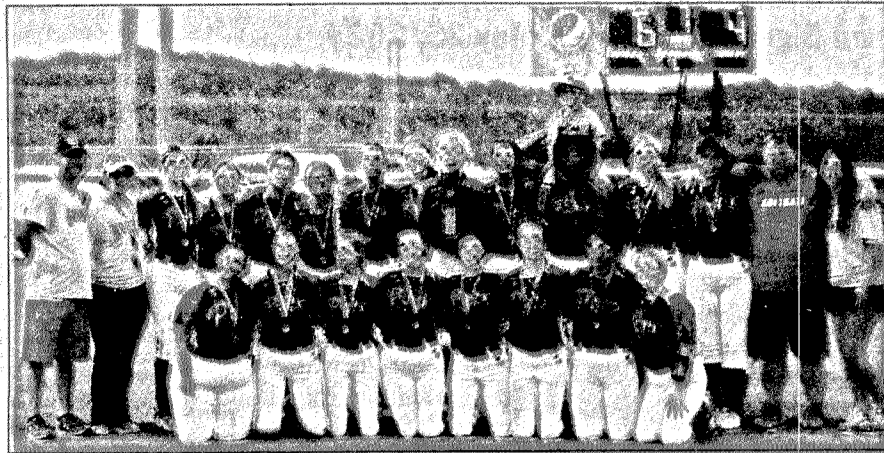


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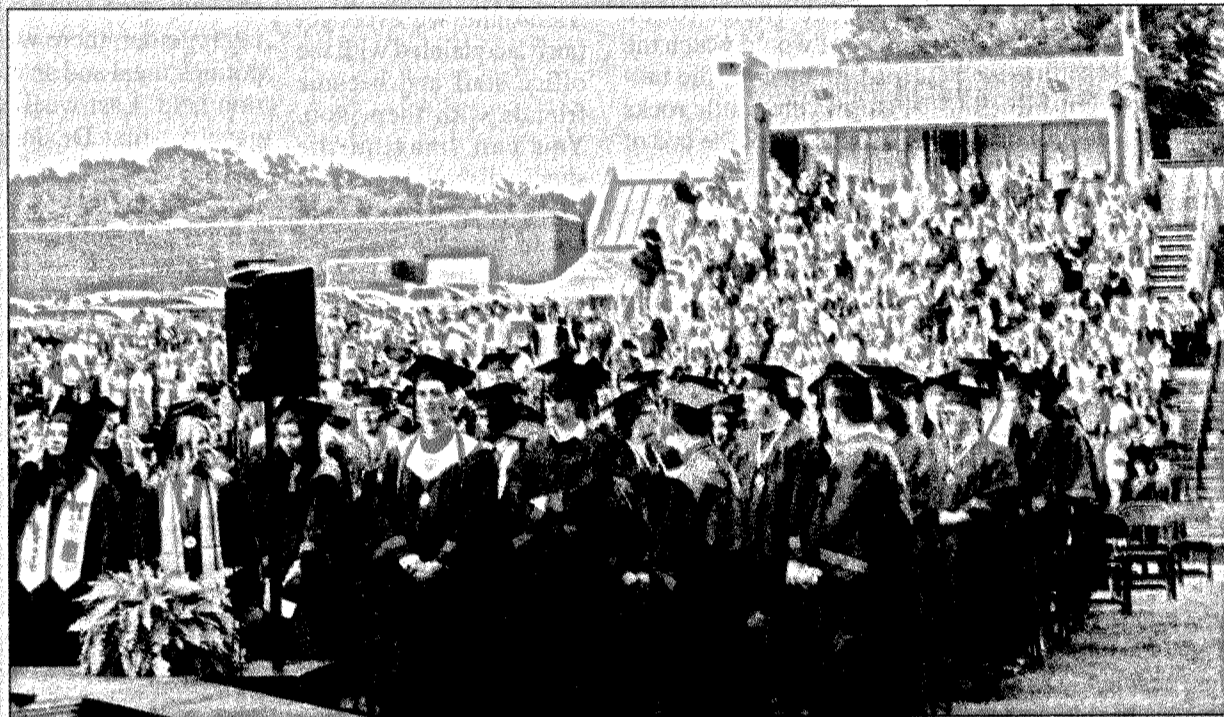
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RCHS Graduation 2023



The 51st graduating class of Rockcastle County High School and a crowd of cheering parents, relatives and friends, enjoyed beautiful weather as the students waited to receive their high school diploma Monday evening at the high school football field. Over 200 students were named in the graduating class of 2023. See more graduation ceremony photos inside this week's issue of the Signal.

Committee formed to adjust district lines in Rockcastle

Those near a district line, may change districts

By: Mike French
Editor

Some citizens of Rockcastle County may find themselves in a different magisterial district in the coming months.

Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held a special called meeting Monday to deal with the reapportionment requirements, after the 2020 Census determined that the county population had decreased by more than 1,000 citizens.

Kentucky law re-

quires each district in all counties to contain within 10% the same number of citizens. After the 2020 Census, Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., was notified that three of the districts in Rockcastle County had changed population in such a manner that district lines must be moved in order to maintain the equal balance.

According to Census data, district 2 (William Denny) needs 129 more citizens, district 4 (Shane Thacker) needs 57 more citizens and district 5 (Mike McGuire) has 63

(See "District" on A7)

Race to November underway

Rockcastle beats state turnout by nearly 5 percent

By: Mike French
Editor

Unlike the past election, there was no doubt who was favored in the May 2023 Primaries last Tuesday.

While the previous election saw candidates win by two and three votes, this election was much easier to call, according to officials, since most races were won by huge margins. Rockcastle County

voters were on the winning sides during the May Primaries as all but one candidate that won in the state, also won in Rockcastle County.

The new system of four voting locations proved to be accepted overall by voters, according to Rockcastle County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen. "It was a rather quiet election," she said. "The system worked well and people

seem to like the flexibility and convenience of early voting and voting centers."

In the state, 500,902 voters cast their ballot for a 14.4% turnout.

There are 3,468,537 registered voters in Kentucky. Rockcastle County did much better with a 19.12% voter turnout with 2,380 of the 12,441 registered voters,

casting their ballot.

Of the 2,380 Rockcastle County residents who voted, just over 20% voted early

(See "Turnout" on A5)

Property to be sold to retailer

New business may be coming to City of Livingston soon

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held a special called meeting Friday with 12 issues on the agenda.

One discussion focused on the sale of county-owned property in Livingston beside the Family Dollar Store. Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., said the \$1,000 sale price for the lot is the same price as the previous lots sold by the county where Family Dollar and Mara-

thon are located.

Officials could not make public the name of the company involved until the sale is complete. Holbrook said the company interested in the property also wishes to discuss using fill dirt from the county-owned 40 acres in Livingston. Holbrook said the company would provide all the equipment and labor to take

(See "Business" on A5)

Beginning July 1

Sewer rate increase set at 6.5 percent

By: Mike French
Editor

The City of Mount Vernon will be raising the cost on sewer bills beginning July, 2023.

According to the Mount Vernon Water Works, the rate is being increased by 6.5%, due to the Consumer Price Index that is set by the Department of Local Government.

For those inside city limits, the first 2,000 gallons will increase from \$17.01 to \$18.12 and all over 2,000 gallons will increase by .45c from \$6.89 to \$7.34.

For those outside the city limits the first 2,000

gallons will rise from \$24.46 to \$26.05 and all over 2,000 gallons will rise from \$9.70 to \$10.33

The rate increase will cost consumers \$6.50 more for every \$100 on their bill.

Josh Bray, City Consultant, said the increase will not provide the city with more funds since the increase is tied to the consumer price index. Bray said that rather than provide more funds, the hike keeps the city from losing funds. "The increased cost wont generate extra funds," said Bray. "It is designed to go up as expenses go up based on the consumer price index."

Memorial Day event

The David M. Smith American Legion Post 71, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5908, the Mount Vernon Lions Club and the Rockcastle County chapter of the DAR will host *Memorial Day 2023*, Monday, May 29 on the Courthouse Lawn at 10 a.m. The public is invited to attend the free event.

Run/Walk



Well over 70 local residents, and first responders, took part in the 1-Mile Walk/Run event last Thursday, sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center. Shown above, fireman Michael Parsons wore full dress-gear for the run/walk as a large crowd cheered on those in the event.

Garden Club Fundraiser

A Garden Club Fundraiser Yard Sale is planned for Friday, May 26 to raise funds for the nursing home at Brodhead's Flower Garden. The event will be held in the Mount Vernon Farmers Market and will include everything from handmade items to books and toys. There will also be food trucks and plants. Everyone is invited

Veterans Park to open

Veterans and the public are invited to the Rockcastle County Veterans Park Grand Opening ceremonies planned for Wednesday, June 14 at Lake Linville Park. The new park, started in November of 2021, will honor veterans that made the ultimate sacrifice and all veterans who have served to protect our nation. Join with the American Legion at the unveiling of the park behind the VFW in Renfro Valley at 10 a.m. on June 14.

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ramblings...

By: perlina m. anderkin

As anyone who reads this column knows, I usually start right off bashing the present Democrat administration and the horrible effect it has had on our lives since being installed.

But, this week, I'm going to try and shame over 10,000 registered voters in our county because they didn't bother to make the effort to vote.

Of our 12,441 registered Democrats and Republicans, only 2,380 bothered to take the time and effort to help decide who the two party's candidates for governor, and every other state office, will be in November's General Election.

Now, I will admit, due to recent health issues, I had about decided not to make the trek to the third floor of the courthouse and cast my vote, as I have been doing since November of 1959. It would have been the first election I have ever missed voting in and that's why, with daughter Jamie's help, I struggled to the courthouse to once again take part in the process that separates our country from most third world countries.

I am not actually so sure anymore that that is the case. I truly believe that County Clerk Danetta Allen, and her staff and the local election commissioners, run a fair and square election in our county. It's only in the precincts across the rest of our nation -- particularly in New York and California -- that I have my doubts.

In 2020, incumbent President Donald Trump got 11 million more votes than he did in 2016 -- 74,220,000. But, that wasn't enough to beat Joe Biden who got (by hook or by crook) 81,282,916.

Now, in 2020, according to Google, there were 154.6M registered voters in this nation. So, that year, there was an historic turnout of 155,502,000 or 902,000 more voters than were registered or, another way to look at it, OVER 100% turnout.

We also checked the Census site, for registered voters in 2020, and their number was the exact same that Google had 154,600,000.

It is beyond comprehen-

sion why this was not the catalyst for a complete redo of the election, with much more stringent rules for voting than were employed in the first one.

Democrats on Twitter like to bring up that Hillary Clinton won the popular vote (by 5,500) in 2016 but still lost the election. Well, too bad. Our founders knew exactly what they were doing when they put the Electoral College into effect to keep 'flyover states' vote meaningful and not letting our two biggest states (by population) in the country decide every national election. Biden only took 527 counties in the 2020 election and Trump won 2,586. But, counties are not created equal you see. Kalawao Co. in Hawaii has 88 people and LA County in California has more than 10 million and with the new mail-in ballot system instituted by many blue states, because of "COVID", Democrats had no trouble taking LA County, and the state of California big.

Dinesh D'Souza's 2,000 Mules proved beyond a doubt that there was ballot box stuffing going on big time in the 2020 election but not one of the main stream media stations would report on it one second, along with FOX, which has pretty much gone to the dogs since RINO Paul Ryan joined the board of directors.

I could understand this better if President Trump had gotten less votes than he did in 2016 but he got 11 MILLION MORE and Biden, who couldn't get a 100 people at one of his "rallies" to save him got the most votes ever in history.

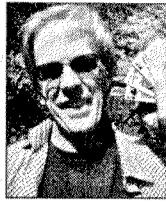
I'm sorry, I got sidetracked. I honestly only wanted to shame the voters in our county and state -- where with 3,468,537 registered voters, only 500,902 bothered to show up for a 14.4% turnout. In Rockcastle, we did a little better, at 19.12% but, whoopee, come on folks.

Maybe if everyone qualified to vote would actually show up, then these crooked states, like NY and California, couldn't stuff the ballot boxes because the difference in registered voters/actual numbers voting would be

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



In 1968, it was a big deal when we found out we were going on a truck ride.

It was typically a Sunday after church. We younger fellows would run to the truck as soon as church was over and climb into the bed getting mad at the adults because they wouldn't stop chatting.

Dad was the talker in the family and used to tell stories to guys that gathered around in the front yard after church. So when it was a free day, with no specific plans other than a truck ride, he would start telling some story and church men would gather around and listen for an hour at a time.

The scene is still burned into my memory like a video game onto a computer screen. Dad stood just over 6 feet tall and was always a thinner man. Not skinny, but no fat anywhere on him. He was a worker and a tough one at that. His skin was darker because he worked out in the sun every day and had a red cast to it partly because of his Indian heritage. He always kept his hair slicked back and used some orange stuff they called "Butch" to keep it in place. He had on his Sunday best and as bragging as it may sound, he had a definite "James Dean" look about him with deep-set sky blue eyes.

Sitting on the tailgate of the truck in the gravel parking lot of Viney Fork Church, waiting for him to move past the crowd that had gathered to hear his latest tale, I sat in patience. He stood with one leg kicked out slightly and one hand in a pocket with the other controlling the cigarette hanging from his lips and helping him describe his story. He had pearl white teeth and a big smile but his lip curled slightly more on his right side when he laughed.

Children were playing and running around the adults as seven or eight men were gathered around my dad and they were almost always laughing or saying "goodbye" to those who were walking towards their car with their Bible in hand.

We had blankets and pillows gathered up in the back of the truck so that we would be more comfortable on the ride and when we saw dad's audi-

ence breaking up, we began gathering them into our favorite spot to ride. We always had one of those 99-cent styrofoam coolers with Pepsi on ice and mom had a basket filled with bologna, mustard, bread, lettuce and some kind of potato chips. More often than not, there was also some pork and beans hidden in mom's arsenal.

I never knew where we would be going but the wind on our face and our tangled hair were our only thoughts. Troubles were nowhere to be found. I would watch the road go by over the tailgate and drop little rocks or sticks out of the bed of the truck to watch them roll behind us.

We had a game we played throwing small rocks directly backwards as the truck was moving. If you threw it exactly the same speed that the truck was traveling, the rock would fall to the ground and not roll just as if you were standing still and dropped it straight down. If you threw it faster than the truck was traveling it would roll backwards and of course slower meant the rock would follow the truck until it stopped rolling. The goal was to

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



When Dreams Do Come True

Last summer, Stanley and I had a good friend suddenly die after a short illness. He was also our veterinarian, Dr. James Chism. We had been taking our kids to him for almost twenty years. We've had to call him at all hours of the day and night. He has saved several of the kids' lives over the years, too.

When we would go in for an office call, which was fairly often, it was like going to see an old friend and we even got fairly acquainted with the office staff and became friends with them, too. You can imagine the shock, disbelief and hurt that we experienced right out of the blue when we received the news. In a few hours the reality set in. Our kids' vet was gone and what were we going to do when they got sick?

As it turned out, most of the county was feeling the same way. It is rare to see any individual loved, admired and respected as much as "Doc". As the weeks passed, I seemed to be forming an idea. Wouldn't it be nice to get the county together to celebrate his life and all that he gave to the county? Maybe to have some kind

of living memorial... a way to give back to the community in the spirit of the things that "Doc" represented.

I finally came up with a program and at the center of it was a scholarship to give to one of the graduating seniors at RCHS that would be going into an animal related field and had the similar values as "Doc".

Through our Livingston Community Lions Club and a lot of effort on the part of several individuals all working together, there was a potluck meal and an auction held. Last week we gave the first Dr. James S. Chism Scholarship to Kaitlyn Burgin who also got a scholarship to Eastern Kentucky University and then plans to attend Auburn to graduate as a veterinarian. She plans to come back to Mount Vernon to begin her practice. There probably will be a memorial/meditation garden to begin in the near future, as well as scholarships on a yearly basis.

I don't think that I have ever been as pleased to have a dream come to fruition as this one has.

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 Help us raise money for the Brodhead Nursing home garden!
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Main Street Beautification week called great success

Submitted by
Lynn Tatum

A week of planting, construction and cleaning was completed, with the help of many volunteers, during the first annual Main Street Beautification Week held last week.

Work began with the city crew adding fresh potting soil to the pots. A few bushes were relocated and those that did not survive the harsh winter were discarded.

The next day volunteers from the Rockcastle Garden Club planted

flowers in the four History Garden planters. While on Main Street, volunteers from Community Trust Bank and Stone Mountain Soap, located on Church Street, planted colorful flowers in the pots.

James Renner, Solid Waste Coordinator, and his crew, worked with the city to remove the old CSX communications building located next to Triangle Park. This building and area had been an eyesore in the past. Neal Sluder of

Lone Star volunteered time to spray a cleaner on an awning, building and sidewalk.

A county work release crew picked up trash and did a lot of raking work to remove rock on a hillside and another work release crew at the courthouse began power washing the retaining walls in

front of the building.

Frank Baker, City Maintenance Manager, installed a metal decorative fence at the Parsons's building lot.

This is the beginning of a beautification project in this area called "Art Alley". Once complete the Rockcastle Arts Council will have a

venue to display community artwork.

Several additional projects to improve our downtown area will be implemented this summer such as painting the Gazebo and Pergola in Triangle Park. The city also plans to add decorative bases to the streetlights and some fresh paint to the existing poles.

A few building owners have indicated they have plans to renovate their

building facades and paint them. All of this is great news for our downtown area.

Main Street is coming back to life with new businesses such as the Down on Main Restaurant and the city is planning some summer night concerts downtown.

If we all continue to work together on small and large improvements, we will have a downtown that we all can be very proud of.

Longest Day of Play

Once again it is almost time for the Longest Day of Play.

The event will be held on Thursday, June 22 from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Rockcastle Middle School Track.

Planned events include giveaways and door prizes, including bikes, tablets, scooters and more. There will also be an educational booth and activities for children as well as inflatables, sponsored by Rockcastle County Kiwanis and Rockcastle Regional Respiratory Care Center.

There will also be free Silcox Shaved Ice for children, sponsored by the Whitehouse Clinic and free water donated by King Bottling Company. There will also be free meals for children, provided by the Rockcastle County Food Services.

For more information, contact Jennifer Bowles at 606-256-2242 or email jenniferm.bowles@ky.gov.

ramblings...

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too remarkable. Of course, they might then just resort to putting ballots that are voted Republican thru the shredder and those not getting counted at all.

Meanwhile, the installed administration is doing everything it can, at warp speed, to destroy this country while they're in office.

With the homeless living in tents, cardboard boxes and junk RVs on her streets and crime rampant, New York Governor Kathy Hochul's priority is getting those dastardly gas stoves out of homes. She struck a deal and the legislature agreed to ban gas hookups in all new construction in New York beginning this year! So, if you prefer a gas stove or water heater or HVAC system and live in NY state, forget it, Kathy has decided they are too destructive to our climate.

Climate change activists say that our present 0.4% level is too high and it must be brought to zero within just a few years or our planet will become uninhabitable. However, a member of Congress, a farmer, at hearings on this said that at 0.2% CO plants would begin to die and we would have mass starvation. I'm not sure that's a big worry for Democrats since their vaccine has managed to injure/kill a million people in this world (as planned, IMHO) and, according to doctors, who are anti-Covid vaccine (including one who mainly developed the vaccine, there will be many more to follow.

Target has put a new clothing line in for babies (from birth on up) and they are being featured in the very front of their store. The clothing are on the label Abprallen, a brand out of England and headed by a self-proclaimed gay, transgender man known as Erik, who reportedly has an affinity for Satanism.

The collection includes a sweatshirt that reads "cure transphobia not trans people," a tote bag that reads "too queer for here," and a messenger pack that says "we belong everywhere."

Hopefully the public will respond as they did against Bud Light, whose sales are down 26% from their "woke" partnership with Dylan Mulvaney, a transgender female.

(Side Note: Bud is reportedly buying back unsold, expired beer from wholesalers).

Perhaps we need to be inquiring of our Senators why they were all offered Satellite Phones for emer-

gency communications, per sources familiar with the matter cited by CBS News. So far, over 50 have taken advantage of the offer and they were advised to keep the devices readily accessible while traveling.

Senate Sergeant at Arms Karen Gibson said satellite communication is being provided "to ensure a redundant and means of communication during a disruptive event."

Things that make you go Hmmm...

And Farmers BEWARE!! Biden's Climate Czar John Kerry may be coming for your farm as he targets agriculture in his climate change crusade.

Farmers in the Netherlands have been protesting their government for months and months trying to keep them from taking their farms "to help forestall climate change." The farmers are being offered 120% of their farm's value if they agree to the seizure and nothing if the government has to forcibly seize the land. As of paper day, I have not heard what the solution is to feed the citizens of the Netherlands in case of this event.

But, back to our own quandry, Kerry is warning that there is no way to tackle climate change without "first addressing the agriculture sector's emissions." Actually, we should address the fact that our "climate czar" flies all over the world in a private jet spewing carbon emissions as he lectures others on ways to curb carbon emissions.

It's not a done deal but something that we all should be aware of is in the minds of this administration.

The impasse going on over a possible government shutdown if the House and Biden cannot agree on budget terms shortly, has been caused by the administration's refusal to consider any cuts in the spending level of our government.

Washington is sitting on \$60 billion dollars in unspent COVID funds, even though the pandemic was officially declared ended on May 11, 2023. Republicans want to claw that money back for taxpayers, Democrats are fighting them.

Stay tuned, my money is on the Republicans caving first.

There are several more atrocities being planned by Democrats I wanted to mention but this column is twice as long as it should be already. Besides, it will just give me ammunition for next week's futile ramblings...

Aces

(Continued from A2) make the rock fall straight down to the ground without rolling at all. It's not as easy as it sounds.

We almost always found our way to a creek or spring or a graveyard to visit those gone on. That's when the basket came out and me, and the other kids from church, would wait for mom to spread the quilt and prepare the food. We played for a while and then got in the back of the truck again and headed off. Usually we left the picnic and headed towards some family member's home for a visit. Another excuse to run and play in a new area with new challenges to get us in trouble.

Eventually, we would end up back at the church to deliver those who went with us to their vehicles or their parents. A long goodbye ensued and sometimes story-hour broke out again. We didn't mind that because that just meant getting a little dirtier and a little more tired for a good night's sleep.

I got to ride in the back

of the truck going home as well. If not, I sat between mom and dad on the bench seat and he let me change the gears every time he pushed in the clutch on his old Ford truck. Of course, all this kind of life disappeared when liberals decided they have the right to micro-manage our lives.

These, and hundreds of other memories, flood my mind in my older years. With mom and dad gone and my kids grown and living life, such a life doesn't exist anymore. My kids have no idea what life was like in 1968, but for me, it was the absolute best of all times.

I like to believe in the possibility of time travel. I like to believe Einstein was right and it is possible. That would mean that somewhere, somehow, in some dimension that I can't fathom, I am riding in that truck right now. If one could go back to that time, then that time must be happening somewhere. And, if it's true, then I know I am having the best of days and it will never end.

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Monday, May 29th: Library closed. Tuesday, May 30th: Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek and Wildie. Wednesday, May 31st: Child Development, Seek 'n Learn and Lisa's Little People.

Health Department Hours
The Rockcastle County Health Department will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen May 30th at 8 a.m.

MVHS Reunion
The Mt. Vernon High School Alumni Reunion Committee has scheduled the annual reunion for September 9, 2023 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Middle School in Mt. Vernon. The reunion will recognize and celebrate the classes of: 1948, 1953, 1958, 1963 and 1968. The committee needs a contact person to assist in contacting your classmates from these five featured classes. Please contact Mae at 859-749-2185 or Glen at 859-582-8745 if you can help in planning for your class reunion. **Invitations for the reunion will be mailed out the last of July and the deadline to return them is August 31.** The fee for tickets is \$20 for each and reservations must be made in advance, due to the increase of food prices for the meals. *We look forward to seeing everyone September 9th.*

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.

Obituaries

Geraldine Durham French

Geraldine Durham French, 93, of Maretburg, died May 16, 2023, at University Kentucky Medical Center following a brief illness. Born September 24, 1929, she was the eldest child of Walter and Ida Lear Durham. Geraldine was born in a log cabin, located at the mouth of Horse Lick Creek.

She is preceded in death by: her husband of 75 years, Ben Cecil French; beloved eldest daughter, Vincenta French Howard; son-in-law, Larry Montgomery Howard; sister, Iverene Durham Brooks; and brother, Ted Durham.

She is survived by: her daughter, Benedetta French Stilwell; son-in-law, Brian David Stilwell; two grandchildren, Tanya Vincenta Stilwell and Benjamin Brian Stilwell; sister, Estelle Durham Martin; and brother, Bentley Durham.

Geraldine decided, at a very young age, she wanted to be a school teacher and attended the Annville Institute and Sue Bennett College. She later obtained a Bachelor of Education from Eastern Kentucky University while also raising a family and working as a teacher. Geraldine "Ms. French" retired after 40 years and had become endeared to many generations of Rockcastle and Jackson Countians.

Geraldine French was an extraordinarily talented seamstress, quilter, crochet/knit expert, and artist. She loved fishing and family vacations. She was a long-time member of Maretburg Baptist Church, taught Sunday School, volunteered for Maretburg Cemetery and a member of the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association. She also had a cake business where she made cakes for all events, including weddings.

Geraldine Durham French was a spectacular woman, who took pride in everything she did. Most notable was her love for her friends and family. Although now departed from this world, her spirit will be eternally remembered and our love for her will never end. Our hearts are broken on this mortal earth, but she is flying high loving us from above.

Services were held Saturday, May 20, 2023 at Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home for Funerals with Pastor Tony Smith officiating. Burial was in Maretburg Cemetery.



Billie June Taylor

Billie June Taylor, 89, of Brodhead, died Thursday, May 18, 2023, at her home. June was born November 18, 1933, in Fogertown, Clay County to the late Aris and Zell Bowling Caudill. She married Bobby Lee Taylor on July 17, 1954. June was a member of the Fairview Church of Christ. She was a teacher for many years, starting her career in a one-room schoolhouse and retiring from Brodhead Elementary School in 1991. She was devoted to her family and was a cherished Mom and Mam-ma to her children and grandchildren.

June loved staying on the go. Through the years she enjoyed traveling up the road to Mt. Vernon, taking in the fall foliage, and attending shows at Renfro Valley, especially when they featured her great grandson, Avery Bradshaw.

Those left to remember and celebrate her life include: her two daughters, Jeleta (Jim) Bradshaw and Regina Taylor Burton, both of Brodhead; grandchildren, Jamica (Reggie) Pennington of Brodhead and Travis (Lindsay) Burton of Lancaster; great grandchildren, Avery (Amelia) Bradshaw, Jordyn, Jaelyn and Jessalyn Pennington, Abigail and Alivia Shepherd, and Raylyn June Burton and Adrian; two sisters-in-law, Brenda Caudill and Roberta Taylor; as well as many other family members and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her loving husband, Bobby; grandson, Justin Bradshaw; brothers, Doug and Larry Caudill, sister-in-law, Shirley Caudill; and brother-in-law, E.J. Taylor.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 21, 2023 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Curt Herrington officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Avery Bradshaw, Travis T. Burton, Jeremiah Caudill, Joseph Hunt, Douglas-Dell Ponder, Reggie Pennington, and Jonathan Shell. Honorary pallbearers were: Shawn Caudill and Steven Caudill.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the fund for upkeep of Fairview Cemetery.

Daniel Ray Dillingham

Daniel Ray Dillingham, 71, of Eubank, died Saturday, May 20, 2023 at his residence. He was born October 27, 1951 in Brodhead, a son of the late John William and Irene Reynolds Dillingham. He was a self employed truck driver and body and paint man. Danny was of the Church of Christ faith and found great joy in paint and body work and drag racing. On April 9, 2005 he married Linda Elder, and they enjoyed 18 years together.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Linda Dillingham of Eubank; children, Jeff (Monica) Dillingham, Tim Dillingham, John (Chelsea) Dillingham, and Cassandra Francis; grandchildren, Jordan Swartz, and Jayden, Dalton, Caleb, Skylar, Jaycee and Camden Dillingham; great grandchildren, Lincoln Mitchell Swartz, and Waylon and Salem Dillingham; sister, Doris Dillingham Correll; brother, Lonnie Dillingham; as well as a host of nieces/nephew, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: grandson, Conner Dillingham; and brothers, Dennis, Darrell and Harold Dillingham.

At Danny's request he was cremated. No memorial service has been scheduled.

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

James "Carlis" Cromer

James "Carlis" Cromer, 82, of Brodhead, died Sunday, May 14, 2023 at Ephraim McDowell Regional Hospital in Danville. He was born November 1, 1940, in Sand Springs, a son of the late Joseph Chester and Maggie Marie Renner Cromer. He had been a self-employed truck driver. Carlis was of the Baptist faith, and found great joy in vintage cars, gardening and yard work.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Randy Cromer (Vicki) of Brodhead, Tony Cromer of Louisville, and Tammy Bailey (Brian) of Crab Orchard; grandchildren, Terra Harris, Brittney Campbell (Brandon), and Brandy Harris; great grandchildren, Kierra Bingham, Braedon Campbell, Brody Campbell, Easton Coffey, Blain Campbell and Ezra Harris; brother, Gary Cromer of Quail; the mother of his children, Patty Cromer; as well as a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by sisters, Alene Fowler and Carolyn King and son-in-law, Terry Lee Harris.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial was at Fairview Church of Christ Cemetery in Willailla.

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



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.

Maretburg Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of the Maretburg 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 2 p.m. we will be having a potluck dinner. Please bring a covered dish, drinks and a chair. Thank you for all your support.

Maret Cemetery

The annual Maret Cemetery meeting will be held Saturday, May 27th at noon at the cemetery.

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

Church News

Special Singing

The public is cordially invited to a Special Singing at Roundstone Baptist Church on Sunday, May 28th beginning at 6 p.m.

The group Mercy III will be the featured singers.

Monthly Singing

Philadelphia Baptist Church Brodhead will hold

Please make all checks payable to Maret Cemetery.

Roberts Cemetery

Donations for the mowing and upkeep of Roberts Cemetery (old Freedom Cemetery) can be sent to and made payable to: Tammy Chapman, 220 E. 24th St., Covington, KY 41014 or at Community Trust Bank, Mt. Vernon. Please put Roberts Cemetery in memo line. Thank you to Nancy Meadows for taking care of cemetery in the past.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Maple Grove Cemetery

We are asking for donations for the upkeep and mowing of Maple Grove Cemetery. Anyone that would like to help may go to Community Trust Bank and make a deposit in the Maple Grove account.

We will be at the cemetery May 25-29. We are asking anyone with a family member buried in the cemetery, please help us keep it up.

You may call Joey Hampton 859-749-4660 or Darla Reams 606-308-1988 or Penny Cameron 606-758-4489 for more information or to make a donation.

Piney Grove (Hansel) Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of the Piney Grove (Hansel) Cemetery to Cecil (Corky) and Teresa Childress, 117 Janson Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Sand Hill Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of the Sand Hill Cemetery to Brady Hensley, 2683 Sand Hill Rd., Livingston, KY 40445. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

High Dry Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of High Dry Cemetery can be sent to High Dry Cemetery Fund, c/o Coy Cromer, 1058 Rank Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Please make checks payable to HDCF.

Saylor Family

Donations for upkeep of the Saylor Cemetery can be sent to: Saylor Cemetery Fund, c/o Susan Daugherty, 5237 Brindle Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 or to Patty Isaacs, 104 Arrowhead Dr., Berea, Ky. 40403.

Please make checks payable to: Saylor Cemetery Fund.

Elmwood Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing, tree removal, general maintenance to Elmwood Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund, c/o Danetta Allen, Sec/Treas., 205 East Main St., Box 6, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. Interested in volunteering, call 606-308-4010.

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.

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.

Willis/Bussell Reunion

The Willis/Bussell Reunion will be held June 10th at Woods Creek School n Rt. 39, Eubank from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring a covered dish.

Signal office will be closed Thursday and Friday, May 25th & 26th

Three Steps to Heaven

Out of self. In stepping out of self-one must deny self. (Matt.16:24) Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. Give yourselves. (2Cor.8:5) And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God. We must forsake all. (Matt.19:27) Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? He who steps out of self no longer trust in self. (Prov.3:5) Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. We cannot trust in self. (Jer.10:23) O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. Cannot glorify self. (Matt.5:16) Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Cannot seek the welfare of self-first. (Matt.6:33) But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Many have not been converted, because they were not willing to take this step: Rich young ruler (Matt.19:22) Felix (Acts 24:25) Agrippa (Acts 26:28).

Into Christ. Things in Christ: new creatures (2Cor.5:17) Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away: behold, all things are become new. No condemnation. (Rom.8:1) There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. We are baptized into Christ. (Rom.6:3) Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death.

Into Glory. Must die or be transformed to reach heaven. (1Cor.15:50) Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Die in Christ. (Rev.14:13) And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them. Must also go through judgment to reach heaven. (Rom.14:10) But why dost thou judge thy brother? Or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. The righteous shall go into everlasting life. (Matt.25:46) And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

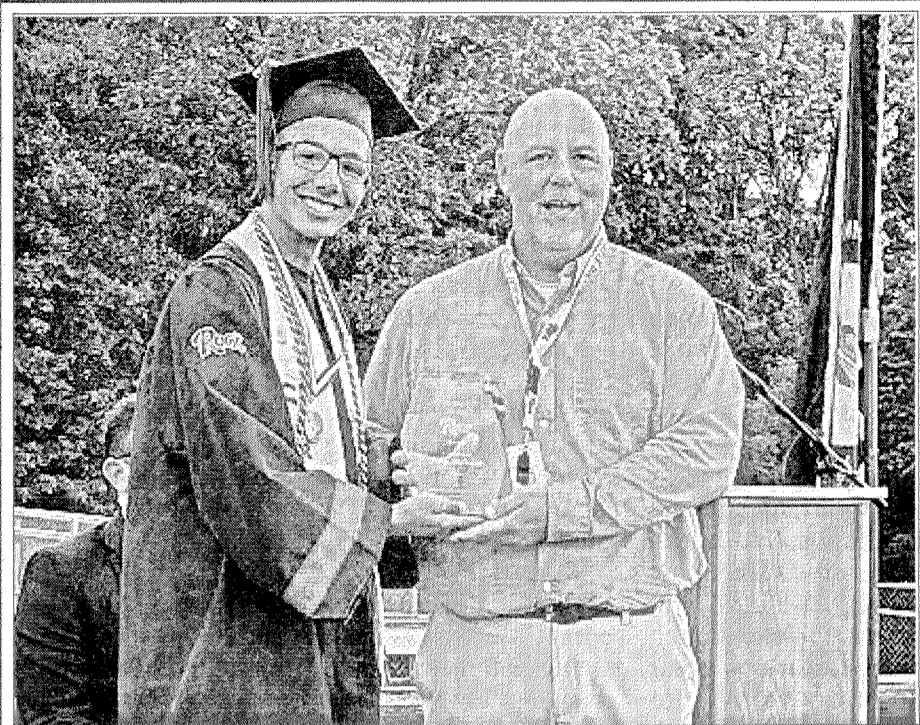
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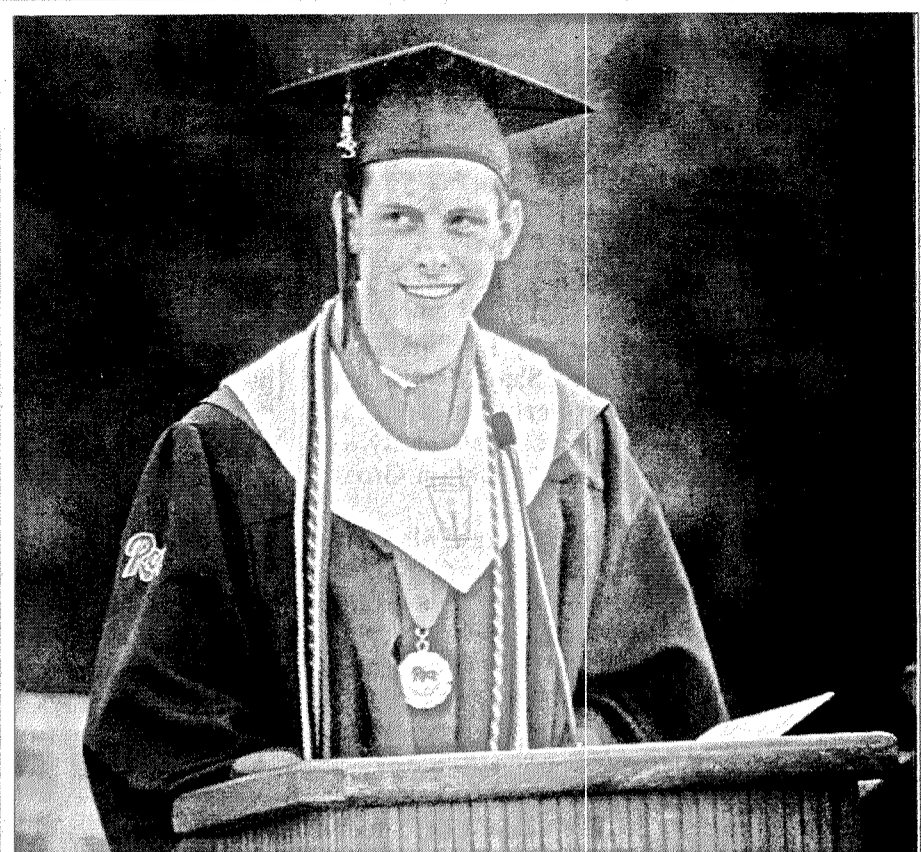
RCHS Graduation Ceremonies 2023



The Spirit of the Rock Award was presented by Kory Tompkins, Student Council senior representative, to RCCHS assistant principal and Athletic Director Mike McNabb. The award is presented each year during graduation ceremonies.



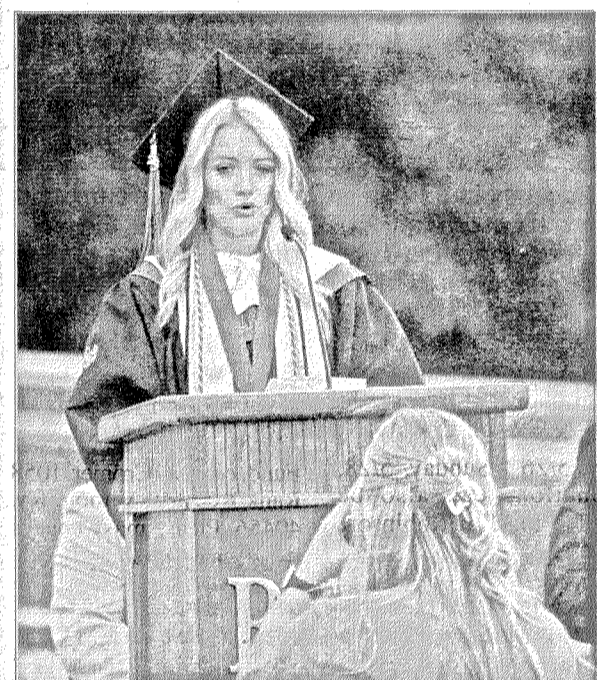
The RCCHS Senior Honors Choir performed *Down to the River to Pray* during graduation ceremonies Monday night.



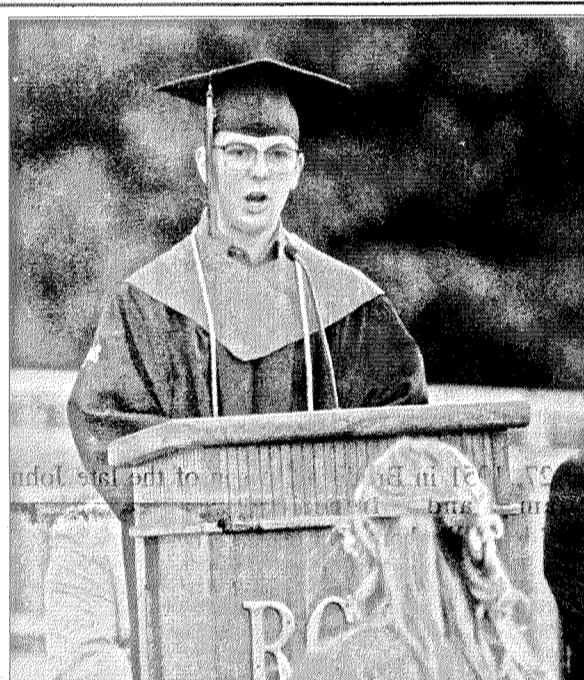
Silas Durham, Summa Cum Laude representative, gave the senior address during graduation ceremonies Monday night at RCCHS.



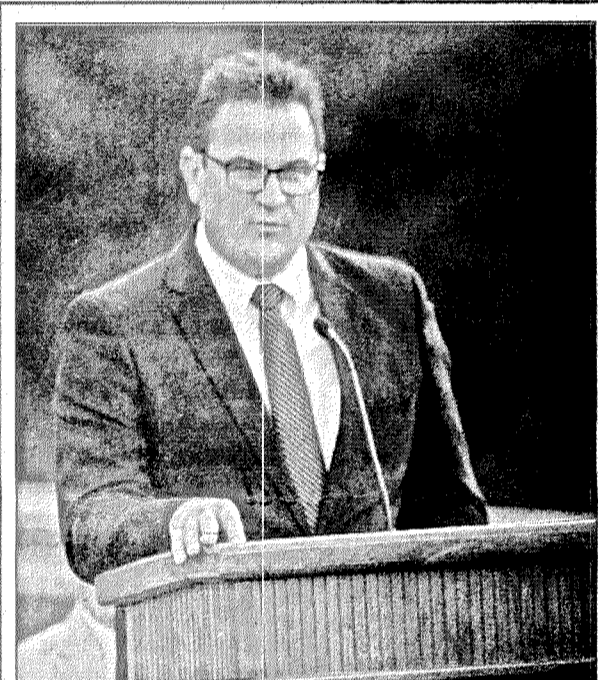
The RCCHS Band performed *Pomp and Circumstance* by Sir Edward Elgar as the prelude processional during the 51st graduating class of RCCHS Monday night.



Emma Ballinger, Student Council Senior Representative, provided the opening remarks to begin the 51st RCCHS graduation ceremony Monday night at the football field.



Peyton Cotton, FCA Leadership Team, welcomed all who were present for the 51st RCCHS Graduation Ceremonies Monday night.



RCCHS Principal JD Bussell presented special recognitions during the 51st RCCHS graduation ceremonies Monday night.

“Business”

(Continued from front) the fill from the 40-acre lot and move it to the 1.6 acre lot.

RCIDA Executive Director Jeff VanHook said the county would need to draft a contract with specifications concerning how the company would take fill from the lot in question. “We shouldn’t just tell them to take what they need,” he said. “We should specify what trees they will remove and the clean-up procedures and what condition they will leave the land in when they are finished.”

Holbrook agreed saying the court can discuss a price per load of fill dirt or consider providing the fill, without charge, since it will facilitate another potential business in the City of Livingston and the county.

While discussing selling the fill material, VanHook told the court they may consider providing the fill for free since the work could provide a “nicer, larger, flatter area for future use” on the 40-acre property if “the contract is handled properly.”

The court agreed to further investigate the matter.

Holbrook also asked the court their wishes concerning the Town and Country property for sale. “It is up to the court,” he said. “Whatever you want to do, we will do, but we

need to let them know something.” After some discussion of pricing, removal of the fuel tanks and soil testing through the EPA, as well as potential future use, the court decided not to pursue the purchase.

The court also held a first reading of the budget. The draft budget was presented earlier to the court and Holbrook said there were no changes to the draft budget that had been approved earlier. The budget was approved unanimously.

The court was then presented with a budget amendment. However, this amendment simply moved funds inside the budget and did not change any overall totals since the expenditures and revenues each equal \$914,515, according to Holbrook. The amendment also passed unanimously.

Having no further business, the court adjourned.

“Turnout”

(Continued from front) before Election Day. Slightly over 400 voted early with no excuse while 74 mailed in their ballot. Including all methods of early voting, nearly 500 voters cast their ballot before Election Day.

Of the 2,380 voters, 1,890 of them were registered Republicans and 186 were registered Democrats.

In the Republican race for Governor, Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron, running against 11 opponents, won statewide by more than doubling the votes of his nearest competitor Ryan Quarles. Cameron had received Donald Trump’s endorsement. In fact, Cameron received more votes than his two nearest competitors combined, getting 122,854 votes to Quarles’ 56,200. Kelly Craft, who was endorsed by Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, and who spent about \$9 million of her own money, according to reports, received 45,108 statewide.

Cameron dominated in Rockcastle County as well receiving 1,051 votes while Quarles received 458. Kraft received 439.

However, Cameron did not win every precinct in the county. Quarles won the Wildie and the Climax precinct.

In the Democrat race for Governor, incumbent Andy Beshear won his bid, running against only two opponents, by a massive margin. Beshear received 151,579 votes statewide while his nearest opponent Geoffrey M. Young, received 8,634.

In Rockcastle County, Beshear won with 171 votes while Young received 8 votes.

Cameron will face Beshear in the race for Governor of Kentucky in the General Election on

Tuesday, November 7.

In the Republican Primary for Secretary of State, Michael Adams won with 146,335 votes with Stephen Knipper receiving only 62,239. Again, well over double the votes of his nearest opponent. In Rockcastle County, Adams won 1,362 to 421 over Knipper. Adams won every Rockcastle precinct.

In the race for Auditor of Public Accounts, Republican Allison Ball more than doubled her opponent Derek Pettey’s 162,979 to 63,117 statewide, and won in Rockcastle County 1,402 to 526.

In the race for Kentucky State Treasurer, Republican Mark H. Metcalf nearly doubled his opponent, Andrew Copperrider state wide with 116,197 to 66,603. Metcalf also won big in Rockcastle County with 1,379 votes to Copperrider’s 412.

In a slightly closer

race, Democrat candidate for Commissioner of Agriculture, Serra J. Enlow beat Mikael Malone 87,855 to 62,961. This race was also close in Rockcastle County with Malone winning 86 to 84 and is the only race that ended statewide differently than Rockcastle County results.

In the Republican race for Commissioner of Agriculture, Jonathan Shell won over Richard Heath 148,139 to 114,258 statewide. Shell dominated in Rockcastle County 1,629 to 494.

Of the 15 precincts in

Rockcastle County, the most voters turned out in the north Brodhead precinct with 320 voters casting their ballot.

Allen said she is pleased with the election process and is already preparing for the next election. “I am thankful to have precinct workers who have adapted well to the changes (post-COVID) and work so hard for things to go smoothly,” said Allen.

Beshear and Cameron are now beginning their campaigns for the November elections for Governor of Kentucky.

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Sewer Rates are being increased by 6.5% due to the Consumer Price Index that is set by the Department of Local Government. This increase will go into effect by July 1, 2023.

New Rate Changes Effective July 1, 2023

Inside City:		
First 2,000	\$17.01	\$18.12
All over 2,000	\$ 6.89	\$7.34
Outside City:		
First 2,000	\$24.46	\$26.05
All over 2,000	\$9.70	\$10.33

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Deeds Recorded

Browns Rolling Ridge Farms, LLC, real property located on waters of Dix River, to Thomas Dees. Tax 180.00

Selena Combs, real property located on North Dailey Street, to Yvonne R. Palmer. Tax 120.00

Gladys Marie Dowell and Freamon Douglas Dowell, real property located on waters of Copper Creek, to John and Angela Sensabaugh. Tax 20.00

Reta Ballinger, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Ryan Anthony and Zachary Hutchison. Tax 15.00

Walter Zachary Baker, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jordan T. and Kathryn D. Langworthy. Tax 139.00

Robert Eugene and Rosalin B. Philbeck, real property located on Woodland Drive, to Jacob O's Well Baptist Church. Tax 40.00

Bryann Lovell and Kaitlyn Brooke Clontz, real property located in Castle Ridge Subdivision, to David and Chasity Whitmore. Tax 196.00

Jerry and Debbie Owens, real property located on Sweet Water Rd., to Abby Bartlett and Thomas Pettit. Tax 160.00

Katreka Cash, real property located on Tarkin Road, to Samuel Boyd Lowery. Tax 132.00

Kermit Bowling and Cindy Plummer, real property located on Dry Forks of Skeggs Creek, to Dan Skierkiewicz. Tax 30.50

Glen E. and Stephanie Nicely, real property located on Lake Linville Rd., to Larry E. Kelley and H.D. Kelley. Tax 28.00

Janet Elliott and Fred Delp and David J. and Nancy J. Woodson, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jessica Alexander. Tax 40.00

Aaron Thomas and Jennifer Emery, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Adam and Sonya Hensley. Tax 115.00

United States Department of Agriculture, real property located at 145 Woodland Place, to Special Properties Group, LLC. Tax 20.50

Teresa Witten and Steve Greenwell, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Herschel Waterman. Tax 3.00

Franklin and April Napier, real property located in Bowling Subdivision, to Jonathan and Billnita Collins. Tax 1.50

VanWinkle Real Estate Holdings, LLC, real property located in Rockcastle County, to JCJC Holdings, LLC. Tax 126.00

Gary and Gertha Mink, lots in Elmwood Cemetery to Lewis and Brenda Gail Reams. No tax

Lynn Woods-Lamb and Ashley Woods-Lamb, real property located on Leer Lane, to

Richard E. Latham, Jr. Tax 90.00

Holly J. Mullins and Toby Shay Mullins, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Andrew Dalton Gross. Tax 92.50

J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Timothy Wayne Harding. Tax 125.00

Allen Hendrickson, real property located in Rockcastle County, to The Knitter Family Trust. Tax 75.00

Tony and Donna Hopkins, real property located on West Main Street, to Arthur Elmer and Sheila Ann Lambrecht. Tax 150.00

Elizabeth Sims, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jacob Lawson and Olivia Yeary. Tax 53.00

Virginia Renner, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Maverick Alan and Stella Roxanne Reynolds. Tax 65.00

Brandon K. Barnes and Rhonda M. Barnes, real property located on Sowder School Rd., to Josh and Jessica Lyn Dollins. Tax 85.00

Douglas Allen and Amanda Jean Asher, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Leonard Michael and Jennifer Lee Smith. Tax 30.00

Melissa Ann Bullock and Johnnie Lee Bullock, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jeffrey Clyde and Dawn R. Carpenter. Tax 10.00

Fred Hampton, III and Racheal Hampton, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jeffrey Clyde and Dawn R. Carpenter. Tax 20.00

Jeremy and Melissa Neeley, and Isaac and Savannah McClure, real property located on East Main St., to Expansion Investments, LLC. Tax 75.00

Travis and Dianna R. Gilbert, real property located in Houston Point Estates, to Loren Reynolds. Tax 230.00

Marriage Licenses

Danna Lynn Payne, 45, Richmond, Walmart, to Jeffery Brooks Ingram, 42, Richmond, LCR. 5-5-23

Heaven Lei Pearson, 21, Livingston, student, to Zachary Boone Taylor, 21, stock clerk. 5-10-23

Shelbi Suzanne Clark, 24, Mount Vernon, loan officer, to Jacob Dean Taylor, 26, Mount Vernon, Pharmacist. 5-11-23

Edna Mae Durham, 71, Eubank, retired, to Allen Wayne Sullivan, 70, Cookeville, TN, retired. 5-15-23

Samantha Denise Bailey, 54, Mount Vernon, retired, to Dwight Dean Isaacs, 58, Mount Vernon, QA Auditor. 5-15-23

Sherry Paulett Harper, 59, Crab Orchard, state employee, to David Dwight Whitehead, 66, Crab Orchard, Territory Manager. 5-19-23

Tara Brooke Mink, 24, Mount Vernon, CSR, to David Wayne Blackburn, 22, Phelps, KY, small engine mechanic. 5-20-23

District Court

4-19-23

Hon. Benjamin R. Hardy

Jerel Smith: failure of owner to maintain required insurance; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, seven days to serve, credit for time served.

Clayton Cox: No driver license in possession, \$50 fine plus costs.

Bryan Fesler: operating motor vehicle under influence controlled substance, bench warrant issued for failure to appear (bw issued for fta).

Maria Kristen: No/ expired registration plates, failure to wear seatbelts, failure to produce insurance card, no/ expired Kentucky registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Earnest Gadd: operating motor vehicle under influence substance, sentencing order entered.

Jose Eriberto Lorenzo Mateo: speeding, no operators license, bw

issued for fta.

Amanda Renee Rydberg: Assault, harassment, bw issued for fta.

4-24-23

Jerry Barron: public intoxication, five days to serve, credit for time served.

Christopher Jason Elam: failure to wear seatbelts, failure to produce insurance card, operating motor vehicle under influence, bw issued for fta.

Melissa R. Elms: public intoxication, drug paraphernalia, buy/ possess, bw issued for fta.

Jeffrey Marlow: public intoxication, drug paraphernalia, bw issued for fta.

Phillip J. McCarrol: no/ expired registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Kevin Melton: speeding, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.

Mouayed A. Musleh: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Jeffery Allen Pratt: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Jacob Rohner Ellis: no brake lights, no operators license, failure to

produce insurance card, possession controlled substance, bw issued for fta.

Aaron M. Shinnevarre: failure of owner to maintain required insurance, \$500 fine plus costs.

Robert Banks: speeding, \$20 fine plus costs.

Jamie Renee Climie: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Ian Grant Larue: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Herbert Aline McDaniels, Jr.: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Solomon Tentman: speeding, bw issued for fta.

Alexander Todd

Vonner: speeding, bw issued for fta.

4-26-23

Kevin R. Barnard: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta.

Merita Medley: operating motor vehicle under influence controlled substance, bw issued for fta.

Walter E. Taylor: no/ expired registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

Jennifer Dionne Varie: operating motor vehicle under influence, failure to wear seatbelt, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

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

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 SEVENTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS AND 03/100 (\$117,840.03) 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 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.
3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of 3.25% 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.
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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".
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John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

Saturday, May 27th

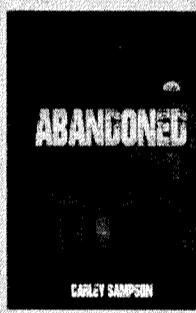
Rockcastle County Public Library

11:30- 1:30

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.



Saturday, May 27th

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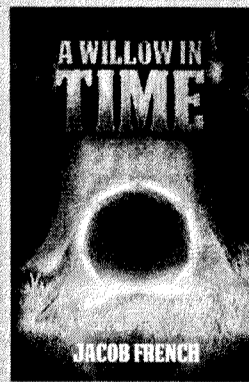
11:30- 1:30

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



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.

Legislative Update

**By Brandon Storm
State Senator**
Memorial Day Message

The arrival of Memorial Day has come to feel like the start of summer, especially with so many students' school years ending across the commonwealth. During the holiday weekend, families across our state will begin their yearly traditions and the memory-making we all enjoy.

These moments with family and friends would not be possible without the sacrifices of many who laid down their lives to bless ours. Properly honoring the memory of fallen service members demands a celebration with a heart of gratitude and a deliberate effort to educate our children on the significance of Memorial Day.

How fortunate are we to live as United States citizens and residents of our great state? As is evident in thousands having just cast ballots in the state's primary election,

no other country boasts the freedoms and privileges we enjoy in America, a country founded on religious liberty and the pursuit of happiness, no matter how one may define it.

Protecting those freedoms requires a military force like none other. Memorial Day was established to honor those who perished in the Civil War, which claimed more lives than any conflict in our nation's history. In the late 1860s, Americans began holding springtime tributes to fallen soldiers, decorating graves, and praying together. These memorial activities became a tradition.

I ask you to join me in memorializing the brave servicemen and women who lost their lives in the line of duty. Tragically, we experienced a great loss here in Kentucky earlier this year. Nine soldiers died in a March 29 crash when two Black Hawk helicopters crashed. While

not from Kentucky, it is fitting to remember these servicemembers and the families they left behind.

Those who perished in the crash included: Staff Sgt. Joshua Gore, 25, from Morehead City, North Carolina; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Zachary Esparza, 36, from Jackson, Missouri; Sgt. David Solinas Jr., 23, from Oradell, New Jersey; Staff Sgt. Taylor Mitchell, 30,

from Mountain Brook, Alabama; Sgt. Isaac J. Gayo, 27, from Los Angeles, California; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Rusten Smith, 32, from Rolla, Missouri; Warrant Officer 1 Aaron Healy, 32, from Cape Coral, Florida; Cpl. Emilie Marie Eve Bolanos, 23, from Austin, Texas; and Warrant Officer 1 Jeffery Barnes, 33, from Milton, Florida.

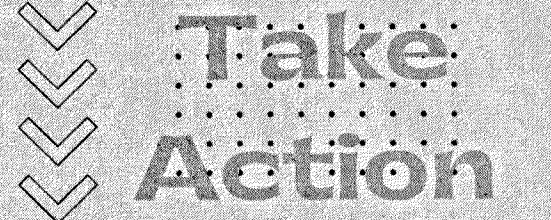
As you create cher-

ished memories with your family this holiday weekend, engage in conversation with the young people in your life to ensure the special tradition of Memorial Day is not lost. Express to them the magnitude of the holiday.

Remember the words written by President John Adams to Benjamin Rush in 1808: "Our obligations to our country never cease but with our lives."

Remember our fallen heroes who fulfilled their obligation to their nation more than most others ever will.

It is my honor to serve as your state senator. I encourage you to seek a Memorial Day ceremony honoring our fallen military members among your other family traditions. I wish you and yours a safe and blessed Memorial Day weekend.



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.

Safe Haven Baby Boxes

- There are currently 136 SHBB
- 16 of those boxes are located in KY
- The first baby was placed in a KY SHBB on 2/10/2023, less than 2 mths after installation

The nearest Safe Haven Box to Mt. Vernon, KY is in Mt. Washington, 97 miles away.

For more information, or to make a donation contact
Makaela Brooke Abney
makaela.abney@rockcastle.kyschools.us



---- 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.

**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 MSB001680SN42662, 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.
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**John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

**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
Sierra Lucinda Thomas Defendants**

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 in 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.
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Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**



Stanley and Tonya Cook, of Livingston Community Lions Club, present Kaitlyn Burgin, with the first Dr. James S. Chism Memorial Scholarship during the Senior Awards Night.

"District"

(Continued from front)

too many citizens. The fiscal court is required to appoint a Reapportionment Committee, as set forth by KRS 67.090, to redraw district lines in the county to make the districts more equal.

Holbrook said County Clerk Danetta Ford Allen presented the required three committee member nominees in Janet Vaughn, Kim Renner and Brian Bussell. The three citizens have been contacted and have agreed to serve on the committee and design the new districts to be presented to the fiscal court for approval. All three candidates were approved unanimously by the court and will now begin the arduous task of adjusting district lines as needed.

Holbrook said the goal will be to have each district within 5% of the same population though only 10% is required by statute.

"This is something that we can't argue or disagree with," said Holbrook. "This is required by the state of Kentucky and there is no option for counties except to adjust the districts as needed."

The committee will have 60 days to present the changes to the court and the court will have 60 days to approve the changes.

Holbrook said the task is much easier than it has been in previous redistricting efforts, since

the system is now computer operated. "They used to have to sit with pencil and paper and draw maps and count citizens one by one," he said. "But now they pretty much use computer software that helps them move district lines while keeping similar populations in each district. It isn't like it used to be."

According to the Census, district 1 (Lee Earl Adaqms) has 3,335 residents, district 2 has 2,918, district 3 (Doug Prewitt) has 3,353, district 4 has 2,990 and district 5 has 3,431 residents.

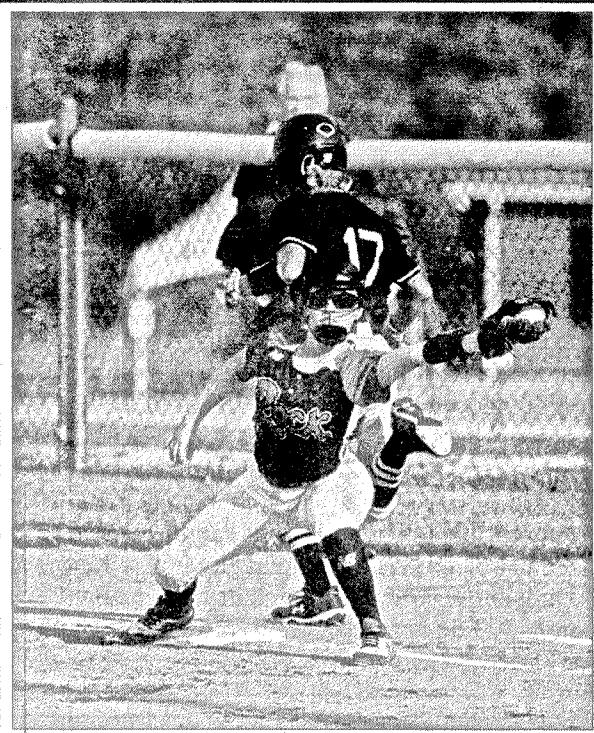
The last time the districts were changed (about ten years ago) an extra voting precinct was added to make 15 precincts in the county.

Holbrook said there are also school districts to consider but officials say the goal is to complete this process without the need to deal with school district changes.

As for the magisterial districts, Holbrook said roadways are typically used for the district lines. "We try to avoid having a district line dividing two districts going through a field," he said. "We try to use roads as the lines. It makes things much easier for everyone. Sometimes that won't work, but that is the goal."

Once the new district lines are drawn and accepted by the court, the county plans to notify the public of any changes in district lines.

SPORTS



Second baseman Mikayla Coffey covers first for an out during the Lady Rockets' win over Somerset last Wednesday.



Members of the 47th District Tournament team are shown above, front row from left: Katie Denham, Haley Pingleton, Abby Burdette, Kaliee Collins, Mikayla Coffey, Ella McKinney, Cailee Mullins and Kierra Larkey. Back row from left: coach Tim McIntosh, Crystal Hester, Sydney Holcomb, Addy Lovell, Ella Bussell, Makyla Hester, Madison York, Haven King, Macy Spivey, Lexie Brock, Mahala Miller with Beau McIntosh, Kiley Dunaway, Makinlee Goff, David Coffey and Ashlyn Brock.

Rocket softball captures 47th District championship

RCHS softball capturing the 47th continued their winning District Tournament ways last Wednesday with a 6-4 win over the

Somerset Lady Jumpers.

Somerset got on the board first scoring a run in the bottom of the first. The Jumpers held the Rockets at bay until the fifth inning when the Lady Rockets tied the game at one.

Macy Spivey reached on an error and took second on the same error. Spivey took third on a groundout by Adysinne Lovell and scored on an Ella Bussell single.

Somerset jumped right back scoring two runs in the bottom of the fifth to take a 3-1 lead.

The Over say die Lady Rockets came back strong in the sixth inning scoring five runs to take a 6-3 lead.

Haven King got things started with a single to right field. Makinlee Goff singled and Makyla Hester drew a walk to load the bases. Ella McKinney singled on a bunt scoring King. With two outs, Adysinne Lovell doubled scoring Goff and Sydney Holcomb, running for Hester. Lovell scored the final run of the inning on an Ella Bussell single.

Somerset tried to make things interesting in the bottom of the seventh scoring one run but Abby Burdette held the Jumpers at bay for the district title.

Katie Denham went three and one-third innings giving up one run on four hits and striking out two. Abby Burdette threw three and two-third innings giving up three runs on seven hits, three walks and striking out three.

Makinlee Goff and Ella McKinney both went three for four. Goff had a run scored and McKinney had a run scored and one RBI. Ella Bussell and Adysinne Lovell each went two for four with Bussell picking up three RBI and Lovell had two. Haven King, Lexie Brock and Macy Spivey each had one hit.

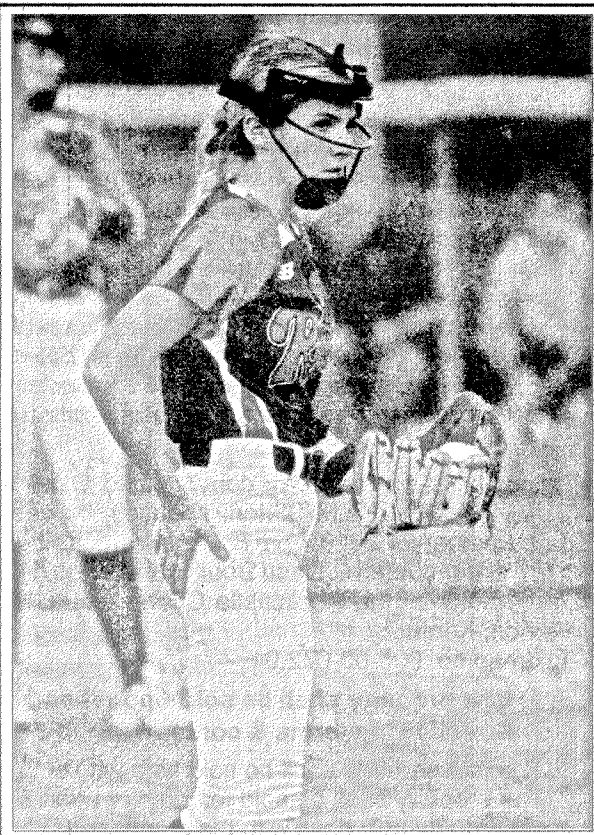
The Lady Rockets are looking for their 11th straight win as they were set to begin 12th Region tournament action Tuesday night at Somerset when they face Wayne County.



Ella Bussell, Haley Pingleton and Katie Denham were named to the 47th All-District Team.



Lexie Brock puts down a bunt during the Lady Rockets' win over Somerset last Wednesday.



Abby Burdette came in and pitched 3 and two-third innings for the Rockets in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Ella Bussell gets a ball in play during the Lady Rockets' 6-4 win over the Lady Jumpers in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Haven King throws the ball in from left field during the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Haley Pingleton gets a hit during the Lady Rockets' 6-4 win over the Lady Jumpers in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.



Makinlee Goff gets a double on this swing in the Lady Rockets' 6-4 win over the Lady Jumpers in the finals of the 47th District Tournament.

RCMS baseball in Ky. Middle School Baseball final four

Boasting a 22-3 record, RCMS baseball has made it to the final four of the East Ky. State Tournament.

The Rockets had wins over Lexington Catholic, Floyd Central and Hazard. Paintsville defeated the Rockets in the championship game, 4-0.

Making it to the championship game has put the Rockets in the Kentucky Middle School Baseball final four. They will now face Larue

County Saturday at 10 a.m. at Lindsey Wilson College.

In the first game, the Rockets defeated Lexington Catholic 23-13.

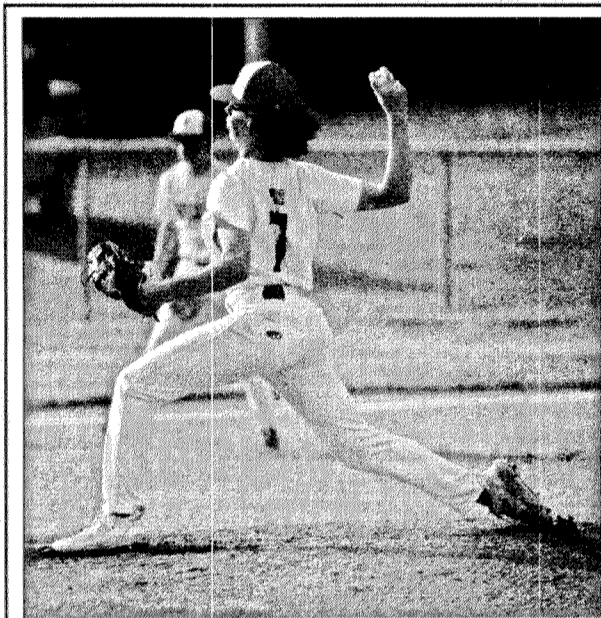
Ethan Phillips led his team offensively going four for five with four RBI, four runs scored and a walk. Cam Smith was three for four with three runs scored, two walks and two RBI. Zeke Fain was two for three with

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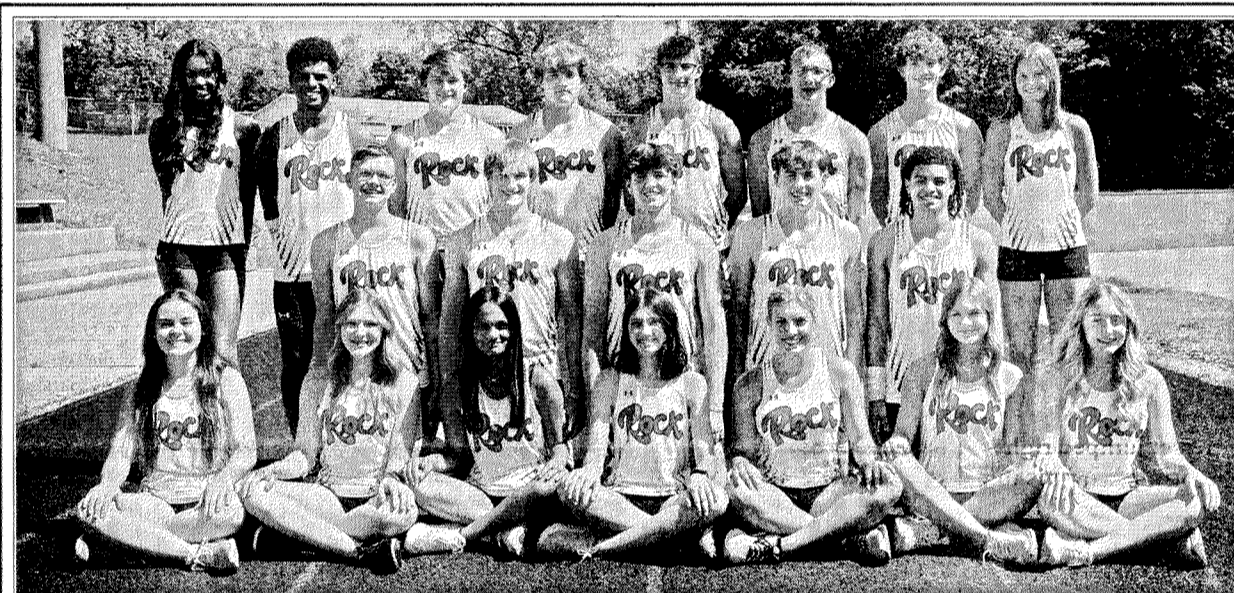


Coffey wins National Title for second straight year

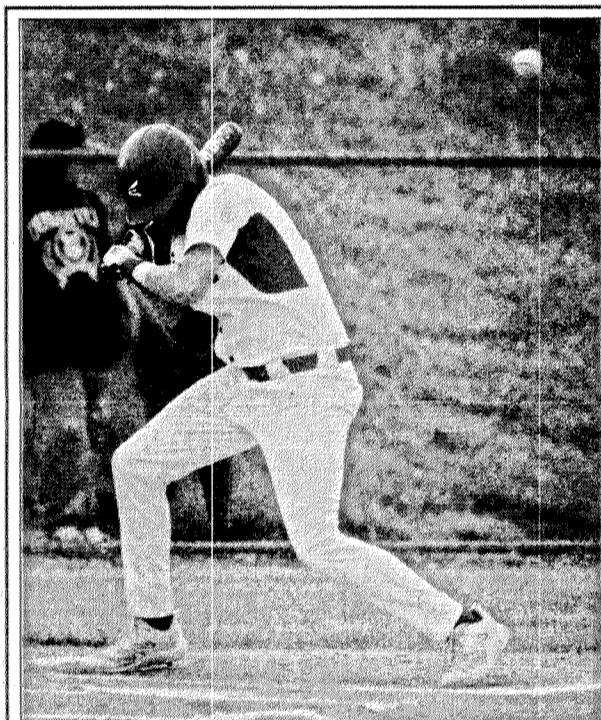
RCHS graduate and Union College Archer Kyle Coffey took part in the Collegiate Target National Tournament in Statesboro, Georgia this past week. Pushing through torrential downpours, Coffey managed to edge out the competition one match at a time bringing home to Rockcastle County the title of National Champion as well as All-American Team member. Coffey was in sixth place going into elimination rounds but held on to climb his way to a National Championship and a Gold Medal. Coffey is the son of Scotty and Wanda Coffey.



Zeke Fain threw two innings giving up no runs, one hit, one walk and struck out four during the Rockets' 6-0 win over the Southern Warriors.



Members of the 2023 RCHS Track and Field team are shown above, front row from left: Markley Richards, Hannah King, Rachael Patel, Gracie Peavie, Emma Watson, Maliyah Swinney and Learin Reagan. Middle row from left: Sam Rowland, Creed Gabbard, Broedy Dunaway, Trent Wilson and Jaidan Burton. Back row from left: Aisha Njie, Isaiah Jackson, Christian Larkey, Caleb Moore, Ethan Tyree, Carter Powell, Conner Azures and Lexi Dotson. The team is scheduled to take part in the Region tournament Tuesday night at Boyle County. Photo courtesy of Jamie Cornelius Photography.



Cam Smith ducks out of the way of a pitch during the Rockets' 6-0 win over the Southern Warriors.



A new RCHS boys 4x100 record was set last Friday at the Shelby Co. Invitational Central KY Conference Championship. The team consisted of Isaiah Jackson, Christian Larkey, Caleb Moore and Jaidan Burton. The team came in second overall with a time of 44:36.

The track team is set to take part in regional action Tuesday night at Boyle County.

Information and results will appear in next week's Signal.

RCMS softball now 21-5; in finals of 12th Region Tourney

RCMS softball has had a great season thus far posting a 21-5 record thus far.

The team is currently taking part in the 12th Region Tournament and have advanced to the finals Tuesday night taking on Southern Pulaski Middle School at Wayne County.

The Rockets' first win of the tournament came over Casey County, 16-0.

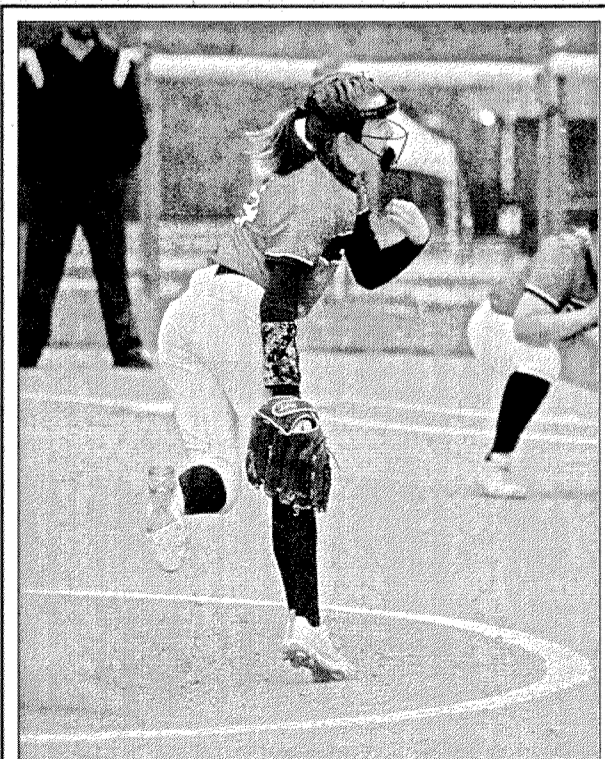
Lauren Hensley threw a no-hitter to lead her team. The seventh grade

went four innings giving up no runs on no hits walking none and striking out six.

The Lady Rockets jumped on the Rebels early scoring five runs in the first and seven in the second. The Rockets added one run in the third and three in the fourth.

Offensively, Sadie Osborne was three for four with three runs scored and an RBI. Clara Shaffer was two for three with three runs scored, a

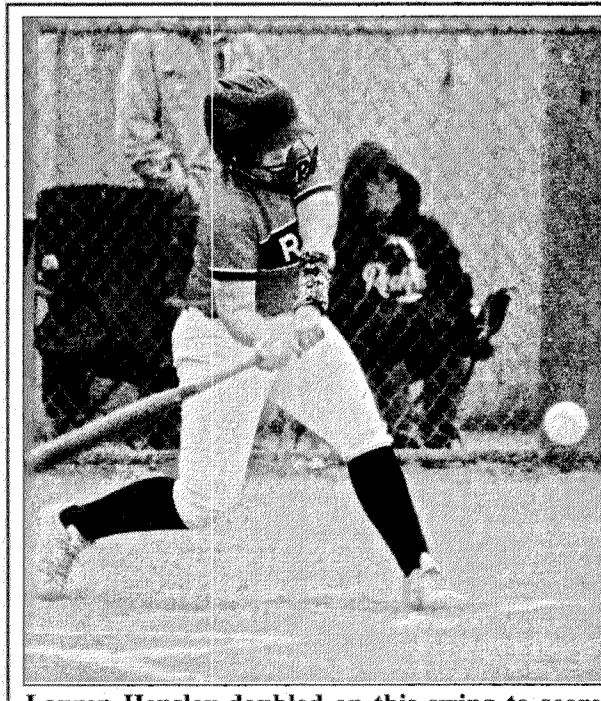
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Ally Brummett threw a shut-out on eighth grade night to defeat Meece Middle School 12-0.



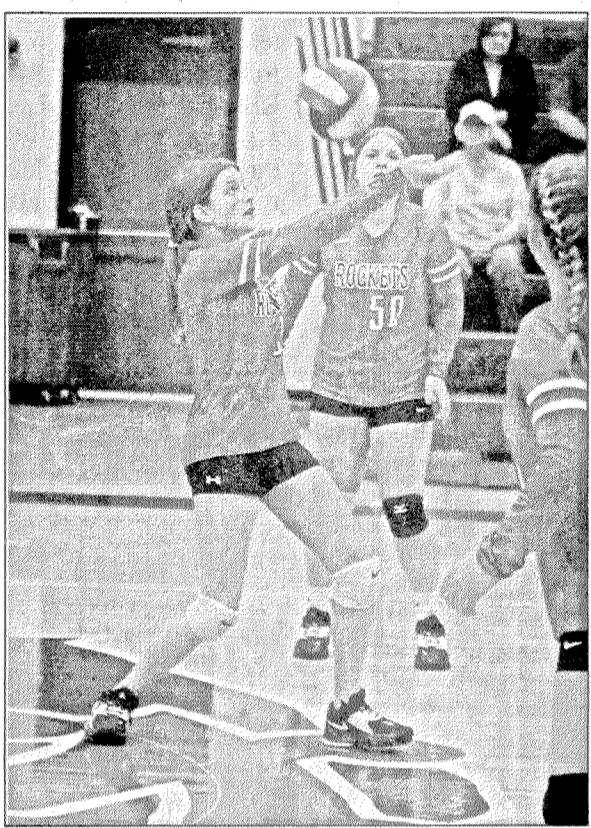
Kelsey Maupin fouls off a ball before hitting a triple to score Hailey Mize in the first inning of the Lady Rockets' 12-0 defeat of Meece Middle.



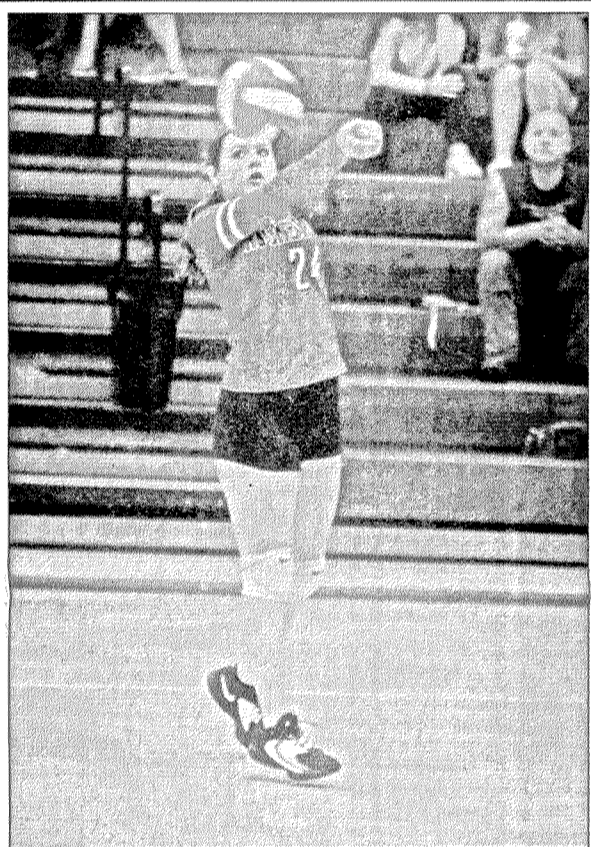
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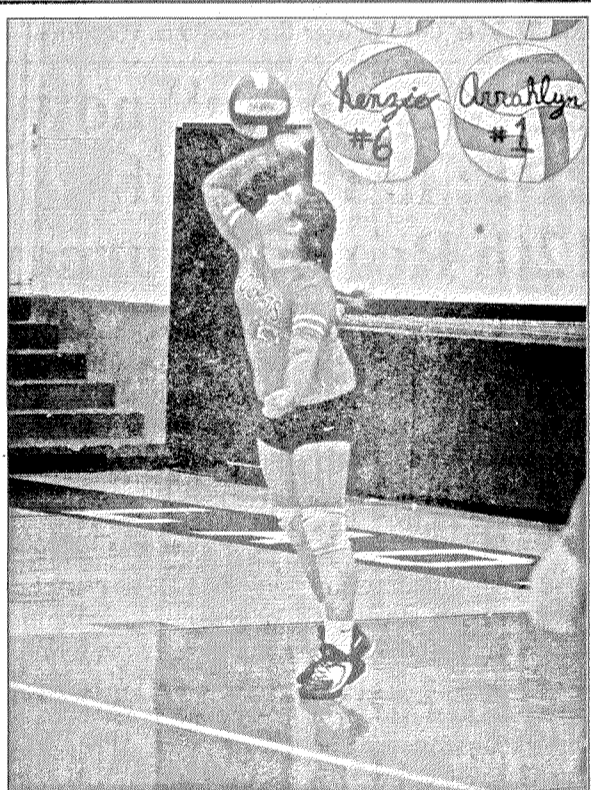
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Chloe Bussell prepares to hit over in the sixth grade's win over Williamsburg.



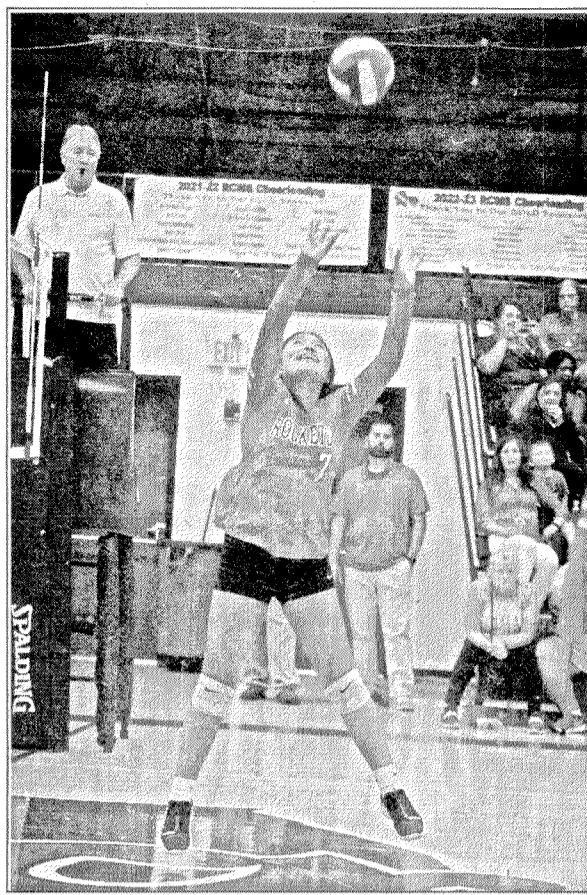
Lacey Prewitt sets a teammate in the sixth grade's win over Williamsburg.



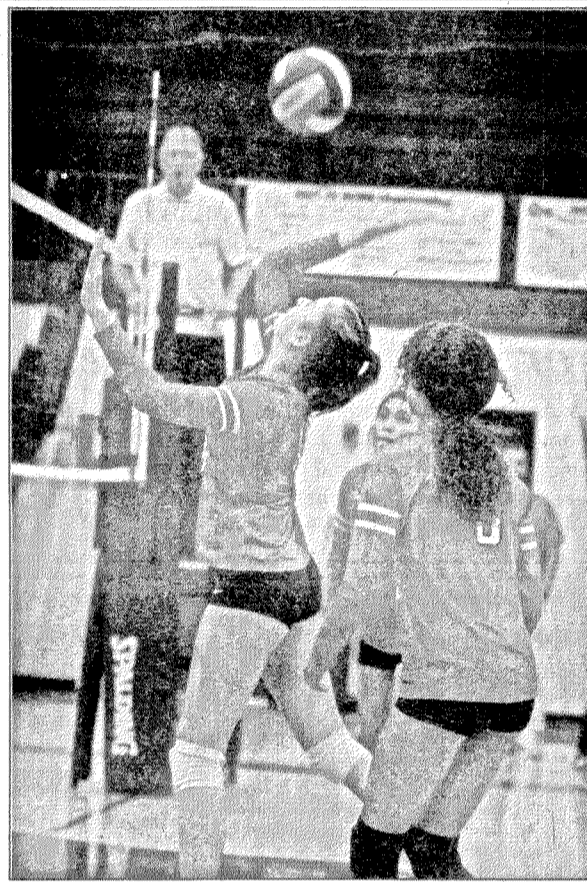
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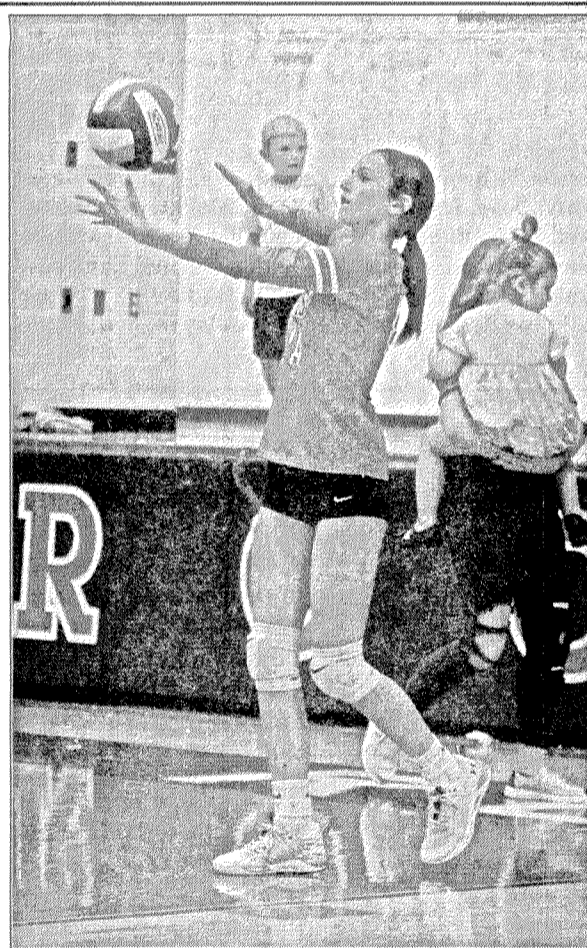
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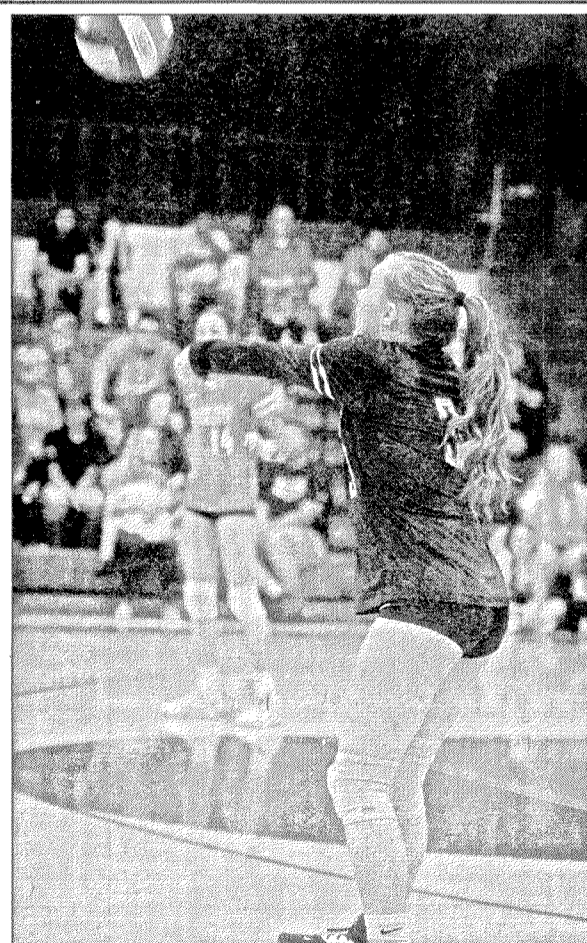
Katie Valle sets a teammate during the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.



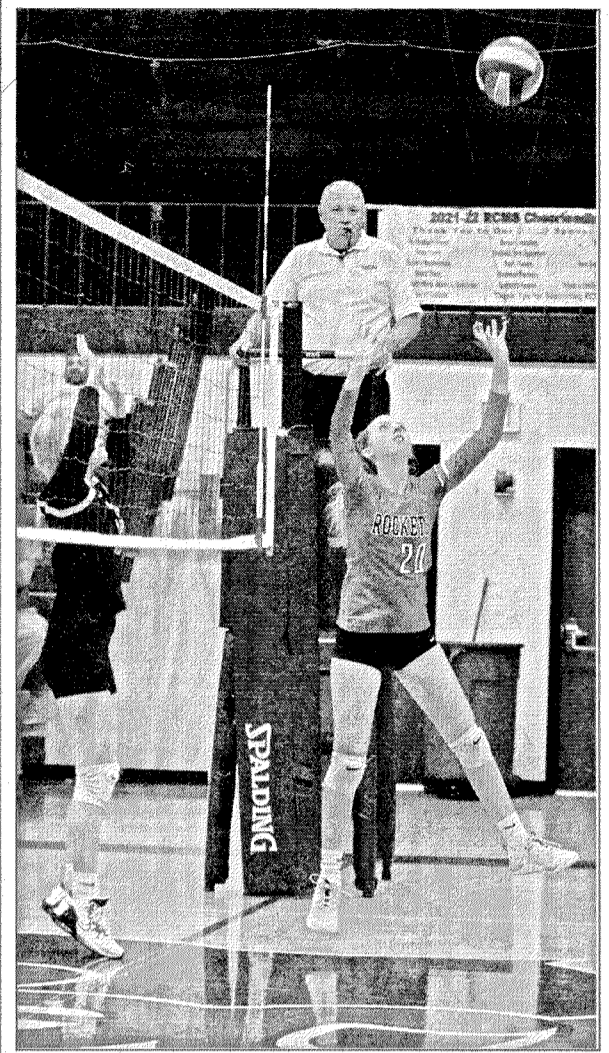
Jaycee McIntosh goes for a kill during the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.



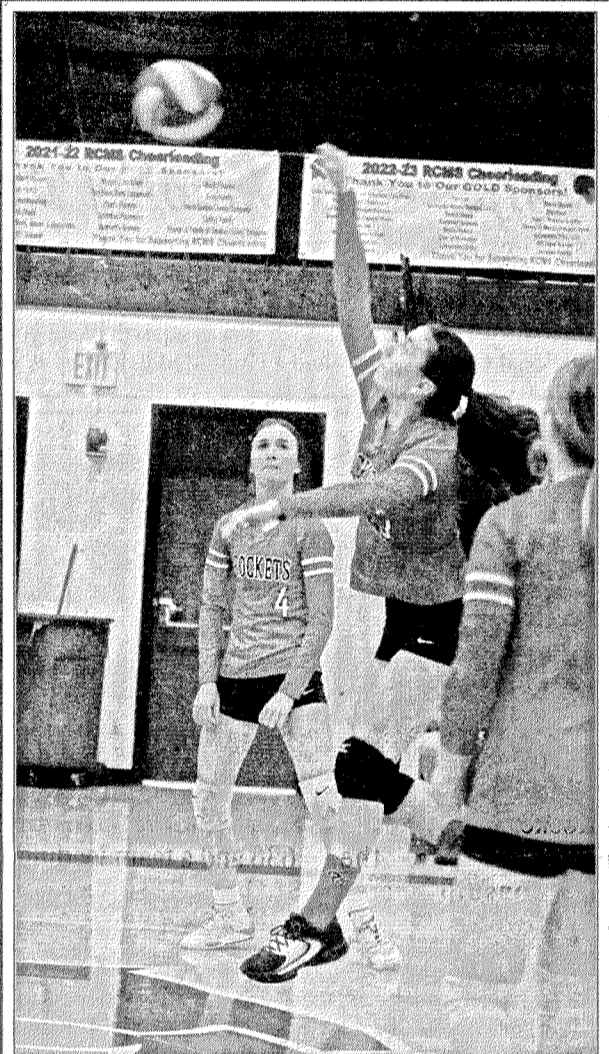
Madelyn Parsons prepares to serve in the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.



Makena Weaver makes a pass during the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.



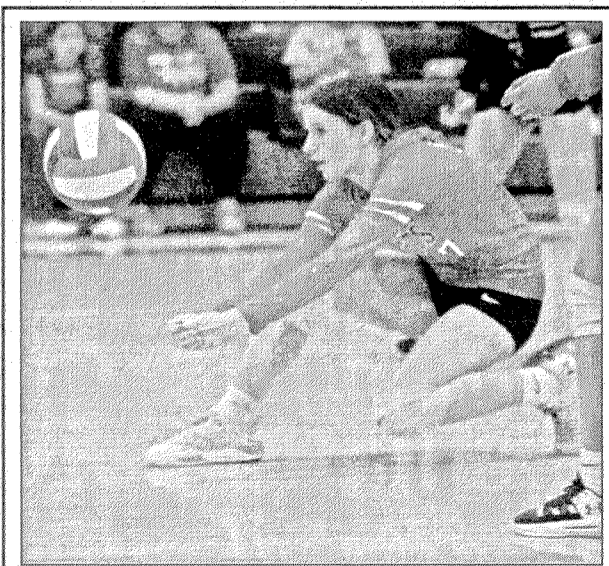
Abby Hopkins sets a teammate in the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



Kinsley Smith goes for a kill in the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



Carleigh Philbeck got the hot hand from the serve line during the first game of the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



Leighton McKinney gets a dig during the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.

“Baseball”

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three RBI, two walks and two runs scored. Colton Cash was two for four with three runs scored, two RBI and a walk. Caden Lovell, Brayden Thacker, Sawyer Yates, Hunter Pingleton and Blake Mullins each added a hit. Mullins added three RBI on the night.

Caden Lovell, Zeke Fain, Brayden Thacker and Ethan Phillips all took to the mound for the Rockets.

The Rockets then took on 25-1 Floyd County Saturday and came away with a 5-3 victory. Cam Smith was the winning pitcher for the Rockets going four and one-third innings giving up three runs on four hits and striking out two. Hunter Pingleton threw one and two-third innings in relief to earn the save.

Ethan Phillips went two for two with two runs scored and a walk. Caden Lovell, Cam Smith, Brayden Thacker and Sawyer Yates each got a hit for the Rockets. Smith and Thacker each had two RBI while Yates picked up one.

On Sunday, Hunter Pingleton threw a shutout to lead the Rockets past Hazard 14-0. Pingleton gave up only three hits, two walks while striking out five over four innings.

As a team, the Rockets had 15 hits and three walks. Zeke Fain, Caden Lovell, Sawyer Yates, Ethan Phillips, Colton Cash and Hunter Pingleton all managed multiple hits.

Rockcastle ran into a buzz saw in the championship game losing to Paintsville 4-0.

The Rockets managed only seven hits in the game with Colton Cash the lone Rocket with two hits.

Caden Lovell leads his team with 38 hits on the season. Zeke Fain adds 30 hits with three homeruns and leads his team with 32 RBI. Hunter Pingleton has 20 hits with two homeruns. Cam Smith and Ethan Phillips have 26 hits each with Smith leading the team with 22 stolen bases and Phillips with 15.

“Softball”

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walk and three RBI. Lauren Hensley was one for two with two walks and an RBI. Kelsey Maupin was one for three with two RBI, a walk and two runs scored.

In the second round, Hensley had her game on again throwing a

complete game shutout to defeat Meece Middle School 10-0. Hensley went four innings allowing two hits and no runs, walked none and struck out nine.

The Rockets scored in three of their four innings with four in the first and three in the second and fourth innings.

The Rockets made a lot out of a little with only two hits in the game. Ally Brummett and Adeline Bussell each had one hit and one RBI apiece. Meece gave up 11 walks to the Rockets and Kelsey Maupin had three steals in the win.

The win over Meece has put the Rockets into the championship game Tuesday night. The Rockets were set to face Southern Pulaski Middle School at Wayne County.

For the season, ace Lauren Hensley is 16-4 with two no-hitters and an ERA of 2.122. She is also two for two in save attempts. Her teammate eighth grader Ally Brummett is 5-1 on the season.

The Lady Rockets are on a 12-0 run as they finish out their 2023 season.

Lauren Hensley leads her team from the mound and at the plate as well. Hensley has a .537 average with 49 RBI. Her on-base percentage (OBP) is .627 with a slugging percentage (SLG) of .746.

Closely behind Hensley is Kelsey Maupin with a .536 average with one homerun. Maupin has a team leading OBP of .636 and a team leading SLG of .841. Maupin has also had 24 stolen bases for her team.

Clara Shaffer is hitting a .411 average. Shaffer has an OBP of .469 and SLG of .534.

Haley Hopkins is carrying a .359 average with an OBP of .432. Hopkins has a SLG of .462.

Ally Brummett has a .333 average and a .569 OBP. Brummett carries a .500 SLG.

Raleigh Hancock sports a .288 average with a .362 OBP and a SLG of .346.

Sadie Osborne has a .286 average with .474 OBP and .309 SLG. Osborne has also had 13 stolen bases.

Adeline Bussell has a .255 average with a .397 OBP and .309 SLG.

Emma Brummett is hitting .116 with a .208 OBP and .140 SLG.

In only 12 games played, Kinley Shearer is hitting .115 with an OBP of .233 and a SLG of .115.



Hunter Pingleton picked up the win in the Rockets' 6-0 victory over the Southern Warriors.



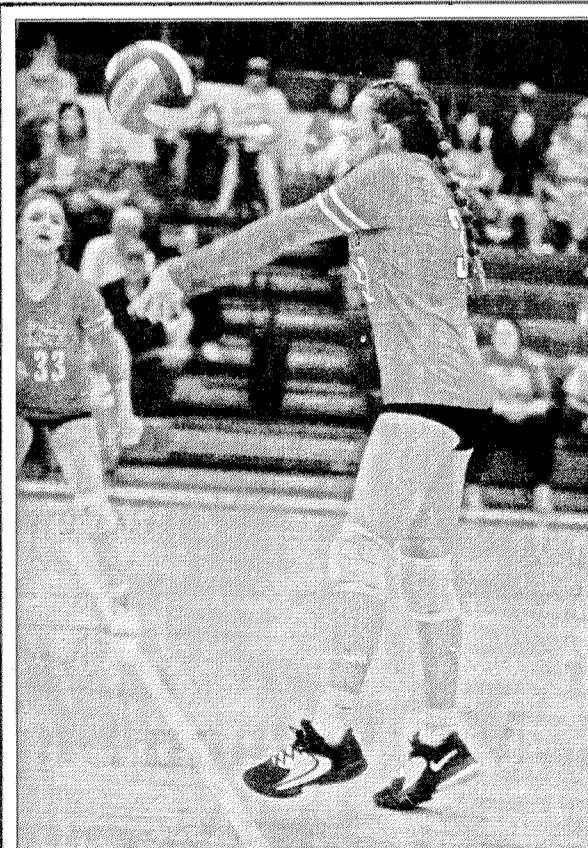
Caden Lovell was the other half of the Rocket battery during the Rockets' 6-0 win over the Southern Warriors.



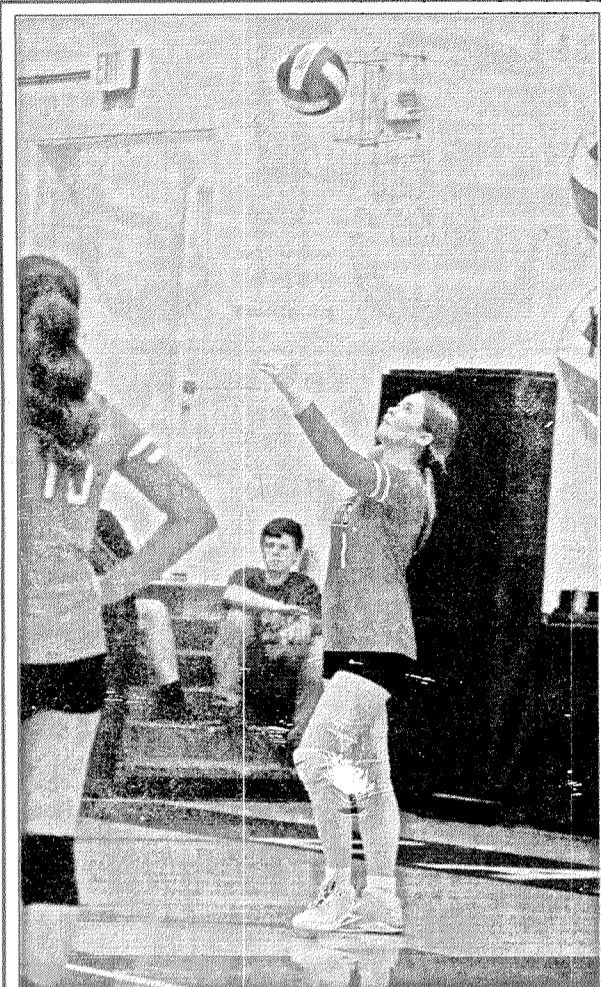
Haley Hopkins gets a single to start off the first inning of the Rockets' win over Meece.



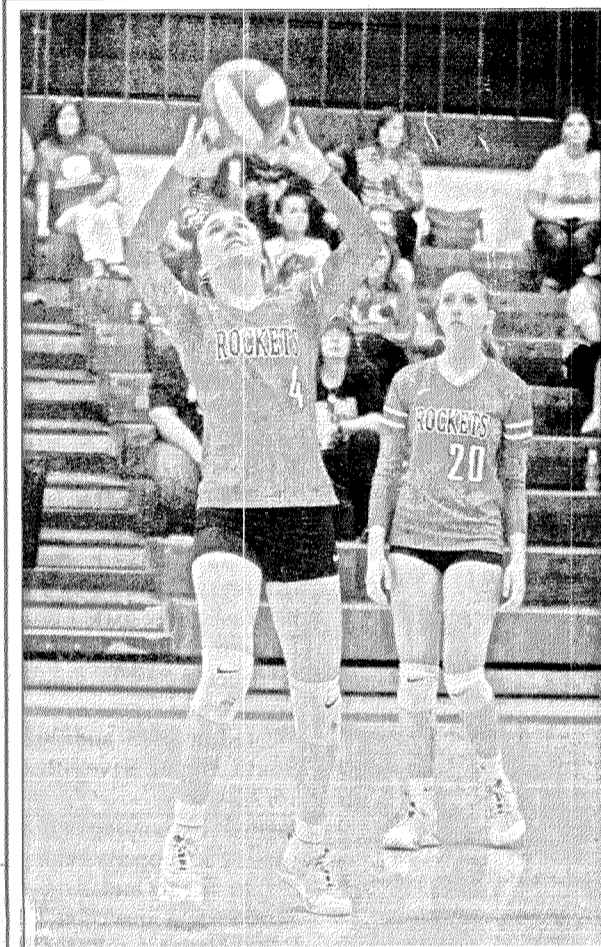
Hailey Mize slides in for the first run of the Lady Rockets' 12-0 defeat of Meece Middle.



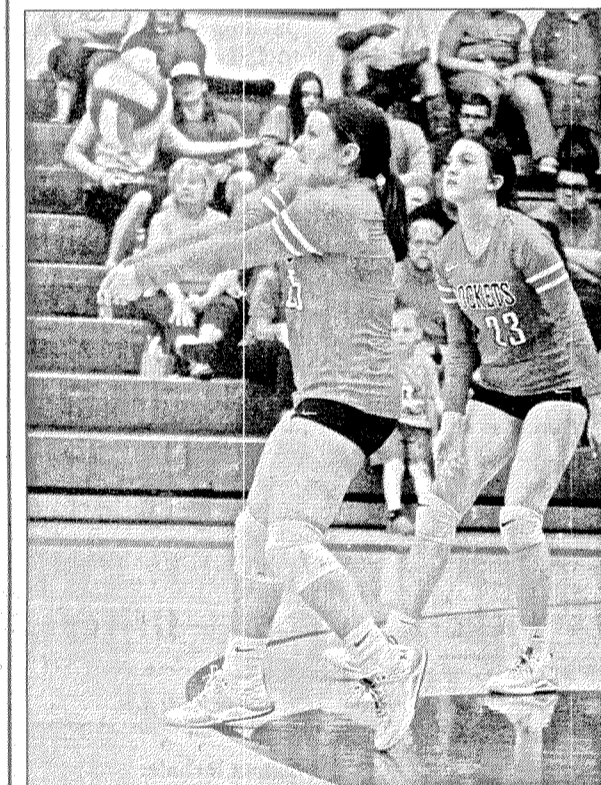
Emma Hensley receives serve during the seventh grade's win over Williamsburg.



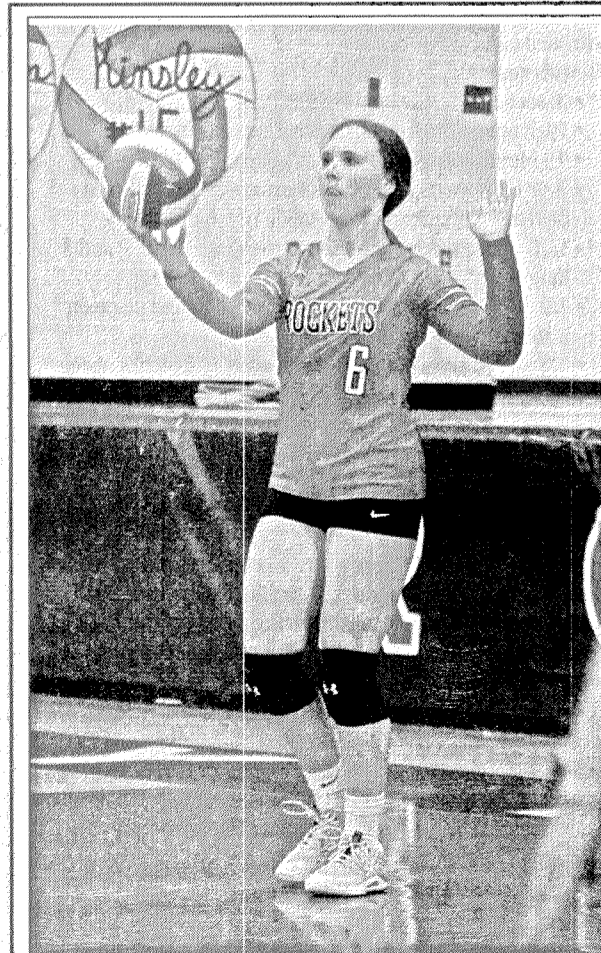
Arrahlyn Richards puts up a serve in the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



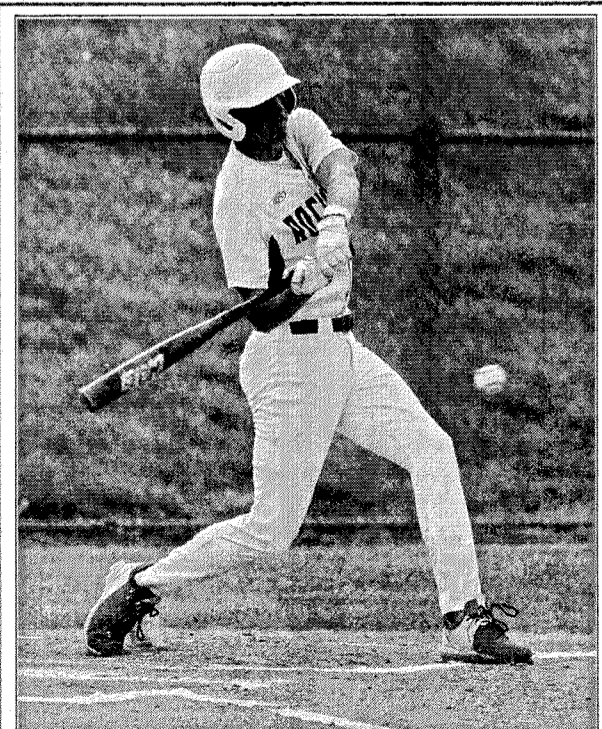
Tessa Begley puts up a set in the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



Callie Thacker makes a pass in the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg. Also pictured is teammate Trinity Abney.



Kenzie Owens puts up a serve during the first game of the eighth grade's win over Williamsburg.



Colton Cash singles on this swing in the first inning of the Rockets' 6-0 win over the Southern Warriors.

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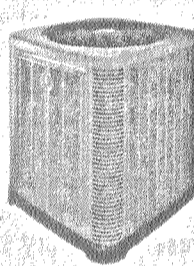
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DAR presents American History Awards

The Rockcastle Chapter, NSDAR recently presented two awards to recipients in recognition of their extraordinary work and commitment to American History through teaching and preservation. The chapter honors American History Teachers each year with the Chapter Out-

standing American History Teacher Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize teachers for their love of American History and their outstanding commitment to their students. To be nominated for this award, a teacher must have an incisive knowledge of American history that

they share with their students. They must foster a spirit of patriotism and loyal support to our country and constitutional government. They must demonstrate the ability to relate history to modern life and events and have high academic standards, always requiring excellence from their students. Finally, they must be committed to their students and enjoy good rapport with them.

This year's chapter recipient is Heather McGuire. Mrs. McGuire teaches 6th grade social studies at Rockcastle Co. Middle School. She is a dedicated teacher who is passionate about education and the academic success of all her students. Her motivation to open doors of opportunities for her students to learn about the history of their community, their government and their nation is an inspiration to all those she encounters, whether student or teacher. Her dedication to teaching students the importance of history and showing patriotism for one's country can be seen in her commitment to the annual Veterans Day program.

The Women in American History Award is given each year by DAR to acknowledge the outstanding contributions of women, especially those who have made a difference in our community. Women who are, or have been, intellectual, educational, social, religious, political, scientific, or cultural innovators. This year's recipient is Chapter Regent, Karen Adams. She continues to work to preserve county history by writing books on the American Revolution patriots, WWII servicemen

and has written the only comprehensive documentation of the county's 2726 WWI soldiers. She located WWI and WWII servicemen missing from the county memorial and researched the service of 54 patriots for the local patriot monument. She

has documented over 2157 headstones and photographed over 4061 in the county. She added 1600 names of WWII servicemen to the National Database in Washington. She has obtained military headstones for two servicemen and assisted in

obtaining two others. Mrs. Adams continues her work in cemetery preservation and to locate more county patriots of the American Revolution who are "hidden among us". Both recipients were presented their awards at the DAR May meeting.

Our Responsibility to the Fatherless

There are so many fatherless children in our society. This comes from a lot of different situations, some fathers are deceased, some are in prison, some are on drugs, some just don't understand their responsibility to their children. This is not a new problem, and the Bible clearly speaks of it in the old and the new testaments.

The Bible also speaks of the Christian responsibility to the fatherless, in a me, me, me generation like we are in, it almost sounds crazy for us to think about taking on someone else's responsibility. Research shows a child that grows up in a home, when there is no father, is four times more likely to live in poverty, more likely to suffer emotional and behavioral problems, more likely to go to prison, more likely to commit crime, more likely to face abuse and neglect, more likely to abuse drugs and alcohol and two times more likely to drop out of high school.

Psalms 68:5 says that God is a father to the fatherless.

James 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the father is this; to visit orphans and widows in their troubles and to keep oneself unspotted for the world. God always moved towards people who were broken. He moved toward people who were in bad situations. He understood the purity of a child. God understands that some children are in circumstances that are sad and dismal, helpless and often feel hopeless. That's why he has instructed his people to be advocates for them.

How many times does our Heavenly Father intervene on our behalf when our adversary the Devil is near unto us? When we are helpless and hopeless, God intervenes. God has clearly given us instructions of what he expects us to be, for those that don't have a voice to be a help to those who are helpless, to defend those who can't defend themselves.

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Heather McGuire is this year's recipient of the Chapter Outstanding American History Teacher Award. McGuire is pictured with Regent Karen Adams.



American History Co-Chair Edwina Anglin and Karen Adams, this year's recipient of the Women in American History Award.

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ACROSS

- Word with "age" or "race"
- Flower that blooms in the fall
- Number cruncher
- Archer's missile
- Wind-borne item
- "Bobby Hockey"
- Sports broadcast VIP
- Extinct bird of New Zealand
- Spread a rumor
- Evening meal
- Mexican snack
- Dry, as bubbly
- First name of a Sally Field character
- Blood classification letters
- Fond du Lac, Wis.
- League division, often
- Closemouthed
- Phone number parts
- Everlasting
- Panting for a potable
- Poetic Emily
- Letters from the hole?
- Related to the ear
- Southwest info
- It's nothing in soccer
- "... finest hour"
- Very large birds
- Eyeball, in a way
- Bronzed from the beach
- Ornithological
- Bristle on barley or rye
- Capable of igniting and burning
- Mighty small
- Chat room persona non grata
- Blac expanse
- Staples in magazines
- Breathing interruption
- More than desires

DOWN

- Yolk (egg part)
- Seasoned veteran
- Upper limb
- Small band
- Painting pitcher
- Up and about
- Pancake flipper
- Day care attendee
- Archer on Olympus
- What many incumbents do
- Applying pressure
- Literary prefaces
- Ark landfall
- Well-used pencil
- Type of line or plant
- Break from the wild side?
- Share a border with
- Funny females
- Diplomacies
- Salmon variety
- Mandela's org.
- Leave leaveless
- Upper class "type"
- Racket
- Poisonous protein in the castor bean
- Labor strenuously
- Time of "comfort and joy"
- Can be identified
- Home of senators
- Ceased to be frozen
- Cyma (molding type)
- Throat dangler
- Potential aunt, for short
- Reserved or preserved
- Village or hamlet
- Like ___ of bricks
- Day of many a fed. holiday
- One that serves the queen
- Young fellow
- Widths of some spaces