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Livingston looking forward to Family Dollar

Officials in Livingston say the Family Dollar store, that is planning to locate in the city, is still on track but flooding and other weather conditions have slowed progress some.

Mayor Jason Medley says he is getting calls from contractors wanting to bid on the project or be involved in the construction.

Medley says the new store will provide a strong boost to the local economy, provide jobs and greatly increase convenience for Livingston residents.

"No more 20 minute drives for a gallon of milk," he said.

Checkpoints planned

If you plan to drive under the influence in Rockcastle County, be ready to pay the price.

The Sheriff's office plans checkpoints through the month of March at the following locations:

- Wilderness Road at Lake Linville.
- I-75 off ramp at exit 62.
- I-75 off ramp at exit 59.
- Highway 461.
- Highway 150.
- South Main in Brodhead.
- Highway 1505
- Wilderness Road at Madison/Rockcastle line.

Brodhead Police

- Chestnut Grove
- Highway 1505
- West Street
- Silver Street
- Castle Village

Sheriff's report

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's department February report is as follows:

- DUI arrests - 3
- Warrants served - 11
- Drug arrests - 3
- Indictments served - 2
- Criminal arrests - 5
- Subpoenas served - 3
- EPOs - 4
- JC3 Forms - 4
- Summons - 24
- Evictions - 1
- Vehicle inspections - 43
- Transports - 8
- Collisions worked - 13
- Traffic citations - 141
- Total citations - 202
- Incident reports - 13
- Criminal cases - 11
- Alarms - 18
- 911 calls - 479

Next week:

Barry Noble feature story



A six-inch water main near Livingston was exposed and broken due to recent mudslides causing 40 customers to be without water for several days. However, crews repaired the line and now Livingston customers are under a boil water advisory until further notice.

Water main break from mud slide

Boil water advisory in effect

By: Mike French
Editor

Water is back on for about 40 customers in Livingston.

Record amounts of rain has fallen in Kentucky over the past 14 consecutive months causing many mud slides and other water damage. Livingston has not escaped the damages and, ironically, because of the excessive water, about 40 local residents had no water for several days.

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley says a mud slide, caused by the soaked ground, had caused the exposure and breakage of a six-inch water main causing those served by the line to have no water service.

A search began immediately to find the break once customers began calling officials saying they had no water. Medley said he was blessed to find the leak so quickly.

"This was an act of God and there is nothing we could do to stop it," said Medley. "It is very inconvenient for a lot of people but we have done our very best to repair the line as soon as we could."

Medley said God may have also played a part in helping to get water back on so quickly.

"It was like divine intervention," Medley said. "We were headed to London to begin the process of map-

(See "Water" on A5)

Brodhead City Commission

Retirement, flood damage discussed

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Brodhead City Commission and Mayor Walter Cash seemed to focus Monday's regular monthly meeting around two subjects, the local damage from excessive flooding in the county, and the city's plans to provide a retirement system for city employees.

However, several sub-

jects were discussed.

Brian Bussell, Brodhead Emergency Management Director, informed the commissioners that FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) workers will be in Rockcastle County Thursday (tomorrow) to assess the damage from recent flooding.

With the ground still saturated from 2018 rains, the wettest year in Kentucky

(See "Retire" on A5)

"We currently do not provide retirement for our people and that is a huge injustice."

--Brian Bullock

Can alcohol pay for itself?

SB29 on Governor's desk

By: Mike French
Editor

Thanks, in part, to the efforts of Mount Vernon City Administrator Josh Bray and Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority Executive Director Jeff VanHook, Mount Vernon and Brodhead will now most likely be allowed to tax the sale of alcohol in each city.

It's been a long and difficult trek for the local duo who has made several trips

to Frankfort, testified before committees and sub committees and stayed in constant contact with legal advisors throughout their journey.

But even after lawyers, accountants and political experts told them it was a losing battle, the two local men never gave up.

"We knew the sale of alcohol in our city was going to come with a financial cost to our citizens and affect our budget and we were determined to recoup some of

those expenses," said Bray.

Until now, in Kentucky only certain cities were allowed to charge an alcohol tax while other cities could not. "This was unfair to the cities who need that income the most," said VanHook at a recent RCIDA meeting.

But now, SB29 has passed the senate and the House and is waiting on the governor's signature.

"It's not a done deal until the governor signs it into law. But it is kind of a no-brainer to most people we have talked with," said Bray.

In fact, after their testimony, SB29 was thrown into a lump of bills that were considered "obvious" to be passed so that the bill didn't even have to be voted on by itself. Instead, it was passed

(See "SB29" on A5)

Schoolboard hears from RCMS Principal

By: Mike French
Editor

The Rockcastle County Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at Rockcastle County Middle School and heard a school update from Principal Marcus Reppert.

Reppert told the board about the school's schedules and methods of teaching and some of his own goals as principal. Reppert emphasized his belief that "every student will not be distinguished, but every student can grow and improve."

The principal talked about new testing methods for students that show what level each student is on in each subject and therefore, educators can track the progress of each student throughout the school year and better know where to focus their attention.

After the in-depth presentation, board member Anna Stevens-Goff asked about students that are above the expected levels. "I've heard a lot about how we are dealing with students that are behind in subjects

and that's wonderful. But what do we do to nurture

(See "School" on A5)

Beer in Brodhead



Michael Delong, delivery truck driver unloaded the first legal beer in Brodhead at the Grab-N-Go on South Main Street early Wednesday morning. Brodhead and Mount Vernon voted to allow alcohol sales inside the city limits in the general election held last November. Delong summed up the opinion of many as he was unloading Budweiser beer. "Some people hate it, some people love it. That's just the way of the world."

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I just don't understand fighting at all. I don't get the whole concept.

Why on earth two people would want to cause each other to physically hurt and bleed is simply something that was left out in my life lessons.

Or maybe I just missed school the day they talked about how important it is to be able to stick your fist into a person's face and cut their skin and make them hurt.

I don't get the whole idea. And most of the time, I don't even understand the entire reason why people fight each other.

I know a bunch of people who had a spouse or significant other who cheated on them. So the person goes to the house of the stranger and wants to beat them up.

Huh? What does that person have to do with anything? That person didn't make any vows or promises to you to be faithful. Your spouse did. It could have been anyone. Your spouse could have cheated with anyone. But it's your spouse who promised you they wouldn't do that. Not the other person.

But anyway, moving past that issue of who's to blame, I still don't understand the concept of hitting them anyway.

I wonder how that got started. It must have been in caveman days. I guess one fellow didn't like the way the other fellow grunted.

So he hit him? Imagine the first time that happened. That poor caveman must have stood there with a black eye thinking, "what was that? Ugghh."

The fellow who hit him must have felt some sort of relief because apparently the idea immediately caught on and when ever anyone disagreed with anyone for the next 6,000 years, they hit each other.

But what did it prove? What did it change? How did it help?

If a guy says to me "the sky is green," and we argue because I think it is blue, that could escalate into a fist fight. Well, if the fellow beats the living tar out of me, as I lie there bleeding, the sky is still blue.

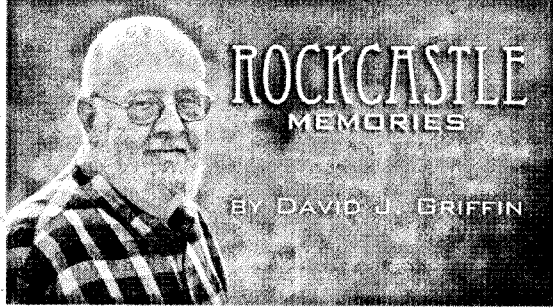
Beating me up didn't make him right. He is still just as wrong as he ever was except now, the sky is blue and I'm bleeding.

If you beat up your spouse's cheater, does that mean it didn't happen? Is your spouse not going to cheat with someone else?

When I see two people arguing and it looks like it is going to escalate into a fight, I always wonder if I will know who was right by who is left standing.

The fact that you were born with more muscles than me, or that you were raised on the streets and

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My Love of Radios

For as long as I can remember, I have loved listening to all kinds of radios. I was born at a time when radio was needed and enjoyed. It was necessary for the adults in my life to keep abreast of local and national news. My grandparents also used their big, wooden, floor model to listen to good, old fashioned preaching. For my brother and me, radio was entertainment: either music or radio dramas.

My mother (Bee) usually cooked dinner while Lowell Thomas reported on the news of the day. Her radio was typical for the time: brown in color, with a large speaker in the center of two knobs. It sat on top of the refrigerator.

The sound filled our small kitchen as Bee prepared supper while I played

with my cars and trucks on the linoleum floor. If Thomas was reporting on "breaking news," Bee would walk over and stand in front of the radio just to make sure she caught all of the details.

When I was about six years of age, Bee placed a radio beside my bed in my room. I went to sleep every night listening to music, and Bee would come in before she went to bed and turn it off. She was my modern day equivalent of a "sleep timer."

By the time I turned eight, rock and roll music was being birthed. It wasn't long until I was able to acquire my very own radio - a transistor model.

When I was a junior in high school at Mt. Vernon, I got my first automobile and it came equipped with a great sounding AM radio. That baby was never turned off. No matter the reason, when I was in that '58 Chevy, it was always tuned to a rock and roll station, and the music was blaring. It was often accompanied by multitudes of teenage voices singing along to the tunes of the day.

When I was a junior, I also acquired my own bedside clock radio. Every night, I tuned it to some distant station, usually WLS in Chicago, to find rock and roll music. I went to sleep listening to the likes of Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison, Ray Charles, Elvis, and many other artists of the day. My new radio would turn itself off in an hour.

On March 1st of this year, my birthday, my wife purchased me the coolest radio I have ever owned. It is a Sangean (WR-16) FM, AM, and Bluetooth receiver. It is housed in a real walnut wood cabinet and has a USB port on the back

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Points East

By Ike Adams



The wind chill never got above 26 on Wednesday, March 6, and the ambient temperature never quite made it up to freezing, but that didn't stop my brother, Andy, from tackling the garden. In fact, I'm pretty sure the temp was still in the upper teens and there was a skiff of snow on the ground when he went outside at sunrise, came back in and declared that the ground was frozen so hard he could get it cleaned off without getting his boots muddy.

I went out on the porch and promptly told him that it was way too cold and windy for me to get out there and that I didn't think I could stand it long enough to even watch him for more than a minute or two. However, Andy zipped up his coat, pulled the hood over his head, put on warm gloves and grabbed the rake.

By 11:00 A.M., he had rendered over 400 feet of mostly corn and a few okra stalks, along with a former jungle of dead melon and pumpkin vines, into 4 big burn piles and the garden was starting to look like a golf course fairway. Any dead residue left on it would simply till into the soil for fertilizer.

At that point, the surface was still frozen hard and we figured that, even if the sun eventually softened it up, it would still be too wet to plow.

We had errands to run in town, came back home, grabbed some lunch and Andy announced that he was going to see what the garden soil looked like. Before I even realized what he was up to, my brother had found a hoe, dug into the soil in several places and

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Even More Hidden Treasures Found

Dear Journal,

Sometimes, as we travel life's journey, I've found, in my case anyway, find a lyric from a song, a line from a poem or a phrase from a book that more adequately describes a situation more than a thousand words. In the past week or so, Stanley and I have been involved in the Berea Arena Theater, the epitome of a small town community theater. He does the singing and I do the watching. I've been to the rehearsals as well as the four shows. You may find this

strange but you rarely see one of us without the other. It isn't that we don't trust each other, it is that, to borrow a phrase from "Wuthering Heights", we're just "kindred spirits" and support each other.

In watching these shows and performances I observed the performers as well, and was very pleased with what I saw. I'm a self proclaimed "people watcher". I observe their qualities and quirks. Most are just wonderful and they make me glad that I met them. Some others not so much. I've had friends and family come and tell me of certain situations happening in their lives. I will tell them my opinion and the probable outcome. They will call me shortly thereafter and the first words out of their mouth is "Well, you were right. How did you know?" I've been around the corner a time or two.

In observing this little "family" of talent, I've noticed that in many ways they are a family. They are all anchored by Mom and Dad Kennedy, Norma and Eddie. There are old and young with the older ones being like aunts and uncles and the younger like brothers and sisters, or at least

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cannabis ordinance needed...

This week, and perhaps for the next couple of months, I will be addressing the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court to implement a Lowest Level Enforcement Priority Ordinance (LLEPO) mainly because it is now over 25 years since my family was shattered and such an ordinance for cannabis could have pre-

vented it. With near 80% of Kentuckians supporting medicinal cannabis, nearly half our legislators in the House of Representatives co-sponsoring such legislation and even a governor who supports it, we, as a county, should not be wasting resources on charges that will soon be expunged anyway.

We know actual harmful substances have in-

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Thursday, March 21, 2019

Rockcastle County Middle School
Doors Open at 6pm - Event begins at 6:30pm



GUEST SPEAKER
Jack "Goose" Givens

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased from Conservation District Office or Circuit Clerk Eliza York-Hansel's Office.
Checks payable to: Rockcastle Chamber

Dinner by *Snack Shack Catering*



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2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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NOTICE

Kentucky-American Water Company provides notice of its requested adjustment of the Kentucky River Authority withdrawal fee. The fees contained in this notice are the fees to be proposed by Kentucky-American Water Company to the Public Service Commission no later than March 1, 2019 to be effective on March 31, 2019.

The current fee, which applies to Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Other Public Authority and Sales for Resale customers, is \$0.0177 per 100 gallons. The requested fee, which applies to the same customer classes as the current fee, is \$0.0296 per 100 gallons. For all customer classes to which the fee applies, the requested fee is an increase of \$0.0119, or 67.2%, per 100 gallons. Average usage, in hundreds of gallons, for each customer class to which the fee applies is: Residential: 41; Commercial: 347; Industrial: 19,505; Other Public Authority: 1,908; and Sales for Resale: 24,030. The effect on the average monthly bill for each customer class to which the increased fee applies is: Residential: \$0.49; Commercial: \$4.13; Industrial: \$232.11; Other Public Authority: \$22.71; and Sales for Resale: \$285.96.

Any person may examine this tariff filing at Kentucky-American Water Company's offices located at 2300 Richmond Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40502, and on the utility's website at <http://www.amwater.com/kyaw/>. This filing may also be examined at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

Comments regarding this filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. The fees contained in this notice are the fees proposed by Kentucky-American Water Company, but the Public Service Commission may order fees to be charged that differ from the proposed fees contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the filing.

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Bookmobile Schedule

Mon., March 18th: Bryant Ridge, Hwy. 3245, Rockcastle Health and Rehab. **Tuesday, March 19th:** Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Wednesday, March 20th:** Wayne Stewart Center, Day Health/Senior Citizens, Cave Valley Apartments.

Pongo VFD Annual Supper

The Pongo Volunteer Fire Department invites everyone to join them for their annual soup bean and fried later supper on Saturday, March 16th from 5 to 8 p.m. The menu will be soup beans, fried taters, cornbread and banana pudding with a drink for only \$6 a person. There will be live music. All proceeds go to the fire department so come out and join us. Everyone welcome. For more information, call Fire Chief Tony Bullock at 606-687-0865.

Brodhead High Class of 1969 Reunion

Brodhead High School Class of 1969 will hold their 50-Year-Reunion on April 27th at Brodhead Elementary School's library where we will meet and socialize before the meal at 6 p.m. Reservations must be made and meal paid for by April 18th. Makes checks for \$20 payable to Brodhead Alumni and mail to Brodhead Alumni c/o Brodhead School, P.O. Box 187, Brodhead, Ky. 40409. If you were ever in this class, please attend.

Alzheimer's Support Group

An opportunity for caregivers, families and friends to learn more about Alzheimer's disease, share your feelings and concerns and support each other in coping with the effects of the disease. Next meeting is Monday, March 18th at 1 p.m. in the chapel at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. For more information, call Anne Harris at 606-256-7835.

Hot Rod & T-Ball Sign-Ups

Sign-ups for Hot Rod and T-Ball will be held the first and second weekends of April at Roma's (formerly God-fathers) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds (have had two-year-olds and six and seven-year-olds play). Fee is \$40 per child. Parent, grandparent shirts are \$14 each plus \$1 per X at sign-ups. Cash only. League play starts last weekend in April and goes through the second week end in July.

My Brother's Keeper Public Meeting

My Brother's Keepers, Inc. is still chipping away at making their vision of an inpatient substance abuse treatment facility opening doors right here in Mt. Vernon. Plans have changed, but the vision remains. We would like to invite members of the community to meet at the Rockcastle County Middle School on Friday, March 29th at 6 p.m. for an open community meeting. This meeting will be interactive with the community as a question and answer forum. We've had several questions about our progress, projected opening date as well as a host of others that will be addressed that night. Feel free to join us March 29th to hear about the great things happening at My Brother's Keeper, Inc.

KPR Meeting is March 19th

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, March 19th at Golden Corral Restaurant in London. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be House District 89 State Representative Robert Goforth. Any retiree (and spouse) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS is welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information call 606-877-0079 or 606-260-0490.

TOPS of Brodhead

TOPS (Take off pounds sensibly) meets every Tuesday evening at the Brodhead Community Outreach Center. Weigh-in begins at 6 and the meeting is at 6:30. For more information, call 606-758-4973.

Celebrate Sobriety Service

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

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post Item

VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members and is also looking for new and associate members. New hours are: Wed. - Sat., 5 p.m. to ? Call 606-386-1490 for more information.

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

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

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 606-256-5577 Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m.

•••Please call by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

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

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, Thursday, 6 to 7 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099

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

DAR Meetings

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

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Limestone Grill. Everyone is invited.

"Points East"

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pronounced the garden dry enough to plow after all. Apparently the cold brisk wind we'd had all morning was working far better than we'd thought it was.

"I'm going to hitch up the mule and find out, for sure," he said.

"Hitching up the mule" is Charlie Brown Road vernacular for pumping up the tires, filling the gas tank and cranking the motor on my old 1980s vintage Troybilt Horse, rear-tine, roto-tiller. The tiller has a mind of its own and rarely does anything you tell it to do. If you want to get any work out of it, you have to understand its nature and adjust or compromise your own behavior to match the tiller's. In other words, it is oftentimes as proverbially stubborn as a mule.

An hour later Andy and the mule had a 6'X75" pea patch ready to plant. While he went about arranging and staking down the growing hoops we had used on last year's amazing crop of fall beans, I began doing something that I'm absolutely sure I had never before attempted. I dropped pea seeds with gloves on.

And, yes, it is as difficult as it sounds.

As previously reported here, I had already planted 4 10-gallon containers of bush type snow peas on Valentine's Day. If they survive the upcoming blizzard I'm expecting sometime in the next 6 weeks, that would have been more than enough peas for Loretta and me but, as Andy pointed out, that early crop didn't really count as serious gardening because it didn't involve raking, burning and tilling.

Besides that, it only involved one variety. Since variety is the spice of life, we decided to try 3 more.

The main garden is now seeded with a variety I've never tried, from Baker's Creek catalogue, called Green Wonders that is supposed to be the largest snow pea ever and grows on vines that reach 8 feet. Andy showed up with Mammoth Melting Sugar snow pea seeds and I had acquired a quarter pound of Sugar Snap seeds at Southern States. We now have 80 row feet pea seeds in the garden.

All 3 of the main garden varieties are big viners that require trellising but we figure the peas will be ready to harvest before we need our growing hoops for the beans we plan to grow on them. We are also counting on the coming snow to simply make the vines more determined to make a crop that we have no idea what we'll do with. I'm simply hoping that my neighbors enjoy garden fresh peas as well as we do.

In the meantime, the mule is back in the barn and I'll be shopping for some Yukon Gold seed potatoes. We plan on planting them if the blizzard doesn't hit when Andy is back on Charlie Brown during the third week of March, in which case, the taters may have to wait until April.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

to charge my iPhone. The tuning is manual, just like the model I had in 1961 (which I prefer). There are no digital features. The AM and FM tuning is shown on a lighted linear dial - just like the olden days.

The coolest feature of my new radio is its ability to electronically pair with Bluetooth to my iPhone. I have approximately 1,000 of my favorite songs stored on my phone, and now I can listen to them on the superior base speaker of my Sangean table model radio. It sounds great!

My new radio sits neatly beside my side of our bed. Now we can listen to all of our favorite tunes at any time we choose. I could not have received a birthday gift

that I would have enjoyed more. Modern electronics has delivered to me the beloved tunes of my youth. Modern rock and roll music rolls on.

(You can reach me at themtman@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Letters"

(Cont. from A2)

creased in our communities, alcohol included, yet in 2016 Kentucky made more arrests for cannabis than opioids, opiates, cocaine, meth and heroin combined.

Even with all the mentioned support for cannabis in Kentucky, a proposed Cannabis Decriminalization bill didn't even get a hearing at our capitol this legislative session. A county with one of the state's most atrocious acts of cannabis prohibition (the shattering of my family in 1993) needs to be one of the leading locals helping move Kentucky forward towards just change.

Such priorities have been changing all over the country and world, now including Jefferson County KY, because cannabis prohibition is far more damaging than the herb and flower itself -- not to mention that cannabis has been found to be an exit-drug instead of a gateway, and such a simple ordinance would benefit many more than just me.

I am asking the community for any memories and sentiments of my father, Gary Earl Shepherd, as I would appreciate reading them.

Thank you all in advance,
Jacob Elihu Jones/Shepherd

"Aces"

(Cont. from A2)

grew up rougher, or you took some training class, does not mean the sky is green. It's still blue.

Even if I have to lay there bleeding and say out loud "okay, you win. The sky is green," it's really still blue. I just lied.

I've watched professional boxers win a fight and then say "I'd like to give the credit to God..." For helping them beat the snot out of some poor fellow who now has a broken jaw?

I have known people who actually balled up in the street trying to cause each other terrible pain and suffering and then a few days later, they are buddies just hanging out together.

Uhhmm....If a fellow human being attempts to cause me terrible pain or even cost me medical expenses on purpose, I'm not going to be hugging on him anytime soon. I take it extremely personal when a person attempts to hurt me on purpose.

I've had a few threats in

my life but even those people later apologized and said they were just upset at the time and no big deal. "Still friends, aren't we buddy?"

Well, no. We are not still friends. Now that I am aware that it is your character that if I do something you disagree with at any given moment, instead of talking about it or agreeing to disagree, you may want to break my arm or cut me in some way, no, you are not someone I want to hang out with to see how long it takes for that to happen again.

As for me, I'm not going to spend my life around anyone I have to be careful of and agree with or risk bodily harm.

If your solution to a disagreement is to punch someone, as if that would make your view the right view, then find another friend please.

I'm sure there are people out there that I could beat up too. But that doesn't in any possible way mean that I am right and they are wrong about any issue on earth.

There is absolute zero correlation between a person's muscles and a person's opinion about any given subject.

If a person is trying to rob you or hurt a loved one, that's a different story. But just because you disagree with an opinion, hitting them is a ridiculous and quite inhumane remedy.

Anyway, I guess it's a part of life. I suppose people will always have the urge to punch someone for whatever reason.

Apparently John Wayne was never wrong since he always won a fight.

"T. J.'s"

(Cont. from A2)

cousins. They all support each other, encourage each other, and I couldn't detect the least bit of jealousy.

I simply can't find enough good things to say about the Kennedys. They are wonderful people and remind me of the song "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" from an old Coca-Cola commercial from 1971. Take a look at it on YouTube.

I've also noticed that down through the years, some of the very best and nicest people have the worst possible things happen to them. You really have to wonder why. The Kennedys had an only child, a daughter, Sara, who was diagnosed with cancer on June 16, 2004. She was a lovely young girl who was a homecoming queen at her high school, a very smart and talented girl with a lot of drive and energy. She was the kind of child any parent would be pleased to call their own. Good, loving and

respectful...just sweet in every way. She left this life on March 23, 2005, a little less than a year after being diagnosed.

The community around Berea began raising money for the family's enormous medical expenses and the other bills they had, even gas, food out, motel expenses etc. As it turned out, this was the beginning of something wonderful.

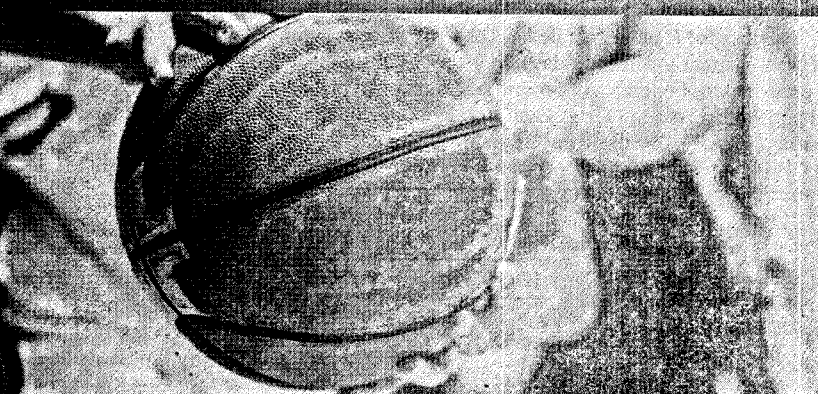
It is just out of the natural order of things to survive your child. Unfortunately, that is the sad case sometimes. However, the Kennedys have managed to make lemonade out of lemons. They have, through a program in honor of their daughter, made it possible to help other families with children diagnosed with cancer. Since the program began, they have installed TV/DVD/VCR units in every room at the Kentucky Children's Hospital, donated to various children's organizations, given numerous scholarships, donated to the Kentucky Clinic Pharmacy, the Kentucky Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Clinic the Hospice program, and given over \$165,000 to help families with children with cancer meet their financial obligations and various expenses in having to travel with their sick child.

The program is SaraCare. Every year there is a benefit to aid this very worthy cause. This year the event will be on Friday, April 26, 2019 beginning at 6:00 PM with a spaghetti supper (\$ 5.00), free concert, prizes, raffles and film and TV star Muse Watson will be there in person. Plan now to attend. For more information go to SaraCare.org or call 859-986-9039.

As I sat in the darkness of the theater every night it wouldn't be very long until I felt a feeling of calmness, peace, and love. It is hard to explain but I felt what I would call a "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" like the phrase from the gospel song. (Check YouTube for a listen.) I felt it every night during rehearsals and at every performance. It was so strong that sometimes I wanted to just cry, not out of sadness but of a calmness and pure love.

It was such a beautiful, quiet, loving, sweet little spirit that I found myself saying a quiet prayer for total strangers. I almost want to think it is a portion of Sara's spirit essence there with the other Kennedy "kids" or maybe as the song says, maybe it is the presence of the Lord. After all, God did speak to Elijah in a still, small voice. She was such a treasure and so is her benefit.


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Obituaries

Mary Alice Hunt

Mary Alice Hunt, 72, died Wednesday, March 6, 2019. She was the daughter of the late William Edward and Kathalene Quinn Hunt. She was a graduate of Mount Vernon Grade and High School, Sue Bennett Junior College and Eastern Kentucky University. She was a retired teacher and Assistant Food Service Director for the Rockcastle County Board of Education. She was a 40 year member of the Daughters of the American Revolution where she served as Regent and Registrar of the chapter. She attended state DAR conference for many years. She was a member of the Rockcastle County Retired Teachers Association, and the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association as well. She was a member of the First Christian Church where she taught the Ladies Sunshine Sunday School Class for many years, and she served on the church Building and Grounds Committee during the renovation of the church facility. She loved genealogy for her own lineage, as well as others. She will be missed by her special cat, Tinker Toy, as well as her caregivers and many cousins.

She is survived by one sister, Virginia Lee Hunt Darst and brother-in-law, Michael Thomas Darst, Jr.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 10, 2019 at Cox Funeral Home. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

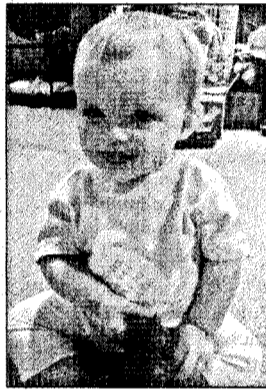
Pallbearers were: Sam Ford, Joe Clontz, Jim Clontz, Tommy Hodges, Gary Cromer and Jerry Cox.

Honorary pallbearers were: Jean Cash, Keith Douthaz, Onna Kay Owens, Janie Cromer, Lynette Barr, Karol Seman, Lois Allen, Lynn Good, David Masters, Lisa Payne Fletcher, Lana Elliott, Brenda Saylor and Kevin Hamm.

Sophia Elizabeth Mink

Sophia Elizabeth Mink, died Thursday, March 7, 2019 at her home in Billings, MT. She was born September 29, 1917 the daughter of Ronald Aaron Mink and Laura Skidmore Mink, in Lexington.

In her short life, she had attended First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon and was a blessing to all that knew her. She enjoyed stuffed animals, her jumperoo, and playing with her toys.



Those left to celebrate her life are: her parents; her siblings, Jasmine Marie Mink of Cincinnati, OH, Alyssa Marie Smith of Bright, IN, Reece Aiden Mink of Cincinnati, OH, Jaxon Flichman of West Harrison, IN and Gunnar Aaron Mink of Billings MT; grandparents, Ronnie and Donna Kirby Mink of Mt. Vernon and Aimee Skidmore of Bright, IN; aunt and uncle, Kirbie and Brandon Reynolds of Mt. Vernon; special friends, James and Marilyn Crisp of Crab Orchard; as well as many other friends and relatives.

She was preceded in death by her great grandparents, Lloyd and Rosa Angeline Mink, Robert Kirby and Ina Marie Kirby Pittman.

Funeral arrangements are not final at this time, Sophia's family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Castiel Lucas Berry

Castiel Lucas Berry, 1, departed this life on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at Rockcastle Regional Hospital, with his family by his side. He was born August 7, 2017 in Nashville, Tennessee, a beloved son of Cory Hovey and Macayla Ann Berry.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his parents, Cory Hovey and Macayla Berry of Mount Vernon; siblings, Jaxton Berry and Aurora Hovey, both of Mount Vernon; and his grandparents, Peggy Miller of Mount Vernon, Christine Hubbard and Mike of Lebanon, David Hovey and Leona of Tennessee, and William Wright and Mary of Mount Vernon.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Danny Ray Miller, William Deigel, Kim Hovey, Leo Caryer and Esther Caryer.

Services for Castiel will be held at Crosspoint Church of God. Visitation will be (today) Thursday, March 14 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Funeral will be Friday, March 15, 2019, at 11 a.m. with Bro. Matt Griggs and Bro. Robert Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Negro Creek Cemetery.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Anna Mae Bray Hamm

Anna Mae Bray Hamm, 88, widow of the late Alonzo Hamm of Brodhead, died Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born September 14, 1930 in Wadd, a daughter of the late Robert Lee Bray and Lola Hazel Brown Bray. She was a member of Ottawa Baptist Church. She had been a homemaker. She enjoyed her grandchildren and gardening.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Danny Bruce (Regina) Hamm and Tammy (Danny) Miller, both of Brodhead; grandchildren, Rachel (Clay) Thornton, Jessie (Emily) Hamm, Madisan Miller and Logan Miller; a brother, Don (Loretta) Bray of Brodhead; as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Alonzo Hamm and brothers, Jimmy Bray, Charlie Bray, Raymond Bray and Edward Bray.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Jessie Hamm, Clay Thornton, Logan Miller, Shane Lynch, Charlie Thornton and Tanner Bray; Honorary Casket Bearers will be Sam Schradin, Don Bray, Dennis Bray, Rick Bray, Mike Bray and Jim Ervin.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Gideon International.

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

Burgess Glenn Thompson, Jr.

Burgess Glenn Thompson, Jr., 65, of Palm Springs, FL, died Sunday, February 24 at his home. He was born December 23, 1953 in Georgetown, OH, to Wanda Jean (Genton) Thompson and the late Burgess Glenn Thompson, Sr. He was a graduate of the University of Florida and was a former computer programmer for the Motorola Corporation. He was a Veteran of the United States Army.

Survivors include: mother, Wanda Jean Thompson of Crab Orchard; sisters, Jeanette (Troy) Brandenburg of Beattyville and Joanna Rae Thompson of Hazard; brothers, Jeffrey (Connie) Thompson of Stanford, Larry James (Sally) Thompson of Lost Creek, Gregory Dale (Hazel) Thompson of Monticello and Aaron Cay Tompson of Booneville.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by a sister, Gwynette Hazelwood.

Burial was in Palm Springs Florida.

Bernice Allen Parsons

Bernice Allen Parsons, 89, of Mt. Vernon, passed from this life on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on December 21, 1929, the daughter of Ambrose and Tabitha Griffin Brockman. She had been a homemaker and was of the Christian Faith.

She is survived by: a son, Gary (Wendy) Allen of London; a daughter, Delores (Cron) Carpenter of Mt. Vernon; a sister, Geneva Jones of Richmond, IN; three grandchildren, Brian Allen, Eric Allen, and Lacey Dixon; and six great grandchildren, Cole, Lexie, Jasper, Abi, Shelby, and Jacob. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her first husband, Curtis Allen; second husband, Charles B. Parsons; and a sister, Viola Moore.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Barry Hurst. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

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

Jennifer Gail Dick

Jennifer Gail Singleton Dick, 44, of Mount Vernon, known as "Big Sissy" to many, died Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at Markey Cancer Center in Lexington. She was the wife of Bobby Gene Dick, whom she married on February 14, 1997. She was born in Mt. Vernon on January 17, 1975, a daughter of William and Willmalene (Bryant) Singleton. She was a 1994 graduate of Rockcastle County High School. She served as a leader for both the girl and boy scouts for many years. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.



She also enjoyed shopping and camping. Jennifer was a member of Freedom Baptist Church.

Survivors include: her loving husband of 22 years, Bobby Dick of Mt. Vernon; parents, William and Willmalene Singleton of Mt. Vernon; a son, Dalton Dick of Mt. Vernon; a special friend who was like a son, John Wesley Coyle; brothers, William Singleton, Jr and Kim Ruppe of Livingston, Johnny (Diana) Singleton of Crab Orchard and Dennis (Heather) Abraham; a sister and best friend, Angel Daniels and Jeremy Holt of Mt. Vernon; paternal grandmother, Lizzie Singleton; father and mother-in-law, Robert and Christine Dick; many nieces and nephews survive, including Natalie Chandler, Jasmine Daniels, Nevaeh Daniels, Nathan Singleton, Blake Ingram, Donna Leach and Chris VanWinkle; great nieces and nephews; Sophie and Raidyn Singleton, Kendall Ingram and EJ Griffin; a special friend, Vicki Chasteen; and a very special aunt, Sheila Downs.

She was preceded in death by: one brother, Jerry Glen Bryant Singleton; maternal grandparents, Henry and Hazel Bryant; paternal grandfather, Clinton Singleton; and a nephew.

Services were held Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. David Sargent officiating. Burial was in Philadelphia Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Natalie Chandler, Jasmine Daniels, Nevaeh Daniels, Nathan Singleton, Blake Ingram, John Wesley Coyle and Chris VanWinkle.

Althea Jane Fletcher

Althea Jane "Lea" Fletcher, 52, died Friday, March 1, 2019 at Martin Hospital, Port St. Lucie, FL after a long battle with cancer.

Survivors are her mother, Norma Jean Cromer, stepfather Ray Cromer; three sons, Jason (Roseanna) Kohrs, James Kohrs and Joshua Kohrs; two grandsons, Joshua and Konrad Kohrs; brother, James (Diana) Fletcher and a sister, Edna (Dave) Freiermuth.

She was preceded in death by her father, Eddie B. Fletcher, and one sister, Joyce Ellen (Scott) Spurling.

She will also be deeply missed by many nieces and nephews.

Lea will be cremated in the city of her residence, Port St. Lucie, FL.

Card of Thanks

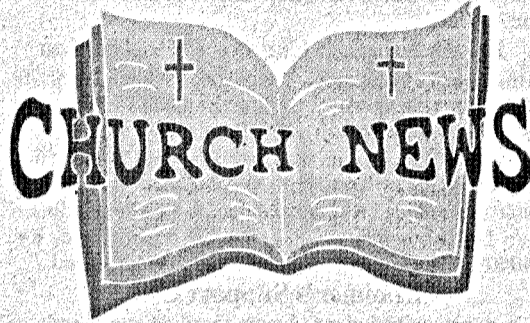
Austin Jordan

We, the family of Austin Dwayne Jordan, wish to send special thanks to everyone who sent flowers, gifts and cards, to those who visited, brought food and for the many prayers.

Also a special thanks to Bro. Bill Mink, the Combs, Parsons and Collins Funeral Home and also to the many friends from so many states.

May God bless each and everyone.

From Austin's family



Let the Bible Speak

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

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

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

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

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, Brodhead, every 6:30 p.m. Leader: Kathryn Pope 606-308-3099.

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

Spring Renewal at First Christian

First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon will hold their Spring Renewal Revival March 17-20 with Ed Berry preaching beginning this Sunday morning. Everyone is invited to attend.

Revival

Freedom Baptist Church on Freedom School Road will be in revival March 24-27 with Bro. Clyde Miller as evangelist. Bro. Clyde is the pastor at Pine Hill Baptist.

Sunday morning worship begins at 11 o'clock. Sunday evening service will begin at 6 o'clock. Monday-Wednesday services will begin at 7 p.m. There will be special singing each night. Everyone welcome.

For additional information, call Pastor Barry Hurst at 859-200-6331.

Philadelphia Baptist Church

There will be a special singing Sunday, March 31st at 6 p.m. with the Dove Creek Gospel Singers.

Sunday morning worship is at 11 a.m. Sunday night service at 6 p.m. and Wednesday night Bible study at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Be Thou An Example

1 Timothy 4:12 Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Are we examples of what Christians should be everyday of our life, by the examples we use every day in our life. By the words we speak, the jokes we laugh at and the stuff we read and the TV shows we watch.

Christ recognized the fact that one of the best ways to prove to others who he really was, was through sacrifice. 1 Peter 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow in his steps, who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth. What an example Jesus left for us to follow, no sin what so ever came from this man's lips, or hatred was ever found in his heart. Do we try and be that example, that Jesus was, or do we say, don't follow me my faith is up and down and all around, sometimes I'm hot, sometimes I'm cold, don't follow me, I don't know where I'm going. That is the life of a lot of Christians today.

The name Christian signifies we are followers of Christ. Matthew 16:24 If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me. A lot of folks seem to think, their private life has nothing to do with being a Christian, once they leave church on Sunday morning, they are free to do what ever they like, when ever they like to do it. 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 Know ye not the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God. Then he gives us a list of sins, thieves, covetous, idolaters, abusers of themselves, fornicators, adulterers, just to name a few, these will not inherit the kingdom of heaven. Our bodies are to be a living sacrifice unto God. If we spent as much time taking care of our spiritual body as we do our physical body, just think how close we could really be to God, and the example we could be not only to the world but also the Church. We find where the apostle writes Rom-12:1-2 Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind. If we would just do this think of the example we could be every day of our Christian life.

The church is to be glorious church not having spot or wrinkle, there is time in every church we need a good iron taking to some of our wrinkles, we all walk around in permanent press acting like we have no wrinkles, even permanent press needs a little ironing from time to time.

Many may think their names are recorded in Heaven, but they fail to repent, Isaiah 35:8-9 And highway shall be there, and a way and it shall be called the way of holiness, the unclean spirit shall not pass over it, but the redeemed shall walk there. Our example that we project everyday does say something, what is our example of a Christian life saying.

Thank You so much for reading this article, submitted by the brethren of the Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. I hope your health is good and God smiles on your family another week.

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“Retire”

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history, and the record-breaking rains of January and February of 2019, recent rainfall has caused flooding throughout the county.

According to Bussell, the county has over 70 claims of flooding damage including mud slides and road damage and Brodhead alone will have six items for FEMA to investigate. “Our estimates on the damage to our park alone is \$27,000,” Bussell said. “We have patched it some to make it as safe as possible but there is a lot of work to be done there.”

Bussell said the help FEMA provides is a 75/25 grant and the total estimated damage in the county may be upwards of \$1.5 million. But the damage in Brodhead will be a small portion of that amount and that state grants make up nearly half of the 25% that the city would have to pay. “In essence, the city only has to pay 13% and we can do in-kind work for our part of that,” he said.

In fact, Bussell suggests the city find some groups or organizations willing to help with clean-up and donate their time to the city and the work could end up costing the city little if anything.

In fact, the damage could be a blessing in disguise. “If we get the park and other damaged areas repaired like they need to be, this could alleviate some of the flooding problems that occur downtown,” he said.

In other action, Commissioner Brian Bullock said he is strongly recommending the city provide a retirement system for its full-time employees.

Police Chief Travis Davis had gathered information about plan options to present to the commission with the help of city clerk Becky Bussell who said the city can indeed afford to provide retirement for its six current employees.

Davis explains several details about maximum contributions and definitions as well as start-up costs and annual fees.

“We currently do not provide retirement for our people and that is a huge injustice,” said Bullock.

Commissioner John Burton agreed. “Our people take care of us and we need to take care of them,” he said.

Becky Bussell said she hopes the city provides the retirement system. “This has been brought up with past commissions and it never goes anywhere. We have people on board who really care about our city. They go above and beyond for Brodhead and when some of our people retire or leave us, a retirement system would help attract others who care to replace them,” she said.

All commissioners present agreed and Burton made a motion to pursue a 457 retirement plan at 8% investment. “This is better than anyone I know would offer,” Burton said.

Bullock seconded the motion adding “we have paperwork in place this time and are determined to see it through.” The commission agreed to look at several companies and choose the best plan and adopt it at the next monthly meeting.

Newly-hired Brodhead Police officer Josh Foster was present for the meeting for the first time. Davis told commissioners and Mayor Cash that he is “very proud of the work and the attitude of Josh.”

Davis said he has closely watched Foster’s approach to the job and his attitude and he feels certain that this will be a strong asset to the city.

Foster is expected to graduate from the police academy on December 5 and is already a full time Brodhead police officer.

Also, once again Mayor Cash brought up the issue of the nuisance ordinance and starting the process of cleaning up some of the more

undesirable areas of the town.

Chief Davis once again told the commissioners that he is hesitant to enforce the clean-up at this time for the good of the city. “If I make people start cleaning those areas up today with the ground so muddy, it will cause a worse nuisance than we already have,” Davis said. “There will be mud on our streets and damage all around the areas. I would prefer to give them time for the ground to dry some.”

Burton said he agreed with Davis but would indeed like to “get the ball rolling” on the issue.

“I suggest we send out a ‘letter of concern’ to each violator and nicely let them know that when things dry out a little, we are going to have to take some kind of action,” said Burton. “That may get them started doing some of the work and we won’t even have a problem by the time the ground dries out.”

The commissioners agreed to draft the letters of concern.

Commissioners also discussed issues with their audit company and their need to have the city’s audits brought up to date.

Brian Bussell mentioned the need for completed audits as well. “There is a lot of grant monies out there that could make a big difference in our community,” he said. “But until you have your audits up-to-date, you may as well forget them.”

The commission then entered executive session. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8 at 7 p.m. at Brodhead City Hall.

“Water”

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ping the valves and then begin the search for the leak.” This process could take as much as two days according to Medley. “But then, something just told me to drive up Piney Branch and there was the slide and the water main sticking out of the ground. We were truly blessed to find it that quickly.”

It was also a costly event, according to Medley, but since Governor Bevin and Judge/Executive Holbrook recently declared a state of emergency, Medley plans to seek help in funding the repairs.

The mud slide occurred on the Roundstone Creek bank where several large trees have also fallen from soaked soil recently, so the water break affected customers on Piney Branch, and Hwys. 1955 and 490.

A boil water advisory was issued until the water clears up.

“We appreciate everyone’s patience and we are proud of our crews for tackling that dangerous terrain to repair the damage,” he said.

“SB29”

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along with many other bills with just one vote.

Once the governor signs the bill, assuming he does, Mount Vernon and Brodhead can (and say they will) immediately amend their local Alcohol Ordinances to include a 5% tax.

“Every drop of alcohol sold inside the city will be taxed, probably 5% or very close to that, immediately after the bill is signed,” said Bray.

How much does that mean to each city? “We aren’t sure about that yet,” said Bray.

Since alcohol has not been legally sold in either city for many years, there is no basis to estimate how much revenue the new tax will provide. But officials have been studying other cities and traffic flow and trying to make estimates.

“We are in an unusual situation here,” said Bray. “Being right off the interstate and being located as we are, we have some idea what to expect.”

Bray says most of his advisors say the revenues from alcohol sales tax in

Mount Vernon will be a minimum of \$100,000 and may be \$300,000. “And it could actually be a lot more than that. It just depends on several factors,” he said.

One of those factors is how the expected growth in the new TIF District at exit 62 develops. If growth in that area is as strong as predicted by officials, the alcohol tax revenue may reach up to half a million dollar annually, and possibly even more officials say.

How that revenue is spent though, is strictly governed by state regulations. “We have to put it in a special fund and it is closely tracked. We only use it for expenses incurred from the sale of alcohol,” according to Bray.

Expenses like part of his salary since he is the Alcohol Control Administrator. The part of Bray’s time that is used for paperwork and administrative efforts related to alcohol sales. The money may also be used for police and police equipment. “This is all money that would have to come out of the general fund. But, now, that money can be freed up to use for other things within the city,” he added.

This way, Bray says, the taxpayer doesn’t have to foot the bill for all the administrative and police work involved with the sale of alcohol. It pays for itself.

Still, it’s a new tax. The tax exists already in some cities, but not in most, and not in Mount Vernon. And though most seem to be confident that Governor Bevin will sign the bill into law, until he does, Bray stresses, “It’s not a done deal.”

“School”

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growth of those who are ahead of the expected levels?”

Reppert listed several methods of helping those students grow as well including occasionally transporting them to RCHS for upper level lessons.

The board also approved student athlete insurance at a cost of \$73,000 (\$5,000 less than last year for the same coverage) that applies to all students involved in school activities.

Jenny Sweet, Finance Director, said the insurance helps supplement family’s insurance. “This helps families pay deductibles and other expenses that their own insurance wouldn’t cover,” she said. The rate is less this year due to the lack of claims in recent years, Sweet said.

The board also approved the 2019-20 calendar and the sale of two surplus buses as well as contracting White and Associates once again this year for the school audit for \$16,000, the same rate as last year.

The Superintendent’s personnel report shows the following:

- Full time certified employees**
 - Brandy Smith, head girl’s basketball coach at RCMS.
 - Jamie Todd, head football coach at RCMS.
- Full time classified employees**
 - Mikhael Shafer, Assistant Baseball Coach at RCHS.
- Resignations**
 - Glenna Spoonamore, bus monitor.
 - Selena Thompson, career navigator.
- Retirements**
 - Rebecca Isaacs.
- Classified Substitutes**
 - Derek Clark and Brett Noble, substitute bus drivers.
 - Stacey Clark, Lori Hart and Karen Childress, substitute cook/bakers.
- Not yet on the report,** Superintendent David Pensol announced the retirement of Barry Noble assistant principal and athletic director at RCHS.
- See next week’s *Signal* for a story on Noble’s long career and accomplishments with the Rockcastle County School System.

“Drugs”

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Dylan Hale found two people, one of them McCracken, hiding in an upstairs closet.

McCracken refused to exit the closet three times and the officer witnessed her attempting to hide something. After three attempts, officer Hale pulled McCracken from the closet and found a glass pipe and several straws, a green pill bottle and four baggies of a crystal substance.

Officers also discovered five outstanding warrants on McCracken. The report says she was asked several times if she had any other illegal substances on her and each time she replied that she did not.

However, once at the Rockcastle County Detention Center, police found another baggie of crystal substance and then began a female search.

During the search the report says police found three more baggies of a crystal substance and two pills that fell out when she removed

her underclothing. According to the report, yet another baggie of crystal substance was located inside a body cavity of McCracken, and another pill bottle (unidentified) in a waist band

McCracken was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance (meth), promoting contraband, resisting arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia, tampering with evidence and illegal possession of a legend drug.

Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash.

Mt. Vernon Message



Mrs. Angie Hunt’s kindergarten class at MVES celebrating the wedding of Q and U.

School News

After school tutoring is each Tuesday and Thursday. Pick up time is 4:25.

K-PREP Scrimmage testing is Thursday, March 14.

There will be no school on Friday, March 15. Enjoy your long weekend.

Jiggy will be visiting our school again on Monday, March 18.

Silcox Shaved Ice will be here on Friday, March 22.

FRC News

After school enrichment is each Monday. Pick up is at 4:25.

Class News

Mr. Blake McKinney’s class enjoyed having Jeremy Rowe come in and read to them as part of Dr. Seuss week.

Mrs. Angie Hunt’s kindergarten class celebrated the wedding of Q and U.

Coltten Lear’s mother, Heather, baked the wedding cake for the wedding of Q and U.

Students dressed as bride and groom for the celebration of Q and U getting married.

MVES Library Media Center just completed their annual Reading for Education fundraiser.

There were more than 250 booklets collected during the week. Ms. Jamie Bryant was the winner of homemade fudge made and donated by Ms. Carolyn Niceley.

Many thanks to all the families who participated in the fundraiser and to Ms. Carolyn for donating the delicious homemade fudge.



Coltten Lear is pictured with the wedding cake that his mother, Heather, baked for the wedding of Q and U.



Mrs. Kami and Ms. Lisa’s kindergarten classroom at MVES also participated in the wedding of letters Q and U. Cupcakes and punch were served at the reception that followed.



Alzheimer’s Support Group

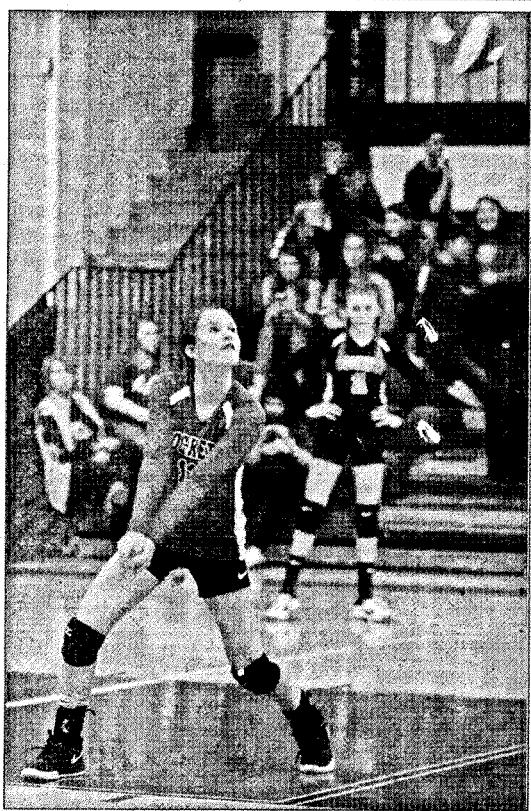
Join us for an opportunity for caregivers, families and friends to learn more about Alzheimer’s disease, share your feelings and concerns, and support each other in coping with the effects of the disease.

Meetings are scheduled every third Monday of the month at 1 p.m. in the hospital chapel.

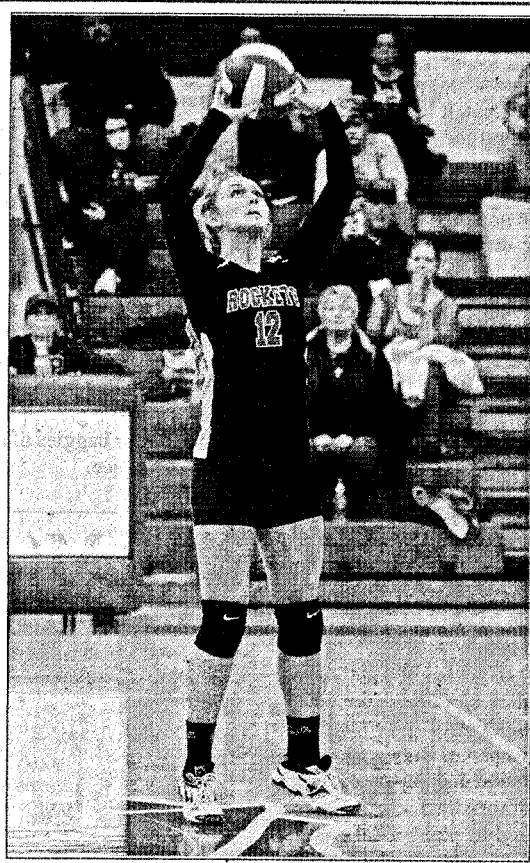
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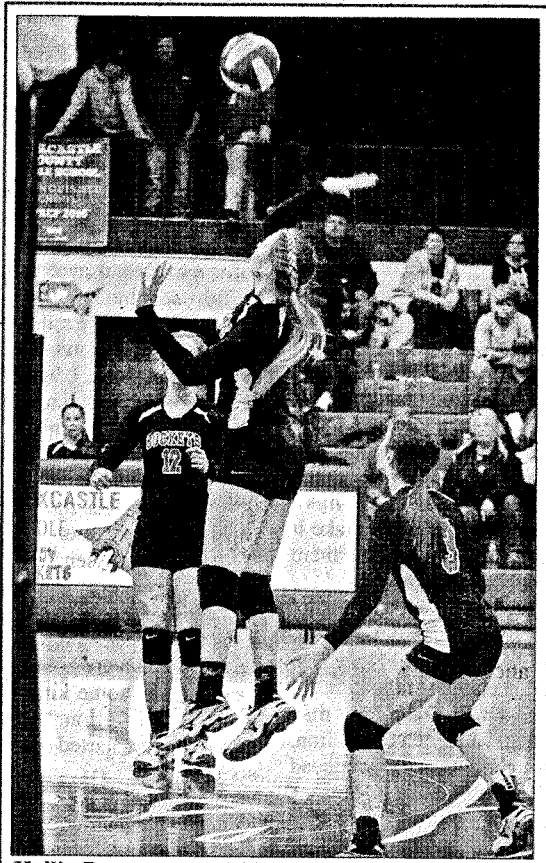
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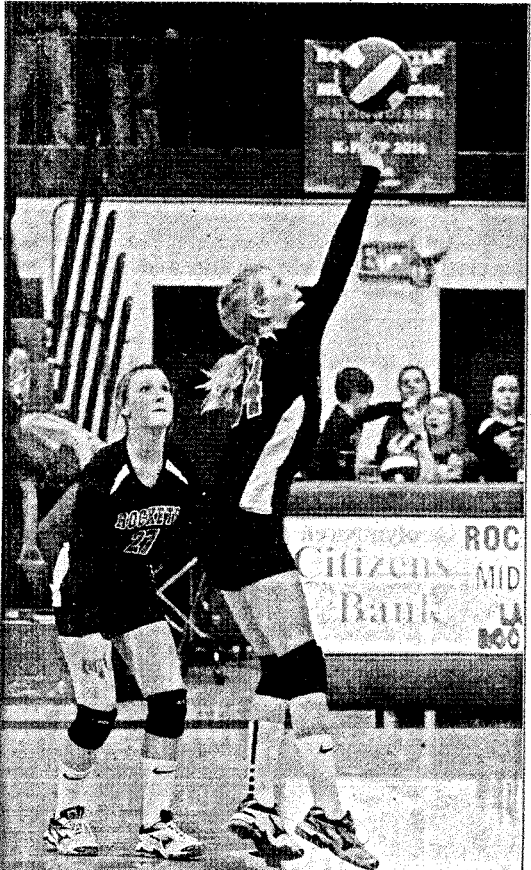
Sarah Barron makes a pass during the eighth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday.



Keelee King sets a teammate during the eighth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday. King served 19 straight points in the Rockets' win during the first game.



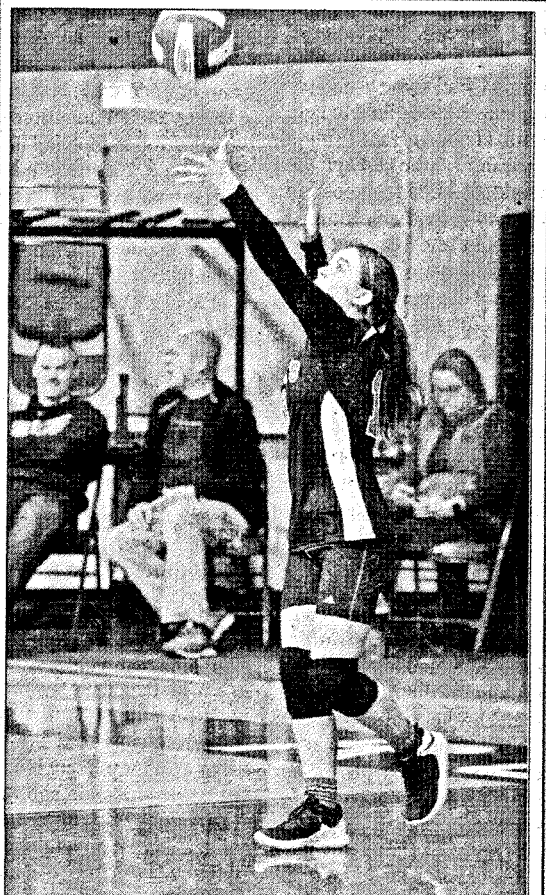
Hallie Brown gets a kill during the eighth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday. Also pictured is teammate Maddie Ellis.



Kameryn Medley goes for a kill during the seventh grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday. Also pictured is Brooklyn Robinson.



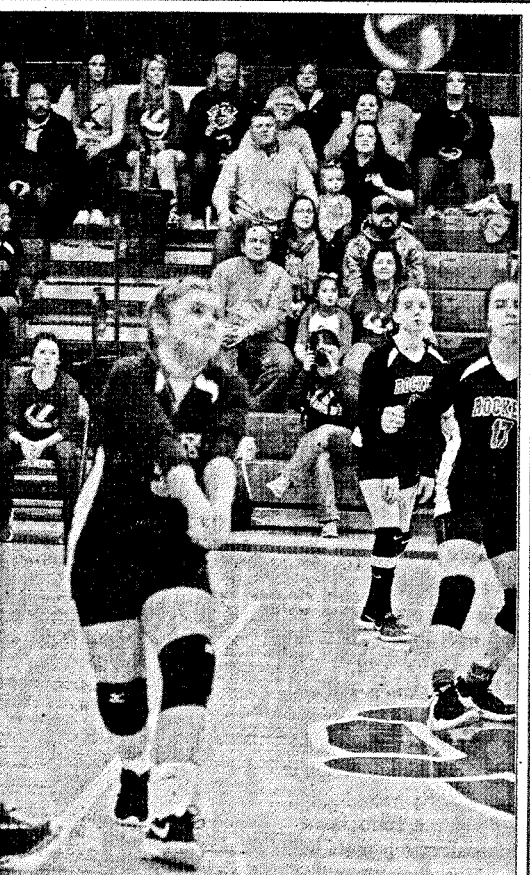
Chloe Stevens puts up a serve during the seventh grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday.



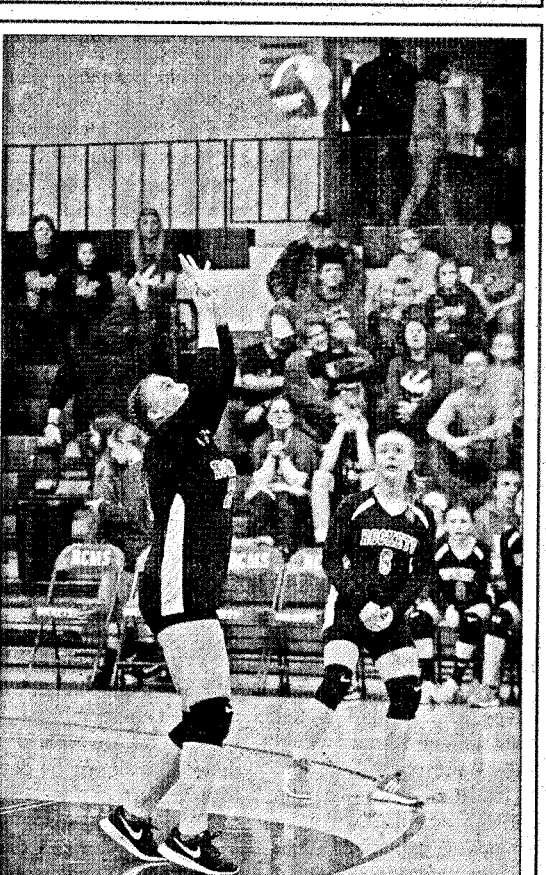
Markley Richards puts up a serve during the sixth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday.



Allie Todd makes a pass during the seventh grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday.



Addison Rush gets a dig during the sixth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday. The Rockets swept Northern in all three matches.



Shawntel McGuire makes a pass during the sixth grade's volleyball win over Northern Pulaski last Thursday. Also pictured is Patience Gleissner.

Adopt a HIGHWAY

Energy and Environment Cabinet
Celebrating 21 Years of Commonwealth Cleanup Week

March 23-30, 2019, marks the 21st anniversary of Commonwealth Cleanup Week. Commonwealth Cleanup Week is an annual week-long event implemented by the Energy and Environment Cabinet (EEC) and also kicks off the Great American Cleanup, spanning from March-December. Its purpose is to provide Kentucky communities with an opportunity to "spring clean," recycle and promote personal responsibility across the Commonwealth.

Who is Involved - The EEC, county solid waste coordinators, cities, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Bluegrass Greenways and East Tennessee. Beneficial are sponsoring this year's event, along with the Governor's Office, legislators, county and city officials, volunteer organizations and other state government entities. Eastern Kentucky PRIDE will be conducting cleanups in April as part of the Great American Cleanup.

What - Statewide cleanup and recycling event mandated by the 1998 Kentucky General Assembly to promote responsible solid waste practices.

Where - Throughout the Commonwealth.

When - Commonwealth Cleanup Week - March 23-30, 2019
Great American Cleanup - March 20 through December 31, 2019

Prizes - Civic, religious and nonprofit organizations can enter to win six separate \$100 prizes in a random drawing. To be eligible, organizations must register through their local solid waste coordinator and complete a cleanup project near the week of March 23-30, 2019. Group participation forms are available on the cabinet website at <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/Press/CW.aspx>.

We Need Law Enforcement Support!
The cabinet asks all law enforcement officials to step up efforts to cite for criminal littering and illegal dumping during the cleanups. We also request that county attorneys and district judges follow through with prosecution of littering and dumping citations during that time. Some useful laws for issuing citations are: KRS 433.757 (Littering Public Waters) and KRS 433.753 (Criminal Littering on Public Highway). For more information about Commonwealth Cleanup Week, please contact James Renner, your Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator at 506-256-1502. You may also contact Becky Block at the Division of Waste Management, (502) 782-6322, or by e-mail at Renner@rockcastlecounty.gov.

Kentucky Division of Waste Management

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY • COUNTY of ROCKCASTLE
ORDINANCE NO. 031219.2

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, KENTUCKY FOR A TIF DISTRICT SPECIAL FUND BOARD

WHEREAS, Rockcastle County, Kentucky and the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky desire to jointly participate in a Tax Increment Financing Development Plan for the Exit 62 Development Area; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to have a joint Board monitor, control and account for the incremental revenues received from the Development Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Fiscal Court of the County of Rockcastle, Kentucky that the Interlocal Agreement between Rockcastle County, Kentucky, and the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky attached hereto is approved and adopted in full.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED, AND GIVEN FIRST READING at a duly convened meeting of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky held this 12th day of March 2019.

APPROVED:
/s/ Howell Holbrook, Jr - Rockcastle County Judge/Executive

ATTESTED:
/s/ Patricia Martin - Fiscal Court Clerk

Copy of all documents pertaining to the ordinance available for viewing or inspection at the Rockcastle County Judge/Executive's office

Tiger Pause

Last week, students at Brodhead Elementary celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday joining Read Across America with guest readers, participation in themed events, and various classroom activities during the course of a themed dressed week. Students were treated to green eggs by our lunch staff on Tuesday morning. Thanks to the thoughtful lunch staff for adding to the special experience for our students.

Fourth grade students welcomed Mr. Jon Adams, Citizen's Bank Loan Officer, on Wednesday. Mr. Adams read the book "Oh the Places You'll Go". Students then painted balloons with water color paint for an activity in which they wrote about goals they had for their futures. Brodhead students are working on putting first things first, and working toward goals to measure self-success. Writing goals down and sharing our direction with others provides us with guidance to focus on the task that are meaningful and holds us accountable for our decisions.



Clifford Samlin of Christmas Tree Drive killed this 165 lb. boar in Gainesville in February of this year.

Resources will be available

Parent-Teacher Conference is next Tuesday at RCMS

A Parent-Teacher Conference will be held Tuesday night, March 19th from 3 to 6 p.m. at Rockcastle County Middle School.

Representatives at the conference will be from the following resources:

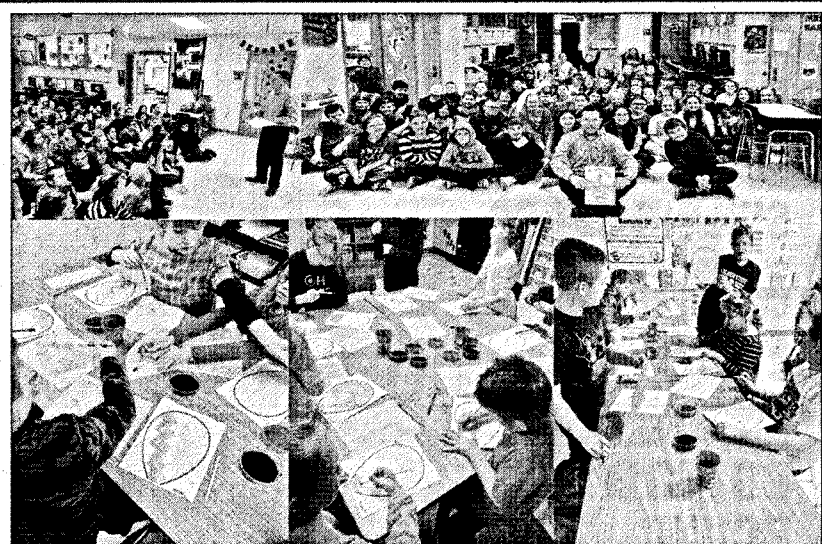
- **Gear Up** - A team of new staff members, placed at RCMS to provide early college and career awareness and readiness;
- **Youth Service Center** - The RCMS Youth Service Center's primary goal is to remove non-academic barriers to learning as a means to enhance student academic success;
- **KHEAA** - The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority provides postsecondary financial literacy and options;
- **UNITE Club** - An organization formed by RCMS students whose goal is to promote a drug-free life;

• **Somerset Mental Health** - A behavior health group formed to serve the families and children at a time of crisis, and

• **Rockcastle County Health Department** - A public health provider to protect and promote health and safety in Rockcastle County.

Join RCMS for a night of resources provided to every student and their parents!

We are here to help and make a difference.



Fourth grade students welcomed Mr. Jon Adams, Citizen's Bank Loan Officer, on Wednesday. Mr. Adams read the book "Oh the Places You'll Go". Pictured with Mr. Jon Adams and working on their goal balloons are Bryant Davis, Aubrey Clouse, Kayleigh Martin, Logan Cobb, Kaylee Neal, Kadya Feldman, Andrew Ashton, Logan Carpenter, Mariah Hecker, and Daniel Hunsucker.



Students pictured from Wacky Wednesday at BES during Dr. Seuss week from Mrs. Deanna's Wacky Wednesday classroom are Brody Campbell, James Perkins, Sophie Singleton, Evie Warrick Mason McKee, Addison Ashton, Jenna Shafer, and Isabella Sowder. From Mrs. Starla Benge's Wacky Wednesday classroom are Autumn Benge, Abby Bussell, Lilly Howard, Jaycee McIntosh, Haley Hopkins, Brayden Thacker, Alissa Martin, Noah Collins, Carson Coleman, Taylor Wilson, Harley McKinney, Adreona Douglas, Tara VanWinkle, Lucas Hayes, and Drew Dyehouse. From Mrs. Brittany McClure Wacky Wednesday classroom are Brody Hasty, Eli Wilder, Mackinley Johnson, Gracie Mullins, Jasmine Evans, Mackenzie Hayes, Anastasia Wallin, Khloee McFerron, Zoey Hughes, and Celia Brown.



The Rocket Ladies performed well at the KHSAA Archery Regionals in Wayne County on Saturday. The team scored a 1,715 and was led by Cecelia Burton with a score of 268. Emily Maupin shot a 262. Brooke Renner added a 258 to the team total. Lara Renner shot a personal best of 254. Alyssa Martin shot a 248, while Liz Renner added 207 to the team total after suffering a shoulder injury. Jasmine Johnson finished up the team score with a 175. The entire team will be shooting in Louisville next Friday at the NASP KY State Tournament. Pictured are front from left: Alyssa Martin, Cecelia Burton, Jillian Wallin, and Emily Maupin. Back row from left: Brooke Renner, Lara Renner, Coach Melissa Renner, Liz Renner, and Jasmine Johnson.

Garden Club News...

The Rockcastle Garden Club will meet Monday, March 18, at the Extension Office on West Main Street at 6:30 pm.

The program will be on Beekeeping.

Please feel free to bring a guest. Remember that annual dues will be collected at the meeting. For convenience, please have correct change of \$15.00. Checks should be made out to Julie Asher, in advance, if possible, to save meeting time.

There will be an election of officers. Please consider holding an office. Nominations will be taken from the floor.

There will be special guests. Susan Leo, Mt. Laurel District Director, and Carcille Burchette, State Vice President, are planning to attend.

All meetings are open to the public.

Minds in the Middle

Thursday will be the end of the third grading period. We will not have ESS or Art Club this Thursday. School is not in session on Friday.

Thank you to our kind kids of the week: Noah Phillips, Kynna Cass, and Aaron Asher.

Eighth grade students should have brought home information this week about class offerings at RCHS.

The eighth graders began their final fundraising effort for the eighth grade trip. They will be selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts and coffee through March 25th.

The Media Center's Spring Book Fair will begin on March 22nd and go through April 1st.

Make plans to attend our Spring parent-teacher conferences on March 19th. Our staff will be available from 3:15-6:00. Report cards may be picked up then.

'Surviving College' booklets can help freshmen

"Surviving College," a guide that helps college freshmen succeed during their first year on campus, is available free from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

The 36-page booklet includes sections about:

- Majors and class schedules.
- Staying healthy and safe on campus.
- Learning styles and study tips.
- Campus life.
- Financial basics.

KHEAA also provides "Surviving College for Adults," geared toward nontraditional students.

To order a free copy, send your email to publications@kheaa.com. Please include your mailing address.

Online versions of both are available on www.kheaa.com.

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

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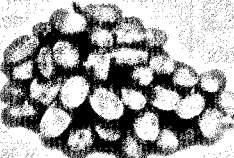
Rockcastle County Recycling Center
open for recycling drop-offs
The Rockcastle County Recycling Center is located at 2528 South Wilderness Rd (US 25 South) next to the Rockcastle County Road Department Garage and is open Monday thru Friday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. (closed on major holidays).
The following items may be recycled:
Newspapers w/inserts, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail, shredded paper (needs to be bagged), books, phone books (paper products cannot be plastic lined or coated), cardboard (corrugated and slick), plastics #1 Pet or Pete, plastics #2 HDPE, plastic grocery store bags, bread bags, and shrink wrap (no other sheet plastics can be accepted), 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 (we can no longer accept monitors of any kind) and all related accessories, telephones, radios, digital clocks, (no televisions of any kind), rechargeable batteries (if the battery says rechargeable on it, then it is recyclable), and large bulky metal items.
Clean used motor oil may also be dropped off at the Rockcastle County Road Department.
Recycling Drop-Off Trailers are available for use at:
Brodhead (at the back baseball field)
Conway (by Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.)
Livingston (between Liv. Fire Dept. & City Hall)
Pongo (by Pongo Volunteer Fire Dept.)
Climax (by Climax Volunteer Fire Dept.)
Violations may be issued for putting trash in the recycling trailers!!!
If you have any questions, you may call the Rockcastle Solid Waste Office at **606-256-1902**.
Funded in part through a grant from the Kentucky Pride Fund, Division of Waste Management.

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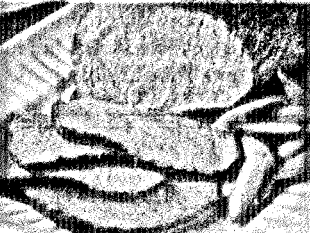
Lays Potato Chips 2/\$4  **DORITOS** 2/\$6  9.5 - 10 oz bag
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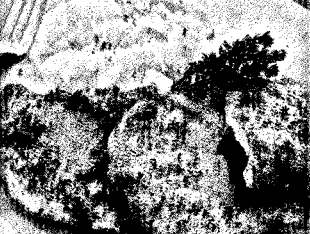
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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Conner Ford will compete in DC&P at Augusta April 7

Like most parents, John Ford wanted to do all he could to help his eight-year-old son Conner advance to the Drive, Chip and Putt finals at Augusta National Golf Club on the weekend before the Masters begins.

But, as he followed Conner around at The Honors Course in Ooltewah, TN recently in regional competition, his son effortlessly launching 245-yard drives, laser putts and deft chip shots, he also wanted him not to depend too much on his father for help.

"I've learned," he said, "that if you let your kids be, let them figure it out on their own, they'll play better."

And, so it was that Conner Ford of Mt. Vernon is no longer just the quarterback on his elementary football team or a proud member of his county's middle school golf team. Now he's headed to Augusta thanks to a 124 total that just nipped Grayson Baucom's 123.

"This is great, this is awesome," said Conner,

who said his favorite golfers are "Sergio Garcia and Freddie Couples."

Conner's mother, Angie, couldn't watch him compete in the regional. She took the couple's three-year-old son

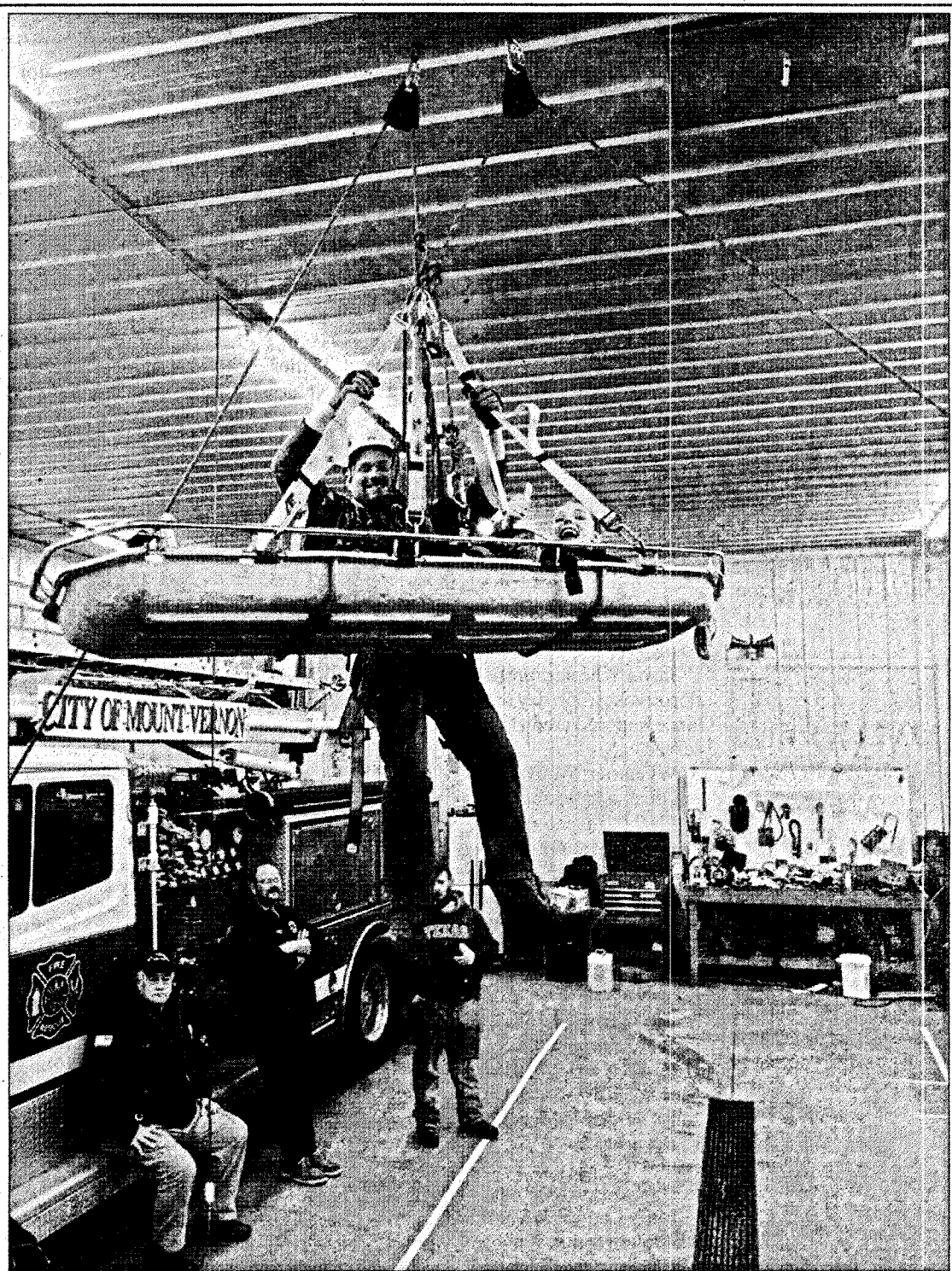
Out of the 70 kids who qualified for the DC&P finals at Augusta National Golf Club, The Golf Channel decided to do a story on seven of them. Conner was one of those chosen and it will air Sunday morning, March 17th on a show called The Morning Drive at 7 a.m.

Cooper and five-year-old daughter Ella to the car while Conner played. "I was getting texts," she said, "but I was afraid to watch. He's worked so hard for this."

Everything about Drive, Chip & Putt, which is jointly sponsored by Augusta National, the PGA of America and the United States Golf Association, is great and awesome if you ask Honors head pro Henrik Simonsen.

"We host a lot of events, but this is our favorite," Simonsen said. "You get it all. It's kids. It's competition. It's emotions, both the highs and the lows. We've absolutely loved this event."

The Honors hosted a DC&P regional last year, too. The club will likely fall off the rotation for at least the next two or three years, though it will almost certainly return at some point.



Hanging in there

Members of the Climax, Brodhead and Brindle Ridge Fire Departments all participated in training held at the Mount Vernon Fire Department last week. Training is a part of the monthly business at all fire departments and events are hosted by a local department each month. Last week's training centered around basic rope systems and operations. Shown here, Shelby Convery was in the basket as Michael Parsons attempted the mock rescue. All county fire departments are currently seeking volunteers.



Conner Ford

Derby Gala refashioned as Bourbon, Boots & BBQ

The Gala on Derby Eve is still a party, but it's now a party by another name.

Hospice Care Plus has announced that the Gala on Derby Eve is being refashioned for 2019 as the Bourbon, Boots and BBQ Derby Benefit.

"We're having a lot of fun organizing this change," said Chasity Coleman, director of development at Hospice Care Plus. "Part of the beauty of this event is that it has changed many times over the years to stay fresh and exciting."

Coleman says the most significant part of the name change is that it signals a more relaxed event in terms of attire, though the perks and party elements are as top-notch as ever.

"You can come in a dress and Derby hat or in country-western attire," said Coleman. "Either way, you still get to enjoy a one-of-a-kind party with all the amenities it has always featured."

In early February, Hospice Care Plus announced that this year's party will feature Walker Montgomery, country music sensation and son of John Michael Montgomery. Montgomery will perform a 90-minute concert

during the event and remain as a guest throughout the evening.

"Walker is there to help us celebrate the new name and new feel of the party," said Coleman. "What better way to transition to a country-western themed Derby party than to invite one of country music's rising stars?"

The 2019 Bourbon, Boots and BBQ will be hosted at the Madison County Fairgrounds Richardson Hall building.

Reservations for the Bourbon, Boots and BBQ Derby Benefit are \$100 per person and are available at hospicecareplus.org or by calling 859-986-1500. Reservations include the Walker Montgomery concert, dancing, dinner, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, open bar, and access to live and silent auctions. For a modest, additional fee, guests can purchase tickets for the bourbon-tasting area. Seating is limited, so early reservations are encouraged.

Now in its sixteenth year, all proceeds from the event go to support Hospice Care Plus care, programs, and services. For more information, contact Hospice at 859-986-1500 or hospice@hospicecp.org.

Jackson Energy sends students to Frankfort for leadership program

High school students from Jackson Energy's service area got a firsthand look at state government during last week's Frankfort Youth Tour.

Eight junior students from local high schools were selected to participate in the educational leadership program.

The students were Emily Reed, Lee County High School; Lindsey Combs, Owsley County High School; Nathaniel Drew Bullock and Lydia Whitworth, Rockcastle County High School; Matthew Thomas, Jackson County High School; Anna McWhorter, South Laurel High School; and Peyton Swanner and Jane Michael-Anne Hall, North Laurel High School.

The tour is coordinated by the Kentucky Electric Cooperatives and local cooperatives, like Jackson Energy.

Students toured the state capitol building, Old Capitol museum and the governor's mansion. They also heard presentations by Kentucky State Representative David Meade, Kentucky Electric Cooperatives President & CEO Chris Perry, Kentucky Secretary of Education and Workforce Development Derrick Ramsey, and Roxanne Lewis, with the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

"This program allows students the opportunity to learn about state government from leaders and professionals who work in Frankfort," says Jackson Energy Presi-

dent & CEO Carol Wright, "and they also learn about Kentucky's electric cooperatives and their role in local communities."



Representing Jackson Energy at the Frankfort Youth Tour were, front row from left: Anna McWhorter, Peyton Swanner, Lindsey Combs and Emily Reed. Back row from left: Lydia Whitworth, Jane Michael-Anne Hall, Nathaniel Drew Bullock and Matthew Thomas.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Katie Jo Cope, 27, Mt. Vernon, respiratory therapist and Brendon Tyler Linville, 26, Mt. Vernon, HVAC tech. 3/5/19
 Stacy Michelle Barron, 47, Brodhead, nurse and Russell Neal Blanton, Jr., 49, Crab Orchard, construction. 3/6/19
 Brook Ashley Carpenter, 34, Livingston, factory and Porter Lynn Smith, 43, Livingston, logger. 3/7/19

Deeds Recorded

Lavada Ruth Blevins, property in Rockcastle Co.; to Gerald and Sharla Kirby. Tax \$115
 Charles A. and Virginia Day, property in Brodhead, to Tabatha Sue Nickle. Tax \$4.50
 Estate of Goldie Adams Tudor, property on Flat Gap Road, to Sharon Jones and Roger Jones. Tax \$2
 Lavada Blevins, property in Rockcastle County, to Apryl Kirby. Tax \$0c
 Kentucky Highlands Community Development Corp., property on West Main St., Mt. Vernon, to Carrie Michelle Betsworth. Tax \$135
 Built-Wel Development Co., property in Brodhead, to Linda L. Whitt. No tax
 Masters, Whitt and Plummer, property in Brodhead, to Linda L. Whitt. No tax
 Masters, Whitt and Plummer, property in Rockcastle County, to Diane Masters and Cynthia Plummer. No tax
 Kentucky Highlands Community Development Corp., property on Lawrence Lane in Mt. Vernon, to David C. Nicholes. Tax \$101
 RCIDA and Rockcastle County, property on Main St., Livingston, to BHW Properties LLC. Tax \$1
 Darrell M. and Sheila A. Falin, property in Owens Subdv., to Cameron Properties. Tax \$16
 Richard and Virginia L. Bullock, property in Cedar Heights Subdv., to Cameron Properties. Tax \$9.50
 Connie S. Hunt, property on Owens St., to Lavada Blevins. Tax \$8.50
 Estate of William Henry and Chara L. Bryant, property in Rockcastle County, to Thomas W. and Brenda

S. Gadd. Tax \$150
 James C. and Crystal G. Baker, property on North Wilderness Road, to Dennis Clay and Brenda Lee Thomas. Tax \$226

District Court

March 4-6, 2019
Hon. Kathryn G. Slone
 Joshua David Bengel: theft by unlawful taking, \$100 fine plus costs and 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.
 Eric Christopher Hodson: failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, 5 days/to serve plus costs.
 Jason Wheeler: probation revoked/356 day sentence imposed/credit time served.
 Wyeamer W. Banks: failure to add taxable unit to taxable inventory, operate w/inactive/cancelled/revoked eight distance tax, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
 Speeding: Jonathan M. Denny, \$10 fine plus costs; Robert Lee Washington, Angela M. Denny, Daniel Carl Miller, Maegan Elise Sims, license suspended for fta;
 Brandon Evan Cope: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Mary Catherine Keith: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Ashley Marie: failure to wear seat belts, paid.
 Thomas J. Carpenter: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.
 Christina Lynn Coleman: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

District Civil Suits

Perry and Amy Mink Properties v. Brian Yauger, et al, eviction notice.
 Portfolio Recovery Assoc. LLC v. Gloria McKinney, \$1,095 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Assoc. LLC v. Tyler L. Christopher, \$1,915 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Assoc. LLC v. Mary Hutton, \$1,668 plus claimed due.
 Ephriam McDowell Regional Medical Center v. Sonya McGuire, \$350 plus claimed due.
 Cavalry SPVI LLC v. Roland Tankersley, \$726 plus claimed due.
 Bluegrass Credit Corp v. Leah Johnson, \$318 plus claimed due.
 Kassie Brook Brock v. James Lee Seals, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Lendmark Services LLC v. Amanda Hurt, et al, \$6,405 plus claimed due. C-00042

Nicholas D. Holt: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts, speeding, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Sean Michael Johnson: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 80 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.
 Danny R. Settles: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and possession open alcohol beverage

container in motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Randy E. Singleton: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Gregory Scott Durham: burglary, bw issued for fta.
 Adam D. Eversole: speeding and no/expired

registration plates-receipt, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 James Clifton Harris: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
 Sierra Peters: public intoxication, bw issued for fta.
 Gary Lee Ritchie: failure to wear seat belt, \$25 fine.

Arlon Edward Rodgers, Jr: no/expired registration plates-receipt, bw issued for fta.
 Devan G. B. H. Ashokbhai Patel: speeding and failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.
 Russell Dudley Stines: improper use of left lane/overtaking vehicle, license suspended for fta.
 Mary Jones Helton: disorderly conduct, 365 days/probated 24 months plus costs.



MIKE HARMON AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To the People of Kentucky

The Honorable Matthew G. Bevin, Governor
 William M. Landrum III, Secretary
 Finance and Administration Cabinet
 The Honorable Doug Bishop, Former Rockcastle County Judge/Executive
 The Honorable Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive
 Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances - Regulatory Basis of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statement which collectively comprise the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's financial statement as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

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

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

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

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court as of June 30, 2017, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the fund balances of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court as of June 30, 2017, and their respective cash receipts and disbursements, and budgetary results for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement taken as a whole of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules and the Capital Asset Schedule are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statement; however, they are required to be presented in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 19, 2018, on our consideration of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

- 2017-001 The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Does Not Have Adequate Internal Controls Over The Purchase Order System
- 2017-002 The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Did Not Budget For Or Post Lease Proceeds And Debt Payments Resulting In A Materially Misstated Fourth Quarter Report And Exceeded Line Item Budgets
- 2017-003 The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Did Not Obtain Bids When Required
- 2017-004 The Rockcastle County Detention Center Lacks Segregation Of Duties Over Receipts, Disbursements, And The Bank Reconciliation Process
- 2017-005 The Rockcastle County Detention Center Failed To Properly Reconcile The Commissary And Inmate Bank Accounts
- 2017-006 The Rockcastle County Jailer Did Not Pay Booking Fees Over To The Fiscal Court
- 2017-007 The Fiscal Court Did Not Ensure All Timesheets Were Prepared And Approved Prior To Payment
- 2017-008 The Fiscal Court And The Detention Center Have Conflicting Personnel Policies
- 2017-009 The Rockcastle County Jailer Lacks Adequate Internal Controls Over The Overall Environment Of The Detention Center
- 2017-010 The Rockcastle County Jailer Did Not Have Sufficient Internal Controls Over Disbursements
- 2017-011 The Jail Financial Statement Did Not Agree To The Inmate Cash Balance Report Or To The Bank Balances As Of June 30, 2017
- 2017-012 The Rockcastle County Detention Center Lacks Adequate Internal Controls Over The Inmate Accounts
- 2017-013 The Jailer Did Not Comply With Bidding Requirements Set Forth In KRS 424.260
- 2017-014 The Rockcastle County Jailer Does Not Deposit Receipts Daily
- 2017-015 The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Did Not Maintain Proper Records For Debt Service
- 2017-016 The Fiscal Court Had Overdrawn Bank Balances In Numerous Bank Accounts During Fiscal Year 2017

Mike Harmon
 Mike Harmon
 Auditor of Public Accounts

November 19, 2018

State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, and property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY • COUNTY OF ROCKCASTLE
ORDINANCE NO. 031219.1**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKCASTLE, KENTUCKY MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS CONCERNING AND ESTABLISHING A DEVELOPMENT AREA FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES WITHIN ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE EXIT 62 DEVELOPMENT AREA; APPROVING A LOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, THE COUNTY OF ROCKCASTLE, AND THE EXIT 62 DEVELOPMENT AREA TIF DISTRICT SPECIAL FUND BOARD establishing the process for administering the plan; ESTABLISHING AN INCREMENTAL TAX SPECIAL FUND FOR APPROVED PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS AND REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE; AND DESIGNATING THE EXIT 62 DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL FUND BOARD AS THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT, ADMINISTRATION, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE SPECIAL FUND; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE TO TAKE SUCH OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY OR REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AREA;

WHEREAS, Rockcastle County, Kentucky (the "County") by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "State"), Kentucky Revised Statutes, specifically Sections 65.7041 to 65.7083, as may be amended (the "Act"), is authorized to, among other things, (1) establish a Development Area to encourage reinvestment in and development and reuse of areas of the County, (2) enter into agreements in connection with the establishment and redevelopment of a Development Area, (3) establish a Special Fund for deposit of incremental revenues resulting from the redevelopment of a Development Area, and (4) designate an Agency to oversee, implement and administer the Special Fund for Approved Public Infrastructure Costs and Redevelopment Assistance costs, pursuant to the terms set forth in the TIF Documents, expended within a Development Area;

WHEREAS, the County desires to establish a "Development Area" to encourage investment and redevelopment within such Development Area and to pledge a portion of the "Incremental Revenues" generated from the redevelopment of such Development Area for the payment and reimbursement of Approved Public Infrastructure costs and Redevelopment Assistance costs expended within the Development Area pursuant to the terms set forth in the TIF Documents;

WHEREAS, the County has identified a Development Area that is a contiguous tract of previously developed land consisting of not more than three (3) square miles within the County, specifically described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, that is in need of redevelopment and which is not reasonably expected to be redeveloped without public assistance;

WHEREAS, several different development groups or their affiliates, separately and collectively, (the "Developers") have proposed the development of a mixed-use project within the Development Area;

WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to establish this geographic location as the Development Area to encourage investment and redevelopment within the Development Area;

WHEREAS, the County has agreed to support and encourage redevelopment within the Development Area by pledging certain Incremental Revenues to pay for and to reimburse Approved Public Infrastructure Costs and Redevelopment Assistance costs as more specifically set forth in the Local Participation Agreement;

WHEREAS, a "Development Plan," as defined in KRS 65.7041 to 65.7083 and KRS 154.30-101 to 154.30-090, has been presented for the consideration and adoption by the County, proposing the redevelopment of the Development Area by the Developers;

WHEREAS, the County, pursuant to the Act, held a public hearing on February 5, 2019 after giving proper notice concerning the County's intention to consider the adoption of the Development Plan;

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Development Plan and the establishment of the Development Area are for a public purpose, and the establishment and creation of the Development Area within the County is for the benefit and welfare of the County's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County deems it necessary to enact this Ordinance in accordance with the Act and for the purposes set forth and described herein and in the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED AND ADOPTED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 The capitalized terms set forth below when used herein shall have the following meanings:

"Act" means the Kentucky Revised Statutes, Sections 65.7041 to 65.7083, and Sections 154.30-010 to 154.30-090.

"Activation Date" shall have the meaning as provided in the Act.

"Administrative Costs" shall mean costs deemed necessary by the Agency related to oversight, administration and implementation of the Ordinance and all related TIF Documents.

"Agency" shall mean the Exit 62 Development Area TIF District Special Fund Board, which shall be responsible for administering the Special Fund and the Development Area Ordinance pursuant to the TIF Documents and the Act.

"Approved Public Infrastructure Costs" shall have the meaning as provided in the Act.

"County" shall mean Rockcastle County, Kentucky acting by and through the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court.

"Developer" or "Developers" shall mean the several different development groups, separately and collectively, their successors, affiliates, subsidiaries or related entities, who propose to develop the Development Area.

"Development Area" means a contiguous geographic area of previously developed land, located within the geographical boundaries of the County, which is created for economic development purposes by this Ordinance, in which one (1) or more Projects are proposed to be located and consisting of less than 3 square miles, as more specifically described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, to be known as the "Exit 62 Development Area";

"Development Plan" means the Tax Increment Financing Development Plan for the Exit 62 Development Area, which is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference herein.

"Establishment Date" means the date that the Development Area is established in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act.

"Incremental Revenues" shall mean the amount of revenues received by the City (and, if participating, revenues received by the County) with respect to the Development Area, and the State (if participating) with respect to the "Footprint" (as defined in the Act), by subtracting "Old Revenues" (as defined in the Act) from "New Revenues" (as defined in the Act) in a calendar year.

"Interlocal Cooperation Agreement" means the agreement that has been entered into by and between the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court and the City regarding the Development Area, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit E hereto and incorporated herein.

"KEDFA" means the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority.

"Local Participation Agreement" means that certain Local Participation Agreement for the Exit 62 Development Area by and between the City, the County and the Agency, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C hereto and incorporated herein.

"County Judge/Executive" means the Office of the Rockcastle County Judge/Executive, acting in his or her capacity as assigned and approved by the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, and/or acting in the capacity of the Agency.

"Mayor" means the Office of the Mayor of Mount Vernon, Kentucky, acting in his or her capacity as assigned and approved by the Executive Authority of the City, and/or acting in the capacity of the Agency.

"New Revenues" shall have the meaning as provided in the Act.

"Old Revenues" shall have the meaning as provided in the Act.

"Pledged Revenues" means that portion of the Incremental Revenues that are pledged by the City, County, and/or State into the Special Fund pursuant to the TIF Documents to be used pursuant to the terms of the TIF Documents and the Act.

"Redevelopment Assistance" shall have the meaning as provided in KRS 65.7045(30).

"Special Fund" means the Exit 62 Development Area Special Fund established in this Ordinance and maintained by the Agency for the purpose of holding the City, County, and/or the State's Pledged Revenues.

"State" means the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"Tax Incentive Agreement" shall mean that certain agreement(s) entered into pursuant to KRS 154.30-010 to KRS 154.30-090 of the Act by and between the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority and the Agency relating to the Development Area.

"Termination Date" shall have the meaning as provided in Section 4 of this Ordinance.

"The Exit 62 Project" or "Project" means a mixed-use development to be constructed in the Development Area, as more specifically described in the Development Plan.

"TIF Documents" means this Ordinance, the Local Participation Agreement, the Tax Incentive Agreement, the Development Plan, any Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, and related documents.

1.2 All capitalized terms used herein and not defined above or in the recitals to this Ordinance shall have the meaning as set forth in the TIF Documents and/or the Act, as applicable.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS

In accordance with the Act, the County hereby makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Development Area:

(a) The Development Area consists of a contiguous tract of land that is no more than three (3) square miles. The actual size of the Development Area is 1,652 acres, more or less.

(b) The Development Area is characterized by the following conditions that make it eligible for tax increment financing under KRS 65.7049(3):

1) A substantial loss of commercial activity has occurred. Once Mount Vernon's main attraction as a vibrant hub of tourism and commercial activity, Renfro Valley has found itself in a state of economic decline over the past several years. While the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center itself still hosts performers throughout the year, almost all of its supportive shopping, dining, and hospitality options have closed and fallen into disrepair (one row of buildings has been condemned by the health department). Its restaurant and hotel have closed, only two of the area's shops remain and are only open for a few hours a week, and the regular shows that used to take place in the old barn hosting local entertainment are no longer showing. Additionally, several other businesses in the area have seen very limited reinvestment and have suffered from decreased commercial activity. Instead of a vibrant attraction, the area has become home to a few fast food restaurants and gas stations scattered throughout that generate limited commercial activity.

2) Public improvements and public infrastructure are inadequate. While there are improvements being made to the Interstate near Exit 62, the area, overall, is significantly lacking in terms of the infrastructure needed to support the desired redevelopment. While the main corridors of the Development Area have been developed, the infrastructure is severely dated and unable to attract private investment and support the level of activity that the proposed Project will bring. The topography throughout the area adds significant barriers, as well, making redevelopment costs prohibitively expensive due to the earthwork that is required and the difficulty in providing utilities throughout. Rockcastle County also does not have any gas line connections, which makes large scale development and tenant attraction difficult. Additionally, the Project plans include the provision of significant public space and recreational facilities that the area desperately lacks, as well as improvements to the campgrounds and lake that will make boating and dock access more feasible.

3) There is a combination of factors that substantially impairs growth and economic development of the Development Area. Mount Vernon's location along I-75 allows an estimated average of over 50,000 vehicles to pass through it each day, and an estimated average of nearly 14,000 vehicles pass through US Highway 25, the City's main thoroughfare, each day. More importantly, in the spring and summer months, much of that traffic represents the millions of visitors heading south to Lake Cumberland from Ohio and northern Kentucky each year. However, due to significant infrastructure and topography constraints, the main corridor that these visitors travel through has remained drastically underdeveloped and underserved with regard to hospitality, entertainment, and commercial opportunities.

With proper infrastructure improvements, the area could attract private investment that would allow Mount Vernon to capitalize on its visibility from the interstate and bring significant spending into the community. The Project's proposed mix of uses could be highly impactful within the area and to the whole region, but the high development costs have prevented such growth from occurring and will remain a barrier to achieving meaningful private investment in the area without financial assistance from public sources.

c) The establishment of the Development Area will not cause the assessed taxable value of real property within the Development Area and within all "development areas" and "local development areas" established by the City (as those terms are defined in the Act) to exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total assessed taxable value of real property within Rockcastle County, Kentucky. The assessed value of taxable real property within the Development Area and the County for calendar year 2018 was \$19.4 million. The County has not previously established any other development area pursuant to the Act. The total assessed value of taxable real property within the County for the calendar year 2018 is approximately \$507.2 million. Therefore, the assessed value of taxable real property within all development areas is less than twenty percent (20%) of the assessed value of taxable real property within the County.

d) The Development Area is not reasonably expected to be developed without public assistance. The necessary public infrastructure costs within the Development Area are too high for the Project to occur without public assistance. It is estimated that the total cost of the public infrastructure improvements planned within the Development Area is approximately \$23.6 million. Without public funding, including the pledge of State incremental revenues under the Commonwealth Participation Programs and/or other State incentives, the proposed Project within the Development Area would not be possible.

e) The public benefits of redeveloping the Development Area justify the public costs proposed. As detailed in the Commonwealth Economics Report, attached hereto as Exhibit D, (the "Report"), the investment is estimated to reach \$94.9 million, only \$23.6 million of which is expected to be spent on public infrastructure costs. Over a 20-year period, the project is expected to support over 500 jobs annually and generate \$30.5 million in total economic impact each year. Its construction, alone, is estimated to generate a one-time impact that includes over \$94.9 million of construction spending resulting in \$34.3 million of labor income, support for 1,068 jobs, and \$110.1 million in total economic impact. While the City and County will pledge one-hundred percent (100%) of new ad valorem property taxes and occupational taxes to help pay for the proposed public infrastructure, it will generate significant new revenues from the other local taxes not pledged but still generated by the Project.

f) The area immediately surrounding the Development Area has not been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise, or that there are certain special circumstances within the Development Area that would prevent its development without public assistance. Very few portions of the area immediately surrounding the Development Area have been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise without the use of incentives, and certainly none to the extent contemplated by this Project. Additionally, certain circumstances within the development area would prevent its redevelopment without the use of public assistance.

SECTION 3. ESTABLISHMENT, NAME, BOUNDARIES

The Development Area, which is described on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, is located within the County and is hereby established and designated as the "Exit 62 Development Area." At the time of the enactment of this Ordinance, the Development Area is less than three (3) square miles.

SECTION 4. ESTABLISHMENT DATE, COMMENCEMENT DATE, TERMINATION DATE

The "Establishment Date" is the effective date of this Ordinance. The "Commencement Date" of the Development Area is the date of execution of the Local Participation Agreement. The "Termination Date" shall be the earliest to occur of (i) the date exactly twenty (20) years subsequent to the Activation Date for the pledge of Incremental Revenues, as more particularly set forth in the Local Participation Agreement and the Act, or (ii) the final payment of the Incremental Revenues and the use of such Incremental Revenues pursuant to the TIF Documents; provided, however, that if a Tax Incentive Agreement for the Project or a Local Participation Agreement relating to the Development Area has a Termination Date that is later than the Termination Date established in this Ordinance, the Termination Date for the Development Area shall be extended to the Termination Date of the Tax Incentive Agreement, or the Local Participation Agreement. However, the Termination Date for the Development Area shall in no event be more than forty (40) years from the Establishment Date.

SECTION 5. ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Rockcastle County, Kentucky, acting by and through its Fiscal Court, hereby adopts the Development Plan attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit B. The Fiscal Court hereby finds and determines that a public hearing was duly held on February 5, 2019 to solicit public comment on the Development Plan, following publication of notice thereof in accordance with Chapter 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended. It is hereby confirmed that a copy of the Development Plan was filed with the Rockcastle County Clerk on January 23, 2019.

SECTION 6. LOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The Rockcastle County Judge/Executive is hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of the County a Local Participation Agreement authorizing the pledge of a portion of the Incremental Revenues of the County from the Development Area into the Special Fund to be used for the reimbursement of Approved Public Infrastructure Costs described in the Act and Redevelopment Assistance costs that have been expended within the Development Area. The form of Local Participation Agreement to be signed by the Rockcastle County Judge/Executive on behalf of Rockcastle County, Kentucky shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated by reference herein, subject to further negotiations and changes therein as determined by the Judge/Executive in his or her discretion that are not materially inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the County. The approval of such changes by said officers, and that such changes are not substantially adverse to the County, shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of such Local Participation Agreement by such officials.

SECTION 7. SPECIAL FUND

There is hereby established a Special Fund of Rockcastle County, Kentucky to be known as the Exit 62 Development Area Special Fund, and County officials are hereby authorized and directed to issue to the Agency for deposit into the Special Fund, all Pledged Revenues. The Agency shall maintain the Special Fund unencumbered except for the purposes set forth in Section 8 hereof. Funds deposited in the Special Fund shall be disbursed in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act (i) to reimburse Approved Public Infrastructure Costs and certain Redevelopment Assistance costs within the Development Area, and (ii) to pay the Administrative Costs for administrative and other expenses that may be incurred by the Agency for the oversight, administration and implementation of this Ordinance and the Special Fund, and including but not limited to complying with any reporting requirements set forth in the TIF Documents, and costs for professional services related to the oversight, administration and implementation of this Ordinance and the Special Fund, as described in the TIF Documents, and/or the cost of any amendments to the TIF Documents.

SECTION 8. USE OF PLEDGED REVENUES

Pledged Revenues shall be deposited into the Special Fund created under Section 7 hereof, and shall be used solely to: (a) in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act, reimburse or fund certain Redevelopment Assistance costs described in KRS 65.7045(30)(e); (b) in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act, reimburse or fund Approved Public Infrastructure Costs; (c) in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act, reimburse or fund Administrative Costs; and (d) in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act, reimburse or fund costs that may be incurred for such other purposes as may be determined by the City and that are appropriate and in compliance with the purposes set forth in this Ordinance, the other TIF Documents, and the Act, as the same may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 9. AUTHORIZATION OF APPLICATION TO KED

The Judge/Executive and Agency are hereby further authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of the County one or more applications to KEDFA and related offices of the State in order to obtain State TIF participation with regard to projects within the Development Area.

SECTION 10. ANALYSIS

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court shall review and analyze the progress of the development activity in the Development Area on an annual basis or at Fiscal Court's discretion. Such reports shall, at a minimum, include (but not be limited to) a review of the progress in meeting the stated goals of the Development Area. The Agency and other County officials shall report to the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court during such reviews and shall, when necessary, invite developers to participate in the review process to report on the progress of their developments within the Development Area. The review and documentation supporting the review shall be forwarded to KEDFA in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act.

SECTION 11. DESIGNATION OF OVERSIGHT AGENCY

Pursuant to the Act, the County hereby designates the Exit 62 Development Area TIF District Special Fund Board as the "Agency" of the County for purposes of the Act, for the implementation, oversight, administration and review responsibility for this Ordinance and the Special Fund, as established hereby and in accordance with the TIF Documents and the Act. The Exit 62 Development Area TIF District Special Fund Board shall act on behalf of the County in administering this Ordinance and the Special Fund. Upon execution of the Local Participation Agreement, the County Judge/Executive, County Attorney and Agency are further hereby authorized and directed to execute any Tax Incentive Agreements and other agreements relating to the creation and establishment of the Development Area and the creation of the Special Fund. The County Judge/Executive, County Attorney and Agency is hereby further authorized and directed to take such additional actions and to execute such additional documents as may be required by KEDFA and other entities to meet all of the requirements of and to qualify to participate in a State TIF program(s) as set forth in the TIF Documents and the Act, and to carry out the intent of this Ordinance, including but not limited to negotiating and executing any Memorandum of Agreement and/or Tax Incentive Agreement among KEDFA and the County and/or the Agency pertaining to a pledge of State Incremental Revenues for the Project pursuant to the Act, all on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the County Judge/Executive in his or her discretion that are not materially inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the County. The Agency, acting on behalf of the County and City, shall have the right to utilize both the actual and anticipated future incremental revenues to be deposited to the Special Fund to assist in the financing of Approved Public Infrastructure costs and to otherwise provide Redevelopment Assistance in accordance with the purpose of this Ordinance and the Act. The County Judge/Executive, County Attorney and Agency shall obtain the approval and authorization of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court before executing amendments or modifications to any of the TIF Documents on behalf of the County that are materially inconsistent with the original version of such TIF Document and/or substantially adverse to the County.

SECTION 12. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION 13. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

All prior resolutions, municipal orders or ordinances or parts of any resolution, municipal order or ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, attestation, recordation and publication of a summary hereof pursuant to KRS Chapter 424.

GIVEN FIRST READING AND PASSED: 3/12/19 Second Reading: March 19th at 5 p.m.

APPROVED: Howell Holbrook, Jr. - Rockcastle County Judge/Executive

ATTEST: Patricia Martin/Fiscal Court Clerk

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Posted

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing, hunting, fishing or horseback riding on property or buildings belonging to Dwight, Carmen and/or Dustin Poynter, located at 3480 East Level Green Road and Hwy. 461. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. 4x12p

Posted: No trespassing on property located at KY Hwy. 3245, Brodhead and belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x22

Posted: No hunting or trespassing of any kind on Cameron property, formerly the Everett Farm at 1764 Poplar Gap Road, Orlando. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x15

Posted: No hunting or trespassing of any kind on the Cameron Property, formerly Eaton property, on

Lonzo Road, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x15

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing, or thieving, w/o permission, on land belonging to Kenneth Parsons and located at 1915 Poplar Grove Road. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x15

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

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted. 52x9

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

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

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Notice is hereby given that Gene Cromer, P.O. Box 4011, 5346 Sand Hill Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Rosie Cromer, deceased on the 4th day of February,

2019. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Gene Cromer or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before August 5, 2019 at 11 a.m. 7x3

Notice is hereby given that Mary V. Shelton, 8915 N Wilderness Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Jodie J. Shelton on the 25th day of February, 2019. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Mary V. Shelton or to B. Travis Newman, 722 Kentucky Home Life Bldg., 239 South 5th St., Louisville, KY 40202 on or before August 26, 2019 at 11 a.m. 7x3

Notice is hereby given that Alice Arlene Smith, P.O. Box 253, Livingston, KY 40445 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of William Monroe Smith on the 25th day of February, 2019. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Alice Arlene Smith or to Joseph P. Lambert, P.O. Box 989, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before August 26, 2019 at 11 a.m.

Notice is hereby given that Randall A. Renninger, 70 Birdie Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Sandra Renninger, 70 Birdie Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY on the 27th day of February, 2019. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Randall A. Renninger, 70 Birdie Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 or to Randy Martin O'Neal, P.O. Box 266, Richmond, KY 40475 on or before August 29, 2019 at 11 a.m. 7x3

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Legislative Update

By Jared Carpenter - State Senator

The pace of activity inside the Capitol is picking up as we rapidly approach the end of the 153rd Regular Session. With only a few days left to pass bills, the Kentucky General Assembly has been working in overdrive to develop the best legislative policy for the Commonwealth.



Many big issues have been addressed in this 30-day short session. This was one of our busiest weeks yet, as bills concerning abortion, medical marijuana, and education had Frankfort buzzing with visitors who attended rallies and committee meetings.

Policy relating to the use of e-cigarettes or "vaping" was also addressed. Senate Bill 218 would establish an anonymous system for students to report vaping and would encourage school boards to inform teachers and students of the dangers of e-cigarette use and nicotine addiction.

The major legislative priority, tax reform, was addressed this week, as the Senate took up the tax overhaul bill, House Bill 354. Amended by a Senate committee substitute, HB 354 would exempt nonprofits from collecting and remitting sales tax on admissions to charity events in addition to making it clear in statute that one-time fundraising events are not subject to the sales tax. HB 354 is now before a free conference committee, a joint committee of senators and representatives directed to reach agreement on legislation of which the two chambers are unable to agree.

The first bills of the session were signed into law by Governor Bevin during the sixth week of session. They include Senate Bill 77, a measure that would allow people to join Kentucky's organ donor registry via a single sign-on system, and Senate Bill 4, legislation that would require mandatory electronic filing of all candidates' campaign finance reports.

In a recent calendar revision, the General Assembly will begin its veto recess on March 15 and final adjournment of the 2019 Regular Session is now scheduled for March 28. The revised session calendar can be found online at www.legislature.ky.gov.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate Senator-elect Phillip Wheeler on his recent special election victory. The Senate Republican Caucus is proud to welcome him and know he will represent the 31st Senate District well.

Thank you for reaching out with your questions and concerns. It is an honor to represent you in Frankfort.

If you have any questions or comments about these issues or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-7181 or email me at Jared.Carpenter@LRC.ky.gov. You can also review the Legislature's work online at www.legislature.ky.gov.

Frankfort Update

By R. Travis Brenda
State Representative
Important bills still up for consideration during final days of session.



We are approaching the end of this year's session, with only four days remaining on the legislative calendar. While a handful of bills are still up for consideration, only a few will make it through the process to become law. In fact, as of today just 40 bills and three resolutions have passed both the House and Senate and two have been signed into law by the Governor.

Under the current legislative calendar, I will join fellow legislators for three days this week, then we will return on March 28 to deal with any unfinished business. This final day is always reserved to give us time to consider any vetoes that a Governor might issue on bills we have passed.

One important bill we sent to the Governor's desk this session is SB 31, which when signed into law will ensure that children in out-of-home care, like foster care, have frequent visits with their siblings in other out-of-home care. The ultimate goal is to keep children together, but that is not possible in some instances, making visitation rights critical. This measure better aligns our state law with the federal Family First Prevention Services Act, passed by Congress last year.

Among the bills passed by the House and sent to the Senate this week is HB 61,

a workforce development bill that I was proud to support. House Bill 61 would allow Kentucky students who have received a scholarship through the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program (KEES) to apply the scholarship towards a qualifying apprenticeship or qualified workforce training program. Qualified programs include those that are in one of Kentucky's top five high-demand work sectors - we are expanding the use of an effective tool to prepare our individual students for beneficial, well-paying careers while creating a skilled, prepared workforce for economic development purposes.

House Bill 298 also passed the House this week. This bill is aimed at a horribly troubling trend in child obscenity. In recent years, there has been an increase in videos and images depicting children younger than 12, some of whom are infants. House Bill 298 amends our current child obscenity laws to raise the penalty for possession or viewing of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor under the age of 12 years to a Class C felony. It also raises the penalty for distribution of matter portraying a sexual performance of a minor under the age of 12 years to a Class C felony for the first offense and a Class B for each subsequent offense.

Another bill heading to the Senate is a measure that would designate a special flag to honor fallen U.S. military service members and veterans. House Bill

406 would name the "Honor and Remember" flag as the state's official emblem in honor and remembrance of U.S. service men and women who died "in the line of duty"—including those killed while serving or as a result of serving, which the Honor and Remember flag official web site says includes death as a result of PTSD, exposure to Agent Orange, and other causes. This was done in honor of all of those men and women who have sacrificed their lives for our nation and state, and in honor of the approximately 22 and more a day who are still sacrificing their lives. At least a dozen states have passed legislation similar to HB 406.

Members of the House Judiciary Committee approved SB 97, a Senate bill that seeks to speed up and improve the processing of sexual assault forensic evidence kits. Law enforcement has repeatedly voiced concerns that these kits are backlogged, and that hurts ongoing investigations. SB 97 requires the Kentucky State Police to create a tracking system for sexual assault forensic evidence kits. Among the requirements for the tracking system is a website that would allow victims to track where in the process their kit is, granting them some peace of mind.

I also soon expect to take up a measure which has already passed the House Economic Development Committee, and would provide more opportunities for beginning farmers. SB 246 would create a farmer small

business tax credit underneath existing small business tax incentive programs, and would allow a farmer to receive a credit for selling their farm to a beginning farmer. The maximum credit for each year is \$25,000, and \$100,000 for a lifetime.

Members of the House and Senate are working on compromises on two pieces of legislation. The first is HB 354, which makes some changes to tax reform legislation passed last session and clarifies some misinterpretations by the state in how existing tax law was enforced. The second, HB 268, opened up the state budget to take care of some immediate spending needs, as well as make an investment in our failing state park system. I expect a compromise on both bills.

I hope to update you on more action next week and provide an end of session review, in the meantime I can be reached here at home anytime, or through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181.

If you would like more information, or to e-mail me, please visit the legislature's website www.legislature.ky.gov.

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 18-CI-00203**

US Bank National Association Plaintiff

V.

Donald V. Couch, et al Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 28, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SEVENTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 48/100 (\$78,725.48) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, March 15, 2019
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #060-00-029.08
25 Richards Lane, Orlando, KY 40460

The real property is improved with a 2006 Fleetwood Lakespr mobile/manufactured home, Serial No. TNFL627A31289-LS12, which has been affixed to the property and converted to real estate.

Being the same property conveyed to Donald V. Couch and Leslie Gibbons, no marital status given, by deed dated January 7, 2008 and recorded in Deed Book 221, Page 71 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. The purchaser shall pay the 2019 local, county and state property taxes.
4. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

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

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 18-CI-00109**

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Plaintiff

V.

**Troy L. Durham, Karen A. Durham
and United States of America,
Department of Justice Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 28, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWO HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS AND 57/100 (\$236,670.57) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, March 15, 2019
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #033-80-00-058 and 033-80-00-059
19 Silver Mist Corner, Mount Vernon, KY 40456

Being the same property conveyed to Troy L. Durham and Karen A. Durham, husband and wife, by deed dated January 11, 2013, executed by Allen Hendrickson, et ux. and recorded in Deed Book 242, Page 251 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. The purchaser shall pay the 2019 local, county and state property taxes.
4. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

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

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 18-CI-00108**

Jon Hummel and Martha Hummel Plaintiffs

V.

**Paulette Hendricks n/k/a Paulette
Hendricks-Meyers and William Lewis
Meyers and United States of America
acting by and through the Treasury,
Internal Revenue Services Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 14, 2019 for satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of THIRTY THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 96/100 (\$33,875.96) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, March 15, 2019
Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.**

Said property being more particularly described as follows:

PVA Map #001-00-008.01
1397 Rich Farm Road, Crab Orchard, KY 40419

Being the same property conveyed to Paulette Hendricks nka Paulette Hendricks-Meyers by deed dated May 22, 2004, and recorded in Deed Book 199, Page 614 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. The purchaser shall pay the 2019 local, county and state property taxes.
4. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

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