, FBLA treasurer - three years, Student Council Communications Chair - one year, Homecoming Court 2021. FBLA - four years, Student Council - three years, Key Club - two years.

**T.J. Ramsey**, son of Joseph and Kimberly Ramsey. Top 35 NASP Archer in nation. FCA - four years, Archery - seven years, Key Club - one year, Honors Club - one year.

**Robert Austin James Reed**, son of April Reed and the late Gary Robert Reed. Drama Club.

**Lara Renner**, daughter of Randy and Melissa Renner. Student of the Quarter, National Qualifying Archer, Academic Archer, Co-Captain Archery Team, National Honor Society, Homecoming Queen Candidate. Archery - six years, Tennis - one year, Scrapbooking Club - four years, Christian Film Club - one year, Honors Club - one year, FCCLA - one year, Game Club - two years, Teenage Republicans - two years, UNITE - four years; FCA - two years.

**Lizabeth Renner**, daughter of Randy and Melissa Renner. National qualifying Archer, National Honors Society, Academic Archer, Co-Captain Archery Team. Archery - nine years, Honors Club - one year, Game Club - one year, Scrapbooking - four years, Christian Film Club - one year, JROTC - one year, Chess Club - one year, UNITE - one year.

**Jacob Rice**, son of Sheryl Rice. JROTC.

**Ellery Leigh Riley**, daughter of John and Sherry Mitchell and Donald and Alicia Riley.

**Lacey Marie Robbins**, daughter of Stephanie McClure and Gary Robbins. Microsoft Office Specialist: Associate. Young Feminists - one year, Karaoke - one year, FFA - one year, Honors - one year, FBLA - one year.

**Chelsea Roberts**, daughter of Dreama Roberts and Jason Roberts. Volleyball - six years, FCCLA - four years.

**Alex Robinson**, son of Jerusha Robinson and Rick Robinson. Superior Cadet, - 82nd Airborne Sestf, Cadet Commendation, Battalion Commander of JROTC, Presidential Volunteer Award. JROTC - four years, Raider Team, Drill Team.

**Demarcus Robinson**, son of Jamie Clark and Jeff Clark. Word Exam Award, Orange Belt Award. Football - two years, Track - two years, Dance Blue - four years, Rocket Club - four years, FBLA - three years.

**Ellie Robinson**, daughter of James Robinson and Holly Robinson. Third Place AH District - 2022. Academic Team, Young Feminists, Young Democrats, Drama Club, International Club, Prom Club.

**Lindsey Robinson**, daughter of Michelle and Kyle Robinson. Captain of Cheer Team, 1st Place UCA Bluegrass Regionals, 4th and 8th Place at KHSAA State (Cheer), UCA All American. Cheerleading, Key Club, Honors Club.

**Ocean Rohrer**, son of William Rohrer and Amber Rohrer. D and D Club, Skills USA, Rocket Media, JROTC Club.

**Courtney Rowe**, daughter of Ricky Rowe and Mary Bullock. Dance Blue, FBLA, Educators Rising, Rocket Walker.

**David Russell**, son of Davey Russell and Paula Freson.

**Jake Sanders**, son of Ashley Sanders and Jon Sanders. 12th All-Region Tournament Team, MVP of Rocket Classic. Basketball, Football, Dance Blue, FCA, Rock Walkers, Rocket Club.

**Silas Shaffer**, son of Mikhael and Callie Shaffer. All-District Baseball, KHSAA East-West All-Star Baseball Game. Baseball, FCA

**Tristan Slusher**, son of Mason Slusher.

**Carley Smith**, daughter of Angela Burdine and Coby Smith. Dance Blue.

**Darby Smith**, daughter of Darren and Becky Smith. 4.0 GPA, ECU Merit Scholar. FCA, NHS, Beta Club, Prom Committee, Bible Club, Student Council - two years, Rocket Club, Link Leader, Yearbook Staff and Co-Editor, 2021 Homecoming Court, Basketball - three years, Softball - three years.

**Dewey Smith**, son of Jerry and Terrie

Smith. International Club, FFA, Guitar Club.

**Jamason Smith**, grandson of Ricky Smith and Doris Smith and son of Angela Smith and the late Eric Smith. Skills USA.

**Landon Smith**, son of David and Jessica Smith. Guitar Club - one year.

**Porter Smith Jr.**, son of Polly Smith and Porter Smith.

**Hope Sowder**, daughter of Barbara Dooley and George Dooley. Dance Blue, Drama.

**Eric Sparks**: son of Vernice Hargis and Dorian Sparks. Young Democrats, Drama Club, Educators Rising.

**Nick Spoonamore**, son of Cherryell Bradley and Jeff Bradley.

**Cierra Stewart**, daughter of Mary Jo Rodefer and Josh Stewart. Key Club, Young Feminists, Karaoke Club.

**Jalon Stewart**, son of Jason and Crystal Stewart.

**Zoe Taylor**, daughter of Angie Taylor. FCA, Christian Film Club, Bible Study Club.

**Haley Thacker**, daughter of Shawn and Gari Sue Thacker. 2021 Ky. Governor's Scholar, 2022 WKU Cherry Presidential Scholar, 2022 UK Singletary Scholar Finalist, 2021 Rockcastle Homecoming 2nd Runner-Up, WKU Mahurin Honors College Inductee, ECU Honors Inductee, UK Lewis Honors College Inductee. President of RCHS Student Council, Honors Club, FCA, Key Club, UNITE, Dance Blue, Bible Club, Prom Committee, Yearbook Committee, Link Crew.

**Savannah Thacker**, daughter of Michael Thacker and Samantha Saylor. FCA, Rocket Club, Dance Blue, South Central Athletics Cheer.

**Roby Thompson**, son of Gabriele Dixon.

**Payton Tillery**, daughter of Richard and Tonia Tillery. FCCLA, FCA, Dance Blue.

**Devin Tillett**, son of Jamie Tillett and Amanda Clontz.

**Natalie Tolle**, daughter of Janice and Bobby Tolle. State winning Agronomy Team, FFA Secretary, Young Democrats Treasurer, FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team Region Champs, Crop Impromptu Region Runner-Up. FFA - one year, Honors Club - four years, Key Club - four years, Young Democrats - one year, International Club - one year, Young Feminists - one year, Future Problem Solvers - two years.

**Caleb Tompkins**, son of Larry and Greta Tompkins. JROTC Battalion Executive Officer 2021-22.

**Logan Vanwinkle**, son of James Ray Vanwinkle.

**Samson Weaver**, son of Jason and Maria Weaver.

**Kaleb Whitaker**, son of Barbara Bustle and Kelly Whitaker. FCA, FBLA,

Dance Blue.

**Carson White**, son of Jennifer White and Jason White. President of FBLA, 2nd in state in Global Business for FBLA, 2nd in District in Social Studies for Academic Team, Microsoft Certified. National Honors Society - one year, National Beta Club - one year, FBLA - four years, Academic Team - three years.

**Taylor Whittemore**, daughter of Doug Pigg and Malinda Pigg. 4.0 GPA.

**Marcus David Wilder**, son of Ashley Lewis and Gary Lewis and Manual

Wilder. JROTC.

**Gabe Wynn**, son of Gina Wynn. eSports.

**Hunter Zanet**, son of Heather McClure. Drama Club Director. Drama Club, Dungeons and Dragons Club, Guitar Club, Game Club.

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*Makayla Beth Bratcher • Jarred A. Bugg*

*Kaylee Brooks Butler • Natalie Grace Erwin*

*Ethen Lee Forrester • Aaron Lewis Hale*

*Fred Nathaniel Hampton IV • Katelyn Yvonne Johnson*

*Rachel Martina Kun • Tyler Shane Lawless*

*Reina Kai Lykins • Elizabeth Katherine Mikeworth*

*Andrew Conner Newcomb • Joel Andrew Newcomb*

*Connor Aaron Philbeck • Demarcus Lashawn Lee Robinson*

*Abby Lucylle Shanaban • Tristan Mason Slusher*

*Cameron Blake Sparks • Melanie Chantal Vanwinkle*

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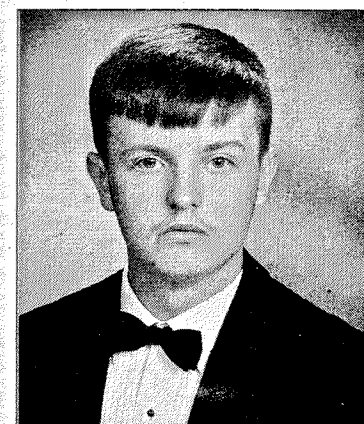
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