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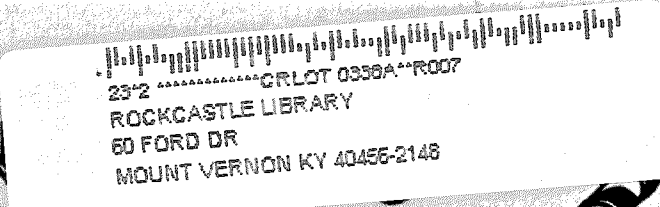
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Election Day held Tuesday

The May Primary Election in Kentucky is now complete. Tuesday, May 16 was Election Day though many apparently voted early for the Primary Election.

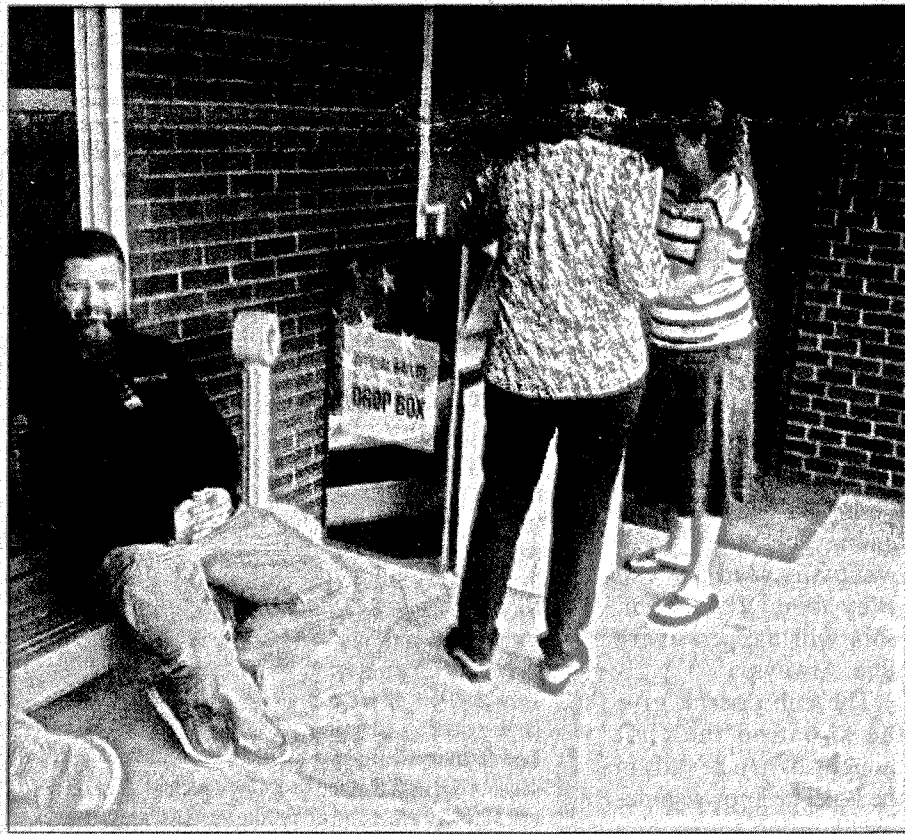
Early absentee voting began May 3-5 and 8-10 and early in-person voting (no excuse required) was held May 11 through 13.

This year's primary election included both Republican and Democrat party candidates and offices up for election include the Governor, Auditor of Public Accounts, Kentucky State Treasurer and Commissioner of Agriculture.

Republicans running for Governor include
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Shown above Election workers Brenda Bullock, Joyce Lear, Kim Hunter and Darla Reams-Moore, waited for voters to cast their ballot Tuesday in the May Primary Election. Shown at right, Anita Moore and Marissa Hayes, gather early votes from the ballot box outside the courthouse last week. Election Day was Tuesday but results were not known at press time. See next week's issue of the *Signal* for details and Rockcastle County results.



Two day event Blast in the Valley event is back

By: Mike French
 Editor

The Blast in the Valley is apparently back.

One of the most well attended events in Rockcastle County has historically been the Blast in the Valley event hosted by the fiscal court, the City of Mount Vernon and the Rockcastle County Tourism Department. The event has been a tourist attraction throughout central Kentucky and brings a huge number of Rockcastle residents out for the festivities, according to organizers.

However, with the COVID restrictions, some reported accidents during fireworks display events and the skyrocketing prices of the fireworks themselves, at one point the event had dwindled to a small token of its former glory. The typical weekend-long celebration filled with countless activities and huge crowds had been reduced to a short fireworks display and no other activities, say officials with the county and the city.

However, after several meetings between the three supporting entities and interested officials, it appears the 2023 Independence Day Celebration known as the "Blast in the Valley," may be back in a big way.

"I think some recent years, fireworks have cost over \$37,000 and wasn't as big as it used to be," said Mount Vernon Mayor Tim Roberts. "We had three meetings with the city and the county and the tourism department and we think we have a good event lined up for the people this year."

Each year the City of Mount Vernon and the fiscal court split the cost of the event and the

See "Blast" on A5)

Driver's License news

The Department of Transportation will be in Rockcastle County on June 2, 2023 to issue Driver's Licenses, ID's and the Travel ID. Register online beginning May 19 at Drive.ky.gov. Walk-ins will not be accepted. The event is brought to you by Circuit Court Clerk Eliza Jane York-Hansel and Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr. Only 36 appointments are available and the event will be held at the Emergency Operations Center at 755 Progress Drive in Mount Vernon.

COVID Report

According to the Cumberland Valley District Health Department there have been 3 new cases of COVID reported in Rockcastle County in the past 7 days. There were an additional 5 probable cases reported.

Mount Vernon

The Mount Vernon City Council regular monthly meeting is scheduled for tonight Thursday, May 18 at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Livingston asks to use 40 acres for tourism

By: Mike French
 Editor

Livingston Mayor Larry Davidson approached the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, during their regular monthly meeting last week, with a request concerning county-owned property

inside the Livingston City limits.

Usage of the 40-acre area in Livingston has been addressed several times, over the past few years, with plans, at one time, to create a park or tourist attraction, but nothing has gone further

than discussion. Recently the fiscal court discussed possibly selling the property but Mayor Davidson asked the court to avoid such a sale. Davidson said the property could be used for several beneficial purposes.

However, magistrates have continued to express their desire to sell the property. Davidson told the court last Tuesday that the City of Livingston is offering to manage the property and use city funds to build shelters, restrooms, trails and possibly rental cabins and more, if the court would keep the property. "We can work out some kind of contract with the county that allows us to manage the property and use city funds to develop

the space to attract more tourism dollars to our city," said Davidson.

The mayor suggested a contract would be needed

to prevent the sale of the property after the city had invested funds into the property and to guarantee

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Nuisance Ordinance to be adopted in City of Livingston soon

By: Mike French
 Editor

Amid some complaints of dogs and cats running free in the city and issues with dilapidated structures, as well as untidy areas, the City of Livingston has approved the first reading of a new Nuisance Ordinance.

The City approved the first reading of the Nuisance Ordinance, dealing

with such issues that officials consider a nuisance or a danger to the general public, at their regular monthly meeting last week.

The purpose of the 12 page ordinance is stated as protecting, promoting and improving the health, safety and welfare of the citizens residing within

See "Nuisance" on A5)

Relay For Life will be June 16

The theme for the 2023 Relay for Life event will be "Wish Upon a Cure."

This year's Rockcastle County event will be observed Friday, June 16 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Rockcastle County High School.

Organizers say in honor of your battle against cancer, the 2023 Relay for Life of Rockcastle County would like to extend to you a special invitation to participate in the survivors' Celebration Dinner.

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ramblings...

By: perlina m. anderkin

Having a hard time getting my "feel good" days together enough to return to the Signal (prior to this week, I've been here four hours since mid-January).

A big part of the problem is that I have discovered I actually like the hermit life, you know, standing at my front door and yelling at everyone "get off my lawn!"

Of course, this is all contingent on my girls, Travis and grandchildren catering to my every whim and so far that is working out just fine.

However, one of the drawbacks is that I have more time to try to keep track of how our government is methodically destroying our nation, thus ensuring many sleepless nights while I come to terms with the fact that there is nothing we can really do about it. You see, the Democrats have a perfect plan in place to steal elections nationwide and thus retain power until our country is completely brought to its knees.

We are seeing the fruits of pPresident Biden's wide open Southern Border policy with no vetting whatsoever of who is coming across.

For every stash of drugs our border patrol finds, there are bound to be 10 they don't. As a result, 130,000 Americans have died from drug overdoses since the current regime was installed. Not to mention the rampant sex and child trafficking -- over 90,000 children have been lost track of by our government since Biden took office.

But, there is one thing this administration can be proud of, they take care of their illegal immigrants (mostly young men in excellent physical shape, by the way) -- even to booting homeless veterans from hotels in upstate New York to presumably make room for said illegals, according to a nonprofit working with the veterans.

I mean, can you say, "Wow, that's impressive?" I certainly can't.

But, aside from that major problem, the Democrats hate any lull in our military aggression so we are now sinking our treasure (treasure on credit by the way) into Ukraine to shore up an illegal government installed by us several years ago.

I am not a fan of Russia, God knows, but I am to the extent that President Vladimir Putin has made it clear that Russia will not be participating in the World Economic Forum's (WEF) global government -- you know, the one whose motto is "you will own nothing and you will be happy about it."

Our Senator Mitch McConnell said that Ukraine must be defended at all costs since it is the most important issue facing our country today. Well, so far, we are "defending" Ukraine to the tune of over \$130 billion dollars.

But, speaking of Russia, are you surprised to hear that Special Counsel John Durham, after a three year investigation, concluded that the FBI should never have launched a full investigation into connections between Donald Trump's camp and Russia during the 2016 election, according to his report which was released Monday.

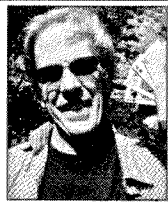
The 300 page plus report says the FBI used "raw, unanalyzed and uncorroborated intelligence to launch the Cross Fire Hurricane" investigation into Trump and used a different standard of weighing concerns about alleged election interference regarding Hillary Clinton's.

Actually, the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* each won a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting (20 stories in all), which, of course, the Pulitzer committee is not

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



We just passed a very special holiday in my opinion. Mother's Day, in my view, doesn't get enough recognition.

Christmas is the biggest holiday in America and it seems we start celebrating it immediately after Christmas Day every year. Thanksgiving and Veterans Day are big deals too

But there is nothing like a Mother. I have talked before about my time watching animals and insects and a mother's instincts is the most amazing and powerful instinct on earth. It is just in their psyche. It is wired into their brain and their very soul the moment their child is born. For all animals, including humans, mothers are suddenly the T-Rex of the world the instant their child is born. They will stand face-to-face and fight a bear, without hesitation, to protect their offspring. The instinct is more powerful than the need to eat or sleep. Their entire life becomes centered around protecting, raising and benefiting their child at all cost.

Many people, including myself, don't notice the little things in life until they are old enough to appreciate them. In the past ten years I have noticed things that I never dreamed was going on around me all my life. I just assumed things work out and life is fair. Only recently have I begun to notice that there are hidden hands (besides our Guardian Angels of course) who are making those good things happen to us. We just don't realize it as younger people.

If a cub falls into a hole, its mother will pull it out and save its life. If they don't leave the area, the cub will fall back into the same hole again and the mama will get it out again. The mother will eventually lead the cub away from the danger. This will happen every time. Always.

The cub doesn't give the situation the first thought. When he falls in the hole, he knows someone is going to get him out. It is no big deal. The problem will be solved and he will be free to fall into it again. What he doesn't notice is, it is his mother getting him out and without her, he would starve and die in that hole.

We humans are the same. It may not be an actual, physical hole. But we fall constantly and are rescued from our situa-

tion. Somehow, it just "worked out" for us. Guess what? It was probably our mom that rescued us. We just took it for granted.

Working behind the scenes, with no credit or compensation, our moms talked to the right people, bragged on us at the right time, held us up when others would put us down and pulled us out of the hole when others were glad we fell. Mothers spend their time sowing, watering and caring for seeds that will grow into our future. They dedicate themselves to our betterment even at the cost of their own troubles.

Very few of us have a better friend on Earth than our mother. Though we ignore them in our teen years and forget them in our married years, they are still right there and on our side. We leave our father and mother and cleave unto our spouse as it was meant to be. But we never stop being under our mother's constant care.

In my old age, I have finally begun to notice what mothers do. I watch my better half do things for her son that she knows he will never know about. And yet she doesn't hesi-

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Memories of Mother's Day

Today is Mother's Day and I'm just sitting here looking out of our front window watching the day pass. It seems that today has been rather somber with dark clouds and rain at only a moment's notice away. Stanley asked me what I wanted to do today and I told him that I didn't really know and that I really didn't want to do anything. He made me a nice lunch a little bit ago and I ate a few bites of it, not that I was really hungry. Probably later in the afternoon, we may take a little drive to no particular destination just to get out of the house a little bit. I think I need to get out

This, as usual, has been a rather difficult day for me as well as many other people. I just sit and think of what used to be. Usually, I would have taken Mom and my grandma out to eat and given each of them a gift. I'm thankful for the days that we did have together. I never met my paternal grandmother but I hope to get to meet her one day and we can get acquainted. When I was younger and working, there were a few elderly widows living in our

neighborhood. I would take each of them a corsage, usually an orchid, on Saturday evening so they would have something to wear to church the next morning. Their children had already died and they had nobody to notice them on their day, even their husbands. They usually cried and I did too when I gave it to them. I was glad that I could do something for them to let them know that they were cared for and weren't forgotten. They too are all gone now.

My heart goes out to the new members of the "club", the ones who are new to this, that their mother has died since Mother's Day last year. Their emotions are just all over the place and they are at a loss as to what to do or say. Yes, just go on and talk all you want, it will make you feel a little better...but this is coming next year and for every year the rest of your life. Just do whatever it takes to get you through.

It has just been in very recent years that I came to realize something. All of those Mother's Day's, Christmases and other such days when Mother

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This nice brick home offers large living room w/ fireplace, eat-in kitchen w/ lots of cabinetry, built in range and oven, 3bedrooms, 2 baths, utility room and carport w/ outdoor fireplace.

Most of the house has carpet and vinyl in the kitchen, bath and utility room. The house has central heat & air, shingle roof and large wrap around deck. In addition to the house, there is a large storage building, all situated on a spacious 1 acre lot.

Personal Property:

This auction offers a large selection of well kept furniture and personal property including La-Z-Boy couch w/ dual recliners, Maytag washer and dryer, like new La-Z-Boy recliner, LG refrigerator, Kenmore upright freezer, 4 piece bedroom suite, upholstered sofa, coffee and end tables, large gold leaf mirror, sofa table, several lamps, several baskets, 5 piece maple dinette set, bakers rack, old school desk, numerous linens and doilies, quilt rack, waterfall wardrobe, Fireking and Correll dishes, Corning Ware, like new roaster, Rainbow vacuum, Samsung flat screen tv, 3 piece bedroom suite, oak dresser, oak chest of drawers, assortment of prints, collectible dolls including Barbie, full size bed, electric trolling motor, aluminum truck toolbox, various Christmas items, several totes, bench vise, and tools, large assortment of pots and pans, antique coal bucket, fireplace set, old nail keg and much, much more.

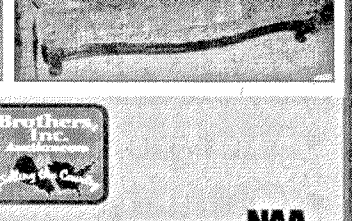
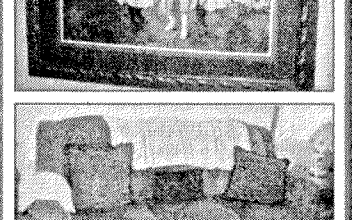
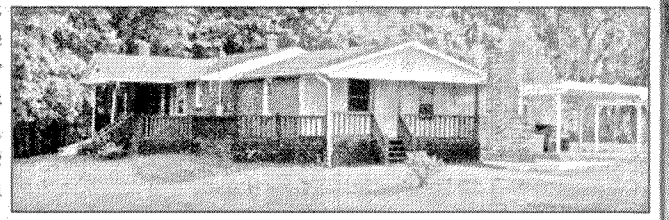
Preview: Thursday, May 25th from 3-6 p.m.

Auctioneer's Note: If you're looking for a well-maintained home in the country but close to town or a well cared for furniture and personal property, mark your calendar now to attend this absolute auction.

Note: The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property of lead-based paint. The period for inspections begins May 24th through June 2nd. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day inspection period.

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Great Salt Petre Cave Open House on May 20

The Great Saltpetre Cave Open House weekend will be May 20th and 21st this year!

Open House weekend is the one time each year that the preserve is open to anyone to stop by for a tour of The Great Saltpetre Cave.

Events will begin Saturday and Sunday from 10am with the last tour starting at 4pm

No reservations are required and visitors may drop in anytime between those hours.

Events will include Free guided tours of the cave, free soup beans and cornbread, A food concession stand operated by the Livingston Vol. Fire & Rescue, A souvenir concession stand and Friendly conversation under the shelter

The cave has electric lights and is walkable featuring a generally flat floor and wide open spaces (outside of the optional 'Pinch Em Tight Alley'). Dress for the cave environment is recommended to be comfortable shoes and a light jacket (the cave is 57°F

year round), and the tour last one hour.

Admission is free but donations to assist with the preservation and upkeep of the cave and preserve are always appreciated!

Accessibility: Handicap parking is provided with a gravel path to the cave entrance, with an accessible toilet facility off the path. While slightly bumpy, the majority of the cave can be maneuvered through in a wheelchair, walker, or stroller including the often pictured Echo Auditorium.

Those wearing baby carriers are able to navigate 95% of the cave (all but Pinch Em Tight Alley). In all cases a volunteer is happy to break off from the group and navigate you back to the entrance.

The Great Saltpetre Cave is on the National Register of Historic Places and just like other caves, smoking, vaping, spitting, littering, writing on the cave walls, disturbing wildlife, and taking anything out of the cave (with the exception

of trash, are not only frowned upon, but illegal as well. Animals, with the exception of service animals, are not permitted in the cave.

Please do not wear flip flops.

Directions:
From the north, take I-75 to exit 59 (the second Mt. Vernon exit). Turn left to go under the interstate.

From the south, take I-75 to exit 59 (the first Mt. Vernon exit from this direction). Turn right.

Turn left just before the Shell station. This will be 1004. This road winds through the countryside, sometimes on ridgetops and sometimes down in valleys. You will come to a railroad track, followed immediately by a concrete bridge over a small river and a T intersection on the other side of the bridge. Turn right, continuing on 1004. This is now called Big Cave Road. You are about halfway there. Continue winding through the countryside. When you see the next concrete bridge, the road will rise beyond it, and at the next bend in the road will be the entrance to GSP. You will see a sign. It is a total of 9.1 miles on Route 1004.

T.J.s

(Continued from A2) and Grandma were making you feel so good and so special, and all was so good and all things were happy, they were grieving in silence for the loss of their mom or grandma. (or father or grandpa as the case may be). I guess it is a never ending cycle.

ramblings...

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expected to be asked to return..

On reflection, apparently the only ones who weren't involved in Russian collusion were Donald Trump and the Russians.

But one thing I will have to give Democrats credit for is their tenacity to bring this country to its knees. They are causing us to be as divided as we were after our Civil War, in my opinion.

They are championing every far left idea they can come up with from destroying women's sports, and throwing Title IX on the ash heap of history, to men can have babies to using a transgender woman for recruiting for the U.S. Navy.

New York DA Alvin Bragg, who got the rule of law changed so he could charge Trump with 34 "charges" after the Statue of Limitations on the incident had run out.

The charges have to do with a \$130,000 payment to a hooker in hush money. The whole affair wound up with a judge ordering the hooker to pay Trump \$500,000 in court costs but Bragg evidently thinks he can do better. We'll see.

Trump also recently had to stand trial for the alleged rape of a woman in the late 90s. During the trial, the woman admitted she couldn't remember

the exact date of the alleged rape. Anyway, Trump lost. The jury did not find him guilty on the rape charge but still found him guilty of defamation of the woman for denying he raped her. Go figure.

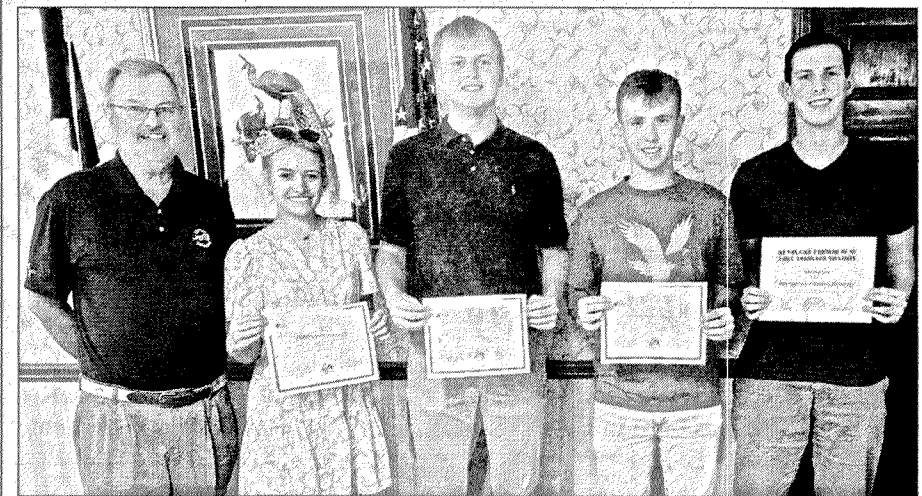
In a commencement address at Howard University recently, Biden told graduates that white supremacy is the nation's greatest threat but his administration is subsidizing the broadcast of Nation of Islam propagandist Louis Farrakhan's hateful rhetoric over public radio, paid for by taxpayers.

Farrakhan, you will recall, has spent his life calling for the total destruction of Israel.

There is solid grounds for the impeachment of Biden, VP Harris (Biden's appointed "Border Czar"), Secretary of Homeland Security Mayorkas and Secretary of State Blinken over their deliberate instigation of the invasion of our country by over 6 million illegal immigrants, so far.

Article IV, Section 4 of our Constitution REQUIRES our government to protect and defend our borders. If government does not, the constitution, by virtue of the named part herein, AUTHORIZES the free citizen(s) to defend themselves and their state in place of TREASONOUS GOVERNMENT.

If Republicans have the nerve to do it or not, we'll have to wait and see but they will be doing this country a great disservice if they do not.



We would like to congratulate our winners on behalf of the Rockcastle County Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation on receiving the 2023 scholarship that was presented at our board meeting on May 9th. We Wish our recipients the best on their bright futures ahead. Pictured from left are: Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation President, Terry Lawson and scholarship winners Emma Ballinger, Kaden Kidwell, Dalton Gibbs and Silas Durham.

Aces

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tate. It isn't the credit or the accolades she seeks, It is her son's happiness she is after. I love my step son as one of my own. But he will never know what all I have seen her do for him. And she doesn't want him to know. She wants him to think he did it himself.

Watching and noticing this, I have begun to realize, just a few of the things my mother did for me throughout my life. Even to her last days, she was doing these same things for me. I just didn't know it. I thought I was just that good. I thought life was just that simple.

Anyway, I guess anyone my age has started noticing this. Mother's deserve all the "thank you's" we can muster. But in most cases we just don't know what to thank them for.

I pray all had a great Mother's Day. Someday, may your child know just some of the sacrifices you made for them. If not, you won't mind. That's what mother's do.

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Monday, May 22nd: Brodhead, Copper Creek, Green Hill, Fairview and Brindle Ridge.

KPR Meeting May 23rd
The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, May 23rd at David's Steak House in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Retirees (and spouses) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS are welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

Volunteer Training
New Volunteer Training, Saturday, May 20. Hospice Care Plus is hosting a group training for new volunteers on May 20 in Richmond. The training prepares participants to support those with a serious illness in a variety of ways in their own community, directly or indirectly. To register for questions, contact Mariah at 859-986-1500, hospice@hospicecarecp.org or visit hospicecareplus.org.

Kiwanis Club Meeting
The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club now meets at Limestone Grille each Thursday at noon. Kiwanis is a service organization working to improve the lives of children. The public is invited.

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

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

VFW Post 5908
Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all military service members and their families. The post is open by appointment only, currently. If you would like to rent our event hall for special occasions, please call the number below. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander Michael Parsons 859-308-3568 and/or District Commander William B.J. Thomason at 606-392-1207.

Mt. Vernon Lions Club
The Mt. Vernon Lions Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Limestone Grille.

American Legion Post News
The David M. Smith American Legion meets at Limestone Grille the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. If you wish to eat before the meeting, arrive at 5 p.m. For more info, call Commander Kathy Bobo at 606-308-1208 or Chaplain B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882.

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.

Rockcastle UNITE Coalition
The Rockcastle County UNITE Coalition meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon at Marcella's Farm to Fork Restaurant to plan activities Please join us each month.

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

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

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only: Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn Pope, 606-308-3099 or Shell Bader 606-219-5653.

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

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

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on April 10, 2023, scheduling a hearing to be held on May 31, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Richard Raff Hearing Room of the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses in Case No. 2022-00371. This is in the Matter of an Electronic Tariff Filing of Kentucky Utilities Company for Approval of an Economic Development Rider Special Contract with Bitki-KY, LLC.

This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP-SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM, SUNDAY SERVICE 11 AM, SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE & MIDDLE-HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 6:00 PM-WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE & K-5TH GRADE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 7PM

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Obituaries

"Tuck" Rigsby

Danny Lee "Tuck" Rigsby, 65, of Cove Branch, husband of Louise Rigsby, died Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at his home. He was born in Berea on May 3, 1957, the son of Marvin E. and Eula Mae Mullins Rigsby. He enjoyed gardening and going to the races and was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church. He enjoyed visiting other churches and gospel singings and often visited the nursing home. He loved to cook and watch Westerns on TV. Tuck never met a stranger and was always ready to lend a helping hand to whom-ever asked. He loved his family very much and will be sorely missed.



He is survived by: his wife, Louise Robinson Rigsby; his children, Bobby (Crystal) Rigsby of McKinney, and Kevin (Ashley) Robinson of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, David (Debbie) Rigsby of Lexington, Dennis (Leslie) Rigsby of Mt. Vernon, and John Rigsby of Orlando; four sisters, Sue (Lee) Bullock of Orlando, Jan (Jeff) Robinson of Brodhead, and Kathy Owens and Tammy Jamison, both of Mt. Vernon; and six grandchildren, Presley, Huxley, Avaley, Chesney, Allison, and Andrew. Several nieces and nephews also survive. In addition to his parents, Marvin and Mae Rigsby, he was preceded in death by a brother, Wayne Rigsby, and a nephew, Cody Mann Robinson.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 8, 2023 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Keith Carr, Jerry Owens, and Bill Mink. Burial was in Johnetta Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Brian Bond, Lee Bullock, Allen Carpenter, Phillip Hampton, Kenny Miller, Tim Owens, Mitchell Rader, and Dallas Rigsby.

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

Card of Thanks

Anna Mae Mullins

The family of Anna Mae Mullins would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of love during Mae's short illness and passing. Thank you for the prayers, cards, gifts, phone calls and messages.

Special thanks to the staff at the Terrace, Hospice and Betty Mullins for Mae's care.

Thank you to Dowell and Martin Funeral Home for all your help and kindness during this difficult time.

Thanks to Brother Jim Miller, Ralph Allen and Mae's Family members who participated in the funeral service.

Thanks to friends and the Livingston Pentecostal Church for providing food. Also the ladies who prepared additional food, set up and cleared dinner after the funeral.

May God richly bless each one for your kindness.
Emma Lee (Bee), Tarina and Donnie and Family

Reunions

Thacker Brooks Family Reunion

Saturday, June 17, 2023 noon till ??? Roundstone Baptist Church. To the Thacker and Brooks family and friends, we are once again asking for your help in spreading the word to all family members as to the date and location of the Thacker and Brooks family reunion. Please bring a covered dish. Also, if you will provide us with a mailing address, e-mail address or phone number of any other relatives, we will gladly provide them a copy of this and future reunions. Jesse Thacker 606-308-4308. Brenda Chappell 606-256-5275. Email: jwthacker10@gmail.com

Mullins Reunion and Fairview Homecoming

The Mullins Family Reunion and Fairview Homecoming will be held Saturday, May 27, 2023 at the Fairview Cemetery on Mullins Station Road. This is a new date, so we need to get the word out to those who usually attend in the fall. A potluck lunch will be served at the shelter around noon. Bring a covered dish and spend the day with friends. Donations will be accepted toward the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery. Everyone is welcome.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Association of Counties (KACo), will be accepting bids via a Reverse Online Auction on 6/7/2023 9:00:00 AM CDT, 6/7/2023 10:00 AM EDT, for the purchase of road salt for the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court Road Department.

For bid participation/registration and specifications contact Orbis Online at 502-223-7667, Rockcastle Fiscal Court at 606-308-1909, or Lindsey Bowman with KACo at 800-264-5226.

The Rockcastle Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject/accept any and all bids.

Bids will be accepted online only.

Elizabeth Whitaker

Elizabeth Whitaker, 71, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, May 8, 2023 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center. She was born in Mt. Vernon

on November 8, 1951, the daughter of Robert Ace and Zelma Whitaker Hayes. She was a retired employee of Mt. Vernon Plastics and was most recently a babysitter. She was a long-time member of Blue Springs Church of Christ and was an avid UK Wildcats fan. She enjoyed going to church, babysitting, and camping.

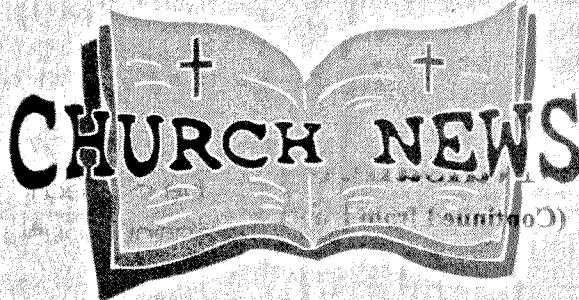
She is survived by: her children, Kelly Whitaker, Kevin Whitaker, and Kim (James) McPheron, all of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, Donnie (Charlotte) Hayes, Ronnie (Lisa) Hayes, and Tom Hayes, all of Mt. Vernon; and seven sisters, Darlene (Butch) Carl of Versailles, Donna Brock of Erlanger, Roberta Dyer of Nashville, TN, Sue (Steve) Tracy of Clays Ferry, Rose (Lowell) Mink of Mt. Vernon, Jennifer (Jerry) Jackson of Nicholasville, and Sandy (Charles) Bullen of Brodhead. Also surviving are: seven grandchildren, Michael (Erika) Whitaker, Whitney Whitaker, Nathan (Eden) Whitaker, Kaleb Whitaker, Noah Whitaker, Ethan Whitaker, and Amber (Allen) Downs; and numerous great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Don L. Whitaker; a brother, Stevie Hayes; and a sister, Lois Gabbard.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 13, 2023 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Marcus Reppert. Burial was in the Phelps Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Allen Downs, Jameson Mink, Kaleb Whitaker, Michael Whitaker, Nathan Whitaker, and Caulin Wilson.

Honorary pallbearers were: Carson Brock, Sawyer Dooley, Ronnie Hayes, Finley Thompson, and Grayson Thompson.

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



Let the Bible Speak

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

Fish Fry Dinner & Special Singing

Creekside Baptist Church, 2261 Copper Creek Rd., will be having a fish fry dinner this coming Saturday, May 20th at 6 p.m. Also Sunday, May 21st, 11 am, bluegrass gospel singing with *Just Enough*. Everyone is invited and welcome to the special services by Pastor Bro. Jack Stallworth.

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church Brodhead will hold their monthly singing May 28th at 3 p.m. featuring Praise Singers. Gorden Mink and congregation invite everyone.

Revival

McNew Chapel Baptist Church will be holding revival with Bro. Denzel Jones and Alan Coffey. June 3rd and 4th at 6 p.m. and weeknights at 7 p.m.

Mothers, What A Bless You Are!

Last Sunday, we celebrated Mother's Day. The Bible teaches us on how Mothers should be honored as we read in the following scriptures: Proverbs 31:28 "Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also and he praises her.

Proverbs 31:31 "Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

Proverbs 23:22-25 "Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old. Buy truth, and do not sell it; by wisdom, instruction and understanding. The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him. Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice."

Matthew 19:19 "Honor thy father and thy mother: and, thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Mothers have a caring relationship with their children just as Christ cares for us, when we become his children.. We see the comparison made in the scripture Deuteronomy 32:11 God cares for his people as an eagle cares for his young

Again, in Psalms 22:9-10 God cares for his people as a midwife cares for the child she has given birth to. Isaiah 49:15 tells us that God will never forget her children, just as a mother does not forget her nursing child. God comforts his people like a nursing mother in Isaiah 66:13. And this is why God made a mother!

I ask you today to become one of God's children, obey him so that you also can find comfort from God, just as a mother comforts her crying infant.

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00

Cemetery Notices

Johnetta Cemetery

Donations for upkeep and mowing for the cemetery may be sent and payable to Johnetta Cemetery, 5777 Three Links Rd., McKee, KY 40447. Each donation is very much appreciated. See our Facebook page: Johnetta Cemetery.

Oak Hill Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Oak Hill Cemetery. Anyone wishing to help should mail donations to: Oak Hill Cemetery, c/o Bill Lear, 60 Hope Drive, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Donations will also be accepted May 26th through May 29th at the cemetery.

To contact Bill, his phone number is 606-308-3244. Thank you for your support, it doesn't go unnoticed.

McKinney Cemetery

The annual meeting will be held Sunday, May 28, beginning at 1 p.m. at the cemetery shelter. Dinner on the grounds.

Donations will be taken Friday, May 26th - Sunday, May 28th.

You may mail your donation (check or money order) to: McKinney Cemetery, P.O. Box 1404, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Livesay Cemetery

We are in desperate need of donations. Our funds ran out at the end of the last mowing season. If we don't receive donations, each family will be responsible for their own family plots. Please send donations to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Mareburg Cemetery

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

Briarfield Cemetery

Taking donations for the upkeep of the cemetery Friday, 5/26 - Sunday, 5/28. Donations can also be mailed to: Tim Robinson, 5408 Big Cave Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460; Kenny Reams, 4145 Hwy. 490, East Bernstadt, Ky. 40729 or Joe Robinson, 656 Maple Grove Rd., Orlando, KY 40460. Make checks payable to Briarfield Cemetery. On Sunday, May 28th, at

Man's Origin, Fall and Redemption

God created man in his own image. (Gen.1:27) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

God would dishonor himself if he could not or would not govern man whom he created. Man has been endowed with the power to reason and to choose. If man could not disobey, then he could not obey; and if he could not obey, then he could not glorify his creator by voluntary subjection and submission. Wherever there is voluntary obedience, disobedience is possible. (1) The best way to secure obedience is to offer large rewards on the one hand, and severe penalties on the other. (2) God did this in his law to Adam and Eve, but they fell.

How can God's law be honored, and man still be redeemed? Honor demands God enforce his law, but mercy cries out for man's redemption. Can the conflicting demands be met? No man could die for the race because all have sinned. (Rom.3:23) For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. No angel nor animal would do, for they were not the guilty ones. It would take a man: one who was pure and sinless as was man before the fall, and one who was the rightful owner of the price he gave. Only Jesus could qualify. Only Jesus as the Son of man and the Son of God could qualify as a redeemer and mediator from the viewpoint of being equally connected with both parties. Christ died for human redemption. (Eph.1:7) In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. Nothing else would uphold the honor of God's law. A redeemer has the right to stipulate the conditions with which the recipients of his blessings must comply. He has put reconciliation in one body. (Eph.2:16) And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby. Therefore, whatever man must do to get into the one body is what man must do to be redeemed and is what man must do to be redeemed or reconciled. The three thousand in Acts 2 chapter, they had to believe, repent and be baptized to be added to this body.

Thank you so much for reading this article. We have videos to watch articles to read on our Face Book web site Yellow Banks Church of Christ. The Church is located at 3600 Frederica Street Unit-D Owensboro Kentucky. The church worships every Lord's Day at 10:00 A.M. Everyone is welcome. We offer free Bible correspondence courses. We would love to know what you think. If you would like to contact someone from the church, you can call 606-224-1480 or you can email me ovabaker@windstream.net. (REMEMBER GOD LOVES YOU)

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“Relay”

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All cancer survivors are encouraged to attend the event and bring a guest to the dinner. There will be no cost for the survivor or the guest to attend the celebration and all survivors will receive a free t-shirt.

After the dinner, everyone is invited to stay for the Relay for Life Survivor Ceremony beginning at 7 p.m.

Luminaries are also on sale now so that Rockcastle Countians may remember lost loved ones and honor those still battling the disease.

Anyone interested in a Luminary should contact Worth Anne Harris at 606-256-7776.

Anyone planning to attend the event is asked to RSVP by calling Melissa Brock at 606-256-7703 or Susan Turley at 606-256-7746 by Wednesday, June 7.

Anyone with questions may also contact Brock.

“Elect”

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Eric Deters, Bob DeVore, Mike Harmon, Alan Keck, Dennis Ray Ormerod, Ryan Quarles, John Ray Rice, Robbie C. Smith, Daniel Cameron, Jacob Clark, David O. Cooper and Kelly Craft.

Democrat candidates running for Governor include Peppy Martin, Geoffrey M. "Geoff" Young and incumbent Governor Andy Beshear.

Democrat candidates running for Commissioner of Agriculture include Seirra J. Enlow and Mikael Malone.

Republicans running for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture include Richard Heath and Jonathan Shell.

Republican candidates running for the office of Secretary of State include Stephen L. Knipper, Allen Maricle and Michael Adams.

Republicans running for the office of Auditor of Public Accounts include Allison Ball and Derek Peters.

Republicans running for Kentucky State Treasurer include Mark H. Metcalf, O.C. "OJ" Oleka and Andrew Cooperroder.

This election narrowed the field of candidates and decided who will be on the ballot for each office in the general election in November of 2023.

Election results were not available at press time. See next week's issue of the *Signal* for details about the 2023 May Primary and Rockcastle County voting results.

“Blast”

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tourism department adds support for other needed arrangements. "We agreed that this year we were going to keep the cost under \$20,000 and yet provide a fun-filled, safe, clean, family event to celebrate July 4th," said Roberts. "It took all of us working together but we got the total cost down to \$18,500 and we expect an event that will be enjoyed by all."

One big help to the cost factor is who the event will use for the

fireworks show, according to Roberts. The company always used their pricing, County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr. said.

During the three planning meetings, those present agreed that each year the Rockcastle Western Fire Department has an "outstanding" fireworks display. "I am told Western's fireworks show rivals the display we put on every year," said Roberts. "So we thought we would just get Western to handle the fireworks display for this event and keep the money in Rockcastle County. Then we could take that money we would save on just a fireworks display, and use it for things like inflatables and food and vendors and events and shows that everyone would greatly enjoy."

The event is now scheduled to begin on Friday, June 30 with the Hall Of Fame providing an Orchestra Patriotic Concert at the Hall of Fame Amphitheater by the Lexington Concert Band. The event will begin at 6 p.m. and is free to the public.

Then on Saturday, July 1 activities will begin at 4 p.m. and will include food trucks, live music, inflatables and much more with the fireworks show beginning at around 9:30 p.m.

As usual, the event is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend

“Acres”

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the city's control for at least six years. Magistrate Lee Earl Adams suggested the contract include selling the property to the City of Livingston at the end of the contract. "We would be most interested in discussing the purchase of that property," said Davidson. County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook asked County Attorney Jeremy Rowe to investigate such a contract and let the court know if such arrangements are possible and to inform the county of its legal obligations and potential liabilities if the property is used for tourist attractions. Rowe agreed to investigate and get back with the court by the June regular meeting.

In other action, the court heard from Deputy Sheriff Dale McNew concerning a potential CVADD grant for a new police vehicle. McNew said the grant is a 55/45 grant and the county would need about \$19,000 for their in-kind contribution for the \$42,000 vehicle. McNew said the Sheriff's Department would pay an additional \$6,000 to install police equipment. In fact, McNew said Sheriff Franklin had expressed interest in purchasing two of the new vehicles if the grant will allow two purchases.

McNew told the court he was not asking for a monetary commitment from the county at this time, but wants to know if he should continue pursuing the potential grant and then

discuss more details if the grant is approved.

Magistrate Shane Thacker made the motion for McNew to continue applying for the grant and then the court would discuss the matter if approved. The motion passed unanimously.

The court also agreed to the to the Kentucky Department of Transportation's county road aid plan.

Rockcastle's allotment this year is \$173,588 and the DOT's recommendation to resurface KY-1505 from KY-3275 to US-25, resurface KY-224 from the zero mile marker to US-25 and resurface KY-1326 from KY-1505.

County Treasurer Vickie Miller also presented the monthly financial report to the court, which was approved unanimously.

Miller and Holbrook asked the court to transfer \$136,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund and then transfer \$21,000 from the general fund to the 911 fund, \$80,000 to the jail fund and \$35,000 to the road fund. The transfers were approved.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the fiscal court is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13 at 4 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

“Nuisance”

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the city.

The second reading and final approval is expected at the June 8 regular meeting.

According to the first reading of the ordinance as read aloud by City Clerk Samantha Smoker, a Codes Enforcement Board shall be created, with three or more members who have been residents of the City for at least one year.

The board, once created, will have the authority to issue orders and impose fines as well as schedule hearings for those who may request a hearing against a claim of violation.

Mayor Larry Davidson says the city is currently actively seeking members for that board. Anyone interested in serving should contact city hall. Until the board is formed, members of the commission and the clerk will handle board duties, Davidson said.

The ordinance deals with several issues considered nuisances by the city, including the control and handling of animals (including pets) and imposes fines for violations of city rules and regulations regarding the handling and keeping of such animals.

The ordinance also deals with structures inside the city limits and gives the board authority to impose fines or condemn any structure found to be in violation of the city's standards of occupancy and up-

keep.

There is also an emergency clause that deals with any situation that may cause immediate danger or create a present danger to any citizen.

A fine structure is also established through the ordinance and the new board will have the authority to impose those fines as well.

The first reading of the ordinance was approved unanimously by the commission.

Anyone who desires a copy of the ordinance, in full or in part, may request a digital or hard copy from City Hall. Davidson said there will be a minimal fee for printing the ordinance.

Any interested party may also read the ordinance in full inside this week's edition of the *Signal*.


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Roadside Litter Clean-Up Program!

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Keep The Rock Clean!


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

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

Take Action

What is the Safe Haven Law?

KRS 405.075 states that a newborn infant can legally be placed in a device designed to permit a parent to anonymously surrender their baby with the intent for an emergency medical services provider to remove the newborn take custody.




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SPORTS

Softball defeats Pulaski 2-1 in district tourney

Rocket softball ended the regular season on fire and continued the inferno Monday night with a 2-1 win in extra innings over Pulaski County in the first round of the 47th District Tournament.

It was a pitcher's duel the first seven innings with no team plating a run.

Pulaski County finally broke through in the top of the eighth scoring one run off two singles, a sac bunt and an error for the 1-0 lead.

With their backs against the wall, Ella McKinney started the bottom of the eighth with a double and scored to tie the game off a Macy Spivey double. Ella Bussell drew an inten-

tional walk and Haley Pingleton made Pulaski pay with a single to score Spivey for the win.

Katie Denham kept the Maroons at bay going eight innings giving up only one run off eight hits, walking one while striking out three.

Denham had help with some key defensive plays made by her teammates to save potential runs.

Adysinne Lovell, Haley Pingleton, Ella McKinney, Lexie Brock, Makyla Hester and Macy Spivey each managed one hit on the night.

Spivey and Pingleton picked up the RBI for the Rockets.

The Rockets will now face Somerset in the championship game Wednesday night at 6 p.m. at RCHS.

Monday night's win qualifies the Rockets for the 12th Region Tournament which will be held in Somerset.

The Rockets won their final two games of the regular season last week putting them at eight straight to finish the regular season.

Jackson County came to town Tuesday, May 9th and the Rockets defeated them soundly 8-1.

Rockcastle jumped on the Generals early scoring four runs in the first and adding four more in the third.

Mikayla Coffey, Haley Pingleton, Haven King, Makinlee Goff, Lexie Brock and Katie Denham each had two hits for the Rockets. Ella Bussell and Macy Spivey each added one hit. King and Bussell each had two RBI.

Denham picked up the win going seven innings, allowing one run on seven hits and striking out five.

The Rockets hosted Whitley County Thursday night and defeated them 11-1 in six innings.

Adysinne Lovell drove in five runs on a three for four night with two runs scored.

Haven King and Ella McKinney each had two hits.

Abby Burdette was the winning pitcher going six innings giving up only one run on three hits, walking one and striking out ten.

Softball and baseball photos by Marcos Bengé



Katie Denham picked up the win Monday night over Pulaski County going eight innings giving up only one run off eight hits, walking one while striking out three.

Baseball loses 3-2 to Somerset in first round

Rocket baseball's season came to a heartbreaking end Monday night with a 4-3 loss to Somerset in the first round of the 47th District Tournament.

Rockcastle jumped ahead early scoring two runs in the top of the first.

Dalton Gibbs singled, took second on a Carson King sacrifice and advanced to third on a passed ball. Carson Carrera singled to score Gibbs. Carrera stole second and third and scored the second run on an error by the catcher.

Somerset managed to tie the game with two runs in the second inning.

Both pitchers buckled down and the game was tied when Robert Reams homered in the fifth to give the Rockets a 3-2 lead.

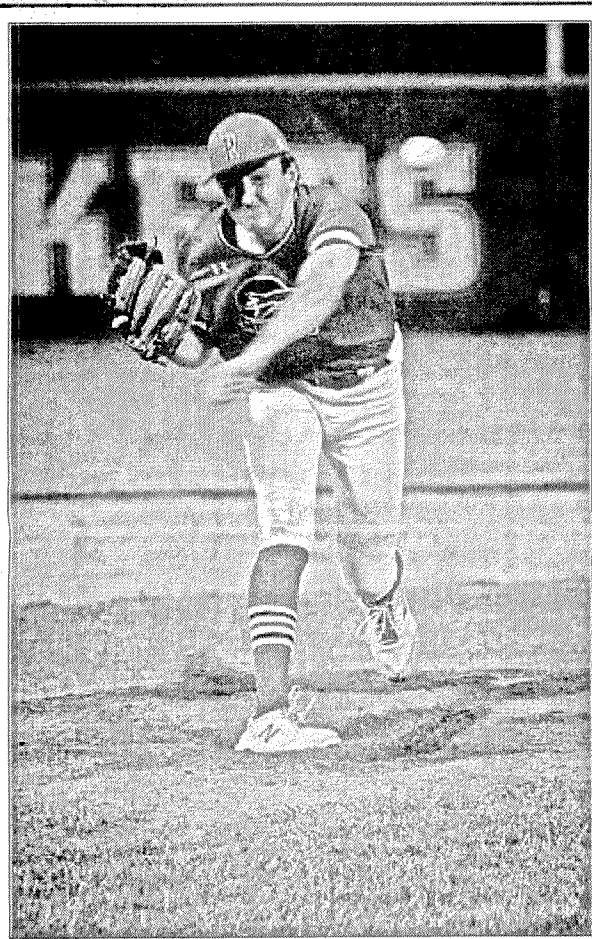
Somerset chipped away tying the game in the sixth and scored the winning run in their last at bat.

Rockcastle made the most of their three hits while drawing three walks during the game.

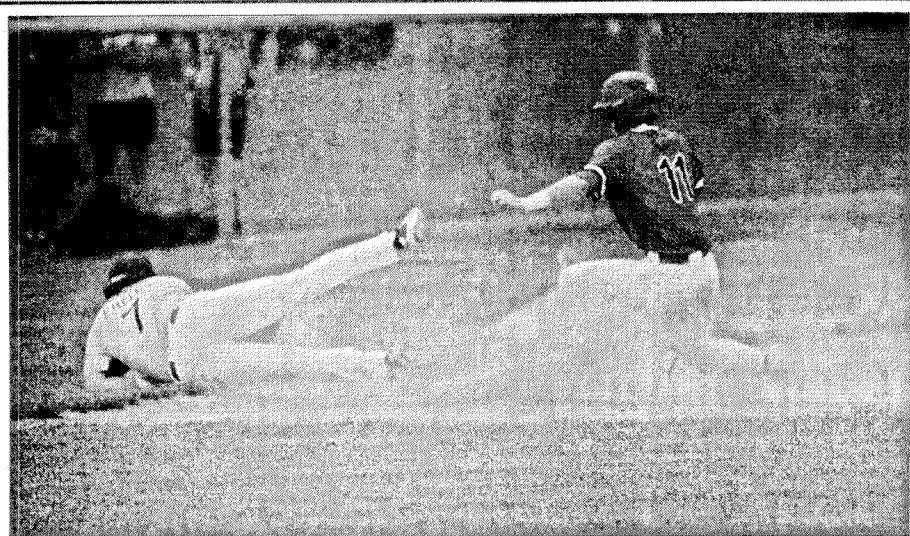
Skyler Durham went the distance for the Rockets throwing 6 and one-third innings giving up four runs, three earned, on 11 hits while walking five and striking out 11.

Rockcastle finished their regular season last week with losses to Southwestern 3-2 and South Laurel 3-0.

*Next Week...
Track & Field heading into regional action
Middle School Baseball
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Skyler Durham went seven innings Monday night for the Rockets in their 4-3 loss in the first round of the 47th District Tournament.



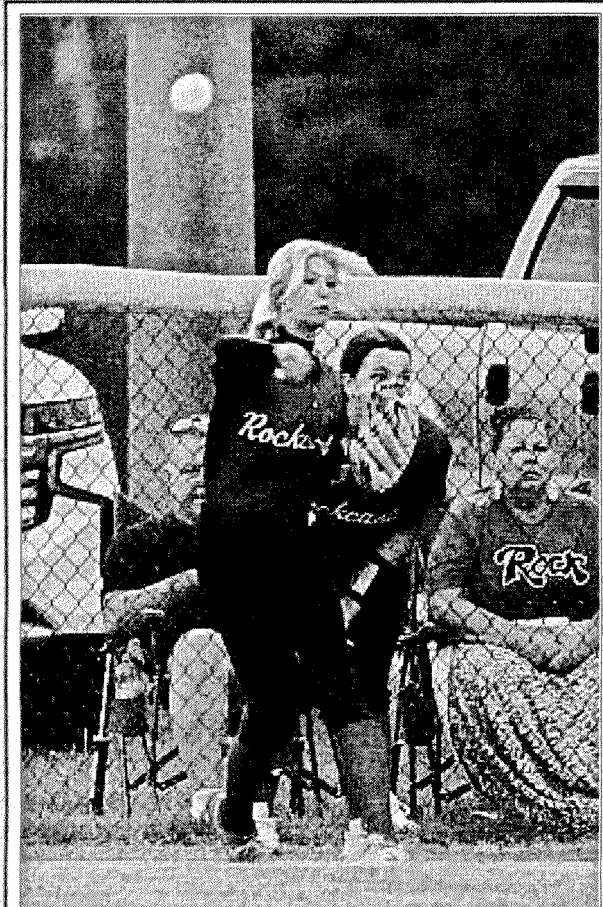
Carson Carrera singled and stole second. Carrera stole third and scored on the errant throw above during the Rockets' two run first inning against Somerset Monday night. The Rockets lost in the first round of the 47th District Tournament being held at RCHS.



Robert Reams is mobbed by teammates after his go-ahead homerun in the fifth inning of the Rockets' loss to Somerset Monday night. The loss ended the Rockets' season with an 8-18 record.



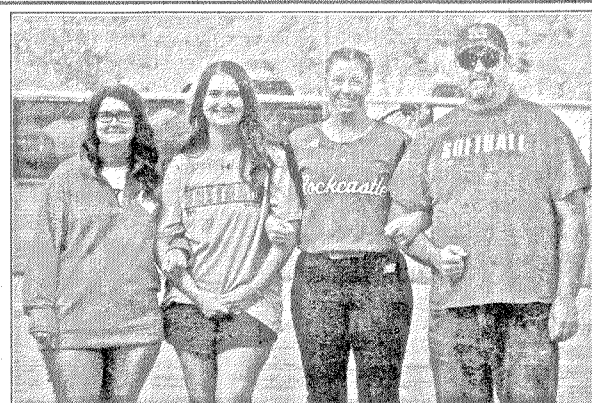
Ella McKinney takes a pitch before starting the eighth inning off with a double and scoring the tying run on a Macy Spivey double. Haley Pingleton singled to score Spivey for the win.



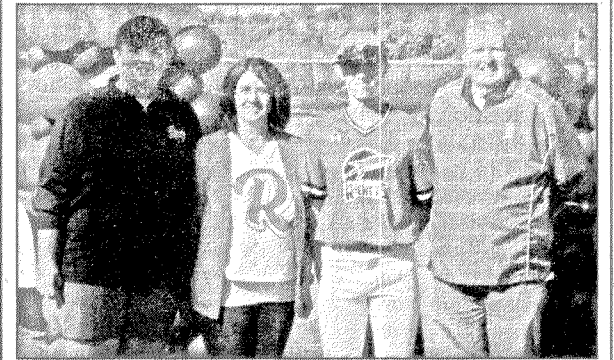
Macy Spivey throws the ball in from the outfield during the Rockets' win over Pulaski County Monday night. Spivey hit a double to score Ella McKinney to tie the game in the eighth. Spivey scored the game winning run on a Haley Pingleton single.



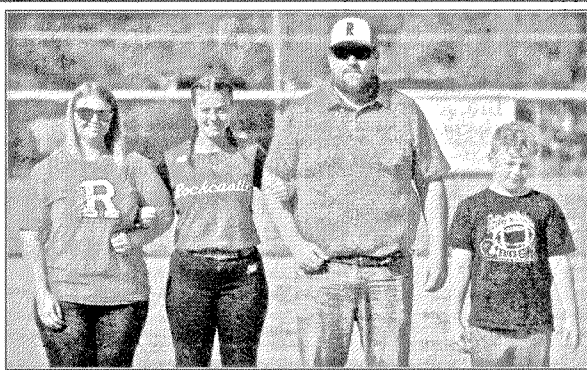
RCMS honored their senior softball players before one of their final home games last week. Shown with senior Katie Denham are her parents, Jimmy and Amy Denham, brother and sister-in-law, Corey and Nicole Baker and nieces, Macy and Jaclyn.



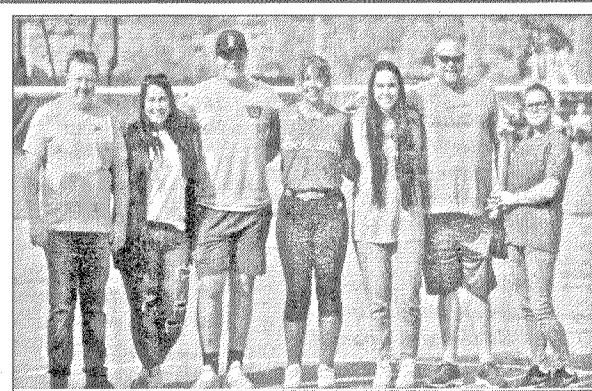
Senior Alexis Brock with her parents, Jason and Melissa Brock and sister, Ashlyn.



RCMS honored their senior baseball players last week. Shown above is senior Dalton Gibbs with his parents, David and Tina Gibbs and brother, Izak.



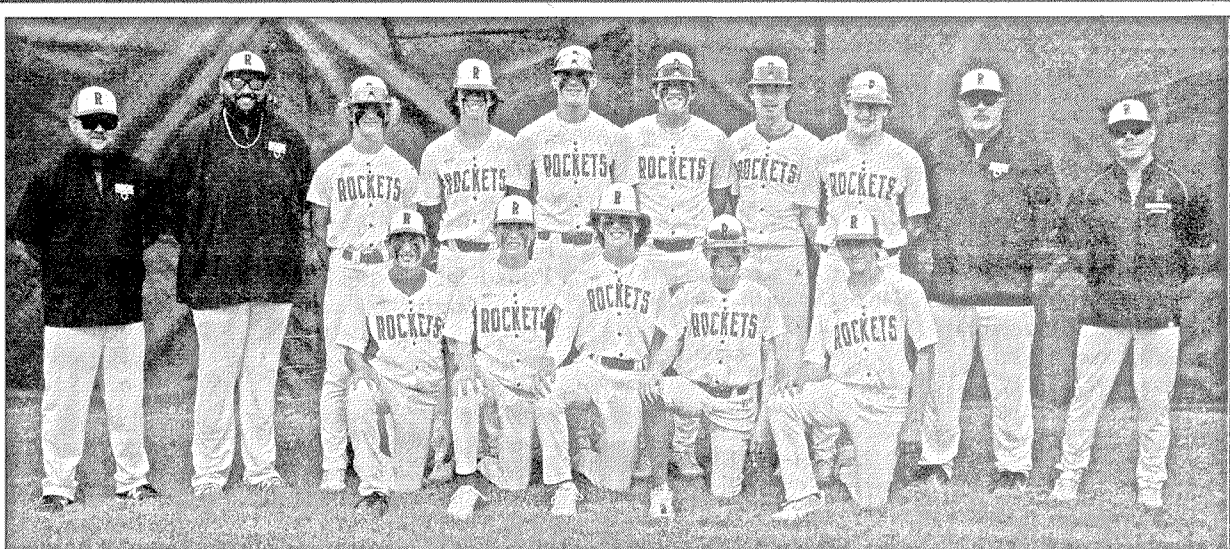
Senior Haley Pingleton and her parents, Landon and Tiffany Pingleton and brother, Jon Luke.



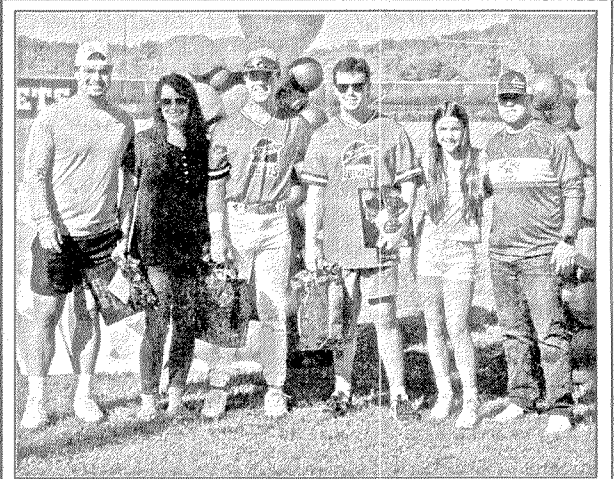
Senior Makinlee Goff with her family members, from left: Robert Lawson, Anna Stevens Goff, Emerick Goff, Savannah Goff, Greg Goff and Melanie Goff.



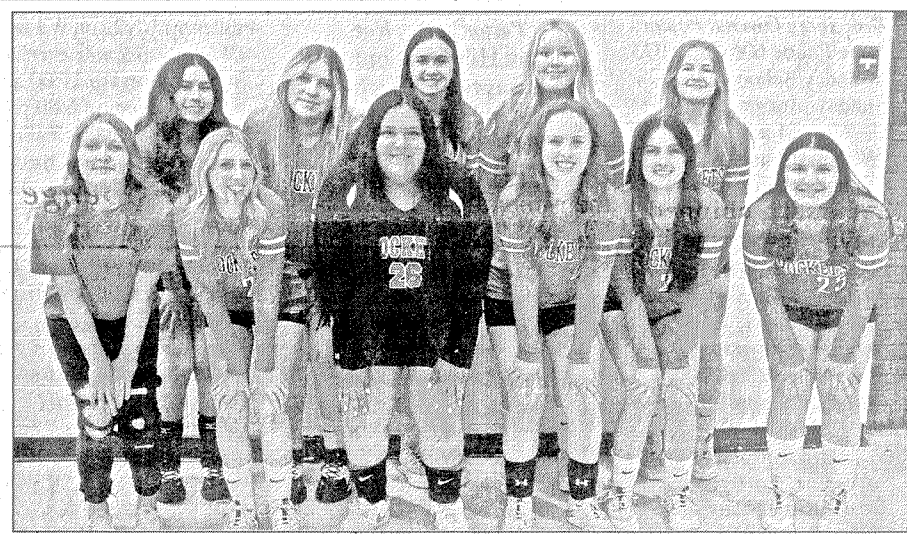
Senior Kaden Kidwell shown with his parents, Jason and Carrie Alcorn and brothers, Logan and Parker.



RCMS honored their eighth grade baseball players this past week. Those honored are shown above with their coaches, front row from left: Nick Reppert, Nolan Bryant, Zeke Fain, Jack Childress and Myles Watson. Back row from left: coach Tyler Parsons, head coach Tyler Holman, Sawyer Yates, Caden Lovell, Colton Cash, Cam Smith, Blake Mullins, Hunter Pingleton, coach David Fain and coach Kyle Childress.



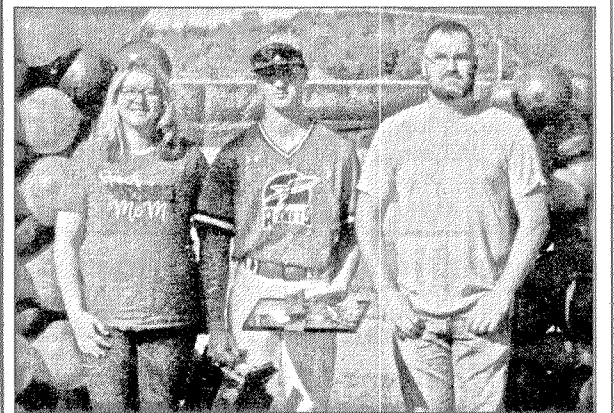
Seniors Cade and Cam Prewitt with their parents, HD and Angela Prewitt, brother Brayden and sister Brentlie.



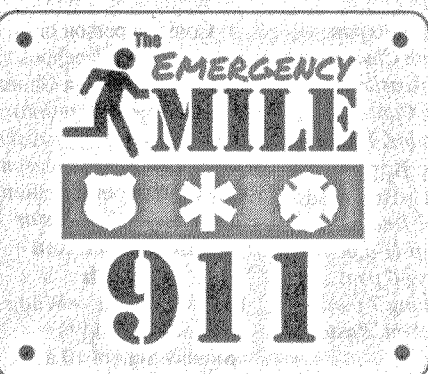
RCMS honored their eighth grade volleyball players this past week. Those honored are shown at left, front row from left: Shaylee Slagle, Abby Hopkins, Crystal Ordenez, Kenzie Owens, Trinity Abney and Callie Thacker. Back row from left: Kinsley Smith, Kaylee Smith, Tessa Begley, Carleigh Philbeck and Arrahlyn Richards.



Senior Carson King and his parents, David Lynn and Wendy King and sister, Addy.



Senior Robert Reams with his parents, Mikah and Danielle Reams.



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Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
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Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhopp@ymail.com

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231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Monday Night 7 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Pastor: Travis Gilbert
Music Director: Dan Dull

Blue Springs Church of Christ
7 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services:
Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Marcus Reppert
Phillip Permenter
Eric Bullock
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert 606-308-2794
223 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
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Sunday Youth Bible Study 5 p.m.

Wednesday Adult & Youth Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAs & GAs
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Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor
Brush Creek

Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor

Buffalo Baptist Church
Located 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Bill Mink, Pastor

Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd. (Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Jason Medley, Pastor
606-308-4543

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at 7 p.m.

Community Worship Church of God
758 Hwy. 3245 • Crab Orchard
Bro. Jeff Warren, Pastor
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
www.cwchurchofgod.com

Conway Missionary Baptist
116 Meadow Lark Lane
Berea, KY 40403
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings: Sunday 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007

Crab Orchard Pentecostal
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
606-355-7595

CrossPoint Church of God
211 Industrial Park Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Matt Griggs
859-582-2553

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Ralph Reynolds, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd., Brodhead
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.

Fairground Hill Community Holiness
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Rason, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor

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606-256-2876
Bro. Richie Smith,
Pastor

Bro. Josh Haines, Youth/Family Minister
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Fountain of Life United Pentecostal Church
80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
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Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.

Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
859-200-6331

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Wed. Evening 7 p.m.
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Mt. Vernon
Chris Davidson, Pastor
Sunday 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
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Tim Hampton, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livingston Baptist Church
Pastor: Josh Hasty
606-392-3809
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Livingston Christian Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister
Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Jim Miller, Pastor
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Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Joe Bussell, Jr., Pastor
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6567 Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bro. Jim Craig, Pastor

Maple Grove Baptist
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Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Bro. Shelby Reynolds, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
(all ages)
Sun. Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6 p.m.

www.maretburgbaptist.org
maretburgchurch@yahoo.com

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
John Vanwinkle, Pastor

Mt. Vernon Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

New Heights Church
316 Mini Mall Dr.
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Berea, Ky.
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Sunday 11:00 a.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Philip "Worm" Johnson Pastor
Northside Baptist
777 Faith Mountain Rd.
(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
Kenny Allen, Pastor

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
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Celebrate Recovery 7 to 9
Wednesday
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Pastor: Bro. John McPherson
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. Mike McFerron, Pastor

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bill Hammond, Pastor
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Sand Hill Rd.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

Sand Springs Baptist Church
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go exactly 5 miles, church on right
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Eugene Gentry

Scaffold Cane Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. James Hardin

Skaggs Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Bro. Richard West
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Tabernacle of Love
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Mt. Vernon
606-25605894
Sunday Worship 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Clyde Hodge

Union Chapel Pentecostal
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
(3 miles off of Brodhead)
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Walter Bowling
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United Gospel of Christ
4 miles off US 25 on Wildie Rd.
Church welcomes everyone
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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4482 Copper Creek Rd.
Berea, Ky. 40403
Organized in December, 1908
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
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Bible Study 6 p.m.
Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

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Beautification Week



Members of the Rockcastle County Garden Club joined in this week as Vitalize Mount Vernon Director Lynn Tatum organized the Mount Vernon Main Street Beautification Week. The goal was to involve as many business owners and volunteers as possible to help create a more beautiful downtown area. Flowers were planted and light poles were painted and several other projects were planned for the week long event.

Budget meeting on May 25

School Board ready for last day of school in 2023

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County School Board held their regular monthly meeting last week in record time. The meeting lasted less than one hour with over half of that time taken up by a presentation from the Adult Learning Center.

Officials at the center provided statistics concerning graduation and each class's success rate. Members of the board expressed their appreciation of the center and how much it helps adults reach their educational goals. "To echo what Ms. Ballinger said, no one may realize just how good our Adult Learning Center is," said board member Matt Chaliff. "They do outstanding things and work so well with the high school. It is an amazing thing to watch."

In other action, Superintendent Carrie Ballinger told the board there needs to be a special meeting on May 25. The meeting will be held to deal with the new budget and the salary schedule, she said. The meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in the Teaching and Learning Center on Richmond Street.

May 25 is also the scheduled bid opening day for the new RCMS project. However, Ballinger said once the bids are open they will have to be studied closely and the regular June meeting can serve as the opportunity to address those bids.

The June regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13 at 6 p.m. in the same location.

Ballinger also said all schools are preparing for the last day of school and she, and Board Chairman

Angela Stallsworth-Mink congratulated all graduating seniors. Board members said they will miss the graduating seniors and teachers and staff have "done a wonderful job" of preparing to end the school year.

The last day for students is Wednesday, May 24.

The board also was presented with the Superintendent's Personnel report. It is as follows:

Full time certified employees hired

Kirbie Reynolds, kindergarten teacher at MVES; Jennifer Middleton, kindergarten teacher at BES; Cameron Brown, teacher at MVES; Alyssa Neeiriemer, music teacher at MVES.

Full time classified employees hired

Mary Eversole and Alison Chasteen, instructional assistants at BES; Marsha Kidd, instructional assistant at RCMS; Katy Chrisman, school secretary 1 at MVES; Victoria Brooke Payne, girls assistant basketball coach at RCMS.

Resignations

Shelby Newland, substitute instructional assistant; Lee Ellen Rogers, Claudia Adams, Kathy Bobo and Kathryn Jagers, substitute teachers district wide; Jennifer Mattingly, program specialist/food service director district wide; Cade Burdette, lawn care; Adam Coleman, social studies teacher at RCHS; James Brock, academic team head coach at RCHS.

Retirements

Ronnie McKinney, bus driver; Tillman G. Daugherty, instrumental music teacher at RCHS and RCMS; Stephanie Harmon, teacher at RCHS; Pearl Sowder, FS cook/baker at BES; Mary Woodall, school secretary 1 at MVES; Julie Phillips, teacher at RCMS; Iola Harris, computer operator at RES; David Owens, teacher at RAAA virtual; Cynthia Rogers, Media librarian at RES; Patsy Owens, teacher at BES.

Certified Substitute hired

Gentry Phillips, substitute teacher district wide.

Sign of the times?

Selective Service looking for local board members

By: Mike French
Editor

Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., received a letter recently from the Selective Service System (SSS) in search of new board members.

According to Holbrook, the SSS is seeking assistance finding volunteers to serve as local board members from Rockcastle County. The letter says Rockcastle County needs three volunteers candidates, who may be interested in serving on the board. Anyone

interested should obtain a form 404 and send to Sabrina Cunningham at

SCunningham@sss.gov. Those selected will be appointed by the Govern-

nor after the application process, interview and training, according to the

Over 300 loads of trash dropped off

Officials involved in the annual Trash Pick-up day on May 6 have agreed the day will be called a huge success.

According to reports, well over 300 vehicles and trailers showed up at the Brodhead ball fields with loads of trash to be unloaded.

With Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., Magistrate Doug Prewitt, members of the Rockcastle Road Department, ten local inmates, Coordinator James Renner and more spending the day helping unload trash, the long line continued to move along throughout the day.

Officials said the 334 loads of trash, that that were brought to the event, filled 21 thirty cubic yard containers and 33 eight cubic yard containers.

The total cost to the county, from Bee Garbage to handle the trash, was \$18,570, according to the bill received last week.

"This is a huge help to our community and helps keep our roadways and ditchlines cleaner throughout the year," said Holbrook.

District boundaries may move

Over 1,000 less in county according to 2020 Census

By: Mike French
Editor

According to the 2020 Census, Rockcastle County's population has dropped by over 1,000 residents.

In 2020, several local officials strongly urged the citizens of Rockcastle County to fill out their 2020 Census form. Unfortunately, many chose to ignore the pleas which caused Rockcastle County's Census numbers to drop by 1,019 residents. "So many people thought that filling out the Census would get them on jury duty and so many others thought it isn't the government's business how many people live in a household," said Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr. "The problem is, neither of those things really apply."

The drop in official Census population affects the county in several ways, according to Holbrook and RCIDA Chairman Corey Craig. "Since most funding outlets are based on population, a family of three who refuses to fill out the Census basically costs the county as much as \$10,000 in potential grants and other funding," Craig said during the Census effort.

Results of the 2020 Census were released late due to COVID, according to some officials but in many cases across the state the new Census shows lower numbers than the 2010 Census.

According to the Census, Rockcastle County's population dropped from 17,056 to 16,037 and while 21.1% of those are under 18 years of age, 18.8% are 65 and older. The Census says there are 664 veterans in the county and 7,354 housing units in the county. The median cost of a home in the county was listed at \$91,000 and there are 6,307 households in Rockcastle county.

The census also says 80.4% of Rockcastle County residents have a high school diploma or equivalent and 49.4% of residents over 16 are in the workforce.

One of the changes that may come, due to the drop in population, is a potential redistricting of the county. Rockcastle County currently has five districts, each with one magistrate representing their district.

However, according to

Kentucky law, each district must have as close to identical population numbers as possible, regardless of how much land area that may include. For this reason, Magistrate Mike McGuire's district contains much more land mass than each of the other four districts, but about the same number of people as each of them.

But since the Census has indicated a drop in population, a commission must now be formed to study the subject and determine if those district boundaries must be moved in order to maintain that similar population in each district, according to Holbrook.

According to Kentucky statutes, the fiscal court has planned a meeting to appoint three

Rockcastle County residents to a reapportionment commission that must study the population and determine if the current district boundary lines must be moved in order to hold a similar number of residents in each district.

That commission must submit a report to the fiscal court within 60 days of their appointment and then the fiscal court has 60 days from that submission to adopt the new boundaries.

"We won't know if we have to move any of our district boundaries or not until the commission has done their work," said Holbrook. However, according to officials, there is a possibility that some Rockcastle Countians may be in a different district after the board makes their decisions.

Livingston now quieter at night says police chief

By: Mike French
Editor

Members of the Livingston City Commission held their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening with a short agenda.

Mayor Larry Davidson told those present that the city had ordered some signs to be posted at no parking areas around the town and was also ordering flags to attach to the signs for extra attention.

One guest thanked the city for placing a spotlight on the city flag during recognition of guests.

Police Chief Travis Davis gave the police department report. According to Davis most of the speeding citations he has given out have involved out-of-town motorists driving through the city. "Most people who drive through regularly have gotten accustomed to the increased patrol and have slowed down," he said. "It is mostly those from out of town now. There is also a definite decrease in the night time activity that citizens had complained about over the past few years."

In other action, Davidson told the commission the county is now paying the electric bills for the building that contains Livingston City Hall. "We are paying one dollar now to use this

space and the county is collecting rent on the other units and paying all the electric bills," he said.

The commissioners also approved the second reading of the Water Ordinance and the first reading of the Nuisance Ordinance.

Davidson said the city is actively seeking volunteer members for the nuisance board who will be appointed and sworn in, after a vote for each member. The board will be responsible for holding hearings as well as other business.

The first reading of the new Nuisance Ordinance was read aloud by City Clerk Samantha Smoker. (See related story.)

Commissioner Sandi Singleton told the commission that the City of Livingston was 143 years old on the night of the meeting. "It is the City of Livingston's birthday," she said.

Davidson also said a hotdog cart will become available soon near the fire station for the convenience of all Livingston residents. "We wish them the very best and we know our residents will stop there and buy a hotdog or two very often."

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 8 at 4 p.m.

letter.

The members of the board must consist of a group of citizens whose mission, during a draft, would be to decide who among the registrants in their community would receive deferments, postponements or exemptions from military service based on the individual registrant's circumstances and beliefs, the letter states.

"I think this group just meets once or twice per year," said Holbrook. "Anyone interested should let us know."

From Daughters of the American Revolution

DeBord and Anglin receive Community Service Award

The Community Service Award is an opportunity for DAR to recognize worthy individuals in our community for unpaid voluntary achievements in cultural, educational, humanitarian, patriotic, historical, citizenship, or environmental conservation endeavors. The recipient of this award must have contributed to the community in an outstanding manner

through voluntary heroic, civic, benevolent service or by organizing or participating in community activities within the last five years.

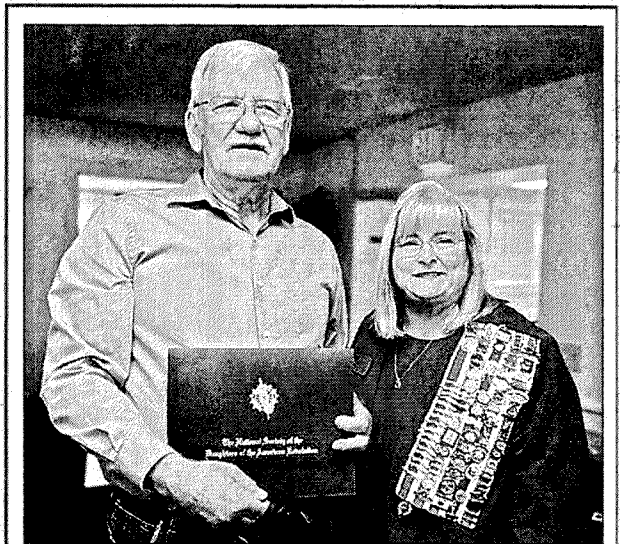
This year's recipients are long-time members and leaders of the Mt. Vernon Lions Club. Past President, Mike DeBord has been an active member of the Mt. Vernon Lions Club for over 20 years, having served as

President for six years. He served as eyeglass chairman which included transporting those needing glasses or surgery to the appropriate offices. He was instrumental in the organization of the Livingston Lions Club and organized many fundraisers to support the Lions in their giving to community projects. He spearheaded the collection of funds for Shop

with a Cop which eventually became Shop with a Lion which benefited needy children in the county at Christmas time.

Current President, Edwina Anglin participates in the school backpack feeding program, assists with the annual coat drive at her church, teaches Sunday school; purchased cleaning supplies for the flood victims of eastern Kentucky; honored female EMTs and firefighters of the county and helped spearhead a project to collect books for children ages 2-7 to promote early literacy. She is also involved in the adopt an active-duty female military personnel writing project where cards of encouragement are sent throughout the year.

Rockcastle Chapter Regent, Karen Adams presented both recipients at the May meeting of the DAR. If you know of an individual or group who may qualify for this award, please contact the Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR at rockcastledar@gmail.com.



Mike DeBord and Chapter Regent, Karen Adams. DeBord received the Community Service Award from DAR.



Edwina Anglin and Chapter Regent, Karen Adams. Anglin received the Community Service Award from DAR.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

BLT PASTA SALAD

1 pound thick cut bacon
1 pound bow tie pasta
1 cup zesty Italian salad dressing
1/2 cup creamy Ranch salad dressing
2 large ripe tomatoes, diced
10 leaves romaine lettuce, chopped into bite sized pieces.
1/3 cup red onion, diced
Salt and pepper, to taste
Fry bacon until crispy; transfer to a paper towel lined plate. Crumble when cool enough to handle. Bring a large pot of salted water to boil. Add pasta and cook until al dente, about 10 minutes. Drain pasta and rinse under cold water until cool. Place pasta in a large serving bowl; set aside. In a small bowl combine zesty Italian dressing and ranch, mix well. Add dressing to pasta and toss well to coat pasta. Add bacon, lettuce, tomato, and onion to the pasta bowl, mix well to combine, and season with salt and pepper as desired. Serve at once, or chill until needed.

CARROT APPLE SALAD

2 cans (15 ounces each) sliced beets, rinsed, drained, dried
1/2 cup olive oil
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
Salt and pepper to taste
Garlic powder, if desired
1 and 1/2 cups crumbled feta cheese
1/4 cup chopped green onion
Line cookie sheet with foil. Spray foil with non-stick cooking spray. Place dried beets in a single layer. Place under hot broiler, turning every 2 to 3 minutes until edges start to brown. Watch carefully to avoid burning. Remove from oven and allow to cool at room temperature. Mix oil, vinegar, salt, pepper, and garlic powder until blended. Pour over beets and add remaining ingredients. Stir gently so you don't break up the beets. Serve as is or chilled.

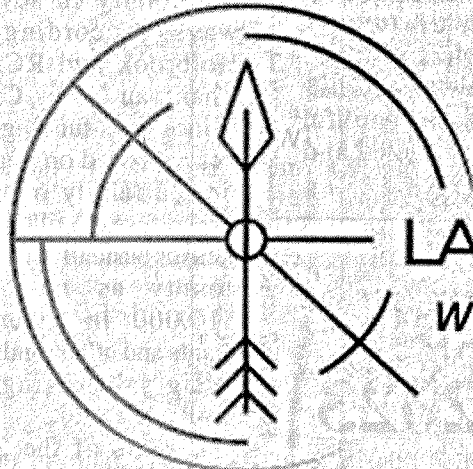
ROASTED BEET SALAD

1/3 cup sour cream
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon cider vinegar
1 teaspoon honey
1 pound carrots, peeled and trimmed
1 apple, cored
1/2 cups dried cranberries or raisins
Salt
2 tablespoons fresh mint leaves for garnishment
In a small bowl whisk together sour cream and mayonnaise until smooth. Whisk in the lemon juice, vinegar, and honey. Grate first the carrots and then the apples. Can use a food processor. Transfer them to a large bowl and stir to combine. Pour the dressing over the carrot mixture and toss. Season with salt to taste. Serve chilled.

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Be Our Guest

INVITING ALL ROCKCASTLE COUNTY CANCER SURVIVORS

In honor of your battle against cancer, the 2023 Relay For Life of Rockcastle County would like to extend to you a special invitation to participate in our Survivors' Celebration Dinner. You are a personal testimony of the progress we're making in our fight to eradicate cancer!

Please join us Friday, June 16, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at Rockcastle County High School for a dinner in your honor.

Each Survivor is entitled to bring a guest to the Survivor Dinner. There is no cost for you or your guest to attend this Survivor Celebration! All Survivors will receive a t-shirt!

After the dinner, we invite you to stay for the Relay for Life Survivor Ceremony at 7:00 p.m.

Please RSVP by calling Melissa Brock at 606-256-7703 or Susan Turley at 606-256-7746 by Wednesday, June 7. You may also register online at: <https://bit.ly/rockrelay>.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Dandelions:
Foe or Friend?

Commonly, landscapers and homeowners in upscale neighborhoods consider dandelions a nuisance to be gotten rid of by any

means available, so as to keep a green and gorgeous yard.

But the plant has a lot of friends among the "sustainable" gardening folks. From being an ancient Chi-

nese medicine to majorly benefiting pollinators in the springtime, the taraxacum officinalis (dandelion) has many friends and many foes.

Typically, the lawn care guys apply herbicides to eradicate dandelions in yards, along with other things typically considered weeds, and not grass. This is a big industry in many upscale city neighborhoods. Having weeds can even be grounds for HOA (homeowner association) actions against offenders—getting rid of dandelions is a big part of this business.

Conversely, dandelions are a key spring blossom in the health of honeybees and other beneficial insects. (Of course, both honeybees and dandelions are non-native species.)

And dandelions are under-appreciated for their leafy greens, edible blossoms, and roots that are good as a coffee substitute or tea.

Some of the listed dietary benefits of dandelions include: liver health, antioxidant properties, better than apple-a-day in keeping doctors away, soothes stomach and gut, stabilizes blood sugar, battles bloat as a natural diuretic, helps UTI's (urinary tract infections), reduces liver fat, leaves stimulate appetite and aid digestion.

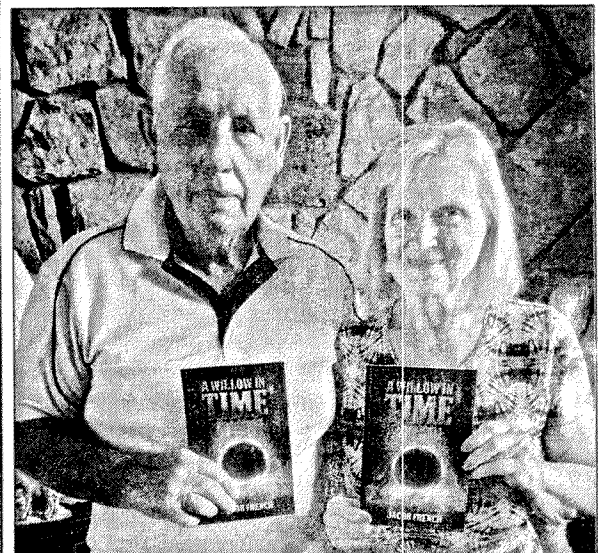
Those are from healthclevelandclinic.org/dandelion-health-benefits/ and mt.sinai.org among other references.

Dandelions added to mixed greens is my favorite way of consuming them. Dandelion wine is an option I've had the privilege of tasting. And dandelion root tea or coffee is one I plan to experiment with in the future.

No matter if you are a friend or foe, dandelions are an 'invasive' species that is here in America to stay. Might as well make the most of it.

The author is a landscaper.
www.rockcastles.net

Book donation



Garland and Liz French of Climax plan to donate two books written by their grandson Jacob French to the Rockcastle County Middle School library. Jacob is the son of Sean and Kim French of Bethel, Ohio. Jacob is a member of the Junior Author Program at the local middle school in Bethel. Jacob plans to be at the Rockcastle County Public Library on May 27, 2023 for a book signing. The event is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. He will also have books for sale. This is the first Junior Author event for the library.

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Public Notice
Notice is hereby given that Falling Rock LLC, PO Box 113 Brodhead, KY 40409, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to construct a general merchandise retail store. The property is located at 596 S Main St Brodhead, KY 40409, located 0.4 miles northwest of the intersection of US HWY 150 and KY HWY 2250 (S Main St) in Brodhead, KY and on the waters of Negro Creek. Any comments or objections can be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section, 300 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601. Call 502-564-3410 with questions.

Rockcastle County Schools Public Hearing Advertisement
Rockcastle County School District will be holding a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Teaching and Learning Center Board Room. The purpose of the public hearing will be to present the final draft of the new District Facility Plan developed by the Rockcastle County School District's Local Planning Committee. Members of the public are welcome to attend and make comments. Rockcastle Teaching and Learning Center 250 Richmond Street Mount Vernon, Kentucky, 40456

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 22-CI-00208
Kentucky Housing Corporation Plaintiff
V.
Jeffery Carlton Thomas Defendants
Sierra Lucinda Thomas

NOTICE OF SALE
Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action April 24, 2023 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE DOLLARS AND 20/100 (\$138,571.20) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Thursday, May 25, 2023 Beginning at the Hour of 10:30 a.m.

Beginning at an iron stake near a cedar in the edge of the creek approximately 140 feet south of a stake in the right of way of the gravel road adjacent to said property, corner to Steven Hammond and property herein conveyed; thence with the meanders of the creek in a southerly direction approximately 138 feet to a white oak, corner to James Lambert; thence is a northwesterly direction with Lambert's fence line to a point in the fence line between Lambert and Hammond, a white oak corner; thence a division line between Steven Hammond and property herein conveyed, an easterly direction approximately 132 feet to the point of beginning, and containing one (1) acre, more or less. There is also conveyed an easement for ingress and egress along the eastern edge of grantor's property. Said easement shall be twelve (12) feet in width and run adjacent to the western bank of the creek mentioned in the above described property. Property Address: 161 Buffalo Hollow Road, Berea, Rockcastle County, Kentucky 40403

Being the same property conveyed to Jeffery Carlton Thomas and Sierra Lucinda Thomas, husband and wife, by Deed dated January 7, 2022 of record in Deed Book 281, Page 655, in the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office.

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

1. The real property shall be sold as a whole.
2. The property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of 3.75% per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2023 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
6. Full satisfaction of the judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".
10. The sale shall occur outside on the Courthouse steps (main street entrance).

John D. Ford Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 22-CI-00144
Whitaker Bank Plaintiff
V.
Ozzy Lee Staton, Kyndra Michelle Gabbard, Rockcastle County, Kentucky Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action April 14, 2023 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants Ozzy Lee Staton and Kyndra Michelle Gabbard in the amount of ELEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWO DOLLARS AND 76/100 (\$11,802.76) plus interest, costs and attorney fees; Ozzy Lee Staton in the amount of TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS AND 49/100 (\$28,670.49) plus interest, costs and attorneys fees; Ozzy Lee Staton in the amount of TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY THREE DOLLARS AND 01/100 (\$2,893.01) plus interest, costs and attorney fees; Ozzy Lee Staton in the amount of ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY SIX DOLLARS AND 29/100 (\$1,496.29) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Thursday, May 25, 2023 Beginning at the Hour of 10:45 a.m.

The following described property located and being in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:
A tract or lot with a mobile home, VIN MSB0016805N42662, located at 1508 Ottawa Road, Brodhead, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, 40409, and described more fully as follows:
Beginning at a metal fence post in the right-of-way of Kentucky Highway #1650 (Dug Hill Road), a corner of Wallace Proctor; thence in a westerly direction with line of Wallace Proctor 264 feet to a metal fence post; thence southeasterly a new line with Cain/Hasty 230 feet to a cedar tree in the right-of-way of Kentucky #1650 northeasterly 320 feet to the point of beginning and containing three-fourths (3/4) of an acre, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Ozzy L. Staton and Kyndra M Staton, spouses, by deed dated January 9, 2019, from Bob Lunsford, a single man, and recorded in Deed Book 267 at page 540, in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. Tax map no. 006-00-072.01

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

1. The real property shall be sold as a whole.
2. The property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of 5.25% per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2023 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid from the sale proceeds.
6. Full satisfaction of the judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".
10. The sale shall occur outside on the Courthouse steps (main street entrance).

John D. Ford Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 21-CI-00060
Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC Plaintiff
V.
Unknown Heirs, devisees or legatees, and their spouses, if any, of Stuart D. Martlew, Philip Martlew, unknown spouse, if any, of Philip Martlew, unknown occupant, if any, Marianne Martlew, Marianne Martlew, as the Executrix of the estate of Stuart D. Martlew, unknown spouse, if any, of Marianne Martlew Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
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At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Thursday, May 25, 2023 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

A certain tract or parcel of land located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a steel pin on the east side of KY 1004 and on the North side of private road (corner to parcel No. 1); thence with the north side of private drive with Parcel 1 as follows: South 51 degrees 15' East 125 feet to steel pin; South 40 degrees 15' East 73 feet to steel pin; South 53 degrees 15' East 259 feet to 5" Maple; South 23 degrees 40' East 125 feet to 14" Locust; thence leaving road and continuing with parcel no. 1 as follows: North 52 degrees 15' East 535 feet to steel pin in branch; 45 feet below a spring (in Cameron's line); thence with Cameron and meandering with branch and fence as follows: North 50 degrees 45' West 122 feet; North 57 degrees 45' West 96 feet; North 56 degrees 00' West 137 feet; North 54 degrees 15' West 180 feet; North 52 degrees 30' West 205 feet to a steel pin on East side of KY 1004; thence with KY 1004 as follows: South 24 degrees 00' West 95 feet; South 30 degrees 00' West 137 feet; South 36 degrees 00' West 68 feet to the beginning. Containing 5.51 acres, more or less. Property Address: 778 Big Cave Road, Orlando, KY 40460 Parcel Number 060W-00-011.01

Being the same property conveyed to Stuart D. Martlew, from April D. Graves and Dallas Wayne Graves, wife and husband, by Deed dated April 13, 2004, recorded April 16, 2004, Rockcastle County Clerk's Records, and being known as 778 Big Cave Road, Orlando, KY 40460. Stuart D. Martlew died on January 1, 2021.

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

1. The real property shall be sold as a whole.
2. The 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.
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John D. Ford Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

City of Livingston, Kentucky—Ordinance No. 003-5-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVINGSTON, KENTUCKY AMENDING ORDINANCE 003-5-13 TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO CONTROL NUISANCES AND ESTABLISHING A CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD, AS WELL AS ADOPTING PORTIONS OF THE 2021 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE,

WHEREAS it is the intent of KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 to protect, promote, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens residing within the City by authorizing the creation of an administrative board with the authority to issue remedial orders and impose fines in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of ensuring compliance with the ordinances in force within the City; and

WHEREAS it is the desire of the City Commission of the City of LIVINGSTON, Kentucky to utilize the authority granted in KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839 by creating a City of Livingston Code Enforcement Board.

WHEREAS the city wishes to adopt as its property maintenance codes, the following sections of the International Property Maintenance Codes,

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Livingston that the City of Livingston hereby amends its previous ordinance as follows and adopts the following sections of the International Property Maintenance Codes, which is referenced in the "Unsafe Structures" Ordinance of the City of Livingston and

SECTION 1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this Section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (a) "Abatement Costs" means a city's necessary and reasonable costs for and associated with clearing, preventing unauthorized entry to, or demolishing all or a portion of a structure or premises, or taking any other action with regard to a structure or premises necessary to remedy a violation and to maintain and preserve the public health, safety and welfare in accordance with any city ordinance.
- (b) "Code Enforcement Board" means an administrative body created and acting under the authority of the Local Government Code Enforcement Board Act, KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839.
- (c) "Code Enforcement Officer" means a city police officer, safety officer, citation officer, building inspector, or other public law enforcement officer with the authority to issue a citation.
- (d) "Final Order" means any order:
 1. Issued by the code enforcement board following a hearing in accordance with Section 9(e) of this ordinance;
 2. Created because a violator neither paid nor contested the citation within seven (7) days as provided in Section 8(f) of this ordinance; or
 3. Created because a violator failed to appear at a hearing the violator requested to contest the citation as provided in Section 9(c) of this ordinance.

- (e) "Imminent Danger" means a condition which is likely to cause serious or life-threatening injury or death at any time.
- (f) "Ordinance" means an official action of the local government body, which is a regulation of a general and permanent nature and enforceable as a local law and shall include any provision of a code of ordinances adopted by the city legislative body which embodies all or part of an ordinance.
- (g) "Owner" means a person, association, corporation, partnership or other legal entity having a legal or equitable title in real property.
- (h) "Premises" means a lot, plot or parcel of land, including any structures upon it.

SECTION 2. Creation and Membership.
There is hereby created within the city pursuant to KRS 65.8801 to KRS 65.8839, a code enforcement board which shall be composed of no fewer than three members, all of whom shall be residents of the city for a period of at least one (1) year prior to their appointment and shall reside there throughout the term in office.

SECTION 3. Enforcement Powers.

- (a) The code enforcement board shall have the power to issue remedial orders and impose civil fines as a method of enforcing city ordinances when a violation of the ordinance has been classified as a civil offense.
- (b) The code enforcement board shall not have the authority to enforce any ordinance regulating conduct which would also, under any provision of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, constitute a criminal offense or a moving motor vehicle offense.

SECTION 4. Appointment of Members; Term of Office; Removal from Office; Oath; Compensation.

- (a) Members of the code enforcement board shall be appointed by the executive authority of the city, subject to the approval of the legislative body.
- (b) The initial appointment to the code enforcement board shall be as follows:
 1. One-third (1/3) of the membership or one-third (1/3) of the membership and one (1) member of the board shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year;
 2. One-third (1/3) of the membership or one-third (1/3) of the membership and one (1) member of the board shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years; and
 3. One-third (1/3) of the membership or one-third (1/3) of the membership and one (1) member of the board shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years.
- (c) All subsequent appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. A member may be reappointed, subject to the approval of the legislative body.
- (d) The executive authority may appoint, subject to the approval of the legislative body, two (2) alternate members to serve on the code enforcement board in the absence of regular members. Alternate members shall meet all of the qualifications and shall be subject to all of the requirements that apply to regular members of the code enforcement board.
- (e) Any vacancy on the board shall be filled by the executive authority, subject to approval of the legislative body, within sixty (60) days of the vacancy. If the vacancy is not filled within that time period, the remaining code enforcement board members shall fill the vacancy. A vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- (f) A board member may be removed from office by the executive authority for misconduct, inefficiency, or willful neglect of duty. The executive authority shall submit a written statement to the member and the legislative body setting forth the reasons for removal. The member so removed shall have the right of appeal to the Circuit Court.
- (g) All members of the code enforcement board shall, before entering upon the duties of their office, take the oath of office prescribed by Section 228 of the Kentucky Constitution.
- (h) Members of the code enforcement board shall be reimbursed for actual expenses and compensated in the amount of \$0.00 per month.
- (i) No member of the code enforcement board shall hold any elected or nonelected office, paid or unpaid, or any position of employment with the city.

SECTION 5. Organization of Board; Meetings; Quorum.

- (f) The code enforcement board shall annually elect a chair from among its members. The chair shall be the presiding officer and a full voting member of the board. In the absence of the chair, the remaining members of the board shall select a member to preside in place of and exercise the powers of the chair.
- (b) Regular meetings of the code enforcement board shall be held as needed.
- € All meetings and hearings of the code enforcement board shall be public meetings held in accordance with the requirements of KRS 65.8815(5) and the Kentucky Open Meetings Act.
- (d) The presence of at least a majority of the board's entire membership shall constitute a quorum. The affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum of the board shall be necessary for any official action to be taken.
- € Minutes shall be kept for all proceedings of the code enforcement board and the vote of any member on any issue decided by the board shall be recorded in the minutes.

SECTION 6. Conflict of Interest.

Any member of the code enforcement board who has any direct or indirect financial or personal interest in any matter to be decided shall disclose the nature of the interest, shall disqualify himself from voting on the matter in which he has an interest, and shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum.

SECTION 7. Powers of the Code Enforcement Board.

- The City of Livingston Code Enforcement Board shall have the following powers and duties:
 - (f) To adopt rules and regulations to govern its operations and the conduct of its hearings consistent with this ordinance.
 - (b) To conduct hearings to determine if there has been a violation of an ordinance over which it has jurisdiction.
 - € To subpoena alleged violators, witnesses and evidence to its hearings. Subpoenas issued by the code enforcement board may be served by any code enforcement officer.
 - (d) To take testimony under oath. The chairman shall have the authority to administer oaths for the purpose of taking testimony.
 - € To make findings of fact and issue orders necessary to remedy any violation of a city ordinance or code provision which the board is authorized to enforce.
 - (f) To impose civil fines, as authorized, on any person found to have violated an ordinance over which the board has jurisdiction.

SECTION 8. Enforcement proceedings.

- The following requirements shall govern all enforcement proceedings before the code enforcement board:
 - (a) Enforcement proceedings shall only be initiated by the issuance of a citation by a code enforcement officer.
 - (b) Except when immediate action is necessary pursuant to Section 16 of this ordinance, if a code enforcement officer believes, based on his personal observation or investigation, that a person has violated a city ordinance, he shall issue a Notice of Violation allowing the alleged violator a specified period of time to remedy the violation without incurring a fine. If the alleged violator fails or refuses to remedy the violation within the time specified, the code enforcement officer is authorized to issue a citation.
 - (c) The code enforcement officer shall issue a citation by one of the following methods:
 1. Personal service to the alleged violator;
 2. Leaving a copy of the citation with any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is on the premises, if the alleged violator is not on the premises at the time the citation is issued; or
 3. Posting a copy of the citation in a conspicuous place on the premises and mailing a copy of the citation by regular, first-class mail to the owner of record of the property, if no one is on the premises at the time the citation is issued.
 - (d) The citation issued by the code enforcement officer shall contain the following information:
 1. The date and time of issuance;
 2. The name and address of the person to whom the citation is issued;
 3. The physical address of the premises where the violation occurred;
 4. The date and time the offense was committed;
 5. The facts constituting the offense;
 6. The section of the code or the number of the ordinance violated;
 7. The name of the code enforcement officer;

- 8. The civil fine that may be imposed for the violation, including, if applicable:
 - a. The civil fine that will be imposed if the person does not contest the citation; and
 - b. The maximum civil fine that may be imposed if the person elects to contest the citation;
- 9. The procedure for the person to follow in order to pay the civil fine or to contest the citation; and
- 10. A statement that if the person fails to pay the civil fine set forth in the citation or contest the citation within the time allowed: the person shall be deemed to have waived the right to a hearing before the code enforcement board to contest the citation; the determination that the violation was committed shall be final; the citation as issued shall be deemed a final order determining that the violation was committed and imposing the civil fine as set forth in the citation; and the person shall be deemed to have waived the right to appeal the final order to District Court.
- (e) After issuing a citation to an alleged violator, the code enforcement officer shall notify the code enforcement board by delivering the citation to the city clerk.
- (f) 1. The person to whom the citation is issued shall respond to the citation within seven (7) days of the date of issuance by either paying the civil fine or requesting, in writing, a hearing to contest the citation. If the person fails to respond to the citation within seven (7) days, the person shall be deemed to have waived the right to a hearing and the determination that a violation was committed shall be considered final. In this event, the citation as issued shall be deemed a final order determining that the violation was committed and imposing the civil fine as set forth in the citation, and the person shall be deemed to have waived the right to appeal the final order to District Court.
- 2. Notice of a final order shall be provided to the cited violator by regular first-class mail; certified mail, return receipt requested; personal delivery; or by leaving the notice at the person's usual place of residence with any individual residing therein who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who is informed of the contents of the notice.

SECTION 9. Hearing; Notice; and Final Order.

- (a) When a hearing has been requested, the code enforcement board or its administrative staff shall schedule a hearing.
- (b) Not less than seven (7) days before the date of the hearing, the code enforcement board shall notify the requester of the date, time, and place of the hearing. The notice may be given by regular first-class mail; certified mail, return receipt requested; personal delivery; or by leaving the notice at the person's usual place of residence with any individual residing therein who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who is informed of the contents of the notice.
- (c) 1. Any person requesting a hearing who fails to appear at the time and place set for the hearing shall be deemed to have waived the right to a hearing to contest the citation, and the determination that a violation was committed shall be final. In this event, the citation as issued shall be deemed a final order determining the violation was committed and imposing the civil fine set forth in the citation, and the alleged violator shall be deemed to have waived the right to appeal the final order to District Court.
- 2. Notice of a final order shall be provided to the cited violator by regular first-class mail; certified mail, return receipt requested; personal delivery; or by leaving the notice at the person's usual place of residence with any individual residing therein who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who is informed of the contents of the notice.
- (d) All testimony at the hearing shall be taken under oath and recorded. Testimony shall be taken from the code enforcement officer, the alleged violator, and any witnesses to the violation offered by the code enforcement officer or alleged violator. Formal rules of evidence shall not apply, but fundamental due process shall be observed and shall govern the proceedings.
- (e) The code enforcement board shall, based on the evidence, determine whether a violation was committed. If it is determined that no violation was committed, an order dismissing the citation shall be entered. If it is determined that a violation was committed, an order may be issued upholding the citation. The board may impose a fine up to the maximum authorized by ordinance or require the offender to remedy a continuing violation to avoid a fine, or both.
- (f) 1. Every final order following a hearing shall be reduced to writing, which shall include the findings and conclusions reached and the date the order was issued. A copy shall be furnished to the person named in the citation.
- 2. If the person named in the citation is not present when the final order is issued, the order shall be delivered to the person by regular first-class mail; certified mail, return receipt requested; personal delivery; or by leaving the notice at the person's usual place of residence with any individual residing therein who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who is informed of the contents of the notice.

SECTION 10. Presentation of Cases.

Each case before the code enforcement board shall be presented by an attorney selected by the city, a code enforcement officer for the city, or by a member of the city's administrative staff. The city attorney may either be counsel to the code enforcement board or may present cases before the code enforcement board but shall in no case serve in both capacities.

SECTION 11. Appeals; Final Judgment.

- (a) An appeal from a final order of a code enforcement board following a hearing conducted pursuant to Section 9(e) of this ordinance may be made to the Rockcastle County District Court within thirty (30) days of the date the order is issued. The appeal shall be initiated by the filing of a complaint and a copy of the final order in the same manner as any civil action under the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure.
- (b) If no appeal from a final order of the code enforcement board is filed within the time period set in subsection (a) of this Section, the code enforcement board's order shall be deemed final for all purposes.

SECTION 12. Ordinance Fine Schedule.

Violations of ordinances that are enforced by the city code enforcement board shall be subject to the following schedule of civil fines:

- (a) If a citation for a violation of an ordinance is not contested by the person charged with the violation, the penalties set forth in this subsection shall apply:

Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	All Other Offenses
Animals	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Unsafe & Unfit Structure Code	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$150.00
Garbage	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$50.00
Weeds	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$50.00

- (b) If the citation is contested and a hearing before the code enforcement board is required, the following maximum penalties may be imposed at the discretion of the code enforcement board:

Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	All Other Offenses
Animals	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Unsafe & Unfit Structure Code	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$1,000.00
Garbage	\$75.00	\$150.00	\$250.00
Weeds	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$100.00

SECTION 13. Lien; Fines, Charges, and Fees.

- (a) The city shall possess a lien on property owned by the person found by a nonappealable final order as defined by Section 1(d) of this ordinance, or by a final judgment of the court, to have committed a violation of a city ordinance. The lien shall be for all civil fines assessed for the violation and for all charges and fees incurred by the city in connection with the enforcement of the ordinance, including abatement costs. An affidavit of the code enforcement officer shall constitute prima facie evidence of the amount of the lien and regularity of the proceedings pursuant to KRS 65.8801 to 65.8839.
- (b) The lien shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk. The lien shall be notice to all persons from the time of its recording and shall bear interest until paid. The lien shall continue for ten (10) years following the date of the nonappealable final order or final court judgment.
- (c) Subject to Section 15 of this ordinance, the lien shall take precedence over all other liens, except state, county, school board, and city taxes, and may be enforced by judicial proceedings, including a foreclosure action.
- (d) In addition to the remedy prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section, the person found to have committed the violation shall be personally responsible for the amount of all civil fines assessed for the violation and for all charges, fees and abatement costs incurred by the city in connection with the enforcement of the ordinance. The city may bring a civil action against the person and shall have the same remedies as provided for the recovery of a debt.

SECTION 14. Immediate Action

Nothing in this ordinance shall prohibit the city from taking immediate action to remedy a violation of its ordinances when there is reason to believe that the violation is an unsafe structure and presents a serious threat to the public health, safety, and welfare, or if in the absence of immediate action, the effects of the violation will be irreparable or irreversible.

SECTION 15. SECTIONS OF THE IPMC (International Property Maintenance Codes), which is referenced in the "Unsafe Structures" Ordinance of the City of Livingston). DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

- [A] 105.1 General. The Code Enforcement Officer is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The Code Enforcement Officer shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code.
- [A] 105.3 Right of Entry. Where it is necessary to make an inspection to enforce the provisions of this code, or whenever the Code Enforcement Officer has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in a structure or upon a premises a condition in violation of this code, the Code Enforcement Officer is authorized to enter the structure or premises at reasonable times to inspect or perform the duties imposed by this code, provided that if such structure or premises is occupied the Code Enforcement Officer shall present credentials to the occupant and request entry. If such structure or premises is unoccupied, the Code Enforcement Officer shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner, owner's authorized agent or other person having charge or control of the structure or premises and request entry. If entry is refused, the Code Enforcement Officer shall have recourse to the remedies provided by law to secure entry.
- [A] 105.4 Identification. The Code Enforcement Officer shall carry proper identification when inspecting structures or premises in the performance of duties under this code.
- [A] 105.5 Notices and Orders. The Code Enforcement Officer shall issue all necessary notices or orders to ensure compliance with this code.
- [A] 105.7 Liability. The Code Enforcement Officer, member of the board of appeals or employee charged with the enforcement of this code, while acting for the jurisdiction, in good faith and without malice in the discharge of the duties required by this code or other pertinent law or ordinance, shall not thereby be rendered civilly or criminally liable personally, and is hereby relieved from all personal liability for any damage accruing to persons or property as a result of an act or by reason of an act or omission in the discharge of official duties.
- [A] 105.7.1 Legal defense. Any suit or criminal complaint instituted against any officer or employee because of an act performed by that officer or employee in the lawful discharge of duties and under the provisions of this code shall be defended by the legal representative of the jurisdiction until the final termination of the proceedings. The Code Enforcement Officer or any subordinate shall not be liable for costs in an action, suit or proceeding that is instituted in pursuance of the provisions of this code.

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SECTION 106 APPROVAL

[A] **106.1 Modifications.** Whenever there are practical difficulties involved in carrying out the provisions of this code, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall have the authority to grant modifications for individual cases upon application of the owner or owner's authorized agent, provided that the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall first find that special individual reason makes the strict letter of this code impractical, the modification is in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code and that such modification does not lessen health, life and fire safety requirements. The details of action granting modifications shall be recorded and entered in the department files.

SECTION 110 STOP WORK ORDER

[A] **110.1 Authority.** Where the *Code Enforcement Officer* finds any work regulated by this code being performed in a manner contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner, the *Code Enforcement Officer* is authorized to issue a stop work order.

[A] **110.2 Issuance.** The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, to the owner's authorized agent, or to the person performing the work. Upon issuance of a stop work order, the cited work shall immediately cease. The stop work order shall state the reason for the order and the conditions under which the cited work is authorized to resume.

[A] **110.3 Emergencies.** Where an emergency exists, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work.

[A] **110.4 Failure to Comply.** Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to fines established by the authority having jurisdiction.

SECTION 111 UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT

111.1 Unsafe conditions, Structure unfit for Human Occupancy. A structure is unfit for human occupancy whenever the *Code Enforcement Officer* finds that such structure is unsafe, unlawful or, because of the degree to which the structure is in disrepair or lacks maintenance, is insanitary, vermin or rat infested, contains filth and contamination, or because the location of the structure constitutes a hazard to the occupants of the structure or to the public.

111.1.1 Unlawful Structure An unlawful structure is one erected, altered or occupied contrary to law.

111.1.2 Dangerous structure or premises. For the purpose of this code, any structure or premises that has any or all of the conditions or defects described as follows, shall be considered to be dangerous.

1. The building or structure, or any portion thereof, is clearly unsafe for its use and occupancy.
2. The building or structure is neglected, damaged, dilapidated, unsecured or abandoned so as to become an attractive nuisance to children who might play in the building or structure to their danger, becomes a harbor for vagrants, criminals or immoral persons, or enables persons to resort to the building or structure for committing a nuisance or an unlawful act.
3. A building or structure is determined by the *Code Enforcement Officer* to be insanitary, unfit for human habitation or in such a condition that is likely to cause sickness or disease.
4. Any building or structure determined by the *Code Enforcement Officer* to be a threat to life or health.
5. Any portion of a building remains on a site after the demolition or destruction of the building or structure or whenever any building or structure is abandoned so as to constitute such building or portion thereof as an attractive nuisance or hazard to the public.

111.2 Closing of Vacant Structures. If the structure is vacant and unfit for human habitation and occupancy, and is not in danger of structural collapse, the *Code Enforcement Officer* is authorized to post a placard of condemnation on the premises and order the structure closed up so as not to be an attractive nuisance. Upon failure of the owner or owner's authorized agent to close up the premises within the time specified in the order, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall cause the premises to be closed and secured through any available public agency or by contract or arrangement by private persons and the cost thereof shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be a lien upon such real estate and shall be collected by any other legal resource. The property owner shall be personally liable for all costs and expenses incurred pursuant to this section.

111.2.1 Authority to Disconnect Service Utilities. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall have the authority to authorize disconnection of utility service to the building, structure or system regulated by this code and the referenced codes and standards set forth in Section 102.8 in case of emergency where necessary to eliminate an immediate hazard to life or property or where such utility connection has been made without approval. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall notify the serving utility and, whenever possible, the owner or owner's authorized agent and occupant of the building, structure or service system of the decision to disconnect prior to taking such action. If not notified prior to disconnection the owner, owner's authorized agent or occupant of the building structure or service system shall be notified in writing as soon as practical thereafter.

111.5 Unauthorized Tampering. Signs, tags or seals posted or affixed by the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall not be mutilated, destroyed or tampered with, or removed without authorization from the *Building Inspector*.

111.6 Transfer of Ownership. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dwelling unit or structure who has received a compliance order or upon whom a notice of violation has been served to sell, transfer, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of such dwelling unit or structure to another until the provisions of the compliance order or notice of violation have been complied with, or until such owner or the owner's authorized agent shall first furnish the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee a true copy of any compliance order or notice of violation issued by the *Code Enforcement Officer* and shall furnish to the *Code Enforcement Officer* a signed and notarized statement from the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee, acknowledging the receipt of such compliance order or notice of violation and fully accepting the responsibility without condition for making the corrections or repairs required by such compliance order or notice of violation.

111.7 Placarding. Upon failure of the owner, owner's authorized agent or person responsible to comply with the notice provisions within the time given, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall post on the premises or on defective equipment a placard bearing the word "Condemned" and a statement of the penalties provided for occupying the premises, operating the equipment or removing the placard. Such notice shall be posted in a conspicuous place in or about the structure affected by such notice. If the notice pertains to equipment, it shall be placed on the condemned equipment.

111.7.1 Placard Removal. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall remove the condemnation placard whenever the defect or defects upon which the condemnation and placarding action were based have been eliminated. Any person who defaces or removes a condemnation placard without the approval of the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall be subject to the penalties provided by this code.

111.8 Prohibited Occupancy. Any occupied structure condemned and placarded by the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall be vacated as ordered by the *Code Enforcement Officer*. Any person who shall occupy a placarded premises or shall operate placarded equipment, and any owner or owner's authorized agent who shall let anyone occupy a placarded premises or operate placarded equipment shall be liable for the penalties provided by this code.

111.9 Restoration or Abatement. The structure or equipment determined to be unsafe by the *Code Enforcement Officer* is permitted to be restored to a safe condition. The owner, owner's authorized agent, operator or occupant of a structure, premises or equipment deemed unsafe by the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall abate or cause to be abated or corrected such unsafe conditions either by repair, rehabilitation, demolition or other approved corrective action.

SECTION 112 EMERGENCY MEASURES

112.1 Imminent Danger. When, in the opinion of the *Code Enforcement Officer*, there is imminent danger of failure or collapse of a building or structure that endangers life, or when any structure or part of a structure has fallen and life is endangered by the occupation of the structure, or when there is actual or potential danger to the building occupants or those in the proximity of any structure because of explosives, explosive fumes or vapors or the presence of toxic fumes, gases or materials, or operation of defective or dangerous equipment, the *Code Enforcement Officer* is hereby authorized and empowered to order and require the occupants to vacate the premises forthwith. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall cause to be posted at each entrance to such structure a notice reading as follows: "This Structure Is Unsafe and Its Occupancy Has Been Prohibited by the Building Inspector." It shall be unlawful for any person to enter such structure except for the purpose of securing the structure, making the required repairs, removing the hazardous condition or of demolishing the same.

112.2 Temporary Safeguards. Notwithstanding other provisions of this code, whenever, in the opinion of the *Building Inspector*, there is imminent danger due to an unsafe condition, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall order the necessary work to be done, including the boarding up of openings, to render such structure temporarily safe whether or not the legal procedure herein described has been instituted; and shall cause such other action to be taken as the *Code Enforcement Officer* deems necessary to meet such emergency.

112.3 Closing streets. When necessary for public safety, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall temporarily close structures and close, or order the authority having jurisdiction to close, sidewalks, streets, public ways and places adjacent to unsafe structures, and prohibit the same from being utilized.

112.4 Emergency repairs. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall employ the necessary labor and materials to perform the required work as expeditiously as possible.

SECTION 113 DEMOLITION

113.1 General. The *Code Enforcement Officer* shall order the owner or owner's authorized agent of any premises upon which is located any structure, which in the *Code Enforcement Officer's* or owners authorized agent judgment after review is so deteriorated or dilapidated or has become so out of repair as to be dangerous, unsafe, insanitary or otherwise unfit for human habitation or occupancy, and such that it is unreasonable to repair the structure, to demolish and remove such structure; or if such structure is capable of being made safe by repairs, to repair and make safe and sanitary, or to board up and hold for future repair or to demolish and remove at the owner's option; or where there has been a cessation of normal construction of any structure for a period of more than two years, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall order the owner or owner's authorized agent to demolish and remove such structure, or board up until future repair. Boarding the building up for future repair shall not extend beyond one year, unless approved by the *Code Enforcement Board*.

113.3 Failure to Comply. If the owner of a premises or owner's authorized agent fails to comply with a demolition order within the time prescribed, the *Code Enforcement Officer* shall cause the structure to be demolished and removed, either through an available public agency or by contract or arrangement with private persons, and the cost of such demolition and removal shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be a lien upon such real estate. The property owners shall be personally liable for all costs incurred in this section.

113.4 Salvage Materials. Where any structure has been demolished and removed, the governing body or other designated officer under said contract or arrangement aforesaid shall have the right to sell the salvage and valuable materials. The net proceeds of such sale, after deducting the expenses of such demolition and removal, shall be promptly remitted with a report of such sale or transaction, including the items of expense and the amounts deducted, for the person who is entitled thereto, subject to any order of a court. If such a surplus does not remain to be turned over, the report shall so state.

/s/ Larry Davidson, Mayor
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Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

USDA Announces Grassland Conservation Reserve Program Signup for 2023

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that agricultural producers and private landowners can begin signing up for the Grassland Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) through May 26, 2023.

Among CRP enrollment opportunities, Grassland CRP is a unique working lands program, allowing producers and landowners to continue grazing and haying practices while conserving grasslands and promoting plant and animal biodiversity as well as healthier soil.

"Grassland CRP clearly demonstrates that agricultural productivity and conservation priorities can not only coexist but also complement and enhance one another," said Dean Schamore, FSA State Executive Director in Kentucky. "The strength of this program lies in its many benefits — through annual rental payments, the program helps producers and landowners produce and maintain diverse wildlife habitat, sequester carbon in the soil, and support sound, sustainable grazing. These benefits help keep agricultural lands in production while delivering lasting climate outcomes."

More than 3.1 million acres were accepted through the 2022 Grassland CRP signup from agricultural producers and private landowners.

That signup—the highest ever for the program—reflects the continued success and value of investments in voluntary, producer-led, working lands conservation programs. The current total participation in Grassland CRP is 6.3 million acres, which is part of the 23 million acres enrolled in CRP opportunities overall.

Since 2021, USDA's FSA, which administers all CRP programs, has made several improvements to Grassland CRP to broaden the program's reach, including:

- Creating two National Priority Zones to put focus on environmentally sensitive land such as that prone to wind erosion.
- Enhancing offers with 10 additional ranking points to producers and landowners who are historically underserved, including beginning farmers and military veterans.
- Leveraging the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) to engage historically underserved communities within Tribal Nations in the Great Plains.

How to Sign Up for Grassland CRP Landowners and producers interested in Grassland CRP, or any other CRP enrollment option, should contact their local USDA Service Center to learn more or to apply for the program before the deadlines.

Producers with expiring CRP acres can enroll in the Transition Incentives Program (TIP), which incentivizes producers who sell or enter into a long-term lease with a beginning, veteran, or socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher who

plans to sustainably farm or ranch the land. Other CRP Signups Under Continuous CRP, producers and landowners can enroll throughout the year.

Offers are automatically accepted provided the producer and land meet the eligibility requirements and the enrollment levels do not exceed the statutory cap. Continuous CRP includes a Climate-Smart Practice Incentive to increase carbon sequestration and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by helping producers and landowners establish trees and permanent grasses, enhance wildlife habitat, and restore wetlands.

FSA offers several additional enrollment opportunities within Continuous CRP, including the State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) Initiative, the Farmable Wetlands Program (FWP), and the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP). Also available is the Clean Lakes Estuaries and Rivers (CLEAR30) Initiative, which was originally piloted in twelve states but has since been expanded nationwide, giving producers and landowners across the country the opportunity to enroll in 30-year CRP contracts for water quality practices.


USDA hosts an annual General CRP signup. This year's General CRP signup was open from Feb. 27 through April 7. The program helps producers and landowners establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees, to control soil erosion, improve water quality and enhance wildlife habitat on cropland. The Climate-Smart Practice Incentive is also available in the General signup. More Information Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest voluntary private-lands conservation programs in the United States. It was originally intended to primarily control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits. Privately owned grazing lands cover nearly 30 percent of the national landscape, and USDA recognizes the tremendous opportunity address

climate-change through voluntary private lands conservation. In addition to CRP, resources are available at FSA's sister agency, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). Earlier this month, NRCS announced its \$12 million investment in cooperative agreements for 49 projects that expand access to conservation technical assistance for livestock producers and increase the use of conservation practices on grazing lands. USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. Under the Biden-Harris administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.gov.

Committee Meeting Date: June 7th 2023 8:30 A.M. at the Mount Vernon USDA Service Center.

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Notice is hereby given that Timothy Turner, 3030 Cranberry, Hwy. #16, Wareham, MA 02538 has been appointed Administrator of the estate of Alstair Richardson, deceased, on the 26th day of April 2023. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Timothy Turner or to Registered Agent of Service, Bethany Chambliss, 800 Leawood Dr., #16, Frankfort, KY 40601 on or before October 30, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. 12x3

PUBLIC NOTICE 5/9/2023

I, William A. Leger, an attorney in good standing with the Kentucky Bar Association, have been appointed Warning Order Attorney for ROBIN LYNN KENDRICK. As such I am tasked with notifying them of the filing of a petition against them in Rockcastle Circuit Court Case #22-CI-00186. I request ROBIN LYNN KENDRICK, or any person with knowledge about the identity and/or whereabouts of ROBIN LYNN KENDRICK, contact me on or before the 21st day of May, 2023. I am required to report my findings as to the existence and whereabouts of the individual identified herein and any defense they may have

to the petition. I can be reached by mail at P.O. Box 1250, Mount Vernon, Kentucky, 40456 or by telephone at (606) 256-2728.

Legal Notice To: Lorene McClure: Floyd Callahan v. Amon Owens, et al, Hon. Bobby Amburgey, PO Box 3118, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Rockcastle Circuit Court to notify Lorene McClure, a certain lawsuit filed on or about February 17, 2023, in which Lorene McClure, was named as Defendant. Said lawsuit has been filed in Division II of the Rockcastle Circuit Court and is Civil Action No. 23-CI-00032. The nature of this lawsuit is a Complaint against the Defendants, Amon Owen et al in regard to property in which the Defendants may have an interest. Lorene McClure shall have fifty (50) days from February 17, 2023, to file an answer with the Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk. If they do not appear in this suit and defend it, a judgment will be entered at the discretion of the Court. Lorene McClure should be advised the Warning Order Attorney does not and cannot represent their interest and the Warning Order Attorney is only notifying them of the pending lawsuit.

Legal Notice To: Unknown spouses of Mattie Coffey: Leslie Childers vs. The Unknown Heirs of Mattie Coffey. Hon. Bobby Amburgey, PO Box 3118, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Rockcastle Circuit Court to notify the Unknown Spouses of Mattie Coffey a certain lawsuit filed on or about January 5, 2023 in which the Unknown Spouses, if any, were named as Defendants. Said lawsuit has been filed in Division I of the Rockcastle Circuit Court and is Civil Action No. 23-CI-00002. The nature of this lawsuit is a Complaint against the Defendants, unknown spouses of Mattie Coffey in regards to property in which the Defendants may have an interest. The unknown spouses of Mattie Coffey, if any, shall have fifty (50) days from January 24, 2023 to file an answer with the Rockcastle Circuit Court Clerk. If they

do not appear in this suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the Court. The unknown spouses of Mattie Coffey, if any, should be advised the Warning Order Attorney does not and cannot represent their interest and the Warning Order Attorney is only notifying them of the pending lawsuit.

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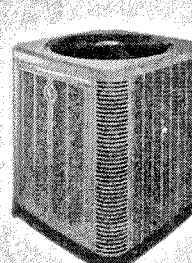
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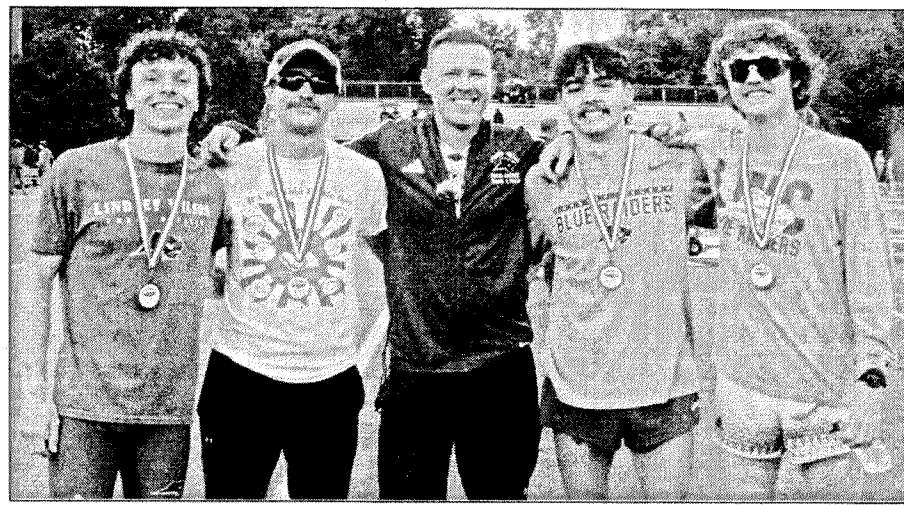


Sierra Akemon and Emma Grace Ballinger were each presented a scholarship at the annual Farmers Business Banquet held last Thursday at RCMS.



The Rockcastle Retired Teachers Association recently met at Limestone Grille. The speaker, Mr. Cebert Gilbert, representative from AARP, brought a very informative program on fraud attempts on seniors. We were delighted to have him and his wife join us. The next meeting will be June 21st at Limestone Grille at 11:30 a.m.

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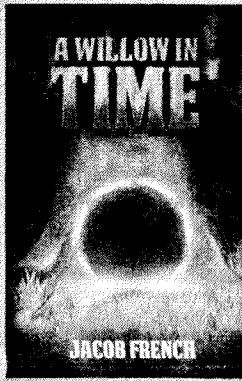
Students graduate from Cumberland University of the

University of the Cumberland congratulates all its newest graduates. The following local students completed an undergraduate or graduate degree at Cumberland this spring: Zoe Burdette of Mount Vernon, Alyssa Carter of Brodhead, Aaron McNabb of Mt. Vernon, Lyndsey Reams of Mt. Vernon, Kirbie Reynolds of Mount Vernon, Hunter Rigsby of Mt. Vernon, and Alaina Taylor of Brodhead.

Rockcastle County Schools Public Hearing Advertisement
Rockcastle County School District will be holding a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Teaching and Learning Center Board Room. The purpose of the public hearing will be to present the final draft of the new District Facility Plan developed by the Rockcastle County School District's Local Planning Committee. Members of the public are welcome to attend and make comments.
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NOTICE OF BID OPPORTUNITY
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Bids can be mailed to:
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PO Box 755, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.
Please mark envelopes **"Sealed Bid"** and specify materials for which you are placing a bid. Thank you for your cooperation.

Saturday, May 27th
Rockcastle County Public Library
11:30- 1:30
Jacob French will be signing his book, "A Willow in Time"
Jacob is 12 yrs. old and a student at Bethel-Tate Middle School in Bethel, Ohio. He enjoys Legos, playing video games with his friends and drawing.
Jacob has lots of relatives in Rockcastle County



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Carley Sampson will be signing her book, "Abandoned"
Carley is an 11 year old girl who loves spending time with her family. She plays the flute in her school band. She enjoys playing many sports such as basketball, softball, and soccer. In her free time she loves riding 4-wheelers, dirt bikes, and jumping on the trampoline. She enjoys working with small children and helping them learn. On her weekends she loves helping referee soccer games for little kindergartners in her hometown.



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- 14) Of the finest quality
- 15) Like a debater's skills
- 17) Feel feverish
- 19) Not yet used, as resources
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- 24) "... a little tom-... sang"
- 25) Assaulted the nostrils
- 27) Hearing things?
- 29) Hindu class
- 33) Unit of work
- 34) Poker tokens
- 36) Hour and minute separator
- 38) Trip to know a Vail?
- 43) Bridge support
- 44) Where to go to win at limbo
- 46) Historic introduction?
- 48) Common prayer starter
- 51) Cold War-era alliance
- 52) Has to have
- 54) Geller who messes with minds
- 56) The feminine side, in Chinese circles
- 57) Belg. was in it
- 58) Fighting back
- 63) Make it to land without a boat
- 68) One-on-one chats
- 69) Share a border with
- 70) Observed in the act
- 71) Baseball or golf, e.g.
- 72) "Private Dancer" Turner

DOWN

- 1) "Cheers" setting
- 2) Costello of comedy
- 3) "Barbara ..." (Beach Boys hit)
- 4) Gentleman caller
- 5) Kind of license or justice
- 6) ... di Mare (fashion label)
- 7) Arctic Circle inhabitant
- 8) Dance movement
- 9) Days gone by
- 10) Place for an orchestra
- 11) Pertaining to the eyes
- 12) Adventurousome
- 13) Aerodynamically designed
- 16) Nuclear plant units
- 18) Big boom maker
- 21) Pulp fiction gumshoe
- 22) Cries of derision
- 23) He played Ponch
- 26) Muscle-bone connector
- 28) Acted maliciously
- 30) Dolt or dummy
- 31) Word with "much" or "late"
- 32) Plumbing pipe with a right angle
- 35) Kinsman
- 37) Salad dressing ingredient
- 39) "The Matrix" hero
- 40) Lass
- 41) "Up, up and ..."!
- 42) Mythical mountain "man"
- 45) Silver or Howard
- 46) Hall of Famer Reese
- 47) Say from memory
- 49) Handoff recipient
- 50) Least moist
- 52) Bird's homes
- 53) Couch potato's perch
- 55) Elected ones
- 59) Gardening supplies
- 60) Get ready for surgery
- 61) "Beetle Bailey" pooch
- 62) Stairway to a river, in India
- 64) "All the President's ..."
- 65) Part of a geisha's garb
- 66) Hosiery mishap
- 67) Airport posting (abbr.)

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My dream and vision for each and every one of our students is to receive a memorable and successful educational experience that not only focuses on achievement but also encourages you to be active members of this great community. The greatest thing about your education is that you are entitled to use it without limits. It is your choice and my hope is that you will never settle for anything other than what you aspire to do.

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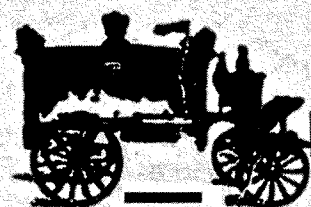
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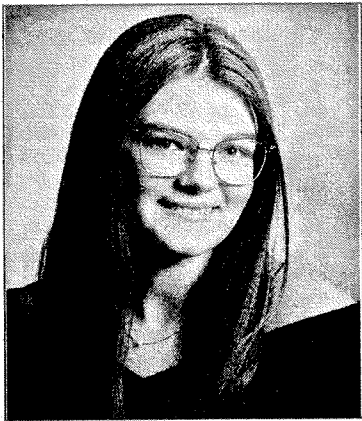
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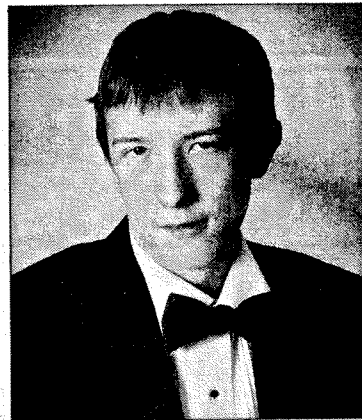
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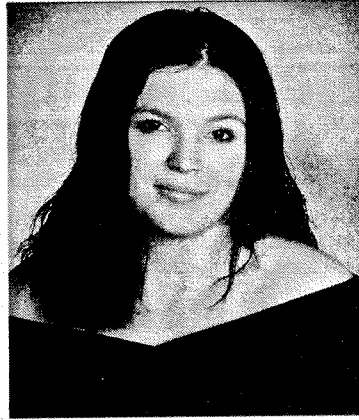
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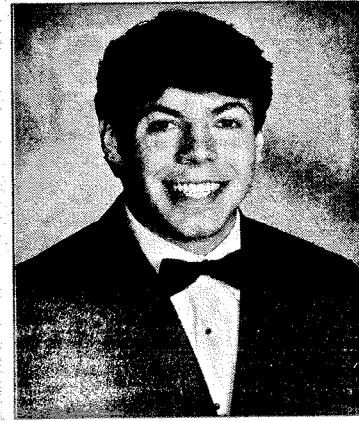
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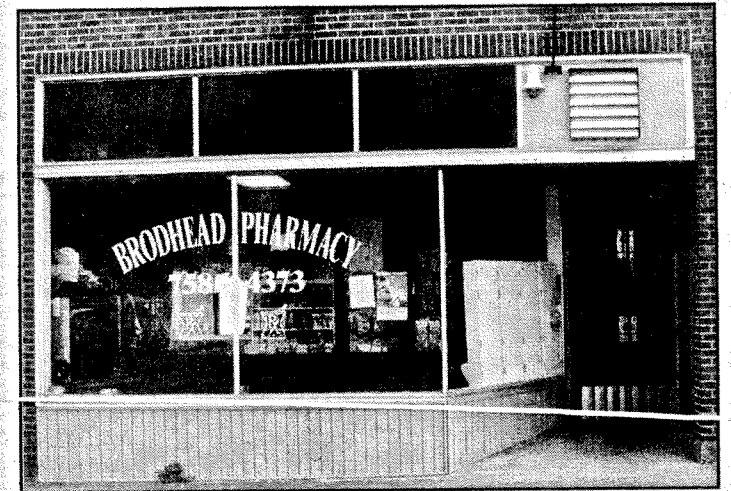


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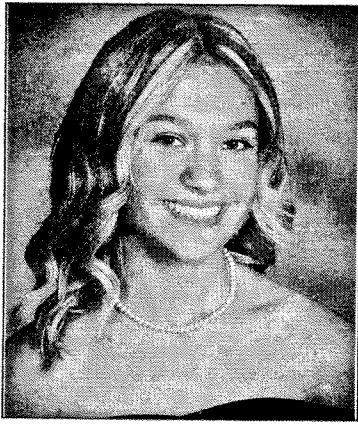
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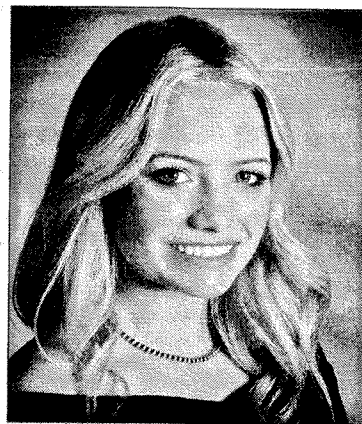


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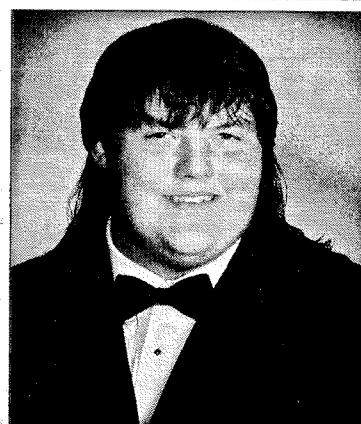
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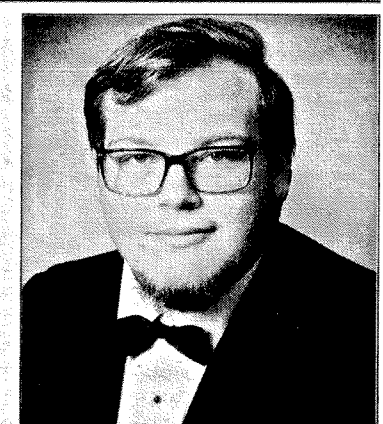
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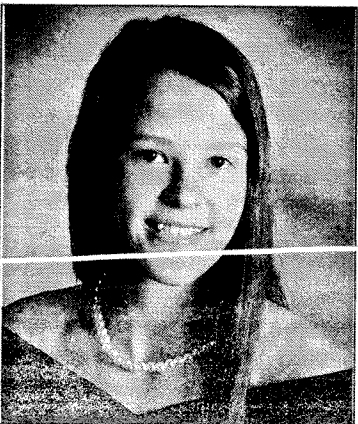
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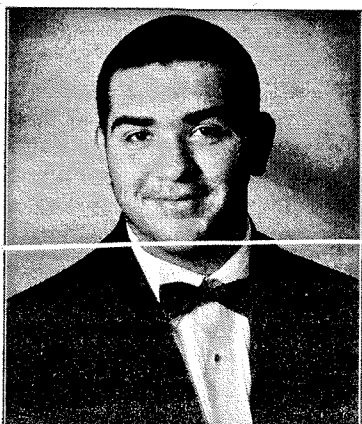
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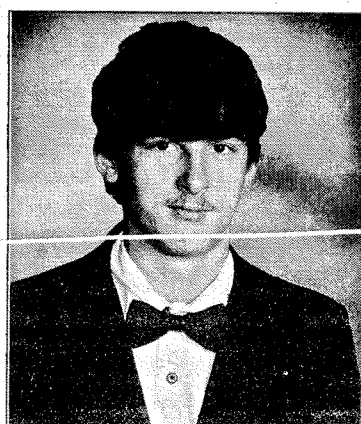
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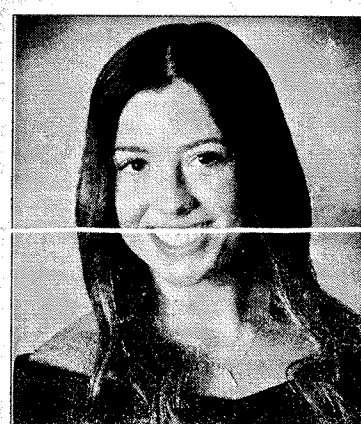
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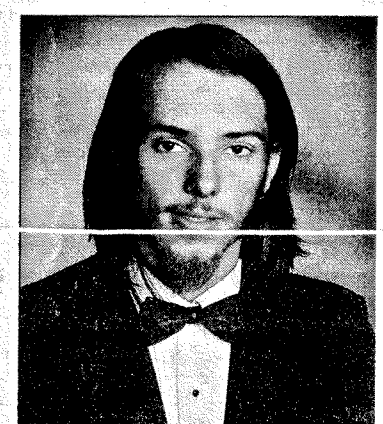
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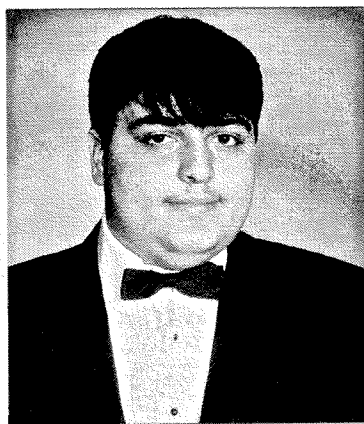
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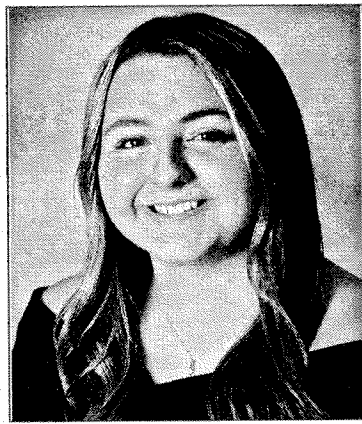
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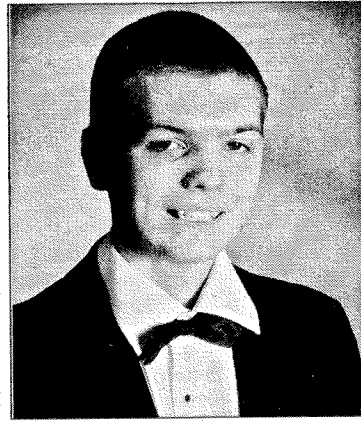
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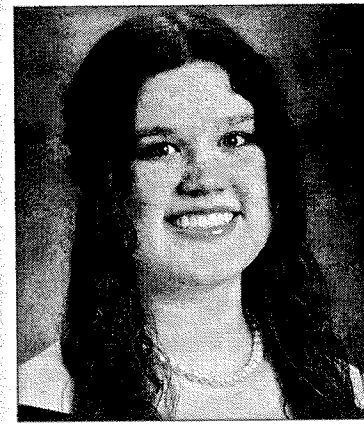
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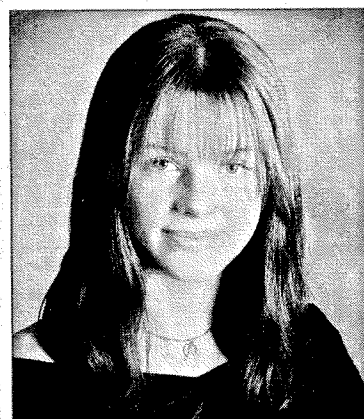
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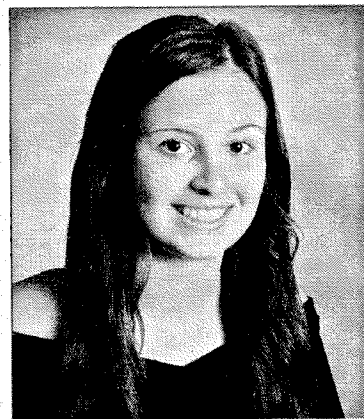
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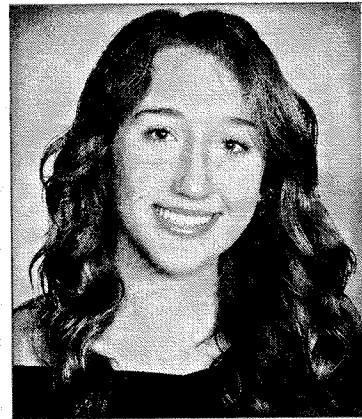
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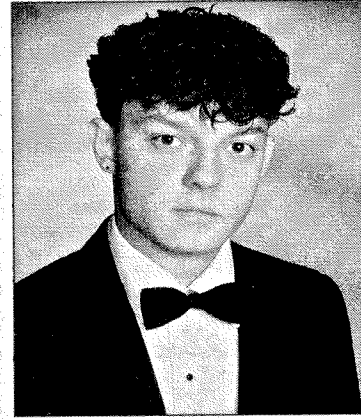
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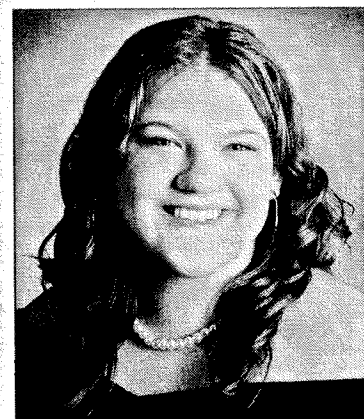
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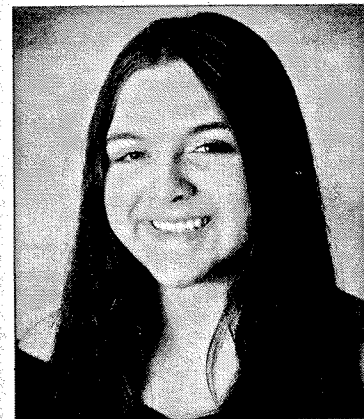
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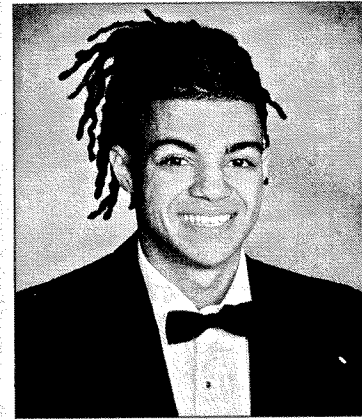
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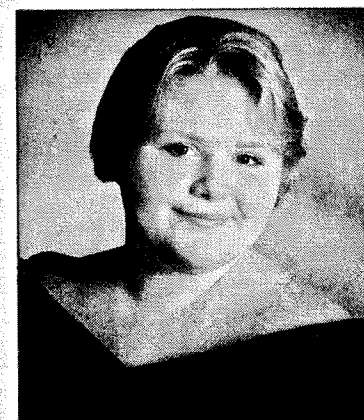
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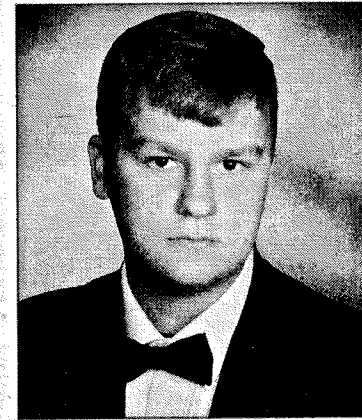
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2023 Senior Class

Makaela Abney, Mount Vernon, daughter of Rebecca Jackson and Scott Abney. GPA 4.12, FCCLA Chapter President, FCCLA State Competition - 1st Place

Sierra Akemon, Mount Vernon, daughter of Kimberly and Randy Akemon. Honors Choir, 4 years; Educator Rising; JAG; 32 ACT. Best Hair Senior Who's Who; 2nd Place in Nashville Women's Choir Competition; Prom Club; All Fest Choir, 2 years. Karaoke Club; Coloring Club; Scrapbooking Club; CPR Trained; Young Feminists Club; Academic Team.

Lonnie Arthur, Mount Vernon, son of Tammy Arthur and Doug Arthur Band, Choir.

Halli Bales, Brodhead, daughter of Autumn Bales and Adam Bales. Cheerleader, 3 years; Completer in Early Childhood Education; Intern.

Emma Ballinger, Three Links, daughter of James and Carrie Ballinger. Cheerleading Captain; RCHS FFA President; Kentucky River Regional FFA President; Student Council President; Rocket Club Officer; First Priority Student Leader. RCHS FFA Outstanding Leader Award; Kentucky Farm Bureau District 8 Outstanding Youth; UK Otis A. Singletary Scholar. KAPOS State Cheerleading Scholarship; KY Junior Hereford Association Vice President; KY Junior Cattleman's Association District Director; KY Junior Hereford Association Queen. RCHS Honors/BETA Club; RCHS Key Club; KY FFA Land Judging runner-up team member and KY FFA runner-up Parliamentary Procedure team member.

Dakota Lee Wayne Barnett, Mount Vernon, son of Crystal Barnes and Kyle Barnett. Football, Skills USA.

Jaiden Barnett, son of Heather Barnett and Jimmy Barnett.

Sarah Barron, Mount Vernon, daughter of Mike and Sherry Barron. Varsity Volleyball, 5 years; All District Team, 5 years; 1st Team All Region, 4 years;

Club Volleyball, 3 years, FFA, 2 years, officer, competitor in small engines Livestock Judging and Proficiencies. Shows Purebred Charolais Cattle all over the state winning many awards.

Enrique M. Botellos, Mount Vernon, son of Jose R. Botellos.

Joshua Jackson Brewer, Livingston, son of Joshua Brewer and Tara Denny. FFA welding team; Vocational Level 3 Welding; Sall Motors; Scheduled for Marine Boot Camp May 30, 2023; JAG KY Community Service.

Alexis Brock, Brodhead, daughter of Melissa and Jason Brock. Member of 47th District Championship Softball Team; 2023 RCHS Lady Rockets Softball Team Captain; Softball, 7 years; Travel Softball; Y Club; UNITE Club; HOSA Club; 4.14 GPA. Personal Legislative Page for Rep Josh Bray. Dance Blue Leadership Team; Rockcastle Regional Hospital Strides Against Cancer; American Cancer Society Relay for Life; Rocket Club Leader. Rockcastle Regional Scholarship.

Dustin Brooks, Mount Vernon, son of Stephen Gary Mink and Kristy Mink. Skills USA, 3 on 3 Basketball; FCA.

Hayden Bullens, Berea, daughter of Miranda and Lester Bullens. Successfully completed Early Childhood Exam.

Adam Bullock, Mount Vernon, son of Jennifer Bullock and Roy Bullock.

Bailey Bullock, Brodhead, daughter of Dr. David and Vanessa Bullock.

Jaquelyn Avery Elizabeth Bullock, Mount Vernon, daughter of Larry and Dana Bullock. FCCLA, 4 years; JAG; Passed both end of program assessments.

Kara Bullock, Brodhead, daughter of Charles and Brenda Bullock. President of Future Business Leaders of America; President of Key Club; Office Administration End of Program Certification; Marketing End of Program Certification; Certification in

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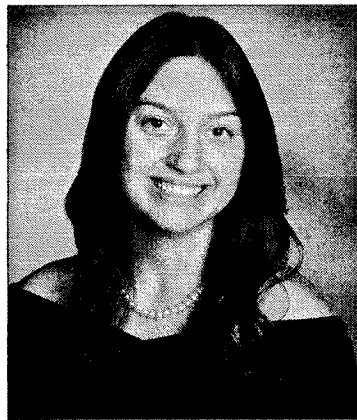
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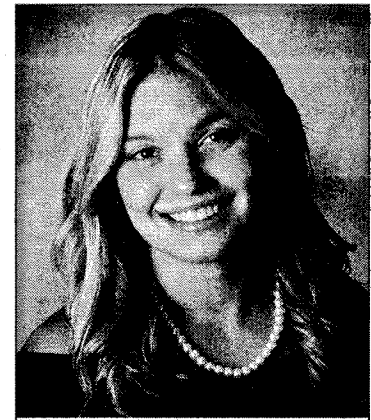
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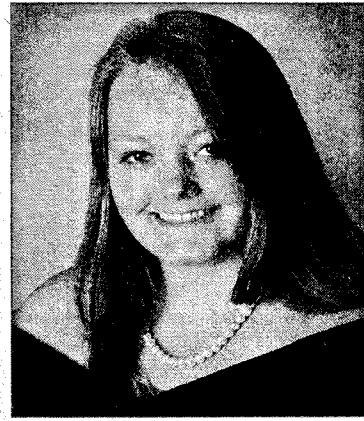
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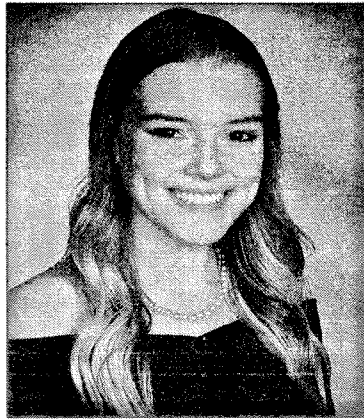
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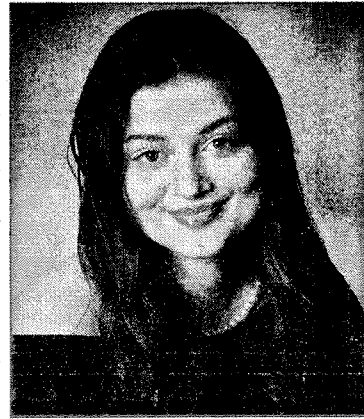
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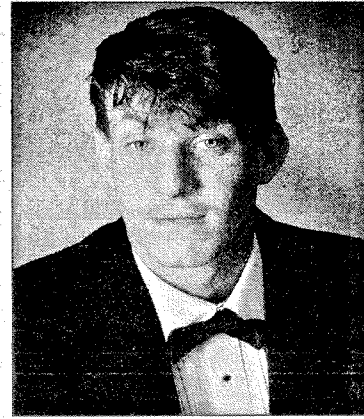
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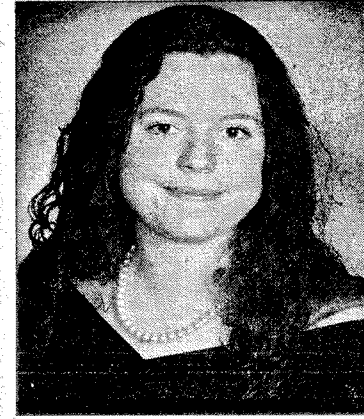
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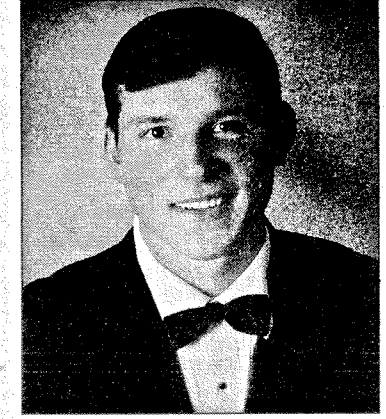
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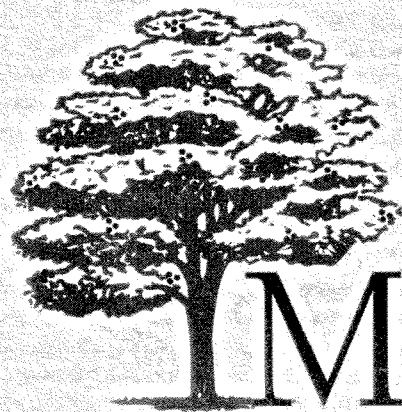


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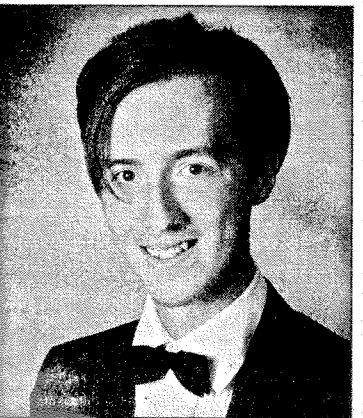
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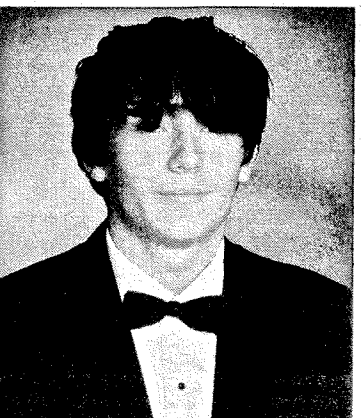
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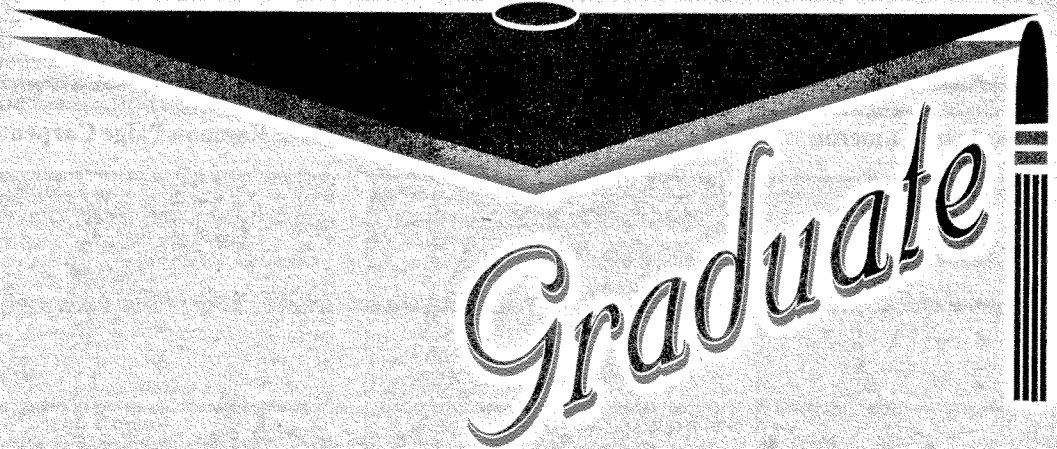


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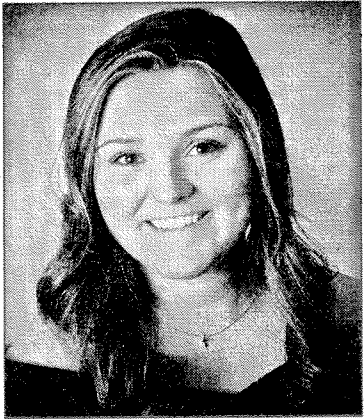
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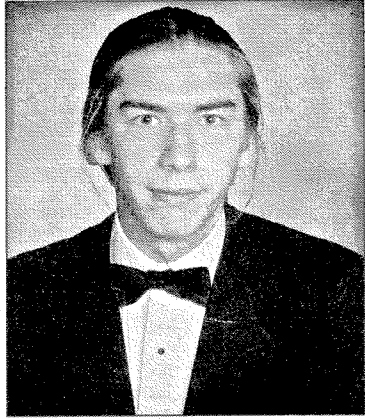
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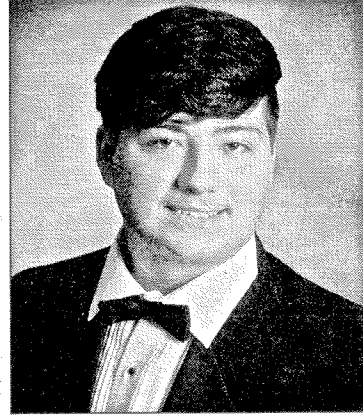




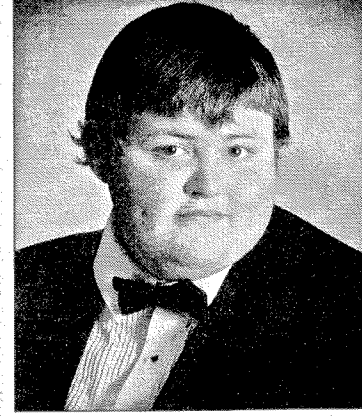
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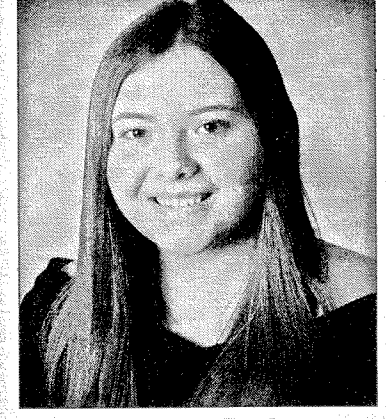
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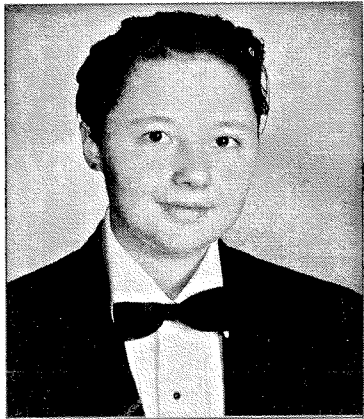
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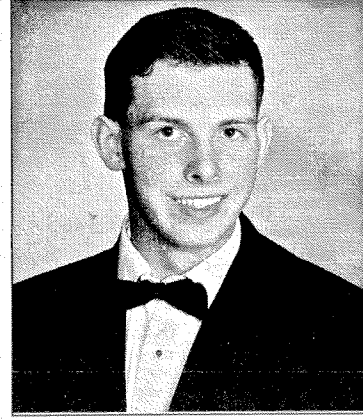
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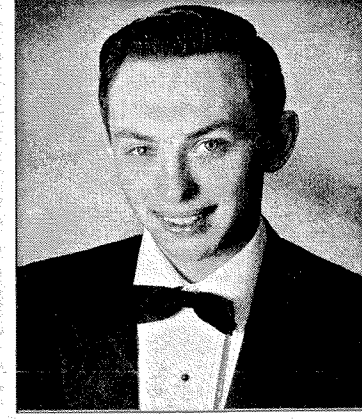
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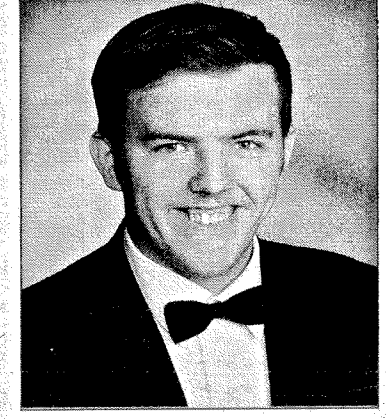
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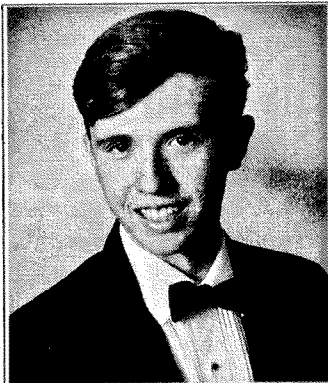


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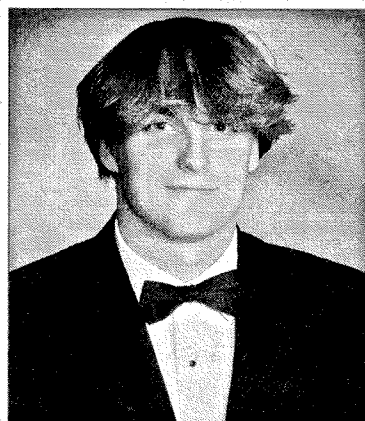
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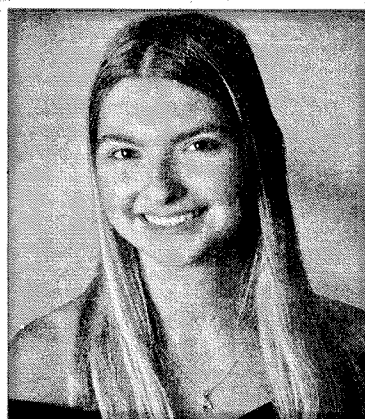
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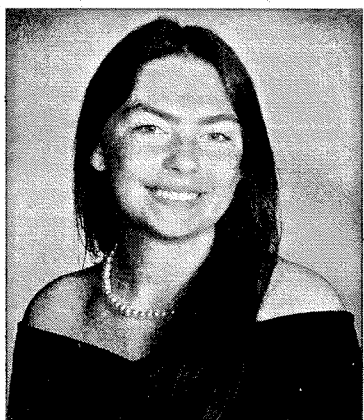
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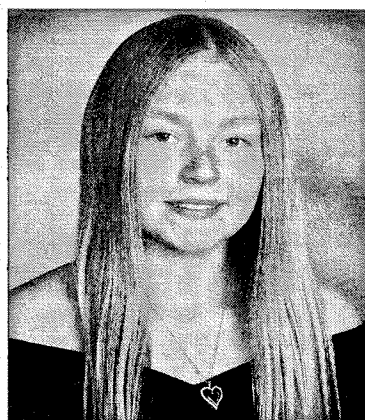
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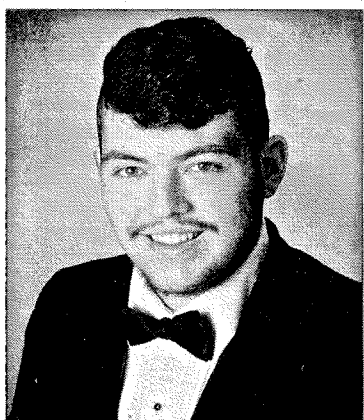
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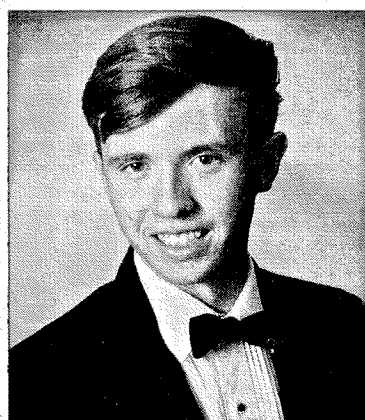
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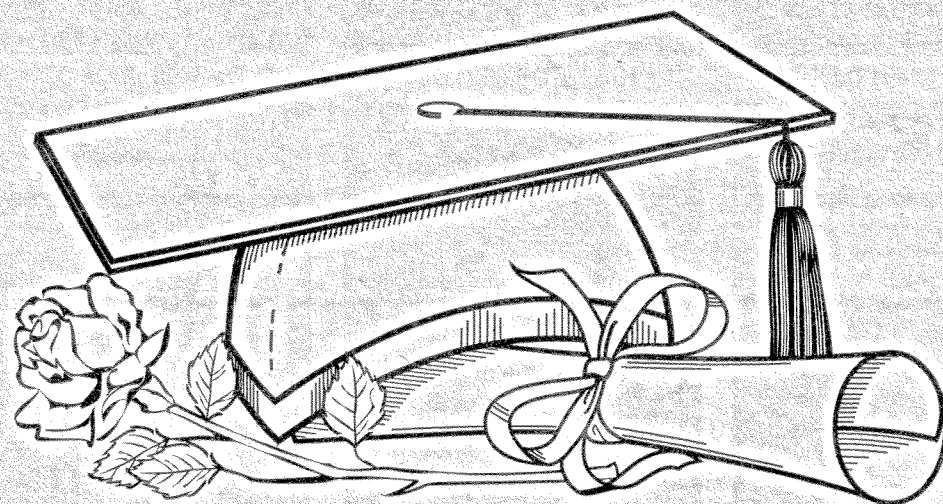


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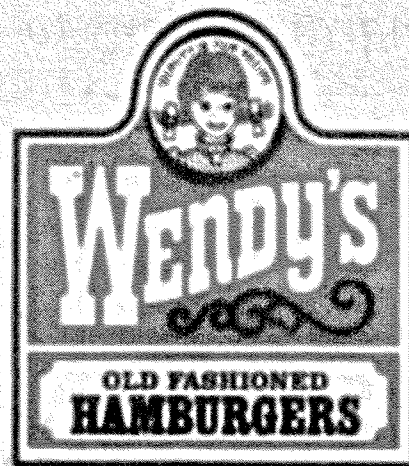
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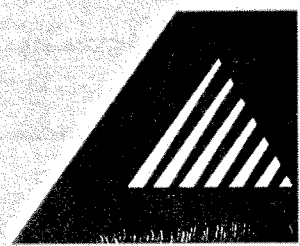
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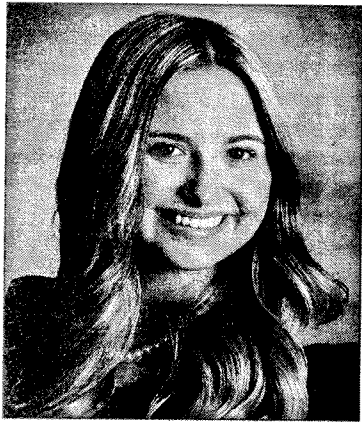
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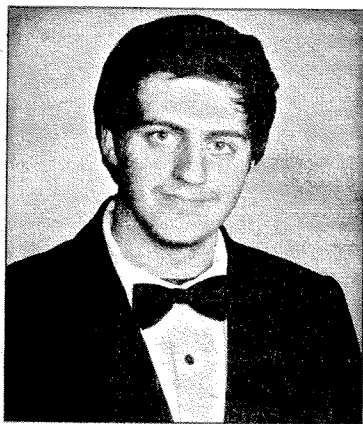
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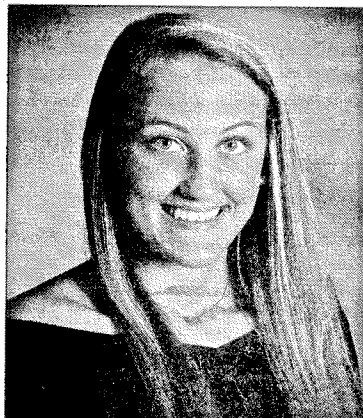
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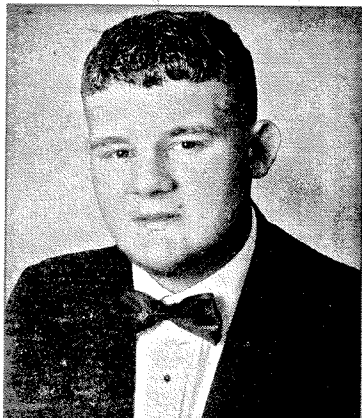
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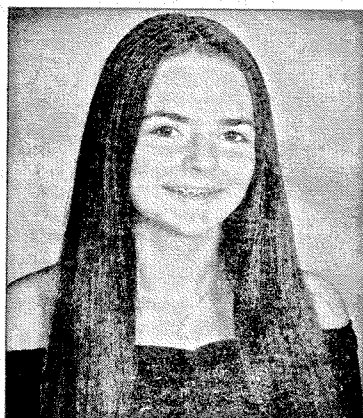
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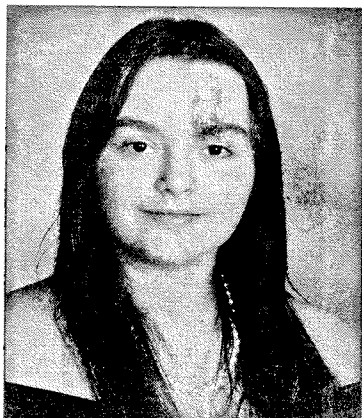
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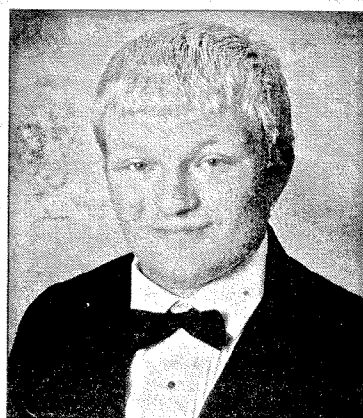
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-- Joshua 1:9

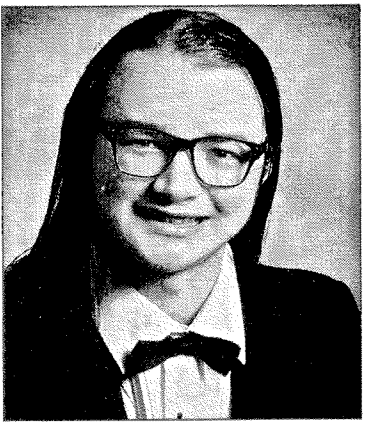
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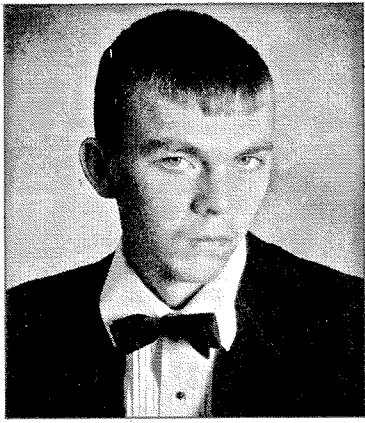
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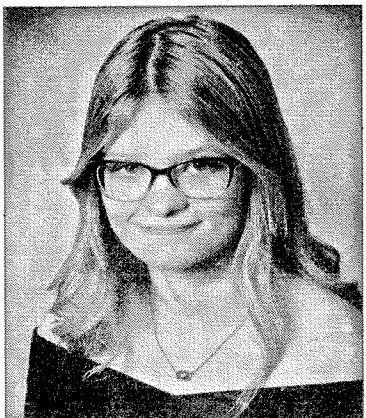
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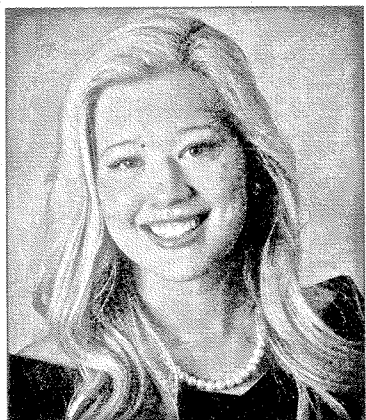
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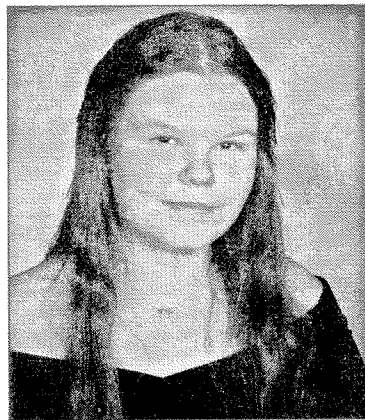
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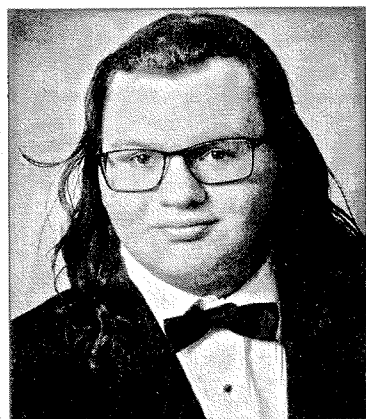
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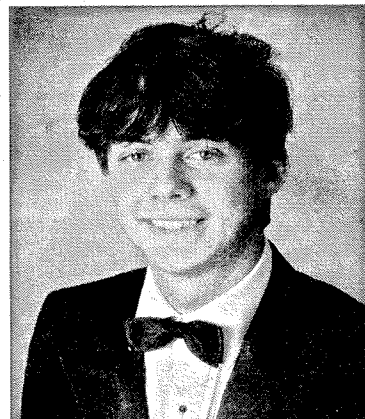
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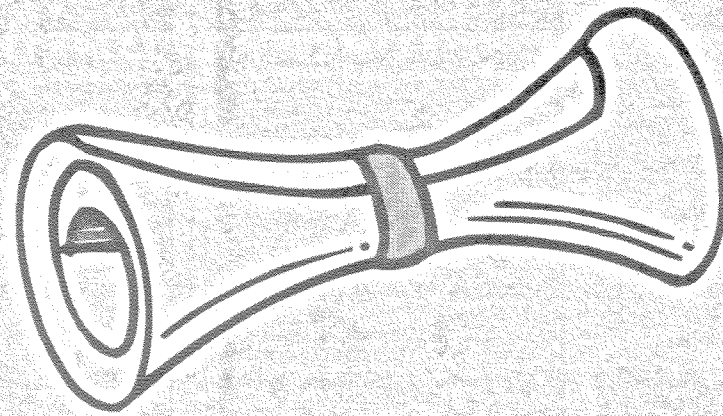


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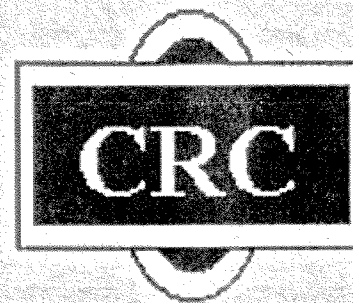


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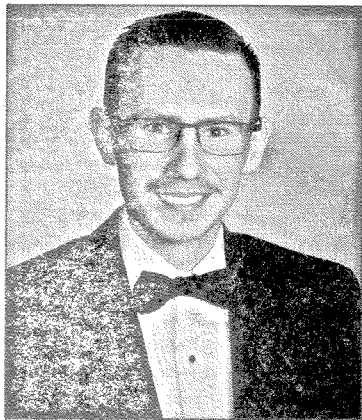


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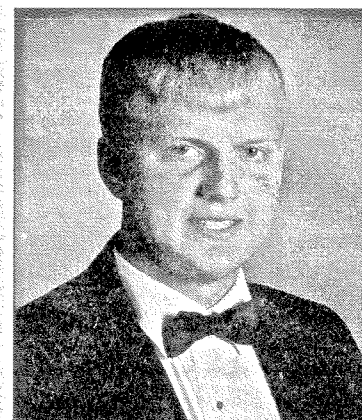
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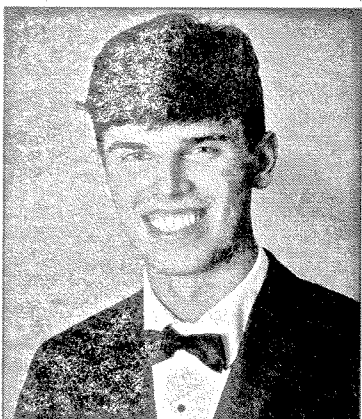
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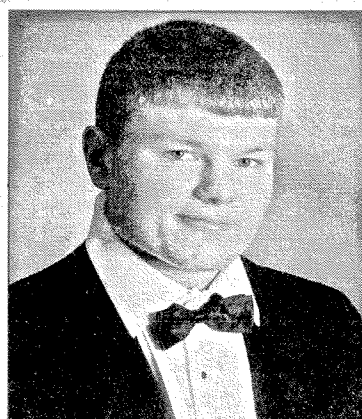
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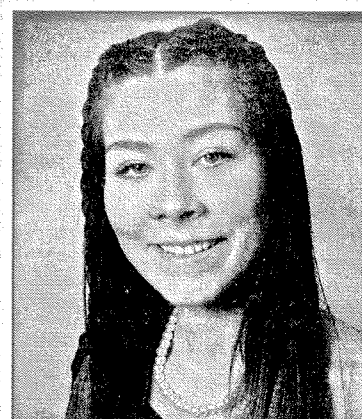
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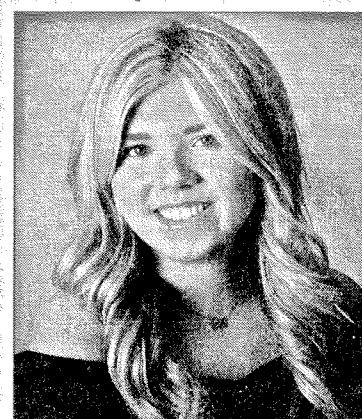
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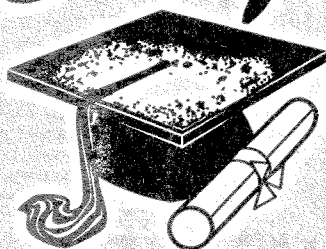


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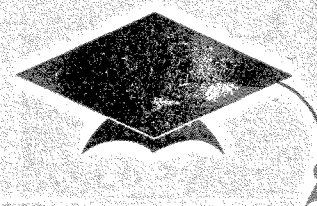
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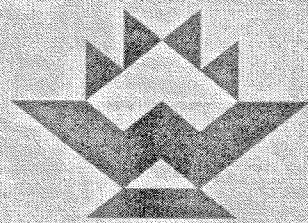
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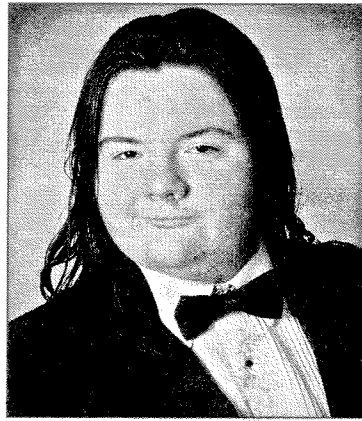
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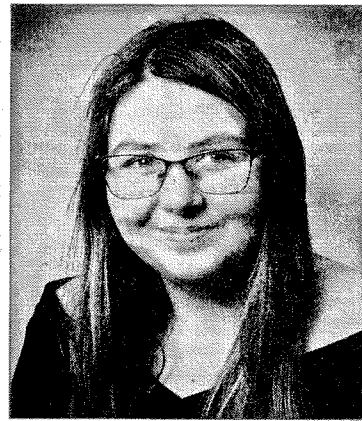
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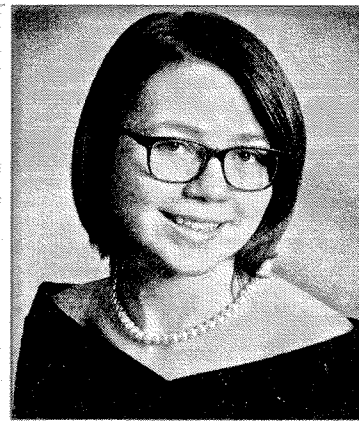
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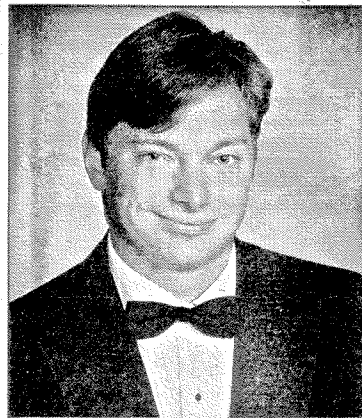
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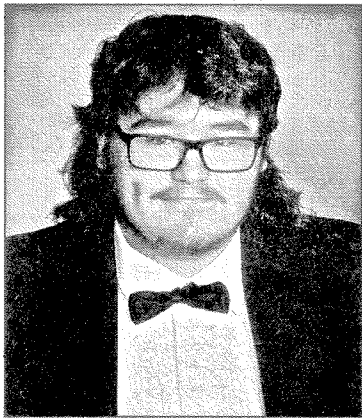
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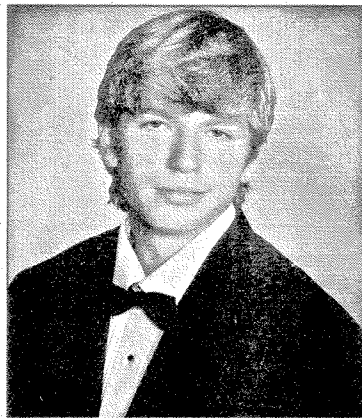
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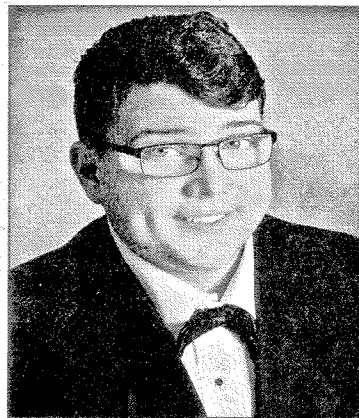
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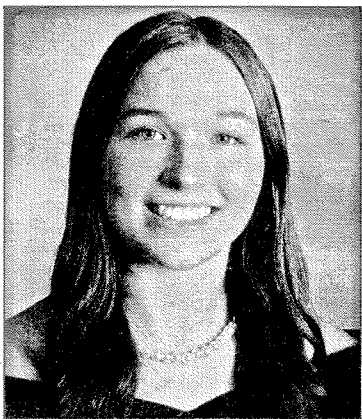
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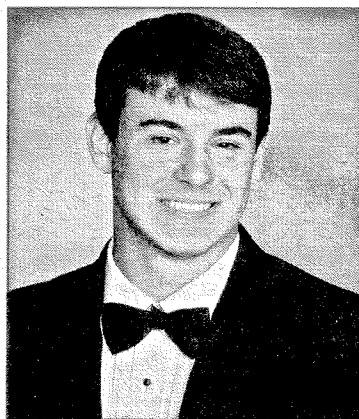
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Calliegh Burdette, Brodhead, daughter of Jennifer Burdette and Dusty Burdette. Competitor in Childhood Education Classes; Co-op student at Mrs. Tammy Camel's Pathway and at Rockcastle Regional's York House Center (hospital's daycare). Lady Rocket, 4 years, FCCLA. **Jonathan Evan Burdette**, Mount Vernon, son of Jon and Amy Burdette. 4.0 GPA; FCA Leader; Passed two AP Classes and three college dual-credit classes.

Samuel Burdine, Brodhead, son of Stephen and Wanda Burdine. Golf; AP GOPO; AP World History; AP US. History; AP Language and Composition; AP Literature and Composition; AP Chemistry and AP Calculus.

Kaitlyn Burgin, Brodhead, daughter of Kathy and Thomas Burgin. Prom Club; All-Fest Choir; 2nd Place Competition Choir; FFA, 3 years; CPR Certification; Karaoke Club; Coloring Club. Honors Choir, 4 years; 16+ Hours of Community Service; Member of First Baptist Church. **Kylee Burns**, Mount Vernon, daughter of Gary and Tish Burns. Volleyball, 4 years, Honors, 2 years; JAG, 1 year.

Jaidon Burton, Brodhead, son of Mary French, 2022 Governor's

Scholar @ Morehead State University; 4.0 GPA, 12th Region All-Academic Team 2023 (Basketball). FCA, HOSA, Honors/Beta Club; Diversity Club. Varsity Basketball; Varsity Track; Team USATF Track Member.

Ciella Lorena Bussell, Brodhead, daughter of Ruth Y. Harrison and Marty Bussell and granddaughter of Barb and Jim Bussell. Nashville Chorus Competition, Chorus; Art, 4 years; Art Club; Floral Design Club; Will attend Somerset Community College and major in Culinary Arts. **Andrew Callahan**, Mount Vernon, son of Hershel and Brenda Callahan.

Carlee Cameron, Mount Vernon, daughter of Amanda Wright.

Kaylee Cameron, Mount

Vernon, daughter of Amanda Wright.

Kynna Cass, Mount Vernon, daughter of Collin Cass and Jeanette Wilson. Honors Club; Key Club, UNITE Club; Smile Club; Dance Blue. 4.0 GPA; Accepted into EKV Honors Program. Plan to obtain Occupational Therapy Doctorate. Volunteer at MVES, Kenna's Kitchen. Volunteered with FCCLA members at MVES w/reading, 2 years. EKV Merit Scholarship, Community Scholarships.

Kaylee Chadwell, Mount Vernon, daughter of Brenda Furmon and Darrell Furmon. HOSA, Dance Blue, Rocket Club, FCCLA, FCA, UNITE Club. Tennis, 2 years.

Kassie Coffey, Mount Vernon, daughter of Denise Coffey. Grandparents: Mattie Coffey and Wallace Coffey.

Peyton Cotton, Orlando, son of Scottie and Crystal Cotton. 4.0 GPA. FCA Leader, First Priority Leader, Chorus, Microsoft Office Specialist Certification.

Makenzie Crain, Brodhead, daughter of Anthony Crain and Natasha McClure. Smile Club, FCA Club.

Morgan Crain, Brodhead, daughter of Anthony Crain and Natasha McClure. FCA Club, Smile Club.

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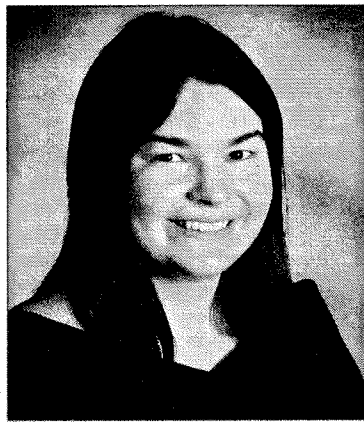
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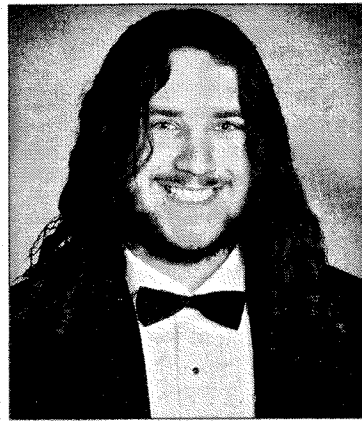
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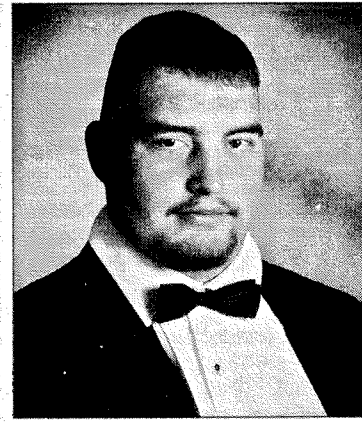
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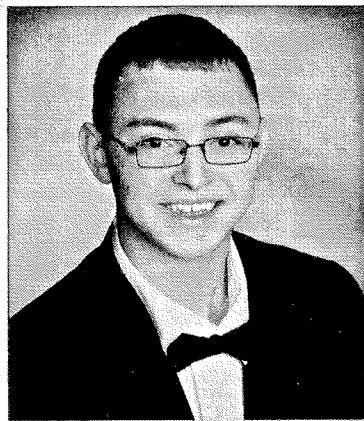
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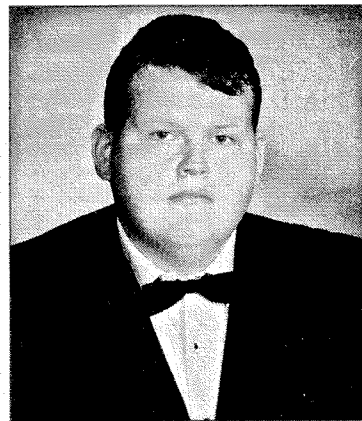
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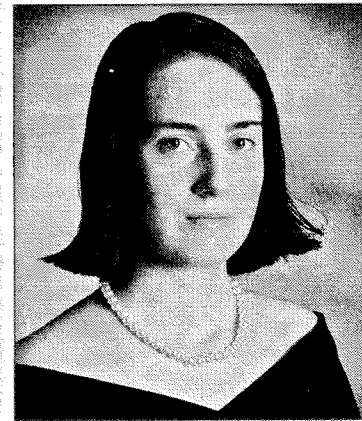
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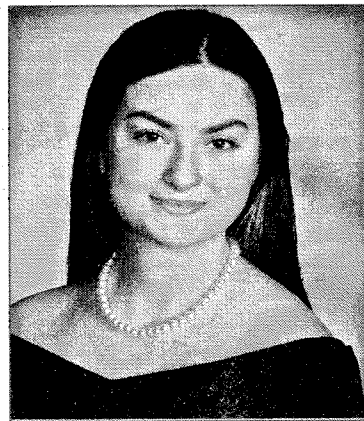
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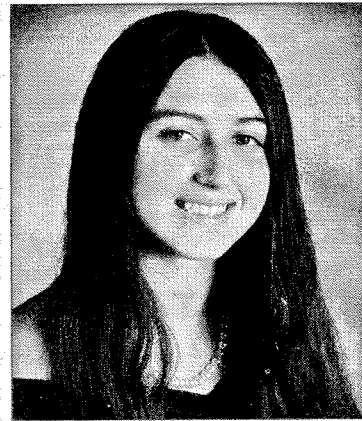
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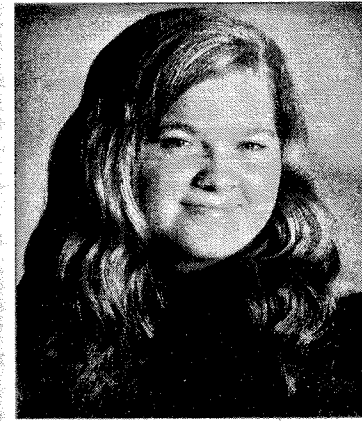
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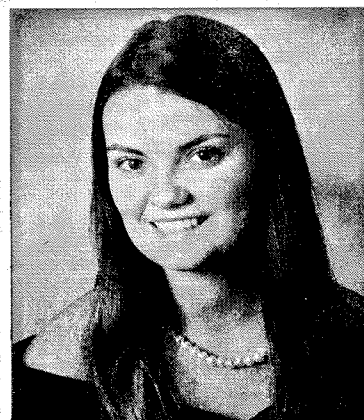
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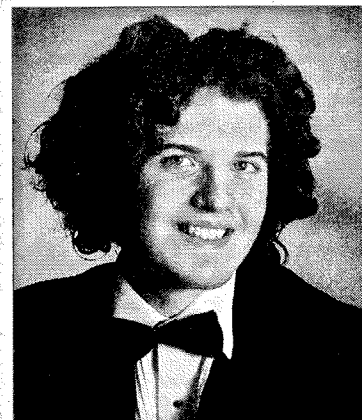
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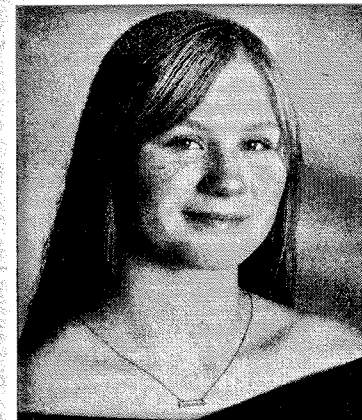
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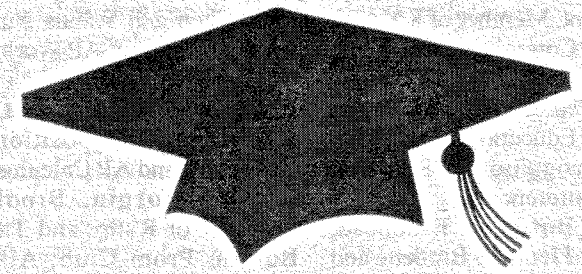
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