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Officials gathered last week at the site of the new Veterans Memorial Park at Lake Linville to officially begin the project. Shown above at the event are VFW Commander BJ Thomason, Kathy Bobo, Rick Bobo, Richard Payne, Wayne Allen, Larry Baker, American Legion Commander Don Gabbard, County Judge Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., Representative Josh Bray, Hal Rogers Field Representative Carlos Cameron and Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant.

New Veterans' Memorial coming to park

Members of the American Legion, City of Mount Vernon and Rock-castle County Fiscal Court met at the site of the proposed Veterans' Memorial Park, located at the Lake Linville City Park on Wednesday, November 17th.

Kathy and Rick Bobo, with the American Legion, started promoting the vision of a memorial park four years ago. To-

day, in a partnership developed with the City of Mount Vernon and the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, the project officially kicked off.

The City of Mount Vernon agreed to lease an area of the city park adjacent to and behind the VFW building. City workers, supervised by Frank Baker, will provide labor to develop the con-

(See "Vet" on A6)

Parkey asked to resign as RCHS football coach

For the first time since the 2008 season, the Rockcastle County High School football team will see a new head coach af-

COVID increase

Rockcastle County is back in the red zone this week. In the past seven days there have been 19 confirmed new cases and 27 probable new cases giving the county a 39.36 incident rate, according to the Cumberland Valley District Health Department.

Tree lighting ceremony

The annual Tree
Lighting ceremony,
sponsored by the
Rockcastle County
Kiwanis Club, is
scheduled for Monday, November 29 at
6 p.m. in Triangle
Park in Mount Vernon
The public is encouraged to attend.

Noel Night Market

The 3rd annual Noel Night Market event is planned for Saturday, December 4 from 4-10 p.m. The event will include arts and crafts, vendors, food trucks, a parade (4 p.m.), an ice skating rink and a petting zoo. The event will be in downtown Mount Vernon and everyone

is invited to attend.

ter Scott Parkey was asked to resign last week.

The 2021 season saw the Rockets battle through numerous injuries to key players and eventually lost in the second round of the playoffs to Bell County to finish the season with a 6-6 record, but many did not see Parkey's resignation as a possible outcome af-

ter the game.

Parkey, who compiled an 83-75 on-field record in his 14 seasons at the helm of the Rockets, including a 41-24 mark since 2016, was named the Kentucky Football Coaches Association Class 3A District 5 Coach of the Year in 2020 following a 4-3 record and

Livingston indoor yard sale is huge

success

By: Mike French Editor

**Former Livingston Mayor Jason Medley stepped down from his official post, but he has never stopped doing whatever he can for his city. This past weekend, his latest idea for a city project, "Yardsalepalooza" is being called a "wonderful success."

The project Medley organized was a community-wide yard sale inside the Livingston School gymnasium. "The City of Livingston needs to hold events like this and draw people to town," said Medley. "I had this idea on my mind for a while but had to wait until people felt comfortable in public again because of the pandemic."

(See "Sale" on A5)

his second regular-season district title.

This article will not speculate as to why Parkey is no longer the face of the Rockets foot-

ball team, but will be a reflection of the man that helped mold the young boys of our county into vibrant, hardworking men once they graduated.

More candidates file

The deadline to file for office in the 2022 May primary elections is January 7. Several candidates have filed since our story in the November 11th issue.

Additional candidates to file for election in the past two weeks are Kathy Robinson, Rockcastle

(See "File" on A5)

"It has been an honor, a privilege and a pleasure to serve Rockcastle

County and RCHS as head football coach for (See "Parkey" on A5)

David King named as RCIDA member

By: Mike French

David Lynn King, 42, of Mount Vernon, has been chosen as the newest member of the Rock-

castle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) board.

Doctor George Griffith announced his resigna-

(See "King" on A5)

Farmers Market building progressing

By: Mike French Editor

It has taken a lot of individual effort, several local groups, the state of Kentucky, the federal government, the City of Mount Vernon, the fiscal court, local businesses, determination and a little luck, but the Rockcastle County Farmers Market building is almost open for business and neighboring counties are beginning to ask how it was

possible.

"It wasn't an easy thing," said Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) Executive Director Jeff VanHook. "It took a lot of people with a lot of determination and willingness to work together. But we never

gave up."
Farmers Market Marketing Manager Holly Robinson agreed. "It was certainly more than Jeff and I thought we were getting into," she said. "But even during the heated discussions between all the factions involved, we all knew we had the same goal

(See "Progress" on A5)



Winstead's Heating and Air work to install propane heaters in the market area of the new Farmers' Market on Richmond Street. Officials say the new facility will open immediately after the paving work is complete.

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ramblings...

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If you thought justice was dead in our country, with the miscarriage of justice going on in Washington, D.C. where hundreds of political prisoners being kept in jail, under reportedly horrible conditions, with the most serious charge that can be found against them being trespassing in our nation's capitol on 1/6 (but yet being held without bail), the murder of unarmed veteran Ashli Babbitt also on 1/6 by a capitol policeman who has not had to answer to anyone for his actions and the sentencing of a man, wearing buffalo horns, to 41 months in prison last week for walking inside the US Capitol, also on 1/ 6, after police gave him permission to walk the halls, there just might still be a glimmer of justice in

our country. Kyle Rittenhouse, 18, was found not guilty last week of five charges, including two charges for the homicide of two men who were trying to kill him and the wounding of another man under the same scenario, all three convicted felons.

Kyle, who ran from the first man, a convicted pedophile with a gun, before he was cornered and was then able to shoot the man before being shot by him.

Another man was bashing his head with a skateboard before Kyle was able to shoot him, in self defense, and he wounded another man who was also trying to kill him.

The main stream media has been relentless in their attacks on the 17year-old at the time and even doubled down on their attacks after the not guilty verdict, which took four days to return when actually the case, backed up by video proof, should never have gone to trial at all. There was also a \$2 million bail imposed, as opposed to a \$1000 bail that was set for Darrell Brooks who was arrested after punching a woman and then running over her in a gas station parking lot on Nov. 5th, a woman who was the mother of his child. On November 11th he put up a \$1,000 cash bail and on Sunday, November 21st, Brooks was arrested and charged with driving into a Christmas Parade in Waukesha, WI killing five, to date, and injuring 40. Two other men with Brooks escaped at the time of the incident and have not

been apprehended. Milwaukee prosecutors admitted Monday that they had requested

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



It is my opinion that the Kyle Rittenhouse case is the prefect demonstration of 90% of the troubles in modern American society. The situation is the epitome of why there are opposing sides to every argument, no matter how simple and clear cut it should be. It shows us clearly that no matter how simple a subject is, those who seek discord and conflict and disruption in our society, can use any situation to cause such division in the society they hate so much,

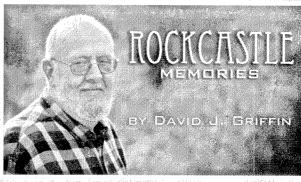
I talked with four people who were all up in arms and pouty because the 18 year-old was found not guilty on all charges. I talked to a dozen who loved that justice prevailed but those four were very serious about their hatred for the young man and in 30 seconds of talk, it was easy to see why. The lying, liberal media had them fooled. Not one of their arguments was true But they don't care. They hate him because they are told to.

Each of them started with something like "he brought a gun across state lines." This is how the liberal media begins to conthe sheep that follow them. In the first place, that's a lie. Kyle Rittenhouse DID NOT bring a gun across state lines. Secondly, even if he had (which he didn't) there is absolutely nothing illegal about taking a gun across state lines, kept running, But Kyle That's ridiculous. So, that was the aggressor? It is a suppose that the suppose of land go argument perfectly demonstrates the ignorance of the freedom-haters who is clear proof that it never wanted him found guilty. Since it didn't happen, since it is a lie, and so many people still say "he brought a gun across state lines" it is perfectly clear that all their opinions and beliefs are exactly what CNN or MSNBC told them to believe and noth-

ing more. Truth is unimportant to them. Upon learning that their argument was a lie and they were dead wrong, they don't flinch. They continue their hatred and search of other reasons to hate him, because they are told to hate him. They weren't there, they don't know him and they just discovered their argument was a lie. Yet they still hate him.

Their next point is, "he had no right to be there." What? There isn't even an argument against such a childish statement because it is a stupid thing to say. He had as much right to be there as anyone else. Including the two thugs and one pedophile that Kyle shot. His father lived there and he cares about the community but that doesn't even matter. If he wanted to be there "just because the sky is blue" that is still perfectly legal. Everyone is somewhere! Duh! The only ones who had no right to be there carrying weapons were the convicted criminal thugs he

shot. Then they say "he instigated the situation and attacked these poor people." Good Lord in Heaven, how ignorant is that statement? First, it is, once again, a flat out lie! Luckily the entire event was on video. Kyle RAN from these thugs. He tried to de-escalate the situation by running away. The thugs chased him and he just another media lie. It never happened and there happened. But as usual, (Continued on A3)



Lake Cumberland State Park

A few weeks ago, while my wife and I were visiting Natural Bridge and Red River Gorge and enjoying autumn's changing leaves, we remembered our many visits to Lake Cumberland State Resort Park. It was an area that we loved particularly in the fall.

The first time I was there was with Bud and Shirley Cox when we were probably college age. Years later, my wife and I went through several different conversion vans during the time when we were camping regularly at Lake Cumberland.

The campground at Lake Cumberland has 75 campsites with three service buildings, which house showers and restrooms. My wife and I had three or four favorite sites, and we spent many weekends in those woods surrounding Lake Cumberland. One of those special campsites had a trail that led through the woods down to the lake. When my son, Todd, went with us, he and I would walk down that path to fish. Todd loved

fishing. The campground was within waking distance to Lure Lodge, which had a wonderful restaurant. We loved hiking to the lodge for the breakfast buffet on Saturday mornings and the fabulous dinner meals on Friday and Saturday nights.

Camping at Lake Cumberland was a great

place to witness lots of wildlife in the woods. On many occasions, deer walked though the park and by our camp site. Lots of raccoon would walk up to our campfires, looking for a handout. We enjoyed their visits.

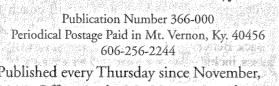
One special weekend in 1986, we were joined by another couple from Winchester, Jimmy and Shelli Castle, on a trip to Lake Cumberland in order to view and photograph Halley's Comet. That weekend will always be special in our memories.

Jimmy and I decided that we needed to take a telescope to a remote site to attempt to photograph the comet, because we both realized that this was our only chance to witness it in our lifetimes. Therefore, we loaded our gear, our wives, and enough food to last a weekend and took two vans to Lake Cumberland State Resort Park. With high hopes, we set up our camp for the weekend.

During the day, we searched the park for a location that showed the southern sky and had enough room to set up the tri-pod for the large telescope. We were successful and, to our surprise and utter delight, that night the sky was cloudless, offering an awesome place to witness our "night tray-

We went back to camp, consumed a great meal and waited for the night to fall. Later, when it was totally dark, we drove to the site near the lake and

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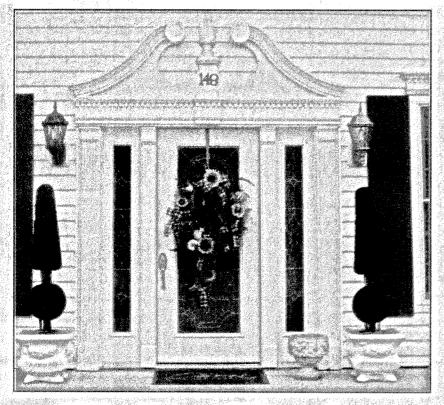
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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule Monday, Nov. 29th: Spiro, Level Green, Willailla, Hwy. 3245 and Bryant Ridge. Tuesday, Nov. 30th: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Remembrance Tree Ceremony

Names for memorial ornaments are must be requested by November 30th for the Dec. 5th ceremony. Guests may also submit a photo for the ceremony's memorial video by Nov. 30th. Open to all in the community who have lost a loved one who they want to honor and remember during the holiday season. For information and details, contact Hospice Care Plus hospicecareplus.org, hospice@hospicecp.org, 859-986-1500 or the Hospice Care Plus Facebook page.

Christmas Bazaar at Broughtontown

Broughtontown Community Center would like to welcome all to their Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 11th, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.. The community center is located at 8305 KY 1781, Crab Orchard. Santa will be on hand and their will be lots of vendors plus concessions will also be available.

Retired Teachers Assn. Notice

The Rockcastle County Retired Teacher Assn. will NOT meet again until February 16, 2022.

Kentucky Public Retirees Meeting

The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Monday, November 29th at David's Steak House in Corbin. Mealtime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be 85th District State Representative Shane Baker. Retirees (and spouses) receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS are welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or on the website (kentuckypublicretirees.org). For more information, call 606-260-0490.

Rockcastle Health Department Thanksgiving Hours

The Rockcastle County Health Department will be closing at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 24th for a staff meeting and in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will reopen on Monday, November 29, 2021 at 8 a.m.

Kiwanis Club

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

Celebrate Sobriety Service

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

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post 5908

Rockcastle Memorial VFW Post 5908 at Lake Linville welcomes all members, those qualified to be members and family members. The post is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday frm 5 p.m. to close. The 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, the post hosts a Vet Help group for those veterans who are struggling. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 5 p.m. Those wishing to contact the VFW for help, information or any need, please contact Post Commander William B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882, Post Commander Glenda Botellos at 606-386-9360 or Service Office Micah Shuler 859-358-6606.

American Legion Post News

The David M. Smith American Legion meets at Limestone Grille the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. If you wish to eat before the meeting, arrive at 5 p.m. For more info, call Commander Don Gabbard at 859-200-2204 or Chaplain B.J. Thomason at 859-358-2882.

Recovery Meetings

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-

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

Tuesday-Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Mount Vernon City Park. Contact 859-308-8900

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

Woodall 606-308-3190. Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only: Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Katheryn Pope,

606-308-3099 Thursday-Alcohol Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 35 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-COED 6 p.m. Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: Jason DeBord 606-386-0646 or J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828.

DAR Meetings

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

"Aces"

(Continued from A2) these CNN lovers don't care about facts or truth. Only their own agenda.

They also claim Kyle is a racist. Oh my God. There is no cure for stupid. A white boy, shot three white men who were doing everything in their power to kill him. One pointed a loaded handgun into his face, another beat him with a skateboard while the other pulled a knife and chased him as he ran away from them. Kyle is an avid and vocal supporter of the BLM movement. It is all crystal clear that he is no racist. It's a lie. People can only believe he is racist because CNN told them to believe it. By the way, no one seems to care that the convicted pedophile had a gun. I guess that part is okay with liberals.

The entire case against Kyle Rittenhouse was completely manufactured by the media. Just as they have manufactured the COVID vaccine data, just as they manufactured evidence against Donald Trump on three separate occasions and just as they do each and everytime there is a mass shooting. Their entire story is instantly changed to fit their liberal agenda and truth does not matter to them. The exact opposite of what journalists should do.

I almost dont blame the media. They clearly are not true journalists, they clearly have no ethics or moral values and they clearly are out for their own agenda no matter who it harms. But I do blame the general public who believes every word they speak. THAT is where the trouble is. The sheep that follow liberal media whereever they lead without so much as a question. They believe what they believe because CNN and MSNBC told them to believe it even after it is proven

The left wing media, is in my opinion, the MOST DAMANGING THING in American society today. They are terrorists. It is solely because of the left wing media that Joe Biden is President and that is a proven fact. Any who can read should know it is unarguable. They turned the election with complete, proven lies and the sheep believed them just like they with Kyle Rittenhouse.

Conspiracy theory? Keep believing that. Good luck! Truth is still the truth. Build your statues of child rapists and your Fentanyl street thugs and bow to them.

Your choice. But for about 180 million others, truth matters. We still care about freedom and we will never stop fighting anti-freedom, anti-Christian liberal agendas. Kyle Rittenhouse broke no laws and exercised his right to defend himself, whether that fits the liberal agenda or not.

And now when the left tells you that jury decisions are wrong and should be ignored, and the world is racist and out to get them and you should riot and pillage when you disagree with a jury decision, remember those words.

"Memories"

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set up our telescope, attaching my Nikon camera to the lens to photograph our visitor. In those days, there were no amateur digital cameras; we had to take a series of photographs, hoping that we had one print that we could enlarge.

If I remember correctly, I think we took a couple of rolls of film, hoping to have at least one with a clear image. On that same evening, we also discovered Saturn in the night sky before us, so we took a few shots of that planet also. At any rate, we had a wonderful time attempting to capture these images on film—which we did successfully, by the way.

Our many camping visits to Lake Cumberland always seemed to be good ones, and it was probably our favorite place to camp. We even enjoyed the weekends when it seemed to rain incessantly. And I can still hear the rain on that van roof. Good times.

(You can reach me at themtnman1962@gmail.com or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt.

Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments.)

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"inappropriately" low bail in the Nov. 5th incident. You want to say, "Duh! Do you think so Captain Obvious?"

And, one comment I read on Twitter seemed appropriate to the Rittenhouse case. It said, "If you think an 18 year old too young to own a rifle, but a 16 year old is mature enough to vote, a 14 year old is old enough to get an abortion without parental consent and a three year old is mature enough to decide their own gender then you are the problem (see Ms. McKinney, I don't get all my information from

Tucker Carlson). There has been a lot of conjecture that Rittenhouse should now set about suing those who have defamed him, including mostly the main stream media and Biden, for remarks made by him about the case before being installed as President. That should be very interesting and a test as to just how true "no one is above the law in this country" is.

One final note on the Rittenhouse travesty, a Denver attorney has now filed a civil action in the shooting on behalf of two of those who were shot.

Another atrocity being committed by the Biden administration, an apropos to nothing, comes from the new Bureau of Land Management director who has ordered the round up of our wild horses to send to a glue factory in Mexico. Most people, myself included, consider the wild horses an asset to our country. But, who knew?

The second largest provision in the \$1.7T spending agenda just passed by the House is an allocation for \$280B to fund tax relief for wealthy residents of high tax (read blue) states in the form of an increase in the state and local tax deduction on property (SALT). Under President Trump this was limited to \$10,000 a year, as a part of its 2017 tax reform, but would be increased to \$80,000 per year under the new spending bill.

According to the liberal-leaning Tax Policy Center, amost all of the benefit of this increased deduction accrues to those earning more than \$250K annually.

Biden promised not to raise taxes on anyone earning less than \$400K but the "Build Back Better" plan nonetheless includes billions in new taxes, such as increased taxes on nicotine products, hitting smokers a group that is disproportionately poor and racially

The spending plan also includes \$80B in compliance and enforcement

over 87 thousand more IRS personnel.

There's also a \$24B allocation for five year grants of deportation protection and work permits for most undocumented immigrants who were in the US before 2011, reported seven million immigrants.

And, the Australian defense force has been called in to haul positive Covid 19 cases and close contacts to quarantine centers.

Maybe Australians shouldn't have given up their guns a few years

But, don't despair fellow Americans, you will have much more to be mad at those of us who refused the vaccine for various reasons. Tony Fauci on Sunday told ABC's This Week Americans may need their Pfizer booster shots every six months, making we, that refused it to begin with, falling behind in "vaccine" shots at the rate of two a year until who knows when, besides the two original shots which were supposed to guarantee you not getting sick from Covid-19 or, if you do, the cases were supposed to be very light. This has proven over and over to be a lie since "breakthrough" cases are a common occurence and a UK Health Security Agency released data recently showing most Covid-19 deaths in England are fully vaccinated. And, CDC and Big Pharma Data confirm that more children will die from Covid vaccine than from the Covid virus.

One more note about the "vaccine," more people have died from Covid in 2021 when 75% of the adult population is "vaccinated" than died in 2020 mostly before the "vaccine" was available.

And finally, the Nuremberg Code, Article 6, Section 3, which the United States signed onto during the Nuremberg Trials following WWII says, "No government can mandate or force medical treatment without indi-



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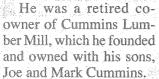


Bituaries

Paul Edwin Cummins

Paul Edwin Cummins, of Mount Vernon, died at Baptist Health on November 21, 2021 surrounded by his family. He was born November 13, 1933 to the

Fannie Clark Cummins and Roy Cummins, the middle child of three sons and one daughter. In 1953 he married his love, Esther Corine Hunt and they had four children from their 68 year marriage, Paula, Joe, Mark and Roy.



He was an avid hunter of deer, bear, elk and for many years hosted hunting trips for his sons, friends and family to western states, Canada and Newfoundland. He harvested a record setting elk in 2005 in Knott County with a score of 319 6/8.

He was a devoted supporter of the Republican Party of Kentucky.

Paul was a former Rockcastle County Trial Commissioner, a court official authorized by the Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts. He was not an attorney, his appointment based in large part on his standing in the community and having a reputation that was beyond reproach.

In 1971 Paul filed a lawsuit, Cummins vs. Parker Seal Co., based on his rights to worship on the days of his choice per religious freedoms of living in the United States of America.

He is survived by: his daughter, Paula Cummins Frizzell (Keith) of Lexington; three sons, Joseph Edwin Cummins (Joyce), Mark Anthony Cummins and Roy Benjamin Cummins, all of Mount Vernon; three granddaughters, Melissa Cummins Fain (David), and Stephanie Cummins Rader (Kevin), both of Mount Vernon and Jessica Cummins of Richmond; six great grandsons, Noah J. Fain, Ethan J. Fain, Lincoln C. Rader, Ezekiel J. Fain, Calvin Paul Rader, and Henry Joseph Rader; sister, Helen Cummins Fain (Oscar) of Mount Vernon; and brother, Robert Wayne Cummins (Barbara) of Beaufort, SC. He is also survived by sister-in-law, Bonnie Daisy Hunt Winston of Cincinnati, OH. Paul was blessed with the love and devotion of many nieces and nephews who he on Judy of Bossoci Ville of

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: " the late Effect and his wife of 68 years, Esther Corine Cummins (February 12, 1936-July 17, 2021); daughter-in-law, Deborah Bishop Cummins; brothers, Kenneth Ray Cummins, and Norman Reid Cummins; sister-in-law, Jeannine Cummins; and nephew. Sidney Keith Cummins.

The family would like to thank nephew Garry Reid Fain who has made this difficult time more bearable by his service and loving the family.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Ethan J. Fain, Noah J. Fain, Lincoln C. Rader, Ezekiel J. Fain, Calvin P. Rader and Henry J. Rader.

Please join us on Monday, November 29, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for visitation and Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 2 p.m. for The Celebration of Life at Bible Baptist Church, 100 Higher Ground Lane, Mount Vernon, KY.

Funeral Arrangements by Marvin Owens Home for Funerals

In lieu of flowers the family has asked that you consider a donation to the Christian Appalachian Project "Grateful Bread" program to attention: Grateful Bread, 3095 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. Serving others with food and nourishment was one of Paul's passions. He knew what it was like to go hungry or to crave good food and he never wanted to see anyone suffer.



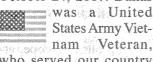
U.S. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) released the following statement on the passing of Paul Cummins of Mount Vernon: "I was saddened to learn of the passing of Paul Cummins, a proud Kentucky business owner who made a lasting impact on his family, friends, and neighbors. He helped found multiple businesses in Mount Vernon, bringing industry, good jobs, and smalltown pride to his community. Through his

leadership, he became a Rockcastle County mainstay, loved by all who knew him. Elaine and I share our deepest condolences with the Cummins family and will hold them in our prayers."

Dallas Phillip Severance

Dallas Phillip Severance, 77, of Crab Orchard, died peacefully Sunday, November 21, 2021, in his home. Born on December 2, 1943, in Crab Orchard, he was

the son of the late Homer and Opal Lowduska (Denny) Severance. Dallas was the widower of the late Shelia Faye (Brock) Severance, whom he married December 17, 1965, and preceded him in death on October 24, 2017. Dallas was a United



who served our country from 1962-1964. Starting with the US military in 1962 and retiring from Square D as a Spot-Welding Fabricator in 2013, he worked for over 50 years. He is known for his charisma, quick witted humor, hard work ethic, but most of all his deep level of care and love to the ones he knew. He enjoyed 52 years of marriage with his one true love, Shelia. Dallas was saved and baptized at Ephesus Baptist Church in Crab

He leaves behind: one daughter, Melissa Mann (Phillip) of Hamilton, OH; one son, Chad Phillip Severance (Delora) of Lancaster; three grandchildren, Brittany Warren of Columbus, OH, and Jonah and Bryce Severance of Lancaster; one brother, Walter Severance of West Chester, OH; and five sisters, Dorothy Wilder (Harvey) of Stanford, Betty Sallee of Danville, Carolyn Tussey of Lexington, Brenda Hunt of Mount Sterling, and Terri Bertram of Junction City.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by: one infant sister, Linda Severance; and three brothers, Danny Severance, Jimmy Severance and Billy-Ray Severance.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 24, 2021, at Marvin E. Owen's Funeral Home with Pastor Doug Eggers of Ephesus Baptist Church officiating the service. Burial, with Full Military Honors performed by Rockcastle County Veterans Honor Guard, was in Maretburg Cemetery.

The family asks that you consider blood donation. Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Charles D. "Big Moe" Abney

Charles D. "Big Moe" Abney, 66, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, November 18, 2021 at his home. He was born January 16, 1955 in Covington, the son of

Adalorene Laswell Abney. He was a retired construction worker who enjoyed die cast cars, canning, gardening, spending time with family and friends, and was a member of the Clear Creek Baptist Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Napier Mt. Vernon; one step-son,

Darrell Ray Napier of Powder Springs, GA; one stepdaughter, Juanita Cope of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Dale Abney and Sue of Covington; two sisters, Kim Burke of Covington, and Lisa Gregory and Glen of Union; 10 grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: one step-son, Chris Napier; one brother, Randy Abney; and one sister, Michelle Abney Duncan.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Jerry Owens and Eddie Todd officiating. Burial was in Merritt Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Phillip Cope, Austin Napier, Austin Smith, Billy Cope, Justin McCracken, Scott Powell, Michael Gregory, and Dale Abney.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Hans L. Lindblom

Hans L. Lindblom, 90, of Renfro Valley, died Sunday, November 21, 2021 at Rockcastle Hospital in Mt. Vernon. He was born July 26, 1931 in Los Ange-



les, CA, the son of the late Harry and Karin Jauson Lindblom. He was a retired mathematician having worked in naval weapons, and was a U.S. Navy Veteran of the Korean War.

He enjoyed caving, white water rafting the Grand Canyon, Kern River, and Costa Rica, and hiking and camping. He was a mem-

ber of the NWA Grotto Society, former sound and light man at Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, a Kentucky Colonel, and a 2nd Generation Elks Club member. He loved animals, and was the author of Lindbloms Simplified Ornithology.

Survivors are: his wife, Betty Cornelison Lindblom of Renfro Vally; six sons, Carl, Monte, and Dano Lindblom, and Marshall, Christopher, and David Traugott; one daughter, Karin Lindblom; and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Cox Funeral Home and

services will be at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations are suggested to a "No

Kill" animal shelter or your charity of choice. View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Dallas Wayne Rigsby

Dallas Wayne Rigsby, 66, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, November 14, 2021 at his home. He was born in Berea on July 14, 1955, the son of Marvin and Mae



Mullins Rigsby. He had been a carpenter and was a member of McNew Chapel Baptist Church. He loved his family and friends, as well as spending time with his grandchildren, fishing, and UK Basketball.

He is survived by: his wife, Annie Brown Rigsby; his children, Dallas and Courtney Rigsby, Heather Rigsby, and Casey and Eric Pheanis,

Leslie Rigsby, and John Rigsby, all of Mt. Vernon, and David and Debra Rigsby of Lexington; and four sisters, Sue and Lee Bullock, Kathy Owens, and Tammy Jamison, all of Mt. Vernon, and Janet and Jeff Robinson of Brodhead. Eight grandchildren, one great grandchild, and a several nieces and nephews also survive. He was preceded in death by his father, Marvin Rigsby. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Novem-

all of Mt. Vernon; his mother, Mae Rigsby; four broth-

ers, Danny "Tuck" and Louise Rigsby, Dennis and

ber 18, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eugene Gentry. Burial was in Maxey Valley Cemetery in Casey County.

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

Card of Thanks

Harold D. Ballinger, Sr.

The family of Harold Ballinger would like to thank everyone who showed us love during this difficult time. We felt supported and loved by all caregivers who took care of him, those who sent flowers, brought food, and the kind words that were spoken to us.

We love every one of you.

Edith M. Ballinger and Family

Yards to Paradise

Fall and Winter Home Curb Appeal

Missing tree leaves, browning lawn grasses, weeping tree limbs, and butchered perennials and shrubbery, or even trees, can give your home a sad look between now and springtime. Stained driveways, mildewed or. molded or cracked siding, missing shingles and numerous other problems or imperfections are more easily observed in fall and winter. Leafless weeping trees can make a place

look even more forelorn. So, how can you take a few simple measures and improve the appearance of your home? (This is all the more important if you're considering selling your place—have it looking it's best.)

Taking a day off and renting a pressure washer is a quick chore that gives quick results. Green or black stains on siding. decks, patios, etc., can look sharper for a day of effort and maybe \$100 equipment rental.

Cut or remove broken, dead, limbs on shrubs and trees. But, be slow to give the flowers and grasses and shrubs the annual haircut—much better done in late winter for several reasons, including the appearnce that isn't going to grow back for several months during the cold season. Berries and seed heads are better for birds than a feeder.

Dead grasses loaded down with snow are attractive features. Not to mention rots can get into tree limbs cut in the fall. whereas they would heal quickly if cut in spring.

Droopy willows, cherries, apples, and the like can make a bleak colorless yard appear even sadder. Try to avoid these, especially near the front door of a home.

Repair the broken step, railing or missing shingle. Perhaps paint a drab door or trim. And if you've not cleaned the gutters since you bought your place, get a ladder or call an expert before you forget it. It may be out of mind when spring comes and

leaves and flowers are getting our attention, so it can help to fix things in fall or winter.

Greenery typically makes a place look good. So, a wreath on the door or any other number of decorations can elevate the look of your place. But, long term, planting trees and shrubs that are easy to care for and stay green all year is a smart course of action to take. And fall is a wonderful time to plant trees and larger shrubs.

New fencing, some new seating, a firepit, and any number of small accessories can brighten a home's appeal in the leafless season. (I don't recommend extensive seasonal decorations—and if you feel you must, then at least remove them in a timely way following the special occasion.)

Boulders, logs, large stumps can be used as assets in the yard if you can't or chose not to haul them away. A haphazard pile in the front yard isn't attractive, but you might get away with it out back.

Raised planting areas, or installing edging and adding some dirt and fresh mulch to the flower/ shrub beds and foundation plantings can be a quick procedure to get your place looking sharper.

Adding some storage, a greenhouse, planting some trees, these are just a start in listing things that might give your place some fresh appeal in a hurry.

Hoping you found an idea or two to implement and make your place look a bit more chipper.

The author is a landscper. Feedback and questions: (606) 416-3911 or rockcastles@gmail.com



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"Parkey"

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the past 14 years," reflected Parkey in a Facebook post about his departute. "I have coached the incredible game of football in this county at the youth league, the middle school, and the high chool levels for a total of 27 years. Throughout those years, I have been able to meet, work, and grow together with countless members of the community. Those ties, bonds, and friendships are genuinely special and long lasting."

A face synonymous with Rockcastle football at all levels of play, Parkey was a vital part of not only preparing his high school players for battle but could also be seen as the videographer for the middle school football team and helping run the Rockcastle Youth Football League, which was in shambles at one point before Parkey and the RYFL commissioners overhauled the league.

"Youth league football is a key part of your program," stated Pulaski County Head Coach John Hines. "As a head coach, you have to be involved with your youth league, because those kids are going to be varsity football players shortly. Coach Parkey did this and helped grow the Rockcastle youth program. There are so many things a high school head coach must do, especially at a rural county school, that people don't see.

"From youth league involvement, middle school involvement, community involvement (to be the face of the program), as well as off-sea-Son training programs, 10 and all of those take a tremendous amount of time. Many coaches aren't willing to do all this. Free time doesn't exist. Coach Parkey was willing to do all this for the kids of Rockcastle County to have a solid football program. Coach Parkey will be hard to replace."

One thing that will not be replaced is the legacy that Parkey leaves behind. He was a fabulous coach to work with getting quotes for game recaps and was one of the few coaches throughout the state that had statistics posted on the KHSAA Riherds Scoreboard site within hours of a game going final, when other coaches would wait days, if not weeks, before submitting statistics.

Sure, that may be something that some outside of the sports journalism world may not notice, but what they will notice is just how influential Parkey's work ethic was on his players past and present.

"Once my playing days were over and I started coaching, he became a mentor and teacher," stated J.D. Hamilton, who is an assistant coach with the County Rockcastle Middle School football team that recently finished as a state semifinalist in the Kentucky Middle School Football Division 2 playoffs. "Coach Parkey taught me lessons on how to treat players, earn respect and coach with class. As a very young coach, there's been so many things I've had to learn and many growing pains over the last few years, but Coach Parkey has always been willing to give me his insight and teach me how

to handle those situations. I consider him a true leader and role model and his positive impact within this incredible program and county has gone far beyond what many will ever understand."

The profound effect that a coach has on their players is one that many people will not understand if they are only looking at wins and losses.

Should the Rockets have won more games than they did? Of course.

Should the Rockets have lost some of the games they won against more talented teams? Probably.

Regardless of his record on the field, Parkey's record off the field in building relationships with players and fellow coaches is one that will be hard to replace no matter who is next to put the whistle around their neck.

"Coach Scott Parkey was much more to me than just a football coach," added Hamilton. "He taught me how to play football the Rock Way, become a man and how to approach my young adult life in aspects far greater than football. Aside from the fundamentals of the game, he taught me the passion, mindset and grit it takes to play for this great program. The impact he had on me, and my teammates was the inspiration to want to coach and continue to instill those core principles in the Rock generations to come."

"I have great respect for Coach Parkey and the job he did at Rockcastle," commented Hines, who faced off against Parkey at the varsity level in each of Parkey's first nine seasons at Rockcastle, "You could always count on his teams to be tough, well prepared, and play hard every snap. We had some great games with Rockcastle during Coach Parkey's tenure. He is a good, Christian guy that really gave his all for Rockcastle football. His players respected him and believed in him as their coach."

"One of the most amazing things about my journey was being able to coach alongside so many great men," Parkey reflected. "Men who genuinely valued the opportunity to help mold young guys into respected men through the game of football. These men exhibited character and strong moral codes that they were able to pass on

through their coaching." It is easy to exhibit character and strong moral codes when the man that is leading a group also exemplifies those same traits. The man many affectionately called "Coach P" is one that will be remembered for being a high-moral coach that worked countless hours to make sure his teams were prepared for battle. Whoever is the next coach will have enormous shoes to fill when they take over the reins.

When asked to comment on Coach Parkey's leaving, Schools Superintendent Carrie Ballinger said, "I would like to thank Coach Parkey for his 14 years of service and dedication to the RCHS football program. He has served as a positive role model and has impacted countless students in ways that will affect them for the rest of their lives."

RCHS Principal J.D. Bussell said, "Over the

past 50 years, through the hard work and dedication of so many coaches, players and community members, Rockcastle Co. football has established itself as a top tier program throughout the state of Kentucky. With multiple district and regional championships, including two state final appearances, Rockcastle Co football is something our small community has supported with a following that rivals no other school of our size. We appreciate the contributions that Coach Parkey has made in his 14 years as the leader of our football program."

"Progress"

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and we worked out any differences that came up." And what was that ultimate goal? "To feed the people of Rockcastle County," said Robinson.

When the idea was first seriously introduced three years ago, it was immediately determined that if a Farmers Market building was to be built, it should benefit the entire community and be usable year-round even beyond growing season. Ideas were bounced around for some time until a plan began to emerge that would create a building with rentable space so that other entities, beside farmers, could use the building.

As with any project, cost was a major concern. However, through negotiating with some friends and relatives, VanHook was able to get the conceptual architectural design by calling in favors. Specifically, from his brother Garland VanHook at VanHook Architectural services. "He's my brother," said Jeff VanHook, "We owe each other favors."

One of the most agreeable project ideas was to utilize local labor and local materials in every case possible. By using local vendors, the project itself would boost the local economy and keep local dollars circulating in the region, according to VanHook.

Soon, he and Robinson found themselves working with the Soil Conservation Board, the State of Kentucky and local banks and businesses who all wanted to see a nice Farmers Market building that would be aesthetically pleasing and improve the area. With VanHook and Robinson, Kentucky State Representative Josh Bray and County Judge/ Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr. traveled to Frankfort to push the idea and was met with agreement. "They told us they had not seen so many factions of a community working together for a common goal before," said Robinson. "Part of the reason this worked so well in the long run, is that everyone worked together."

After trips to Frankfort and grant writings and agreements with countless groups and organizations, the plan was moving forward and a design/build project was put out for bid. But then, COVID hit.

hit.

Suddenly materials were nearly impossible to find and their price had jumped overnight. The bid, once returned, was well over what RCIDA and the county had budgeted for the project. But, this did not deter the teams of people who wanted to see the project

move forward.

VanHook and Robinson had secured a grant from the Agriculture Development Fund for \$250,000 and a grant from the USDA for another \$100,000. But the bid from McKeehan Construction, another local contractor, was still about \$75,000 too high, due to recent material cost increases after COVID.

"This is when the fiscal court and the city of Mount Vernon stepped up and gave \$37.500 each to make up that difference," said VanHook. "After all, the building is in the city and will greatly benefit the entire community. Basically, everyone will benefit from this building."

When all was said and done, the entire project, including the site work, plumbing, the building and all the details involved in such a project, was going to cost around \$515,000, according to VanHook and the county will have only spent about \$115,000. "This was only possible because of the massive effort everyone involved made to work together and find common ground and reach the ultimate goal," said VanHook. "I didn't do this, Holly didn't, the state didn't. We have this very nice building that benefits the entire community, provides food for residents, keeps local money circulating, improves the economy, increases property values, and does so much more, only because everyone worked together toward the same goal even through disagreement or different views."

The plan also included two office spaces that the city and the county can rent or lease to other organizations. "The farmers have first priority but the income from renting the space to other groups or entities will help with maintenance and upkeep so that the building can be practically self-sufficient," said Robinson.

VanHook said he appreciates all who took part in the process. "With Holly and Brenda Parsons (Farmers Market President), Carol Sigmon (Treasurer), Doug Brock (Vice President), Howell Holbrook, Josh Bray, Garland VanHook, every magistrate, Mike Bryant (Mount Vernon Mayor), the entire Soil Conservation office, every contractor and vendor, individual and companies and businesses who helped, and so many more, this was all made possible for our community."

VanHook said he hopes to see local groups take advantage of the building. "We hope that 4-H groups and clubs and organizations will take advantage of the central location to hold events," he said. "The space can be used also for community events or public meetings and so many other uses."

Some other communities have inquired about the new building. In fact, a caller from a neighboring county to the *Mount Vernon Signal* office said, "Our county spent a lot more than Rockcastle County did and all we have are some poles and a roof."

Robinson understood.
"Part of the difference is that here, we cater to our farmers," she said. "The farmers come first. Our fees are basically the same that they were years

ago and we support them in every way we can. Not every community can work together like Rockcastle has done."

Robinson said another benefit to the new building may be the cleaner look to the area. "That area had run down some," she said. "We even had to tear down a house on that property. A nice, clean, new building will help the entire area to stay clean and attract even more businesses or families to the area."

The building is ex-

pected to be open as soon as the paving is complete but VanHook said that work is difficult to predict at this time. "Due to shortages of workers and the increased demand on roads and interstate construction, it is very difficult to get paving done right now," he said. "The county is even having trouble getting paving for roads right now due to the shortages. But as soon as we get someone to complete the site and the paving, we expect the building to become an instant addition to our community."

As for other communities hoping to accomplish similar goals, VanHook and Robinson agree it will take a lot of cooperation between a lot of people. "We are all very proud of our new Farmers Market and we know the farmers and local residents will benefit," said VanHook. "But also the county and the city will reap rewards as well. Now we just start looking forward to next growing season and who knows how we will end up using some of the office space. It is a great, central location and what ever benefits the community the most, is what we will do." in the town save 4

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County PVA; Danetta Ford Allen, County Clerk; William Sherman Denny, 2nd District Magistrate: Rodney G. Adams, 1st District Constable; Donnie Cope, 4th District Constable; John Adams and Eddy Montgomery, 2nd Division 28th District Judge; David Dalton, 28th District Commonwealth Attorney; B. J. Harvey and William Leger, 1st Division 28th District Judge; Katherine Slone, 2nd Division 28th District Judge; Theresa Whittaker, 1st Division 28th Circuit Judge.

"Sale"

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Medley says when more people are in town, the "Marathon station sells gas, the family dollar sells milk and other businesses do better. All the while, friends enjoy fellowship."

Medley advertised and told everyone that visited his barber shop about the yard sale and soon, word was all over the county. "I really didn't know it would go this well," he said. "But I sure am thankful that everyone had such a great time and was able to enjoy the day."

The Rockestle County Fiscal Court placed Medley in charge of the gymnasium rentals and he organized the event for last Saturday by leasing spaces to anyone with household items or tools or crafts to sell. "It was a huge success," he said. "Hundreds of people showed up. It was a big day in Livingston and we plan to do it again in the Spring."

The Fall event helps in several ways, Medley said. "Whether people need some extra cash to buy Christmas presents, or they just need to clear out some space in their home, everyone benefited."

Though Medley doesn't plan to hold public office again, he says he still greatly enjoys doing what he can for the city of Livingston. "This is my home. Plus, it brought smiles to so many people. It was a lot of work but was worth it."

Medley says he is already making plans for the spring Yardsalepalooza and anyone interested in participating should begin getting items you don't need together for the event.

"King"

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tion at last month's regular meeting and officials began the search to replace him. The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court then held a special called meeting Monday, November 22 to nominate King.

Judge/Executive
Howell Holbrook, Jr.,
told the court he had met
with King after he expressed an interest in sitting on the board. The
court voted unanimously
to accept King's nomination.

According to Executive Director Jeff VanHook, no one could have been a better choice than King. "He is ideal for this seat," said VanHook, "We had to find someone with his sort of background and statewide experience to replace the wealth of knowledge we are losing with Dr. Griffith. It was imperative that we find someone with his kind of knowledge and experience

King is a professional land surveyor with AGE Engineering and provided the engineering service for the new Farmers market in Mount Vernon.

"We are blessed that he is willing to bring his vast knowledge to the table for the area and the region," said VanHook.

King is married to Wendy King and they have a daughter, Addy, and a son Carson.

"We hate to lose Doctor Griffith and we know Tommy Mink will be leaving us soon," said VanHook. "That is a big loss. They are wealths of knowledge that the board could call upon at any time."

So the board is searching for just the right members to fill the seats. "David will bring amazing experience to our board that will prove invaluable to the community, and when Tommy leaves we will have to find yet another extraordinary candidate. But I have no doubt we will."

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Veteran Memorial

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cept and the Fiscal Court has allocated funding to purchase materials for the Phase 1 project. Phase 1 will include a stone wall with six service flags, a sidewalk with a feature area for a kneeling soldier statue andthree additional flags, gravel and decorative fence. The City of Mount Vernon has agreed to upgrade an existing shelter to fit the project.

In 2018 the fiscal court donated \$21,846 to the Veterans' Park and in 2019 another \$2,500, according to Judge/ Executive Howell Holbrook. "We are happy to see the project moving forward. It will be a great addition to community," Holbrook said. The court also has \$5,271 set aside in a special fund to pay for the stone work at the park.

The American Legion will begin fundraising immediately for Phase 2. Donations will cover amenities such as benches, landscaping, additional statues, and plaques that will honor and commemorate the service of our veteran soldiers.

Donations at the gold, silver and bronze level will be acknowledged on a plaque at the site. American Legion member, Kathy Bobo, is in charge of collecting donations and can be reached at 606-308-1208

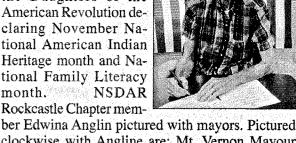
Mayor Michael Bryant stated, "We are proud to partner with the American Legion on this project." State Representative Josh Bray said, "Our city park will provide a scenic background to the memorial wall and activities for veterans and their families." The existing park offers restrooms, playground area, splash pad, new basketball court and, in the future, asphalt walking trails.

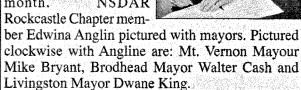
Holbrook stated, "Several locations were considered; however, this site is the perfect fit for honoring our veterans".

National American Indian Heritage Month



The mayors of Rockcastle signed proclamations for the Daughters of the American Revolution declaring November National American Indian Heritage month and National Family Literacy month. Rockcastle Chapter mem-





Legislative Update

By Jared Carpenter State Senator

Give thanks this holiday season

The holiday spirit is in the air, and like you, I am excited for the special

days ahead. Despite the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, we in Ken-

tucky General Assembly are doing our best to continue legislative business in Frankfort to prepare for the upcoming 2022 Regular Session.

Thankfully, except for several necessary special elections, the weeks leading up to this holiday season have not been dominated by the campaign season. In light of the challenging nearly two years behind us, it is refreshing to focus on what this time of year is about - family, friends, and our communities. Each Thanksgiving, I look forward to being home in my district, hearing from constituents, and spending time with loved ones. Join me this year in embracing valuable time with loved

In the spirit of the season of giving, let's also remember those in need as we prepare our Thanksgiving meals. I encourage you and your

families to consider reaching out to a community food bank, church, or local charity to help ensure that the homeless are sheltered, and the hungry are fed, especially during these colder fall and winter months. We have so much to be thankful for this holiday season, and volunteering time and resources can make an incredible difference in our less fortunate neighbors'

Indeed, following the Veterans Day holiday, we cannot forget our service members, many of whom will be without their families this Thanksgiving as they are away serving our country. Let's honor those actively serving and our veterans and thank them for the many blessings and freedoms we have here in the United States because of their sacrifices.

This time of year is also an excellent opportunity to support local businesses within the community. As you prepare your holiday shopping lists, please consider your locally-owned stores small businesses bolster our community and drive

our local economy. There is no doubt that many challenges are facing Kentucky families and small businesses. The Kentucky General Assembly is committed to tackling these challenges. Fellow lawmakers and I have dedicated the summer and fall months to engaging with stakeholders and constituents to develop more robust understandings of our Commonwealth's most pressing needs and formulating policy initiatives that may best address them. With the 2022 Regular Session just around the corner, I welcome your thoughts, questions, and concerns. Please reach out to my office Jared.Carpenter@lrc.ky.gov.

It is an honor to represent you in Frankfort. Whether it is with food, football, family, or a little or a lot of each, I

encourage you to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday with loved ones and embrace the cherished memories you will indeed create. From my family to yours, Happy Thanksgiving.

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Frankfort Update

By: Josh Bray State Representative What Are You

Thankful For?

Legislators spent this week in Frankfort wrapping up many of our Interim Joint Committees.



Over the last few months, agencies. organizations, and constituents h a v e

brought their agendas to Frankfort to lay the groundwork for issues we will consider during the 2022 Session. I have shared about the interim committees in past columns and, in the coming weeks, I will continue to focus on the work that came out of those committees. However, this week I thought we could pause to discuss this season of thanksgiving.

As I was driving to Frankfort this week, my radio dial was already filled with Christmasthemed commercials. I noticed a few years ago that Christmas has creeped closer and closer to Halloween, giving us two whole months of Christmas cheer. Even though I am someone who believes we should keep the spirit of giving in our hearts year round, I also believe that taking the time to reflect and give thanks for all the blessings we have received throughout the year is equally important.

Though we may go through tribulations and trying times, we are truly blessed to live in the United States of America. We are truly blessed to live in Kentucky. I feel that sometimes we take that for granted when we should be grateful. Thanksgiving allows us to look back on the previous year and give

thanks. This tradition positions us to give and receive gifts. I like to think of Thanksgiving Day as the beginning of the holiday season for that very reason. In November we look back and give thanks. In December, we take that season of gratitude and turn it into a season of giving. We take the blessings on us and give back to our families and friends.

Among the things I am thankful for are the men and women of this district that I have the privilege of representing. I know not all of you voted for me, but I also recognize that I represent all of you. Many of you reach out to me to share your concerns and your opinions on topics we are considering, others do not. I appreciate that input - even when we do not agree. That respectful give-and-take, the conversation that grows out of a mutual understanding that it is possible to be kind to someone who feels differently about an issue, is what this very nation was founded upon. After all, is this not what the very first Thanksgiving was all about? People from different backgrounds sat down at the same table and gave thanks for what they had?

I would like to wish you and yours the very best Thanksgiving together.

I can be reached at home anytime or through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. You can also contact me via e-mail at Josh.Bray@lrc.ky.gov.You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page www.lrc.ky.gov and you can also follow me on Facebook @BrayforKentucky or on Twitter @brayforky.



The Rockcastle Co. VFW Memorial Post 5908

will be having a free

Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the post by Lake Linville in Renfro Valley between 5 pm - 7 pm November 27th

All current and prior service military, first responders and their family members are invited to come and enjoy a dinner and fellowship with friends.

Thanksgiving is not a day, but a way of life!

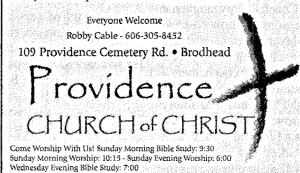
The day that man has set aside is a joyful occasion, a time families travel far and wide to spend time with each other. To be a thankful person one doesn't have to wait unto the last Thursday in November.

In the bible we find many examples of the fact that God wants us to be thankful every day that he gives us upon this earth. To have an attitude of gratitude is something we must work at, because all of us have bad days from time to time. It is easy to be thankful when everything is going our way, but often when things are not going our way, we begin to complain and murmur.

Let's look at some biblical examples of how God feels about people being discontent and complaining.

In Philippians 4:11-12 the apostle Paul said this, not that I speak in respect of want for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. V 12 I know both how to abound: everywhere and in all things, I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. V 13 I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. Paul's faith in God did not waver based on his physical circumstances. His focus was on God in good times and in bad.

Exodus 15:23 And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore, the name of It was called Marah. V 24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, what shall we drink? V 25 And he cried unto the Lord; and the Lord shewed him a tree, which when cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statue and an ordinance, and there he proved them. V 26 And said, if thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and will give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statues, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that heals thee.Let us all remember to thank God upon awakening and when we close our eyes to sleep, of all that he has done for us.



Thanksgiving Day

Most will gather as we usually do this Thanksgiving with family and friends, and for many this is the time of year that we stop and take time to remember our Creator, and we thank Him for how that he has blessed us and is blessing us still today.

But do we pray with thanksgiving in our heart? The apostle Paul writes in, 1 Timothy 2:1 I Exhort therefore, first, that supplication, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings, be made for all men. When we pray do, we pray for all men or just the ones who like us and the ones that we like. Christians must rise to a higher plateau, when it comes to our prayer life, if we expect to have intercession with our Lord.

Thanksgiving is an expression of one's thankfulness or gratitude, for the blessings in life. Those in this country, of above all have so many things to be thankful for, we have no enemy on the soil of this great country. Even in times of war this country is still by far the greatest country on this earth, God has smiled on this country more than any other. While many countries deal with disease and nearly starvation, every year, we have more than we can use, what a blessing to be in a place, were most of the people on this earth, would give their life, if they could come

And to add to these material blessings, we have the blessings of liberties, we have the freedom of religion, we can worship the one and only true God, without fear from our government, freedom of thought, travel, it is so different, in the wonderful country we call, (Home).

We need to remember this psalm of praise: Psalms 100 Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness, Come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God, it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves, we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good. his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endures to all generations.

We are a nation that has been blessed bountifully, but let us remember, it was God, and he deserves our praise, our singing, that joyful noise, because He is our creator. He created us, we did not create him.

Thank you for reading, remember to count your blessings and name them one by one. Have a Happy Thanksgiving. If you would like to get in touch with someone from the church, you can call us at these numbers# (606-224-1480 or 859-582-4021)

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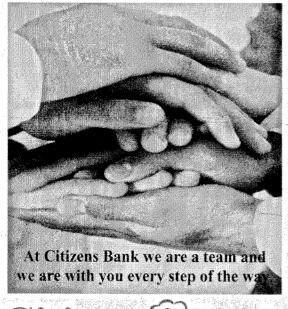
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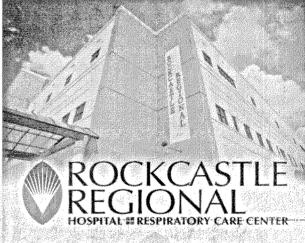
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Second Section

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Livingston city budget shows **CARES Act funds**

The City of Livingston has released their 2021-22 fiscal year budget showing nearly \$121,000 in surplus funds, However, City Clerk Amanda Thomas says that money is not available to

By: Mike French

use at this time. "Budgets can be a complicated thing and we have to show money that we don't have yet just because it has been promised to us,"Thomas said. "I don't want anyone to think we

have \$120,000 laying around." Thomas said each fund in the budget includes money provided through the CARES Act, some of which has not been dispersed at the time the budget was completed.

In fact, some of the CARES Act money that has been promised to the city was placed in the water and sewer fund which also skewed those numbers, Thomas said.

Some had questioned the water and sewer budget since some officials have considered selling the water service because it "loses money," according to proponents. However, the budget shows a surplus of \$81,107. But Thomas said the water and sewer revenues also shows funds that have not yet been received by the

The budget as it stands shows \$131,967 in general fund revenue estimates, \$5,937 in road fund revenues, \$249,951 in water and sewer revenues and \$4,450 in tourism revenues for a total estimated revenue of \$392,305.

As for estimated expenditures, the general fund shows \$95,291, the road fund \$1,721, water and sewer \$168,844 and tourism shows \$5,629 for total expenditures of \$271,485.

The budget was approved after the second reading last week and must be published.

"This budget shows COVID relief money and CARES Act money and we can't use any of it until we receive guidance from the state telling us how it can be used," said Thomas. "We will use it for our city in whatever way benefits the community the most but we don't know yet what is allowable by law. A city can get in a lot of trouble by using those funds for unapproved projects. And besides, a lot of it is just promised. It isn't here yet."

Holiday meals serves nearly 200 residents

By: Mike French

For some, it was just a fun time and for others a chance to enjoy holiday fellowship with their neighbors. But for some, according to Melissa Hahn, it was the only Thanksgiving meal they would have.

"It was so busy all day and we were swamped with people picking up their Thanksgiving dinner," Hahn said. "But, for some of them, this was their only chance at a hot Thanksgiving dinner."

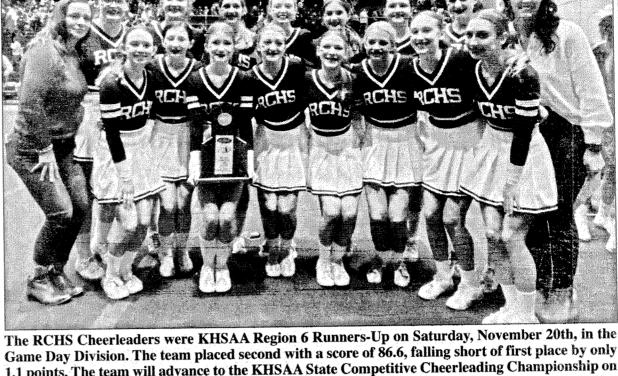
Bach year the City of Livingston hosts the Thanksgiving dinner for all Livingston residents and this Saturday Hahn said nearly 200 residents attended the event.

"Mayor Dwane King, Todd Ylloa, Tevis Daugherty, Susan Mitchell, Nina Jones and every city commissioner, except one, showed up to help cook and serve people," said Hahn. "It was a wonderful day of giving and everyone seemed so thankful for the good hot meal. We have some good cooks in our city.'

For those who couldn't make it to the cafeteria. volunteers took meals to their home. "Some just can't get out and take part in events like this," said Hahn. "So we took the event to them."

The event was held in

(Cont. to B6)



1.1 points. The team will advance to the KHSAA State Competitive Cheerleading Championship on Friday, December 10th, at George Rogers Clark High School. Pictured are front from left: Bailey Terry, Victoria Dykes, Lindsey Robinson, Ally Hayes, Hannah King, Emma Ballinger, Molly Craig, and Paige Lovell. Back row from left: Coach Viena Anderson, Jenna Eaton, Taryn Powell, Raychel Carpenter, Alivia Shepherd, Maggie Reynolds, Alexis Martin, Kovey Payne, and Coach Joanie Alexander.



Congratulations to the RCMS Cheerleading Team for placing first in the Medium 2.5 Minute Routine Division at the Kentucky Association of Pep Organization Sponsors (KAPOS) 12th Region Cheerleading Competition. The competition was held on Tuesday night, November 16th, at Lincoln County High School. The team took home first place with a score of 85. RCMS Cheer will compete in the KAPOS State Cheerleading Competition on Saturday, December 18th, at George Rogers Clark. Pictured front from left are: Coach Landrea Brown, Chelsea Cox, Emma Hensley, Makena Weaver, Brooke Dunn, Kathryn Coffey, Coach Joanie Alexander, Lexi Burkhart, and Sidney Doan. Second row from left: Chloe Taylor, Kennadie Anderson, Shayla Braden, Kayden Collins, Morgan Hocker, Kaiya Nijie, and Marley Gibson. Back row from left: Kaylee Neal, Susanne Mullins, Brianna Hensley, Arrahlyn Richards, and Kelli Fox.

Christmas Bazaar at Broughtontown CC

There will be a Christmas Bazaar at the Broughtontown Community Center on Saturday, December 11 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m..

The center is located at 8305 KY 1781, Crab Orchard.

There will be lots of vendors present including: Snap Jewelry, Avon, Homemade Fudge and Treats, Scentsy, Paparazzi Jewelry, TB Creations, Baked Goods by Bunny League, Lilla Rose Hair, Plunder Jewelry, Tupperware, Candles, Etc by Jessica, multiple vendors with various Christmas items plus much,

much more. Santa will also be on

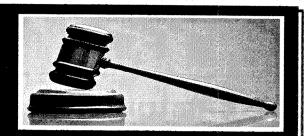
hand and there will concessions available.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



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Creek Bottom Properties, LLC, property on Sweetwater Road, to Woods and Waters w/ M&S LLP. Tax \$17

Woods and Waters w/ M&S LLP, property on Sweetwater Road, to Patricia Cornelius. Tax \$20

James Carson and Rita Chamberlain, property on waters of Roundstone Creek, to John Lawson. Tax \$85

Wilbert Mink, property on Shady Grove Road, to Thomas Wilson, Tax \$81

Shirley Irene Wilson, property in Rockcastle County, to Curtis and Alice Leslie. Tax \$35

Paula Parker, property on Wesley Drive, to Justin and Elizabeth Parker. No tax

Clinton and Betty Barnes, property on Dixie Hwy, to Jennifer L. Rowland. Tax \$140

Roger Rowe, property on Old Rocky Road, to Clyde Christopher and Hazel Gail Powell. Tax

Ricky and Tammy Harrison, property on KY 1505, to Realty World Dowell & Asso., LLC. Tax \$47

Luther W. Center, Sr., Luther Willis Center, Jr. and Stephen Douglas and Rose Center, property near Lambert Road, to Ronnie Dale and Alicia McMullin. Tax \$145

Patricia and Stephen Fletcher, property in Rockcastle County, to Melvin and Katherine Brewster. Tax \$60

Bonnie Sigmon and Ronnie Roark, property in Rockcastle County, to Blevins Law, PLLC and Bonnie Sigmon. No tax

Benton and Theresa Bullock, property in Dusty Trails Subdv., to Lisa Smithern. No tax

Helen Marie and Jeffery Eugene Thacker, property in Copper Creek Community, to Michael J. Thacker. No tax

Carri Lowery, property on Bluetick, Road, to Tammra M. Bird. Tax \$234.50

Sharia Danielle and Travis Lee Bartlett and Timothy James Nichols, property in Rockcastle County, to Karen Marie Sloat. Tax \$115

Members Heritage Credit Union, Inc., property on Floyd St., to Jamie Reynolds. Tax 50c

Timothy L. Cynthia Vanwinkle, property in Rockcastle County, to Joshua H.L. Vanwinkle. No tax

Ralph and Lila Powell, property in Rainbow Ridge Subdv., to Ralph A. and Kelly Powell. Tax \$8

Deborah B. Jones, property on Climax Road, to Johnny and Melinda Rader. Tax \$35

Mary Elizabeth and Leamon Clark and Elizabeth Marie and Johnathan Engle, property in Rockcastle County, to Tom and Sibylle Georgianna. Tax \$76

Joanne Graves, Trustee, property in Rockcastle County, to Daniel Skierkiewicz. Tax \$275

Robert and Amy Strong, property in Garrard County and Rockcastle County, to William and Elizabeth Short. Tax \$40

William Cope, property on Copper Creek Road, to Alexis Gonsalez Perez and Jose Perez. Tax \$37

Rhonda S. Vanwinkle and Roger Dale Hasty, property on KY 1505, to Burley E. Burkhart. Tax

Danny and Sue Ford and John D. and Angela Ford, property on KY1505, to David Anthony Nicely. No tax.

District Court

Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

Samantha Lynn Key: Possession of simulated substance, 30 days in jail/ costs merged.

Kirsten Hurst: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security and failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, 10 days (each count)/concurrent/ costs merged.

Anthony Barnett: operating motor vehicle under influence alcohol, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, six months operator license suspension/convert outstanding fine, fee and costs to 16 days in jail/concurrent.

Robert L. Conley: Pt 396, Fed Safety Regs Inspect/Repair/Maintenance (two counts), driving motor vehicle texting (two counts), Viol Part 390 Federal Safety Regs - General Policy, license suspended for failure to appear (fta).

Christopher Denney: spotlighting, drug paraphernlia- buy/possess, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and six other charges, bench warrant (bw) issued for fta/ license suspended.

James Albert Fox: failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, operating on suspended/revoked operators license (two counts), bw issued for fta/ license suspended.

David Henderson: operating motor vehicle under influence of controlled substance, \$350 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, up to 18 months license suspension, seven days home incarceration w/electronic monitoring.

Adam Ray Higgins: no/expired registration plates and no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine (each)/ both converted to one day in jail/costs waived; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, operating vehicle w/expired operators license and failure to surrender revoked operators license, \$100 fine (each charge)/converted to 2 days in jail (each charge); failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine/converted to one days in jail and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 356 days in jail/all concurrent.

Shane Johnson: criminal mischief, bw issued for fta.

Troy Brown King: DUI, 1st offense, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, up to six months license suspension.

Justin McCracken: careless driving, \$50 fine plus costs.

Rebecca Jane Newcomb: fines/fees due (\$343), bw issued for fta/ seven days in jail or payment in full.

Michael R. Phelps: falsely reporting an incident, violation of conditions of release, criminal trespassing, public intoxication controlled substance, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, and public intoxication controlled substance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Amy M. Philbeck: public intoxication controlled substance, bw issued for fta.

Ellis Jacob Rohner: possession controlled substance and three other charges, bw issued for fta.

Michael L. Sims: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/ drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.

Jacob Stewart: fleeing or evading police, 30 days in jail/concurrent/costs merged.

Brandon C. Sutton: no operators/moped license and license to be in possession, license suspended for fta.

Carina Torres Herrera: no license in possession, \$50 fine plus costs.

Ruby White: failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, license to be in possession, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., license suspended for fta.

Kyle Andrew Barton: operating on suspended/ revoked operators license. failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Choemae Bradley: operating on suspended/rewoked operators license and driving w/o license/ negligence in accident, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Amy Lynn Brown: no/ expired registration plates - receipt, failure to pro-

duce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Tonya L. Daugherty: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card. bw issued for fta.

Melissa Ann Fuson: no/expired registration plates - receipt and three other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

John David Lake: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/ drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.

Lauren Richard Lavizzio: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and speeding, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

William J. Lewis: fines/fees due (\$393), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.

Joanna M. McKinney: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine each charge; failure lto register transfer of motor vehicle and operating vehicle w/ expired operators license, \$100 fine each (charge) and one costs.

James Miller: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Scottie Dale Renner: no operators license in possession, \$50 fine plus

Calhoun Ponder, license suspended for fta; Alvin Hubbard, \$40 fine plus costs: Steven Slate, \$50 fine plus costs;

lic intoxication controlled substance, \$50 fine plus

Sara Snyder: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security and six other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Shannon Lee York: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jerry D. Barron: menacing and three other charges, bw issued for fta.

Gabriel Blevins: careless driving, no operators/ moped license, license suspended for fta.

Angela Renee Crowe: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

John Kevin Falin: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine; operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/substance, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, up to six months license suspension.

Amanda Gail Helton: crimnal trespassing and theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.

Dora Isaacs: hindering prosecution or apprehension and falsely reporting an incident, 180 days in jail (each charge)/probated 24 months on condition/concurrent/plus costs.

Joseph Isom: driving DUI suspended license, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Jamie Medley: public intoxication controlled substance and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 Regina M. Smith: pub- fine (each charge); failure concurrent/costs merged

of owner to maintain req. insurance/security (two charges), \$500 fine/each charge)/costs merged; possession of defaced firearm, 365 days in jail/ probated 24 months on condition.

Terry Montjoy: public intoxication controlled substance, five days/concurrent.

Brook Nicely: assault, bw issued for fta.

Efreen Ramirez: operating motor vehicle under influence alcohol and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Thomas Jeffery Renner: failure to give right of way to vehicle passing opposite, \$50 fine; driving motor vehicle texting, \$50 fine plus costs.

Seth Taylor: possession controlled substance - drug unspecified, 365 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition.

James M. Westley: cultivate in marijuana, bw issued. James Robert Wynn:

no/expired registration plates - receipt, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/substance, bw issued for fta/ license suspended. Betsy Baker: fines/fees

due (\$223), b/w issued, five days in jail or payment in full. John Scalf: fines/fees

due (\$243), bw previously issued for fta. Derek McCown: fail-

ure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security (three charges), 20 days in jail/each count (credit time served)/costs merged.

Allen Roberts: terroristic threating and violation of conditions of relief, 90 days in jail (each charge)/

Budget Ordinance # 2021-11-17

WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LIVINGSTON HAS DETERMINED THE 2021-2022 YEAR BUDGET OF THE CITY OF LIVINGSTON

TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

REVENUES

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE

General Fund Road Water-Sewer

Tourism

\$131,967.00 \$5,937.00 \$249,951.00

Total Revenues

\$392,305.00

\$4,450.00

EXPENDITURES General Fund Road

\$95,291.00 \$1,721.00 Water-Sewer \$168,844.00 **Tourism** \$5,629.43

Total Expenditures

\$271,485.43

\$120,819.57

EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES

NOW, THERFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LIVINGTSON

Adopted this 17th day of November, 2021

Mayor: Luane a King Dwane A. King Amanda Thomas

First Reading: 11/17/2021 Second Reading: 11/18/2021

Attest: Amanda Thomas, City Clerk

Published: 11/25/2021

RCMS Honor Roll

Enterprisers - Aaliyah Abney, Bevin Baker. Roger Baker, Davin Barnes, Albert Barricks-Ketchum, Autumn Benge, Ian Biggs, Zane Bullock, Abby Bussell, Adeline Bussell, Jamie Carpenter, Clay Cash, Kortney Coy, Jacob Dobbs, Jaxon Ennis, Conner Ford, Alexis Gilbert, Katelyn Hagen, Lacey Hayes, Brooklyn Hebson, Emma Hensley, Haley Hopkins Grant Johnson, Taylor Jones, Grace Lofton-Ringrose, Jaycee McIntosh, Leighton McKinney, Harley Napier, Landen Paquette, Jalie Peterson, Ethan Phillips, Lauren Pingleton, Calvin Rader, Alexis Ramsey, Lyndyn Shepherd, Brailyn Skinner, Baylee Taylor, Ella Williams.

Voyagers - Katie Adams, Derrick Arthur. Kyley Ashcraft, Jessica Barron, Sami Belville-Powell, Ysabel Botellos, Landon Bradley, Brayden Brooks, Chloe Burke, Alexia Burkhart, Gabriel Carvalho, Caylee Cash, James Coldiron. Angel Curry, Sarah Davis, Brenna Dees, Jason Durham, Drew Dyehouse, Jacob Gadd, Evan Hayes, Bobby Hensley, Marrick Hester, Morgan Hocker, Azlyn Howard, Lillian Howard, Gavin Isaacs, Mia Jaimes. Zakkary Lawrence, Aidann Lear, Harley McKinney, Abagial Miller, Mathew Moore, Landon Navarre, Jainaba Njie, Madelynn Parsons, Sophia Pendery, Leah Permenter, Zoe Phelps, Beatrice Robinson, Jasper Rogers, Chase Sandusky, Kamri Saylor, Chesdyn Shearer, Mason Taylor, Brayden Thacker, Abigail Todd, Katie Valle, Bailey Vanwinkle, Tara Vanwinkle, Mia Makena Waldron, Weaver.

Adventurers - Tessa

Begley, Tatum Bishop, Shayla Braden, Hadley Bray, Jacob Camel, John Chaliff, Tiffany Chasteen, Zachary Chasteen, Nevaeh Childers, Kathryn Coffey, Shelby Couch, Breonna Cromer, Bryant Davis, Dakota Denney, Luke Ellis, Airianna Embree, Ezekiel Fain, Addison Gilbert, Morgan Grant, Aaroley Griffith, Catalina Group, Jaimey Harris, Abigail Hopkins, Payton Lake. Jaden McPhetridge, Kaylee Neal. Sadie Osborne. Kenzie Owens, Jace Paquette, Carleigh Philbeck, Wyatt Rigsby, Layla Roberts, Shelby Sandusky, Lucas Saylor, Brooklyn Smith, Jaylen Smith, Kinsley Smith, Maliyah Swinney, Jesseca Thomas, John Yates.

Shooting Stars - Trinity Abney, Jacob Anderson, Andrew Ashton, John Bell, Michael Bell, Ally Brummett, Emma Brummett, Nolan Bryant, Kendra Bullock, Sydney Bussell, Logan Carpenter, Colton Cash, Jack Childress, Owen Cromer, Jacob Cuzick, Sidney Doan, Jackson Eaton, Samuel Elam, James Gadd, Donovan Garland, Sydney Graves, Stephanie Griffin, Javen Hellard, Cannaan Houk, Makenna Hubbard, Xavier Leger, Mykah Lovell, Kayleigh Martin, Jaken Masters, Stuart Mathews, Kelsey Maupin, Keirsten McClain. Lindsay McNew, Dakota Mills. Aaron Mullins, Avery Napier, Moira Neely, Aedan Owens, Sadee Payne, Hunter Pingleton, Layne Poynter, Logan Poynter, Marley Ramsey, Nicholas Reppert, Arrahlyn Richards. Jonathon Rogers, Senthia Sagraves, Chaslyn Savage, Madison Shuart, Cameron Smith, Jackson Smith, Kaylee Smith, Callie Thacker, Luke Willis, Lupita Zunun-Perez.

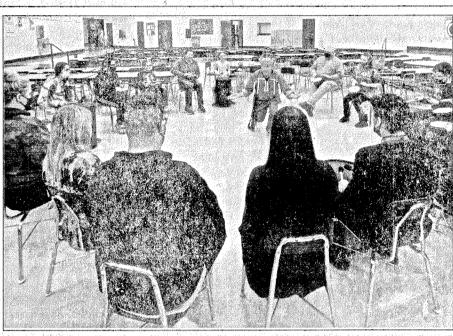
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Rockcastle VFW Post 5908 and David M. Smith Post #71 participated in litter pickups on November 6th and 20th. They did 5 miles of Chestnut Ridge Rd., and 5 miles of Old State Road in Roundstone, gathering a combined total of 40 bags of trash.



Family Arts Night was held at Rockcastle Middle School on Tuesday, November 16th, where students of all ages from elementary, middle and high school came with their families to participate in the Drumming Workshop. This was possible with the community help from Rockcastle Arts Association. Drum instructor David Owens walked us through a backstory of the different instruments and taught us all drumming techniques to communicate through music. This is one of many events to come to help increase community and family involvement as part of our social and emotional learning for our students at Rockcastle County Schools. The event was a success and all that participated reported they enjoyed the event, enjoyed having their families there, and that it brought them happiness and a feeling of calmness.



Kindergarten at MVES celebrated the 50th day of school in 50's style. Ms. Cloia Collin's Kindergarten class, pictured front from left: Maryanna Stallsworth, Brittlei Caldwell, Mila Dees, Krislynn Jones, and Toni Ray. Back row from left: Ethan Woods, Matthew Gray, Noah Bullock, Chris Cook, Hunter Gehret, and Madison Wright.

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Surplus Vehicles

Friday, December 3rd @ 10:00 a.m.

85 Spring St., Mt. Vernon, KY

RTEC has authorized our firm to sell their surplus vehicles at absolute auction.

The following vehicles will be selling at absolute auc-

- (13) 2014-15 Dodge Minivans: all 4 passenger with accessibility for 1 wheelchair
- (19)- Ford Shuttlebuses: 2010-2017, 5 10 passenger, 1 12 passenger, 11 14 passenger & 2 18 passenger, all with accessibility for 2 wheelchairs
- (1)-2011 Ford van: 13 passengers, no wheelchair accessibility
- (2) Dodge vans: 2000 & 2002, 15 passenger, no wheelchair accessibility

Auctioneer's Note: A lot of these vehicles need some repairs but you'll be able to buy at your own price and make repairs as needed.

Terms: Payment in full at sale in the form of cash, check, Visa or MasterCard with an additional 3% processing fee (\$3 minimum).

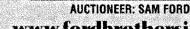
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For additional information, please contact our Mt. Vernon office at 606-256-4545 or 800-435-5454.



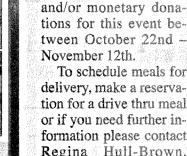






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delivery, make a reservation for a drive thru meal or if you need further information please contact Regina Hull-Brown, **MVES FRC Coordinator** at 606-256-5173, 606-392-1876 or email regina.hullbrown@rockcastle.kyschools.us.

21ST Annual Kenna's

Kitchen

hosting our annual Com-

munity Thanksgiving

Meal on Tuesday, No-

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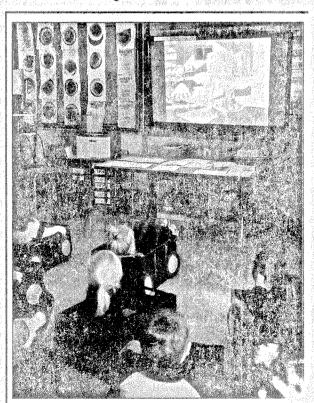
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MVES FRC will be

Class News Kindergarten celebrated the 50th day of school in 50's style. Students enjoyed a variety of '50' activities', completing 10 frames, building with

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50, and learning about the era, which culminated with a 'drive-in' for snack time.



Ms. Cloia Collins' Kindergarten students as MVES watching a movie at their 50's style drive

CLASSIFIED RATES

- Local Rates \$4 for 25 words or less - .10 each additional word
 - Display Classifieds -\$5.00/Inch

Deadline for Classifieds is 10 a.m. TUESDAY

One bedroom apartment. \$450 per month plus electric and water. Must have proof of income and references. Call: Mink Apartments, Mt. Vernon, 606-308-1209. 42x2

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath House at 501 Tyree St., Brodhead. Built in 2019. Storage building and carport, central AC and heat. NO PETS. \$700 month/\$700 deposit. Criminal background check and proof of income required. Cecil King and Judy King. 606-510-3759 or 606-510-3719, 40xntf

House and Trailer For Rent in Brodhead, 758-4729 or 386-0650, 40xntf Garage Units, 16'x32' with lights, electricity and concrete floors. Ideal for boats, cars, campers, etc. Located former Hamm's Auto Sales on Hwy. 1250. Prices per month, 16'x32' - \$150 and 10'x32'-\$100. 606-669-7666. 31xntf

Chism Drive Thru Storage. 9 1/2 x 14 indoor units. \$50. 24 hr. access and security cameras. 859-559-9903. 3xntf

Mt. Vernon Housing Authority open Monday to Don and Kitty Reese on Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applications accepted Monday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

Accepting Applications For 2 and 3 bedroom units at

Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912, TDD for hearing impaired only. **1**-800-247-2510.

For Rent Maple Street Storage of Brodhead 606-308-2491

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passing on property belonging to Victor and Debbie Francisco and located at 7194 S. Wilderness Road, Calloway in Rockcastle County. Violators will be prosecuted, 41x4

Posted: No trespassing on property belonging to Bobby and Clara Renner on Schoolhouse Hill Road in the Sand Springs area, Mt. Vernon Violators will be prosecuted. 42x5

Posted: No hunting, fishing or ATVs on properties of Gary Asher, Phil Thompson or Norietta Thompson, located on East Level Green Road. Violators will be prosecuted. 40x4

Posted: No trespassing or hunting on property owned by Brenda Estes and located at 4947 Hummel Road.

Posted: No trespassing on property owned by Shan-

non Hellard on Cove Branch Road in Rockcastle County. All violators will be prosecuted, 28x26

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Brian and Angela Burdine and located at 428 Black Bear Lick Lane, Livingston. Violators will be prosecuted. 47xntf

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on farms, belonging to Gary and Peggy Roberts, on KY 3245. Violators will be prosecuted. 47x50p

Posted: Absolutely no trespassing on land belonging to LJL Honeycomb LLC for any reason. Formerly known as Christ Outreach for the Blind. Violators will be prosecuted. 33x53

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

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

Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47tfn

Posted: Property belonging Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Benge property).

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Orville and Bernice Burkhart on Cove Branch, Livingston, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted.

Notice is hereby given that Nancy Carol Thompson Sigmon, 477 Rimmell Cemetery Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Billy Eugene Sigmon on the 22nd day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Nancy Carol Thompson Sigmon or to Tracy Todd Blevins, 400 Richmond Rd. N, Ste. C, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before May 23, 2021 at 9:30

a.m. 43x4 Notice is hereby given that Nelson McFerron, 122 Black St., P.O. Box 333, Livingston, Ky. 40445 hs been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Kimberly L. McFerron on the 17th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Nelson McFerron or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 43x4 Notice is hereby given that Deborah B. Jones, 601 Mile Lane, Campbellsville, Ky. 42718 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Gillus Allen on the 3rd day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall

present them, according to

law, to the said Deborah B.

Jones or to Hon. John D. Ford, P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 4, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 41x3

Notice is hereby given that Betty A. Henderson, P.O. Box 370, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of David Henderson on the 8th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Betty A. Henderson or to Hon. Jerry J. Cox, P.O. Box 1555, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 41x3

Notice is hereby given that Jimmie Daniel "Danny" Jones, 121 Sunset Drive, Frankfort, Ky. 40601 has been named Executor of the estate of Jimmie Van Jones on the 8th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Jimmie Daniel "Danny" Jones or to Hon. Jerry J. Cox, P.O. Box 1555, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 41x3

Notice is hereby given that Wanda Coffey, 1455 McHargue Branch Rd., P.O. Box 1414, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed

Administratrix of the Estate of Clifford Earl Howard on the 17th day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Wanda Coffey or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 225 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before May 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 43x4 Notice is hereby given that Karen Louise Flaherty, 42 Hilltop Road, Floyds Knob, IN 47119 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Edna Wilmoth Todd Abney, deceased, on the 22nd day of November, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Karen Louise Flaherty or to Hon. James P. Freel, 400 Richmond Road N, STE C, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before May 23, 2022 at 9:30

Help Wanted

a.m. 43x3

Last Day Estate Sale of the late Don Bray. Everything half price. 862 Old Smokey Road, Ottawa Community, Brodhead. Saturday only, November 27th, 9 a.m. to 4

ATTENDER CARE

We are always looking for dedicated individuals to join our personal care team.

Requirements are high school diploma and experience as an in home caregiver

To schedule an interview, call 859-202-3819



HVAC I, II (2 Positions) (Full Time/Benefited)

Summary

Primary roles of this position is to troubleshoot, maintain, and repair HVAC equipment on campus and perform building systems preventive maintenance and repairs

Responsibilities

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Regular and predictable attendance is essential. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Preventive/Building Systems Maintenance Primary tasks and responsibilities:

· Perform regularly scheduled preventive maintenance of all building on campus and log findings accordingly.

Have work orders issued on follow-up items. Troubleshoot and perform building systems repairs (ex: air

- handlers) in accordance to work order requests · Maintain and perform necessary maintenance required for pumps, motors, valves and other associated equipment at each
- building for the hot and chilled water distribution Inspect mechanical rooms and building systems and perform required repairs which may require basic electrical, mechanical and/or plumbing skills

HVAC Primary tasks and responsibilities:

Troubleshoot and repair heating-related HVAC issues as directed

 Troubleshoot and repair cooling-related HVAC issues as directed or via work order.

 After diagnosis, work with supervisor to order necessary repair parts and install after receipt. Communicate status of repairs with requestor.

· Assist in the capturing of refrigerants from equipment before disposal or recycling. Track all usage of refrigerants

Other roles/duties will be assigned as necessary to assist the College in the attainment of the goals set forth and the enhancement of a positive, respectful learning environment for all staff, faculty

For a detailed job description for both positions, and information on how to apply, please visit: https://myberea.csod.com/ats/careersite/ JobDetails.aspx?site=1&id=979

Classified Deadline is 4 p.m. Monday

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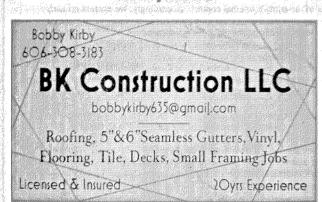
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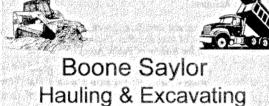
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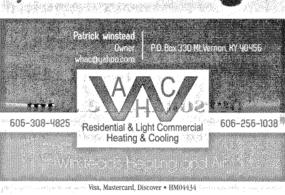
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Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

ALFREDO SALMON

AND NOODLES 3 cups wide egg noodles 1 package (9 ounce) frozen cut broccoli

1/2 Alfredo sauce, homemade or store-bought 1 can (6 ounce) skinless, boneless salmon packed in water

Cook noodles as directed on package in a 3-quart saucepan, adding broccoli the last 4 to 5 minutes of cooking. Drain and return to saucepan. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cook over low heat 4 to 6 minutes, stirring occasionally until hot.

STOVE-TOP STUFFING CHICKEN CAKES

1 can (about 12 ounces) chicken, drained & flaked 1 package (6 ounce) Stove Top Stuffing ® (Chicken Flavor)

1 cup shredded mild cheddar cheese

1/3 cup mayonnaise (do not use Miracle Whip®) 2 tablespoons chopped sweet onion

3/4 cup water

Mix all ingredients. Cover and refrigerate for 10 minutes. Heat a large nonstick skillet sprayed with cooking spray on medium heat. For each cake, shape 1/3 cup of the lightly packed chicken mixture into a patty. Add the patties to skillet in batches. Cook for about 3 minutes on each side or until golden brown on both sides, turning over carefully. NOTE: Use same amount of tuna for Tuna Salad Cakes. Instead of using the onion, substitute sweet pickle relish. GERMAN SKILLET

DINNER

3 tablespoons butter or margarine cabbage, 1/2 head

chopped 2/3 cup uncooked minute

1 medium onion, chopped

2 pounds hamburger

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Salt and pepper to taste Melt butter in oven-safe skillet with a lid, layer cabbage, uncooked rice, onion, raw crumbled hamburger, salt and pepper, then tomatoes. Cover with lid and simmer 40 to 45 minutes until rice, cabbage and burger are done. Do not stir or lift lid until done.

RICE AND BEAN BAKE 1 cup uncooked regular long-grain white rice 1 and 1/2 cups boiling

1 vegetable or chicken bouillon cube

1/2 teaspoon coriander 1 medium onion, chopped 2 can (15 ounces each) dark red kidney beans, undrained

1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 350°. In ungreased 2-quart casserole, mix all ingredients except cheese. Cover. Bake 60 to 65 minutes or until liquid is absorbed. Stir; then sprinkle with cheese.

WHITE CHOCOLATE CRANBERRY CHEESEBALL

1 cup dried cranberries 2 teaspoons fresh orange juice, optional Zest from one orange, op-

2 boxes (8 ounces each) cream cheese, room temperature

3/4 cup powdered sugar 1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup white chocolate

chips Place cranberries, orange juice, and zest in food chopped. Pulse until chopped. (You can also chop by hand if desired.) Add cream cheese to large bowl. Beat with powdered sugar and vanilla

until smooth. Stir in

chopped cranberries and

any orange juice that remains and the white chocolate chips. Cover and refrigerate mixture for at least 2 hours.

CRANBERRY BISCUITS 3 cups all-purpose flour, packed

2 teaspoons cream of tar-

1 teaspoon baking powder I teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup salted butter 1 box (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened

2 large eggs, beaten 1 container (8 ounce) sour cream

1/2 cup milk 1/2 cup sweetened dried

cranberries | Preheat oven to 425°. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or spray with non-stick spray. In a

medium bowl combine flour, cream of tartar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Stir to mix. Cut in salted butter just as you would for piecrust dough. OR Cut butter into 8 chunks. Layer them in food processor with flour mixture. Process with steel blade in off-on position until mixture has the texture of cornmeal. Transfer to mixing bowl. Stir in the cream cheese. Add beaten eggs. Add sour cream. Mix to blend all together. Add milk; stir until all in thoroughly combined. Sprinkle in cranberries and mix thor-. oughly. Use a soup spoon to drop biscuits by rounded spoonfuls onto prepared pans. Leave at least an inch and half between each biscuit. Wet fingertips and shape into rounds, if desired. Bake 12 to 14 minutes, until golden brown on top. Cool for 5 minutes on

> **CRANBERRY NUT SPREAD**

cookie sheet; remove with

metal spatula. Serve.

1 package (8 ounce) whipped cream cheese,

1 package (8 ounce) feta cheese crumbles

1 cup dried cranberries 1 cup chopped candied pecans (plain pecans or your favorite nut works also) Stir all ingredients together and store in refrigerator in an airtight container. Best served at room tempera-

ture. Spread on crackers,

apples, orange slices, etc.

Meals served

(Cont. from B1)

the old school cafeteria and Hahn, a former commissioner, took the lead role in organizing the event. "I'm not a City Commissioner anymore, but I am a resident of Livingston and I love my community," she said. "It's the least I can do and we are so thankful for the turnout and the smiles all day."

Commissioners and the mayor agreed it was a fun day, but it was also hectic. "Susan herself made over 20 pounds of mashed potatoes and two turkey breasts," said Hahn. "It was nonstop all day. Some of the commissioners and I didn't even have time to eat ourselves. But we loved every minute of it."

The Livingston Christmas Parade is planned for December 18 and Santa is expected in the school gymnasium immediately after the parade. Hahn says children will receive a gift from Santa and anyone willing to donate to the city for the gifts should contact

City Hall. "Anyone collecting money on behalf of the city, will have a letter on city letterhead approving the action," said Hahn.



MIKE HARMON

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive The Honorable Shannon Franklin, Rockcastle County Sheriff Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the Sheriff of Rockcastle County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statement. Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

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

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

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Rockcastle County Sheriff, as of December 31, 2020, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the Rockcastle County Sheriff for the year ended December 31, 2020, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices

prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1. Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 5, 2021, on our consideration of the

Rockcastle County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Rockcastle County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, included herein, which discusses the following report comments:

2020-001 The Rockcastle County Sheriff's Office Did Not Obtain Bids When Required 2020-002 The Rockcastle County Sheriff's Office Does Not Have Adequate Segregation Of Duties

Respectfully submitted, **Auditor of Public Accounts**

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The Honorable Howell Holbrook, Jr., Rockcastle County Judge/Executive The Honorable Danetta Ford Allen, Rockcastle County Clerk Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

Rockcastle County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Report on the Financial Statement We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the County Clerk of

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Rockcastle County Clerk on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States

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

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Rockcastle County Clerk, as of December 31, 2020, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended. Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the Rockeastle County Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2020, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Reconciliations

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 10, 2021, on our consideration of the Rockcastle County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Rockcastle County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Based on the result of our audit, we have presented the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, included herein, which discusses the following report comment: 2020-001 The Rockcastle County Clerk's Office Does Not Have Adequate Segregation Of Duties Over Receipts, Disbursements, and

Respectfully submitted

Auditor of Public Accounts

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