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Tree Lighting/Noel Night Market held Tuesday



The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony was held Tuesday night in Triangle Park in downtown Mount Vernon. Above, Kayla Prewitt and Crystal Rush help Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant count down to the lights being turned on. The crowd was treated to performances by Mya Hunt, the RCHS Brass Choir and the MVES Pentatones. The Kiwanis Club treated all the children in attendance to fruit bags. In the photo below, the first annual Noel Night Market was held after the tree lighting. Vendors sold their wares in three different buildings in downtown Mount Vernon and despite the cold weather, the event was deemed a success. (See more photos from last night's event throughout this week's paper)



First snow falls in Rockcastle

By: Mike French
Editor

The first measurable snow of the 2018-19 winter season fell in Rockcastle County Monday evening and Tuesday morning.

Though it was considered a light dusting, the frigid temperatures caused bridges and overpasses to freeze in some locations and automobile crashes were reported throughout the state and Rockcastle County. Schools joined the list of 50 Kentucky school districts to close Tuesday and Wednesday.

Though the roads inside the county did not get bad enough to require treatment by county trucks, the county is well prepared for such an instance, according to officials at the County Judge/Executive's office.

The county recently ordered 250 tons of salt that is expected to be delivered at any time and the trucks used for treating the roadways are in good running shape and fully operational, officials said.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet reports 22,000 tons of salt available along with 80 vehicles to handle state roads in District 8 which includes Rockcastle County.

Local residents fared rather well this time, according to Rockcastle County Sheriff Mike Peters.

The calls started coming in to his office around 6 a.m. Tuesday morning after the

(See "Snow" on A7)

Firefighters gather chickens after wreck

By: Mike French
Editor

Volunteer firefighters and first responders do a lot more than just fight fires and treat injured victims, they sometimes spend the night wrangling chickens. And that's exactly what some local first responders did Monday evening into Tuesday morning.

It was reported by television news crews that a tractor/trailer, traveling KY 70, hit a slick spot during the freezing temperatures causing it to overturn late Monday night. But actually, that is not what happened, according to Jimmy Clark of the Western Rockcastle Fire Department. "The driver was from Georgia and had made a wrong turn," said Clark. "He backed the trailer into a deep ditch trying to turn around and only the trailer turned over."

The Western Rockcastle Fire Department responded to the call but upon arrival they discovered the truck was hauling 3,500 chickens, many of which had "flown the coop."

With the assistance of Rockcastle Emergency Management, the sheriff's

office, Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement and the Kentucky State Police, Western Fire Department volunteers began chasing the escaped poultry across the community. While the Woodstock Fire Department closed Highways 39 and 70 for safety and clean up.

Clark said about 200 chickens escaped and not only were volunteers gathering the driver's property, but they were also chasing the chickens due to safety hazards that may have been caused by the free running hens on the highways.

After a few hours battling the cold temperatures and the free birds, who apparently did not want to return

(See "Chickens" on A7)

Christmas time is almost here

By: Mike French
Editor

Parades, lights, ceremonies and festivities have come once again to Rockcastle County now that the Christmas season is here.

The City of Mount Vernon held their annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Tuesday evening with a large crowd watching the make-shift tree light up in honor of the holiday.

The flag pole was used as this year's tree since the old tree had become diseased and had to be removed last week. A new tree will replace it next year, according to city officials.

"There were lots of lights to enjoy and Triangle Park was beautiful," said Mayor Mike Bryant. "Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. We all enjoyed the fellowship and gathering to celebrate the real reason for Christmas."

Also considered a great success was the first Noel Night Market, thanks to the

Rockcastle Arts Association. Many local residents visited the vendors along Main Street and Church Street as businesses remained open after hours with special offers for the holiday season.

Even Santa himself took part in the Noel event and

greeted children of all ages as crowds gathered to taste hot chocolate and enjoy the evening.

For those who enjoy parades, the streets of Mount Vernon, Livingston and Brodhead are about to be filled with floats and smiling faces.

The Mount Vernon Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 1, at noon. Anyone participating in the parade is asked to line up at the Mount Vernon Elementary

(See "Christmas" on A7)

Fire Departments busy during holiday

By: Mike French
Editor

For local firefighters and first responders in Rockcastle County, there wasn't a Thanksgiving break. In fact, on the day before

Thanksgiving alone, the Brodhead Fire Department reported five emergency calls and then continued to receive emergency calls throughout the weekend.

Officials say calls increase every year during the

holiday season for a variety of reasons.

The Mount Vernon, Western and other fire departments were also called continually over the holiday weekend as the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department, Mount Vernon Police, and emergency management teams were on the scenes of several accidents and structure fires as well.

In just the past week, Brodhead responded to a

fire on West Main Street in Brodhead, a vehicle fire on Highway 70, a vehicle that hit a deer, an injury accident on Highway 150, a structure fire on Mount Holly Road, a vehicle crash on I-75, a structure fire on Farm Ridge Road, and also served as mutual aid to other surrounding departments on several calls.

At each of these, and

(See "Busy" on A7)

City departments provide reports

By: Mike French
Editor

The month of October was a busy one for local first

responders.

The Mount Vernon Police Department reported making 478 calls for service in October.

There were 23 non-injury accidents, five injury accidents and 39 total arrests. There were 10 drug charges, 64 traffic violations, 31 other criminal charges, 27 warrants served and 13 grand jury indictments.

The Mount Vernon Fire Department was paged 22

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Crab Orchard woman found with drugs in jail

By: Mike French
Editor

The Rockcastle County Sheriff's office received a complaint, on Tuesday, Nov. 27th, that a suspicious vehicle was driving around the caller's property and asked for law enforcement to come and check it out.

When deputies arrived, they located a vehicle, driven by Heather M. Johnson, 30, of Crab Orchard, and noticed that she seemed to be under the influence.

Deputies notified the Kentucky State Police who

(See "Jail" on A7)

Reminder

The Mount Vernon Christmas Parade will be at noon this Saturday, December 1st.
Line up will be at 10:45 a.m. at MVES.
The Brodhead Christmas Parade will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 1st.
The Livingston Christmas Parade will be at 7 p.m., Saturday, December 8th.

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I have a couple different things on my weird little mind today.

First, if you want to have some fun and spend a whole day...or two...or three laughing at how ridiculous our tax system has gotten. I have the perfect thing for you to do.

If you are like me, you will go through a frustration stage, then develop into an angry stage, then finally morph into a hilarious stage and you will laugh all day at how completely ridiculous our tax system is.

Okay, do this. Pretend you owe the IRS some money. Now pretend you aren't sure how much you owe. Maybe you have made a payment or two over the past year or perhaps you are wondering about interest that has been added on over the year. Or whatever. You just owe them money and are not sure of the exact total and want to pay it.

Now, let me know how that works out for you.

If you get past the angry stage and into the hilarious stage, it will get even more fun before you are through.

I have talked to 24 different computers, heard every imaginable option, listened to countless foreign languages (trying to pay American English taxes), been transferred across the nation and back again, listened to numerous hours of elevator music, hung up on, and punched "one" so many times that it's not my favorite number anymore.

It is all but impossible to get a human being to tell me how much I owe. Just one person. That's all I want. A living, breathing human being to say, "yes sir, may I help you?"

I've dialed more numbers this week than I ever dreamed I would. I didn't even know there were that many phone numbers. And I still have no clue what I owe or how to pay it.

So go ahead. Spend a day (or a week) trying to give the IRS money that you owe. You will hear stuff you didn't even know "our" government offers. But if

you get an actual, human being, don't keep them on the phone long since they are surely the only IRS employee.

Another subject, but similar culprit.

Log onto healthcare.gov, type in your phone number, and then get busy and hang up. It's hilarious. Even my fellow workers are laughing at how often my phone is ringing. Every 15-20 seconds it goes off and we all crack up.

My co-workers don't get to hear it go off all night, through the entire night like I do, but it is constant enough during the day for them to enjoy it.

Clearly, the insurance business makes a ton of profit. If not, there wouldn't be nine gazillion salesmen calling me every 20 seconds to get me to sign up.

Many of them call back every few minutes. So, I

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Points East

By Ike Adams



If you decide to read the book I'm about to recommend, don't lay it down for a couple of days after you commence reading, then pick it back up and forget that it's pure fiction.

Retired Madison County high school teacher, Todd Moberly's, Notes on Cracker Barrel Napkins reads so much like the autobiography of a fellow growing up in a small, rural, central Kentucky farming community situated near the banks of the Kentucky River that I found myself assuming that every word was the Gospel truth. After finishing the book, I even emailed Todd to ask him when his grandparents died and if his mother was still living. I had completely forgotten that the book had nothing at all to do with the author's life or family.

The story (actually a series of short stories) begins

when fictional Clay Hall and his wife, Sandy, are in their late fifties, their two daughters are grown and gone to families of their own and the senior Halls start missing their regular Friday evening family dinners which have become far less frequent than they once were. For convenience sake the Halls announce that every Friday evening at 6:30 there will be a "Family Dinner" for everybody who can get there at a centrally located Cracker Barrel Restaurant.

If you've ever eaten at a Cracker Barrel, you know that the walls are completely covered with artifacts of times long gone, be they old hand tools, pottery, dishware, firearms or name any household item or farm implement that might have been in use from the late 19th or early 20th centuries in rural Kentucky, including the eastern mountains.

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T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



Our Thanksgiving, Then Walmart

Dear Journal,

This past Thursday was Thanksgiving. Stanley and I went over to London to have Thanksgiving lunch with my family. There was a good turnout with most everybody attending. We had ham, turkey, our famous fried dressing and all of the "trimmings", as they say. It is one of the few times a year we all get together. We always remember, with a note of sadness, all of those family who have now passed and are no longer with us. Their presence is especially missed on holidays.

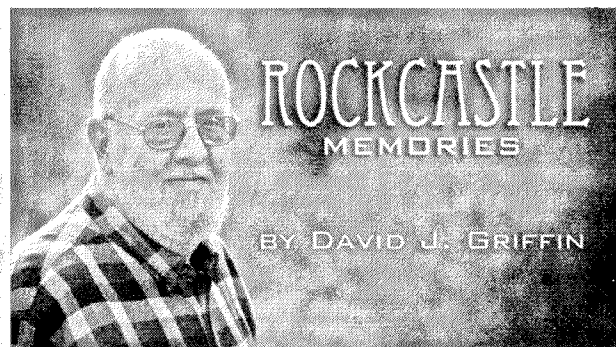
After eating, Stanley and I waddled our way to Walmart. We were so full I couldn't even eat dessert and that is full. We needed to get a few things before

going home. When we got there we noticed that both entrances were blocked from traffic. Stanley usually drops me off at the door. He did manage to find a handicapped parking spot, however.

Let me drift a moment and tell you about those handicapped parking spaces. The doctors evidently must be passing out the necessary papers to get a handicapped tag like candy on Halloween. I've seen young people jump out of cars in those spaces like they were teenagers with the car on fire and all but run into the store. This leaves the elderly and handicapped to get wherever they can. People should be ashamed. There is little shame anymore. It is the same in the public bathrooms. People without even an ailment go to the handicapped facility first thing, not in the event all of the other spots are full and have no choice.

I got inside finally and even got a scooter chair. I haven't been able to maneuver larger stores without it for a long time. As I rode here and there I noticed that they had employed numerous employees to help with the "Black Friday" rush. They weren't needed Thanksgiving. They were just standing around in the aisles talking and getting in the way. I also noticed they had huge sections marked off with yellow caution tape like there had been a murder. That is reserved for during

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Old Time Home Remedies

Am I the only one that gets really tired of watching pharmaceutical commercials on television, one after another after another? I watched a program one day when five of those ads ran back to back before returning to regular programming. Home remedies are much more intriguing to me. Nearly anyone and everyone has one to offer, or at least to remember from times past.

There were lots of popular home remedies when I was a youth. I touched base with my brother, Al, and our dear friend, Clinton Helton, who now resides in Maryland, to recollect about such.

My first thought was how we depended upon Vicks Vaporub. The product is still available and has been used for over 100 years. I love how Clinton described its use when he was a boy. "Vicks Vaporub

was a stand-by. We would put it up the nose for head cold, rub it on our chest and cover it with a warm cloth for coughs, or put a bit in the mouth for sore throat."

My mother, Bee, did the same when I was a boy. She would place a "dollop" on my tongue and then command me ever so forcefully, "Do not swallow!" This meant you had to let it melt and run down your throat. Neither she, nor apparently anyone else, paid attention to the warning on the label which clearly directs, "For external use only."

My grandmother, Mommie Katie, had a great treatment for minor burns, such as lard popping out of one of her big black iron skillets. She always kept a small Aloe plant growing in her kitchen. When one of us had a burn, she would break off a stalk and apply the oozing juice to the burn. The gel had an immediate anti-inflammatory effect. I remembered this treatment so distinctly that I always had an Aloe plant growing in my high school chemistry labs. It was used many times by my students.

I also remember several home remedies that my grandfather (Pop) used on a regular basis. The poor man was often plagued with constipation, a common ailment. To prevent this condition, he ate a few prunes or drank a small glass of prune juice each morning with his breakfast. Pop also took a tablespoon full of Milk of Magnesia every night before he went to bed. It was used as an antacid or reflux prevention.

Al had a distinct memory of having been treated for bronchial pneumonia when he was in the first grade. He recalled, "I remember vividly the medication! Sulfa drug! It was a large round pill that had to be crushed and dissolved in water, washed down with a huge glass of soda water." I also had to take Sulfa drugs when I had a bad case of flu as a

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Alcohol sales does not mean nudity...

Dear Editor,
I attended the Mt. Vernon City Council meeting discussing the alcohol ordinance. There were probably only 6 of us in attendance because most people didn't know about the meeting concerning alcohol until the day of when the Signal came out.

Many people I spoke with had prior obligations on such short notice. It also snowed which effected attendance. The lack of attendance didn't reflect a lack of concern with community members. I suggest the city council utilize the City of Mt. Vernon's Facebook to share information about council meetings or live broadcast meetings (com-

mon in other cities) for those who cannot attend so people are more involved and aware of the decisions being made.

The Signal quote, "It's up to the city whether to allow nudity and adult entertainment now," was the talk of the town. Nudity was already agreed upon in section 28 of the draft, "(14) Nudity and Adult Entertainment Activities Prohibited."

The only section that the council did not unanimously agree upon was, "Quota Retail by the Drink Licenses", single serve drinks or open bars. "By the Drink" restrictions not only restrict bars (already restricted by the state to 2, same as liquor stores) but

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Christmas in Berea Events of Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018

Berea Kiwanis - Breakfast with Santa
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at Russel Acton Folk Center

Christmas Bazaar
Vendor Fair - Spotlight Playhouse, 214 Richmond Rd.

Craft Shops & Gallery Open Houses throughout Berea

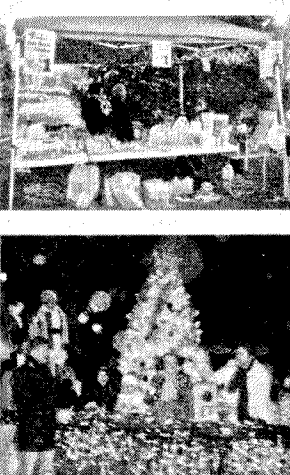
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Weekend Craft Workshops: November & December

Christmas Bazaar - College Square
12' X 12' Booth Spaces Available
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Theme: "Christmas Through a Child's Eyes"
6:00 p.m. along Chestnut Street

Berea College Christmas Concert
7:30 p.m. \$5.00 per person (reservations required)

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District 8 crews ready for snow and ice season

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Since October, district crews have been inspecting snow plows, calibrating salt-spreading equipment and developing snowstorm response procedures to keep District 8 state roads passable during inclement weather.

"We take snow and ice response very seriously,"

Chief District Engineer Tamra Wilson said. "Highway safety is an essential function of the Transportation Cabinet, and our crews are prepared to meet that

mandate by keeping our roads safe during bad weather."

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) mission is to keep traffic mov-

ing in a safe manner with an emphasis on maintaining mobility along critical corridors and priority routes. When bad weather hits, crews are assigned 12-hour

shifts to plow and treat roads using a priority system based on the amount and nature of traffic within each individual county. Priority A routes include major

through routes and are those most heavily traveled. Priority B routes include other important, but lesser traveled, state routes. Other roads fall into Priority C.

Be prepared:

The following measures will help keep motorists safe and prepared:

- Pay attention to weather advisories. Weather will impact your commute on some level

- Travel only as necessary during major snow events. It's better to be stuck at home than to be stuck on the road

- Maintain a safe distance from snowplows and other heavy highway equipment

- Do not pass snowplows on the shoulder

- Allow time for a slower commute

- Winterize vehicles
- Supply vehicles with blankets, flash light and an emergency supply kit

- Eliminate distractions (e.g. using phone and eating) while driving

- Cooperate with the expectations of the Quick Clearance law, which requires drivers to move vehicles to the shoulder in the event of a non-injury crash.

"Aces"

(Cont. from A2)

started blocking them all. My phone actually warned me that there is a limit to how many numbers I can block.

Until I mentioned my number to insurance salesmen, I didn't even know phones had a limit to how many numbers can be blocked.

Now, they have started texting. Of course I have to

read them. Each of the texts of course promise they are cheaper than the others and provide better coverage. All of them are the "number one" company. Uhhmmmm...someone is lying. But, I still have no insurance. I really need some but I suspect it will be much too expensive for me to afford.

Again, it's hilarious. Okay, last subject.

I have a feeling the caravan of immigrants lining up at the borders will get in eventually.

I don't know why, but usually if I feel a certain way about a national subject, it goes the other way. And I don't want them here.

I mean, if they did a couple things legally I might be a lot more welcoming. But I keep hearing how we, who don't welcome them, are inhumane, uncompassionate, America-haters.

Of course I wonder if those who hate America most are those who think we need to fill it as full as we can with criminals.

But then when I say that out loud, I get that inevitable "they aren't criminals. They are wonderful, loving law-abiding people."

Uhhmmmm... "Criminal: adjective/crim-i-nal/kri-me-nel. "Guilty of an illegal act."

Title 8, Section 1325 of the U.S. Code, Section 275, Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). "Illegal entry to the U.S. carries criminal penalties in addition to civil penalties and immigration consequences."

Just being here means they are a criminal and they don't care.

I do care. I don't want more people who don't care what our laws say. We have enough of those. They are already throwing rocks and bottles and cans at law enforcement and security. Yeah, my kind of people...NOT.

Anyway, as usual I know a huge number of people base their view on the subject upon what their side of the aisle supports rather than upon what the actual truth may be.

Personally, I love to welcome new people. But I greatly prefer those people who might consider coming over legally. Maybe those who think our laws mean something? Maybe those who wouldn't mind a background check? Maybe those who think their very first act in this country should not be to break the law?

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

At these dinners, the daughters commence talking about one or another of the similar historic artifacts their parents have passed along to them or they have seen on display or even in actual use at their parents'

home. At almost every Friday dinner the "girls" begin making notes on Cracker Barrel dinner napkins, passing them to their father and begging him to write up the "whole" stories about this, that or the other.

After accumulating a few gray "Walmart bags" of napkin notes, Clay decides to turn them into a book that is, essentially the story of being raised by his grandparents and coming of age in the 1950s and 60s and having his life influenced far more by people of their generation than those of his parents'.

While old homemade beds, ladder back chairs, a .410 gauge shotgun, a fiddle, a crosscut saw, enamel dishware, an old bicycle, a whetstone and numerous other artifacts are generally the impetus of this long set of stories, readers will rapidly discover that they mostly serve as reminders of the host of characters that shaped Clay's life and that the stories are much more about people and genuine love than they are about old stuff.

A few stories are told within the confines of an old country store where a cast of "loafers" often sit around and reminisce. Several other stories are handed down by one or the other of his grandparents or one of their contemporaries who frequently take Clay under their wings and bestow a menagerie of "gifts" upon him in hopes that he will keep their memories alive.

The individual stories combine to form a vivid picture of love and loss. Sons and sweethearts lost in both World Wars, farms lost in the Great Depression and the joy that enabled stricken families to persevere and pull one another through almost unimaginably difficult circumstances.

My personal experience with Notes on Cracker Barrel Napkins was more akin to a listening experience than one of reading. It was much more like listening to one of my uncles tell tales of growing up in first 4 decades of the 1900s. The setting may be central Kentucky but mountain folk will find we have a lot more in common with flatlanders than we might have believed. I call it a one pound book that contains several tons of love, respect and admiration.

If you are in Berea, you can pick up a copy of this 412 page novel at the Berea Mini Mall, Robie and Robie Books and Fireside Gallery. It's also available at the John B. Adams store in Isom, Letcher County.

Or you can simply order it directly from the author with free shipping by sending a check for \$19.95 to: Todd Moberly, 2728 Old U.S. Highway 25N, Berea KY 40403. Email the au-

thor at: tand3c@windstream.net to see if he has secured new retail outlets closer to you.

"Letters"

(Cont. from A2)

would restrict businesses like mine, prohibiting "Paint and Sip" classes serving wine, "spa pedicures" serving champagne with services, or any temporary or permanent open bar that is not sponsored by a non-profit, entertainment venue, or food service. The council agreed upon all other regulations, including Sunday sales but were not unanimous in their decision concerning QuotaRetail by the Drink.

The community voted YES for FULL wet. That means bars and liquor stores. Bars DO NOT mean NUDITY. "Community concerns" is a stipulation in the state ordinance allowing the city to deny alcohol licenses for any business. "Quota Retail by the Drink Licenses" would also benefit our city and should be included in our city ordinance.

City Hall has copies of the draft and the next meeting is December 20th at 6pm. I encourage everyone to attend and participate in the process. To paraphrase the lawyer for the League of Cities in the meeting, I get calls the day after wet votes pass all the time from people that are concerned "the sky is falling". The sky is not falling Mt. Vernon, read the draft of the ordinance, ask questions, everything is highly regulated, mostly already by the state. There are very few regulations the city has control over at all. Alcohol sales DOES NOT mean NUDITY.

Sincerely,

Rachelle Riddle

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

child. Al was right - the taste was horrible.

And finally, I recall Bee's use of medicines such as Cod Liver Oil and Castor Oil. When I was a small boy, she made me take a large spoonful of Cod Liver Oil each morning before leaving for school. It was purported to boost my resistance to childhood diseases.

My memory of these medications from my youth is still very clear. I suppose anything that has a dramatic effect on you as a child creates a memory of some sort. I know one thing for sure: I will never forget the taste of Vicks Vaporub!

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

"T.J.'s"

(Cont. from A2)

the brawls on Friday morning upon opening, I guess. The stuff they had advertised on sale for Friday was on pallets and wrapped up in plastic wrap until then. What if someone couldn't come on Friday and wanted to buy it then? I know they ran out of things on Friday pretty soon. On some of those pallets there couldn't have been twenty to fifty items. There is no wonder there is snatching, grabbing, shoving and brawls breaking out. Some are even injured. It is "the spirit of get" and selfishness at its peak. Then we go home and send out those Christmas cards filled with wishes of peace, joy, love and thankfulness for a Savior whose birthday that is supposed to be celebrated at this time of year. What in the world are we doing to each other you have to wonder.

I was getting mostly groceries and Stanley focused on other things, mostly all the stuff we couldn't get in Mount Vernon. The produce section is amazing. They have fruits and vegetables there that you can see and wonder "What is that thing and how do you eat it?" Stanley found a fruit, a very ugly looking flat pale thing about five to six inches wide, good for diabetics to eat called a jicama. It is a combination of pear, apple and I think potato and turnip all in one. You have to peel it very well as the skin can be toxic if eaten.

I hate to go shopping at this time of year. The stores are crowded and traffic is bad. Soon it will be over until about this time next year. I wonder if I can wait to go shopping until January?

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Monday, Dec. 3rd: Brodhead and Copper Creek. **Tuesday, Dec. 4th:** Green Hill, Fairview, Lambert Road, Brindle Ridge. **Wednesday, 5th:** Child Development, Seek 'n Learn, Tic Toc Preschool and Lisa's Little People

Open House for Adult Education

The Rockcastle Adult Education program will hold an Open House December 5th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program is located at 150 Main St. (former pharmacy building). The program offers GED test preparation, career information, job fairs, etc. Call 256-0218 for more information.

Circuit Clerk's Office Holiday Hours

Rockcastle County's Circuit Clerk's office will be closed December 24-25 for Christmas and Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st for New Year's.

Annual Remembrance Tree Ceremony

On Sunday, December 2 at 2 p.m. at the EKU Center for the Arts, the 25th Annual Remembrance Tree Ceremony, which gives the community a chance to remember loved ones who are missed during the holiday season, will be held. To request a personalized, memorial ornament, contact Hospice Care Plus at 859-986-1500, 800-806-5492 or visit hospicecareplus.org. The ceremony is sponsored by Hospice's Bereavement Program and is open to all.

So Great A Love - Christmas Play

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church, 5762 Brindle Ridge Road, will be hosting the Christmas play "So Great A Love" on Wednesday, Dec. 5th at 7 p.m. The play will be presented by the ministry of Free Gospel Bible-Institute in Export, PA.

TOPS of Brodhead

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

Celebrate Sobriety Service

CrossPoint Church of God will host a monthly Celebrate Sobriety Service on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are located at 211 Industrial Park Road (across from the high school) in Mt. Vernon, KY. Call 859-582-2553 with any questions.

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post Item

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

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

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

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

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

Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, 6 to 8 p.m. Leader: 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.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

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

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.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

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

American Legion Post 71

American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grille. Commander Rick Bobo (308-2271) invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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Obituaries

Jalie Reynolds Stephens

Jalie Reynolds Stephens, formerly of Crab Orchard, died peacefully Sunday, November 25, 2018, at the age of 105, in Berea. She was born August 19, 1913, to Robert and Della (Hamm) Taylor, and was one of 10 children—all of whom she outlived. In 1933, Jalie married Corvin Reynolds and they were blessed with three children, Maetta (of Mississippi), Alvie (deceased) and Gene (deceased).

In addition to her daughter, she is survived by: special daughters-in-law, Genevieve Reynolds (Alvie) and Karen Reynolds (Gene); seven grandchildren, Bobby Dees, Redonna Dees Burns, Regina Dees Patterson, Bill Reynolds, Heather Reynolds Millett, Stephanie Reynolds and Greg Reynolds; 12 great grandchildren; 10 great, great grandchildren; and many, many special nieces, nephews and friends, which include Martha (Blevins) Hamm and Mary Lynn Stevens, both of whom Jalie loved like daughters. She also had a special bond with several of her grandchildren's spouses, which include Kathy Hamm Dees, Elizabeth Reynolds and Chip Burns.

After they married, Jalie and Corvin owned and operated Reynolds Grocery for many years in Crab Orchard. Though it was hard work, Jalie loved and valued the life-long friendships created by virtue of operating a general store—despite pulling some serious pranks on many of her unsuspecting friends/customers throughout the years. Years later following Corvin's death in 1979, she met and married Hubert Stephens and relocated to Louisville, and when Hubert passed away in 2004, Jalie started a new chapter in her life by relocating to Mississippi where she lived with her daughter, Maetta. And it was no surprise that while living in Mississippi, she continued to create lasting friendships with all those that came into her life.

Whether you knew her as Jalie, Cricket, Mom or Mam, you knew that she loved you! Her heart was as big as the State of Kentucky, and her laugh was even bigger. Loving people was truly her gift, and she loved everyone from every walk of life. She was renowned for her country meals—which almost always included her home-canned green beans... considered by her grandchildren to be a delicacy. She continued her good times into her 80s and 90s, when she willingly went sledding, motorcycling, rode a camel, went horseback riding, rode a go-cart, and went for a ride on the lake in a pontoon (where she demanded to "go faster")—all pleasure outings she enjoyed with her various grandchildren. She had the ability to make all seven of her grandchildren feel like they were her favorite, and she invested herself in each of their lives.

During her lifetime, she was a faithful and devoted church member, having been a member first at Providence Church of Christ, followed by Bethel Church of Christ and later Gardiner Lane Church of Christ in Louisville. And her faith was evidenced by the way she lived her life. She was a special lady and one whom making the world a better place just seemed to come naturally. She enjoyed gardening (both vegetables and flowers), quilting, crocheting, cooking, UK basketball, Wal-Mart and most of all, family and friends.

The family would like to thank the staff at Berea Health & Rehabilitation who took great care of Jalie and kept her comfortable during the last months of her life.

Services will be held at Providence Church of Christ on Thursday, November 29, 2018, beginning with the visitation from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., followed by the funeral at 2 p.m., with Rob Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Providence Cemetery.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Terenia Diana Isaacs

Terenia Diana Isaacs, 47, of Richmond, died Wednesday, November 21, 2018, at Baptist Health Hospital in Richmond. She was born in Mount Vernon on October 17, 1971, a daughter of Janice Lee Bowles Perkins, and the late Franklin Dee Bond. She was of the Holiness faith, enjoyed taking care of her boys and bargaining on trades.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her mother, Janice Lee Bowles Perkins of Orlando; children, Taylor Isaacs, Travis Isaacs, and Pierce Parratt, all of Richmond; grandchildren, Jaitaevis Mullins, Braxtyn Isaacs, and Asher Isaacs; and brothers, Jeffery Bond and Danita of Orlando, Nelson Bond and Gail of Mount Vernon and Brian Bond and Earlene of Orlando.

She was preceded in death by her father, Franklin Dee Bond and a husband, Tracy Isaacs.

Services have been entrusted with the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals. Private burial services will be at a later date.

Condolences can be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Scott Edward Hardesty

Scott Edward Hardesty, 41, of Berea, died Monday, November 19, 2018 at St. Joseph Lexington following an illness. He was a Detroit, Michigan native, born May 17, 1977, retired auto mechanic and resident of Berea for the past eight years. He was a gentle soul, loving husband, an amazing cook and loved to talk politics.

Survivors include: his loving wife, Christin Kendrick Hardesty; his mother, Sandra Tinsey Hardesty; brother, Justin Hardesty (Jennifer); sister-in-law, Cassandra Kenrick; mother-in-law, Bonita Fleming, who he lovingly called "Ma"; niece, Tavia; special cousin, Kendra; as well as a host of relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Douglas Hardesty.

In accordance with Scott's wishes, he was cremated and no public service is scheduled. Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

www.reppertfuneralhome.com

Kathy Lynn Turk Payne

Kathy Lynn Turk Payne, 60, of Brodhead, died Friday, November 23, 2018 at the U.K. Heath Care Center in Lexington. She was born February 17, 1958, in Hazard, a daughter of the late Thomas Garland Turk and Charlotte Ann Neyens Turk. She was of the Catholic faith. She found great joy in spending time with her grandchildren, reading, flowers, gardening, cooking, and antiques.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her children, Courtney Payne (Rose) of Brodhead and Heath Payne (Tammy) of Mt. Vernon; five grandchildren, Halek Payne, Kovey Payne, Sadee Payne, Blake Mullins and Mason Payne; her mother, Charolette Ann Turk; three siblings, Bess Combs, Lee Williams and Stephanie Turk; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her father, she was preceded in death by her brother, Tom Turk.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 26, 2018 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Shannon Franklin, officiating.

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

Kenneth David Himes

Kenneth David Himes, 57, of Paint Lick, died Monday, November 19, 2018 at the Bluegrass Hospice Care Center in Lexington. He was born June 25, 1961, in Berea, a son of the late Rovie Himes, and Linda Fish Abney. He was of the Baptist faith and had an all-around love for being outdoors. He found great joy in fishing, but he especially loved teaching his great nieces and nephews to fish. He was an employee of the CXS Railroad for several years.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his mother, Linda Fish Abney of Paint Lick; sisters, Donna Day and Danny of Paint Lick and Lori Schrodel and Byron of Mount Sterling; nieces and nephews, Amanda, Carina, Ashley, Johnathan, and Aaron; great nieces and great nephews, Ethan, Clayton, Blake, Addison, David, Ella, and Jacob; and a host of friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by his father, Rovie Himes and his grandparents, Sherman and Dovie Himes, and Richard and Dora Fish.

Services were conducted Friday, November 23, 2018 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Shannon Parkerson and Bro. Buford Parkerson officiating. Burial followed in Johnetta Cemetery.

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

Cash Express holding annual coat & toy drive

Cash Express of Mt. Vernon is beginning its 14th annual Coat and Toy Drive for Children.

The company will be accepting toys, coats, shoes (washable), clothing and non-perishable food items in many drop off locations in the area.

All donations should be received by December 15th in order to have them delivered in time for Christmas.

For more information, call 606-256-0886.

In need

Fundraiser to provide assistance for families

The Saint Joseph Berea Foundation is planning its annual holiday fundraiser, Lights for Life, to help families in need in the Berea community. Now in its 32nd year, Lights for Life provides a tribute to loved ones and also raises funds to provide emergency assistance and medications year-round for underinsured and low-income patients in the Saint Joseph Berea service area.

With a \$10 donation, a light can be purchased on the Lights for Life Christmas tree in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. The names of those individuals will be read and honored during a special Christmas tree lighting on the front lawn of Saint Joseph Berea on Saturday, December 1, 2018, at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be provided for community members in attendance.

Donations received through the program help provide financial assistance to patients and families that cannot afford medical care. While emergency departments treat every patient regardless of their ability to pay, sometimes patients need prescriptions and additional follow-up care that they cannot afford. Without the medication and medical supplies they need, many patients end up back in the emergency room.

Patients who have benefited from the Lights for Life program include a 26-year-old man who arrived at

the emergency room with diabetic ketoacidosis, a serious complication of insulin-dependent diabetes that can be fatal if left untreated. Diabetic ketoacidosis can develop within 24 hours without insulin. The patient had been without insulin for two days and couldn't afford to purchase it due to taking a new job and having insurance that had not yet taken effect. Funding from Lights for Life helped to pay for him to get insulin, to keep him healthy and prevent him from being readmitted to the hospital.

"This event has become a tradition in the Berea community, helping give back to those in need," said Leslie Smart, CFRE, president, Saint Joseph Berea Foundation. "We are so thankful for the many community members who stop by to honor their loved ones and friends, also helping our patients at Saint Joseph Berea with this donation."

There are three convenient ways to donate to Lights for Life. Community members can donate online, www.kentuckyonehealth.org/lightsforlife, by phone at 859.313.2014, or send a donation to the Saint Joseph Berea Foundation, Attn: Stephen Clatos, 1451 Harrodsburg Road, Suite D308, Lexington, KY 40504.

For additional information on this event, contact Stephen Clatos at stephenclatos@kentuckyonehealth.org.

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Jaclyn Bullock

Spreading the Word of God

**By: Mike French
Editor**

Editor's note: This is the Sixth in a series of articles about local residents who play or sing music of some kind. Local bands and performers have traveled the world making music and we hope to give our readers insight into their lifestyle.

Sometimes you just have to do what God tells you to do. Apparently, this is one of the reasons Jaclyn Bullock brings joy to so many who hear her sing.

Though only 27 years old, Bullock has already been singing for 25 years and with her friendly, gentle laugh she says, "Mom said I used to stand in front of the television and sing with Barney the purple dinosaur. So I guess I have been singing all my life."

It was about 12 years ago that she got her hands on a guitar and headed to the local music shop to begin guitar lessons. "I'm not in an actual band right now. I just play my guitar and sing. I love every minute of it," she said.

Bullock has worked at Community Trust Bank in Mount Vernon for the past two years and you can hear her voice as a DJ at WRVK on Mondays from 5-6 p.m. Though she enjoys both of those jobs, it's her love of music that keeps her smiling the most throughout the week as she plans her next gig.

Bullock plays some of almost every kind of music but greatly prefers to per-

form gospel music. "I love playing and singing any kind of music. I love it all but there is a special place in my heart for gospel music," she said.

If you have visited the Village in Renfro Valley, you may have seen her there

just something I'm supposed to do I think" she said.

Though Bullock goes to great extent to keep from bragging on herself, she has receive many local accolades from those who have heard her sing. It is just difficult to get her to tell you about that because she does not brag about her own music.

"I give God the glory for anything and everything. It is God that gives people the desire to spread His word and music in the way I try to do that," she says. "I like all music, but I really enjoy spreading the word of God through music."

"And she does it well. She's a great singer and a wonderful person," said the person who recommended her for this story.

Bullock intends to keep right on making her music. In fact, she will be performing at the Limestone Grille on Fridays from 6-8 p.m. and everyone is invited to come and hear her do what she does best.

Bullock is planning to make a gospel CD very soon and invites everyone to her social media page to find out more about that project. Just go to Facebook.com/JaclynBullockMusic to see what she is up to next in the music world.

Also, if you would like to have her sing at your church or event, feel free to give her a call at (606) 386-3334.

But either way, most who hear her agree that you will be hearing more from her very soon.



A great crowd turned out for Tuesday night's events in downtown Mount Vernon. A tree lighting ceremony was held in Triangle Park followed by Noel Night Market through the streets of Mount Vernon.



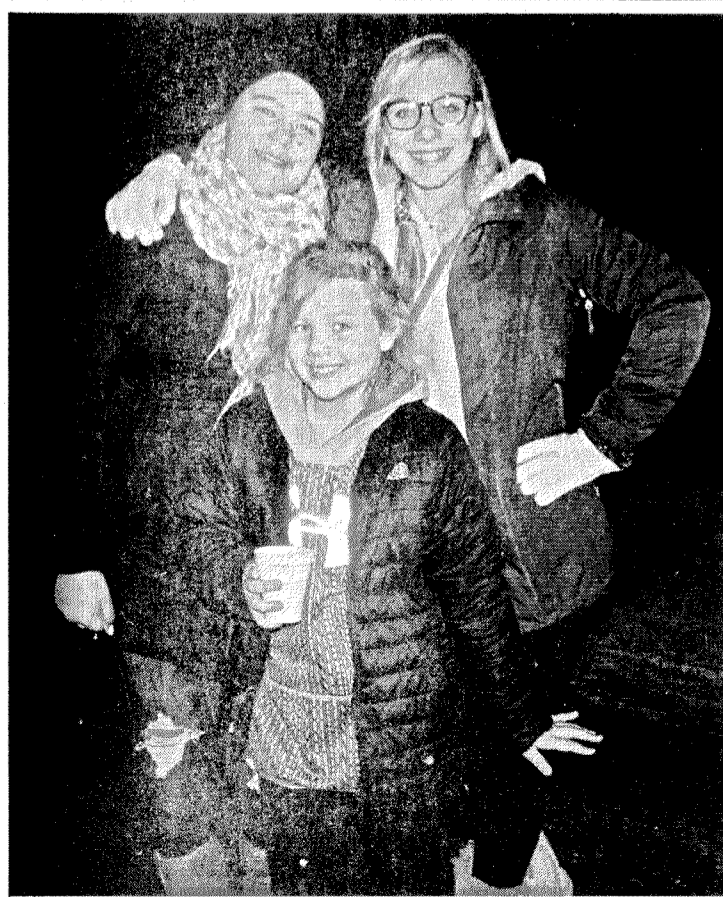
Author Roland Mullins talks with Jennifer Mattingly while Paula Pingleton with the Ruby Belle Salon shares information about her business during the Noel Night Market held Tuesday night.



Kiwanis Club member Keith Pierce shares a fruit bag with a child in attendance at the Tree Lighting ceremony Tuesday night.



Linda Clontz, Stella Young and Janet Carter enjoyed shopping with the many vendors and businesses during the first annual Noel Night Market Tuesday night. Despite the very cold weather, the Market was enjoyed by many.



Bussell sisters - Alexa, Ella and Adeline enjoyed the many festivities available in downtown Mount Vernon Tuesday night. The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony was held in Triangle Park followed by a Noel Night Market through the streets of Mount Vernon.

carriving her guitar around and performing for tourists from all over the world.

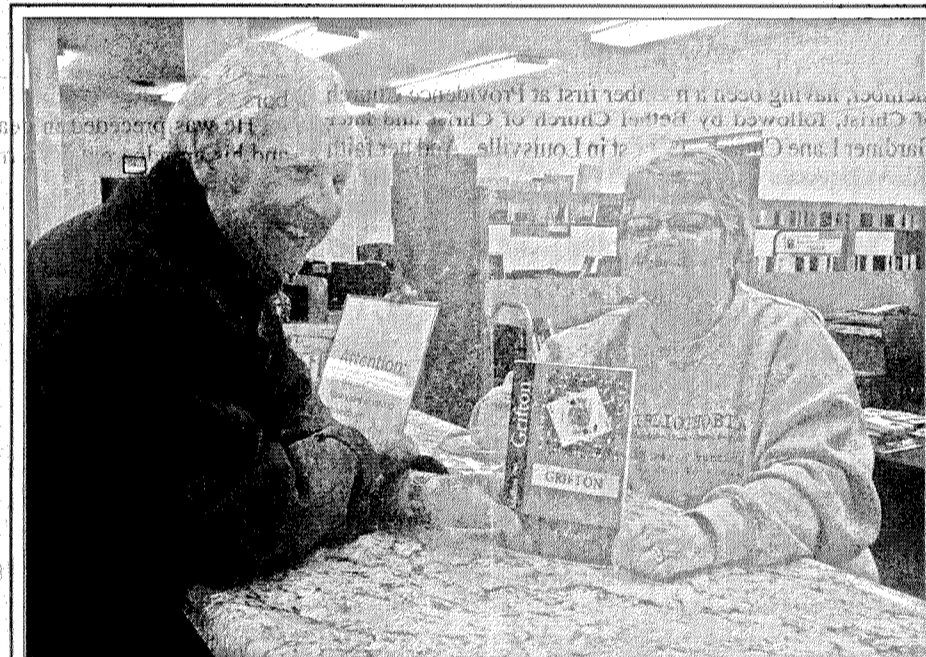
Or, you may have seen her during the Gospel Hour on Thursday nights at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame.

You may also have seen her making her own form of music in and around central Kentucky or parts of Tennessee.

Bullock used to be a part of a gospel quartet that traveled around playing at churches or events in both states.

But these days, she enjoys staying closer to home and performing locally.

"I try to stay busy singing at local functions or churches. I feel like I was meant to play and sing and I really enjoy doing it. It's



Local author, Roland Mullins, recently presented his new novel, *Grifton*, to Librarian Pam Chaliff with the Rockcastle County Library. The book is for sale locally at Fireside Gallery in Berea, Kentucky Artisan Center in Berea, Marcella's Restaurant in Mt. Vernon and Limestone Grille in Mt. Vernon. You can also order from Old Seventy Creek Press, Amazon or Roland D. Mullins, email - mullinsrol@gmail.com



The former Gregory Building was home to vendors selling their items and handmade goodies during the Noel Night Market.

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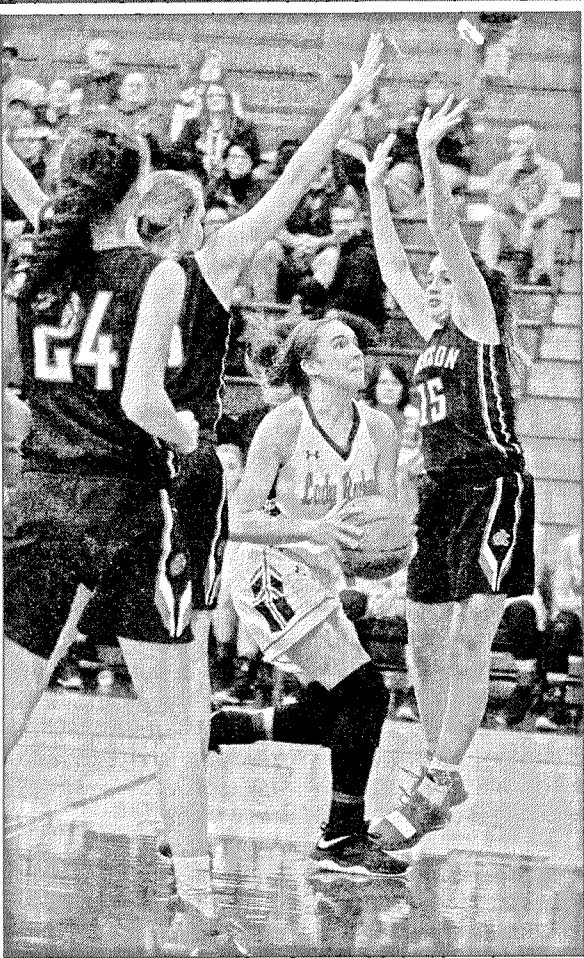


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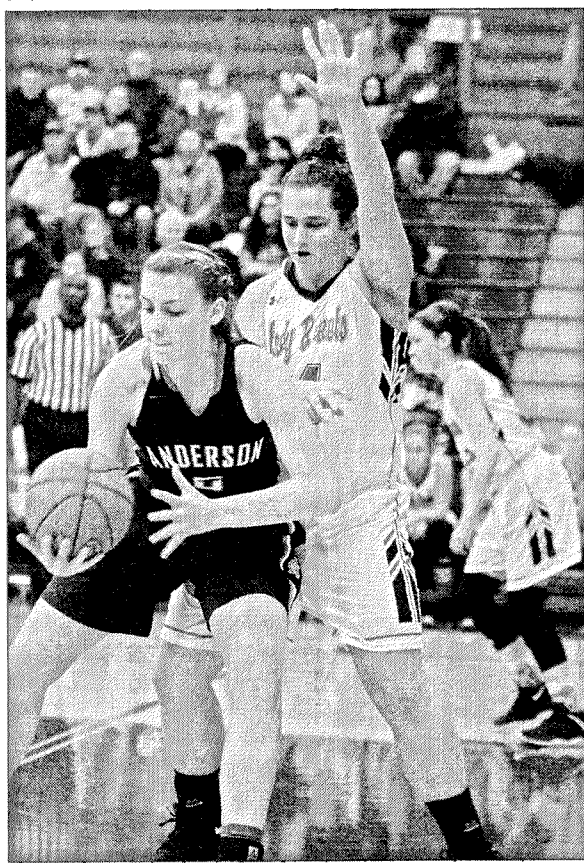
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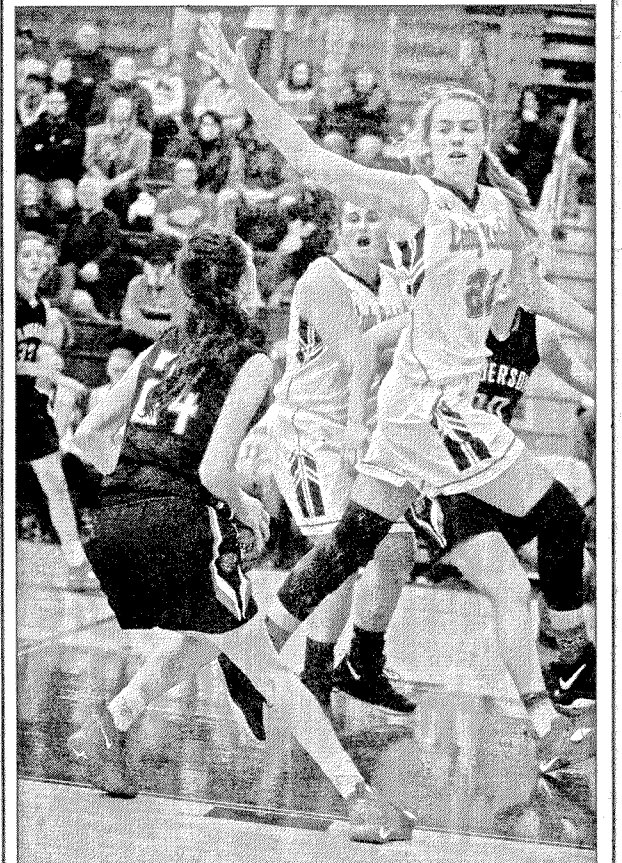
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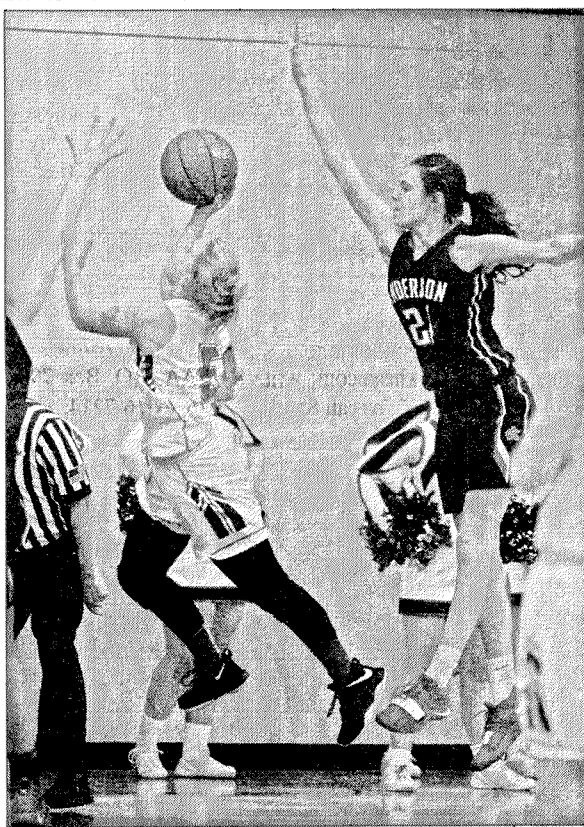
Sophomore Casey Coleman works hard to the basket during the Lady Rockets' opening game Monday night against Anderson County. The girls came out on the losing end, 53-36. Coleman led her team with nine points on the night.



Junior Kenzi Himes applies the defense during the Lady Rockets' opening game Monday night against Anderson County. Himes scored eight points for the Rockets. Others scoring were: Hallie Brown with seven, Lindsey Jones and Bailee Allen with three each, Shelby Newland, Kassie Lay and Keelee King each scored two.



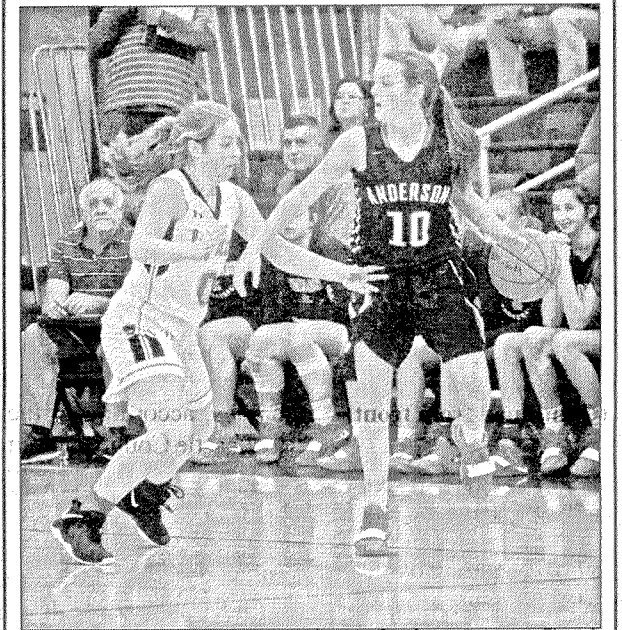
Eighth grader Hallie Brown's defense forced an Anderson County turnover during the Lady Rockets' loss Monday night. Brown came off the bench to score seven points on the night. The Lady Rockets, along with the Rockets, will host Lincoln County Friday night. Game time set for 6:00 p.m.



Junior Shelby Newland takes it to the basket during the Lady Rockets' season opener Monday night.



Sophomore Lindsey Jones comes up with a steal on this play during Lady Rocket jayvee action Monday night.

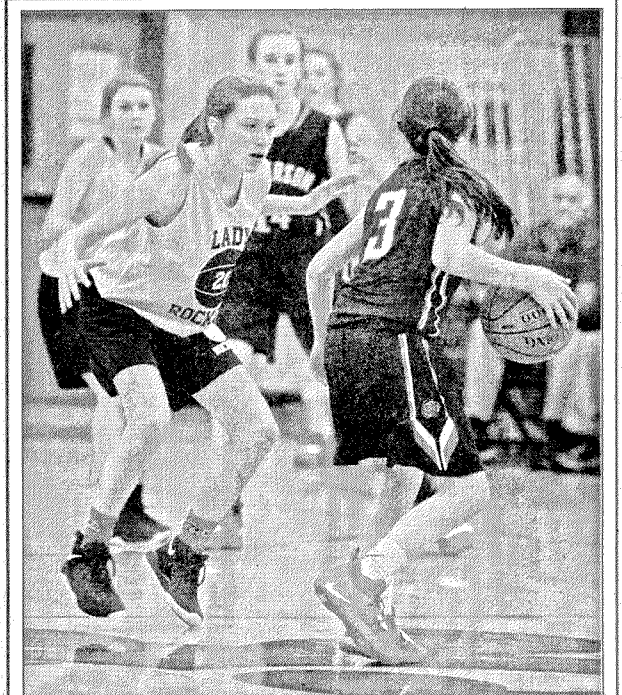


Junior Bailee Allen applies defensive pressure during the Lady Rockets' loss Monday night. The girls host Lincoln County this Friday at 6 p.m.



Madison McIntosh runs a fast break during the Lady Rocket jayvee's loss to Anderson County Monday night.

Rockets and Lady Rockets host Lincoln this Friday 6 p.m.



Laney Bryant puts on defensive pressure the Lady Rocket JV's loss to Anderson County Monday night. Aliyah Lopez led the team with 13 points followed by Keelee King with 11. Hallie Brown, Madison McIntosh and Jordan Harper each scored two on the night.



The RCHS Cheer Squad supported the Lady Rockets during their season opening game with Anderson County Monday night.

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“Snow”

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roads began to freeze and vehicles started sliding off the highway into ditches.

“This is a really simple thing to solve,” said Peters. “Slow down. It’s that simple. It doesn’t hurt nearly as bad to wreck going slowly as it does to wreck going faster.”

But, even after the roads began to freeze, Peters said calls were actually less than expected.

Local firefighter Jimmy Clark said he has advice for local drivers as well. “When there is ice on the road, drive like you are taking your granny to church on Sunday.”

Typically, deputies come to the vehicle and help those inside to stay warm and dry but call a local wrecker service to get the vehicle out of the ditch.

For those who depend on the Old Farmer’s Almanac for winter predictions, this year is expected to be a warmer winter with more precipitation than normal but less snow.

This of course follows the pattern already set this year since 2018 is officially the year with the most number of rain periods in history.

“Chickens”

(Continued from front)

to their coop, volunteers gathered all 200 of them and took them back to safety.

No injuries were reported and none of the birds were hurt but the road was closed for several hours while emergency crews cleaned up the highway and gathered the chickens.

The roads were reopened a few hours after the incident occurred.

“Busy”

(Continued from front)

other calls, most response teams in the county were present.

The vehicle fire on Highway 70 occurred Sunday, November 25 and minor injuries were reported.

Officials say the occupant of a pick up truck exited the vehicle but suffered minor injuries that were treated at the scene.

In a vehicle accident on Highway 150, Wednesday, November 21st, a single vehicle accident caused the driver to be transported to the Rockcastle County Hospital for treatment. Officials reopened the highway after the highway was clear of debris.

Typically, the Christmas holiday has more home fires than any other time of year, according to FEMA. Though some fires are indeed caused by Christmas tree lights, the biggest cause comes from burning candles, according to statistics.

Though the number of emergency calls can greatly increase, the number of volunteer firefighters remains the same throughout the holiday season.

Local fire departments are made up of volunteers and are always on the lookout for anyone willing to serve their community.

Officials with the Brodhead Fire Department say there are indeed enough volunteers to handle local needs. However, the current number of volunteers require them to work longer hours than they should and provides less time off than officials would hope.

All local fire departments say they are in “recruit mode” at this time and are trying to find more volunteers so that those who already serve can have a little more time off.

Anyone interested in volunteering for any of the local departments should contact the department of their choice. The department provides the training and the gear needed to do the job and keep volunteers safe.

“City”

(Continued from front)

times in October using 2,100 gallons of water.

The department responded to two structure fires, five injury accidents and two non-injury accidents. There was also four brush fires, four false alarms, two rescues, one traffic control call and one automatic aid given.

The All American Club reported picking up 30 bags of trash with six of those coming from the Mount Vernon Elementary School grounds and eight bags from High Street.

The club also cleaned up parts of North U.S. 25 gathering four bags of trash.

Wayne Bullock, Coordinator of the All American Club said one of the bags of trash on High Street provided a name. The fine for littering inside the city limits of Mount Vernon is \$500.

“Jail”

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gave Johnson several field tests all of which she failed, according to the report.

When officers asked Johnson to take a blood test, she refused saying that she was afraid of needles. However police later discovered a used needle in the driver’s side door of the vehicle.

Johnson was arrested and taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where she was charged with failure to wear a seat belt, failure to produce insurance card, failure to maintain insurance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

She could have been released on her own signature for the misdemeanor charges, according to the Rockcastle County Circuit Clerk’s office, but deputy jailers suspected drugs on her person.

The reports says Johnson was asked several times if she had any drugs or paraphernalia on her person and each time she responded that she did not.

However, when she was strip searched by a female deputy, officials discovered a vial containing parts of a Suboxone pill, which is a schedule 3 narcotic.

Johnson was then charged with possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in proper container, promoting contraband and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Her bond was then set at \$5,000 third party surety.

“Christmas”

(Continued from front)

School at 10:45 a.m.

The Brodhead Christmas Parade will be immediately after Mount Vernon’s parade beginning at 2:00 p.m. on December 1. There will be a “Christmas Gathering” at the Brodhead fire station immediately after the parade.

Santa is expected to be at both events.

The following weekend, the Jolly old elf will once again come to Rockcastle County as Livingston will hold their Christmas Parade on December 8th beginning at 7 p.m.

Mayor Jason Medley says he enjoys the evening parades so that the Christmas lights show up brighter.

Also in Livingston, after the parade, everyone is invited to the Livingston fire house for hot chocolate and presents for the youngsters.

Also, many local churches and organizations are holding special Christmas related events.



John Fox, with the Friends of Boone Trace, Inc. presented Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop with a copy of the group’s master plan and map of the planned Boone Trail project at the fiscal court’s regular meeting in November. The heart of the trail runs through Rockcastle County and will feature hiking, driving, bike trails, etc. The court also approved a resolution prepared by the organization as to *The Significance of the Boone Trace to Kentucky*.

Visit Santa Claus this Friday night and enjoy beautiful decorations...



Bring the children out to visit Santa Claus and enjoy the beautiful decorations and lights Friday night at the home of Sam and Dana Hamilton in Houston Point Subdivision on Cedar Rapids Rd. Santa will be visiting from 6 - 8 p.m. Also, bring your Santa letters and drop them in the new mailbox for direct transport to the North Pole.

Minds in the Middle

Friday will be Holiday Movie Time after school until 5:00. The cost to enter is \$3. Students must have a note from home in order to stay. Concessions, including pizza, will also be available. Proceeds will go to the 8th grade trip fund. Students not picked up on time may be prohibited from attending future events.

On Wednesdays, 8th graders are selling hot chocolate and cookies to all students and staff. The cost is \$2.

Congratulations to Makyla Hester on winning Ms. Todd’s Moby Max contest over Thanksgiving break!

On Friday, December 7th, there will be a Snowball Dance from 6-8:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased now for \$3 each. Tickets purchased at the door on the day of the dance will be \$4. Dress is casual. Concessions and other events, such as face painting and a photo booth, will be happening as well.

More information will be coming next week about our annual food drive. A canned food building contest will be taking place, headed up by our Bravo students.

Mid-term reports were sent home before Thanksgiving. December 19th will be the end of the second grading period. ESS services are available on Thursday for students who need extra assistance. Transportation is available.

There will be Art Club and Choir on Thursday after school until 4:45.

Transferring between colleges

As the fall semester winds down, many college students may be thinking about transferring to another school. Some students may be finishing one degree and want to get a higher one. Others find the school they chose isn’t the best fit for them, or perhaps family circumstances changed.

The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) offers these tips for making sure your transfer goes smoothly.

You should talk with the financial aid office at your current school to make sure you don’t owe anything or to find out if you get a refund. Also talk with the financial aid office at your new school to make sure you’ve done everything you need to get financial aid when you transfer.

Also, contact the registrar’s office at your new school to find out which credits and grades you earned at your current school will transfer.

If you have more questions about transferring, each college should have a contact person who can answer them. Students transferring from a public Kentucky two-year college to a public Kentucky university can find help at www.knowhow2transfer.org/KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). Its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for college or to refinance student loans. For more information, visit www.advantageeducationloan.com.

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

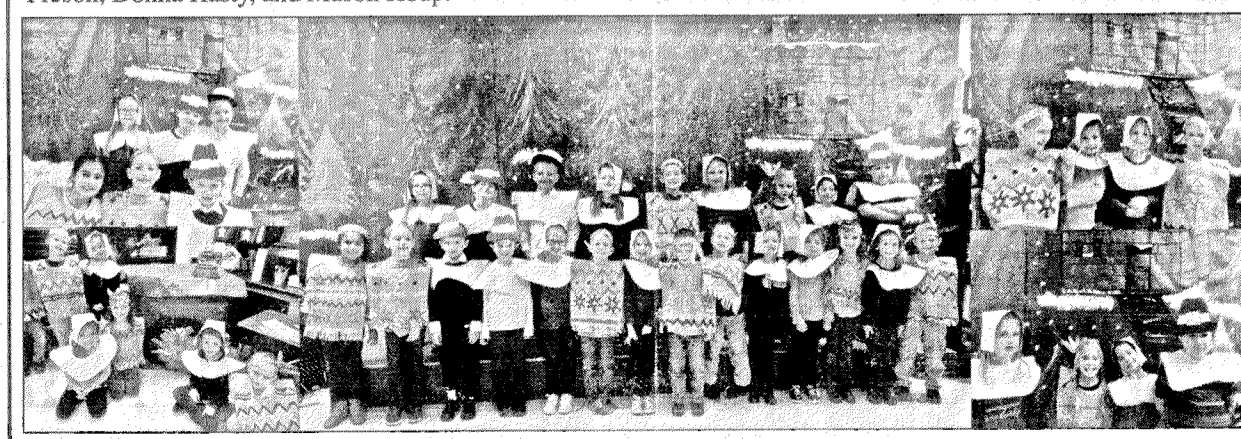


Tiger Pause...

Brodhead Elementary 1st grade classrooms performed a play centered around The First Thanksgiving. In the play, the 1st grade students dressed as Native Americans and Pilgrims for the performance. They presented about the long and hard voyage to America on the Mayflower and what life was like when they arrived in America. They talked about how the Native Americans helped the Pilgrims survive on the new land and the development of friendship. We are so proud of our first grade classes for working so hard and doing a wonderful job performing for their parents and families.

Pictured above from their performance is Mrs. Alsip’s class. Students are front from left: William Schulz, Marcus Stewart, Dakota Barnett, Raidyn Singleton, Mackenzie Karrman, Arianna Davidson and Sophie Ross. Second row: Nicholas Cain, Ariana Duff, Mariah McClain, Keileigh Hall, Hayden Todd and Matthew Brown. Third row: Raiden Hunter, Candice McCracken, Isabella Flannery, Stephan Richardson, Aaliyah Caldwell, Makenzie Clark and Nathanael Carpenter.

Pictured below from their performance is Mrs. Gina Bussell’s class. Students are front row from left: Arden Carrera, Nash Harper, Brody McClure, Gabriel Griffith, Kyleigh Abrams, Jace Childress, Ember Miracle, Noah Denny, Honor Emerson, Layla Childress, Jaden Eldridge, Addison Hopkins, Elizabeth Fay and Brayden McIntosh. Second row: Paisley Bishop, Davin Pearson, Conner Devine, Sydney Carpenter, Eli Graves, Ava Craig, London Freson, Donna Hasty, and Mason Houpp.



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Second Section

Thursday, November 29, 2018

Tree Lighting Ceremony held Tuesday



The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony was held Tuesday night in Triangle Park in downtown Mt. Vernon. After the festivities, a successful Noel Night Market was held with vendors selling their wares.



The RCHS Brass Choir, under the direction of Mr. Greg Daugherty, entertained the crowd during the Tree Lighting Ceremony Tuesday night.



Mt. Vernon Elementary School Pentatones, under the direction of Ms. Jamie Cornelius, performed during the Tree Lighting Ceremony.



Miss Mya Hunt performed *Oh Holy Night* for those in attendance.



Kids enjoyed Santa Claus and his elf, Patrick, during Tuesday night's Noel Night Market on Main St. in Mt. Vernon.

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Parade will start at 12pm.

For any questions call City Hall 606-256-3437

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Marriage Licenses

Shelby Faye Durham, 58, Mt. Vernon, Daniel Boone and Elbert Eric Eversole, 54, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle Hospital. 11/16/18
Cheri Bella Lay, 51, Science Hill, secretary and John Gilbert Eaton, Jr., 68, Mt. Vernon, self-employed. 11/19/18

Deeds Recorded

Norma R. Eversole and Pamela R. Chaliff, co-executors, property in Rockcastle County, to Matthew Chaliff and Joshua Chaliff. No tax
Darrell Brown, property on Hammonds Fork Road, to Donald Dees. No tax
Zella Abney Miller, property in Mt. Vernon, to Karen Denney. No tax
Floyd Bullock, property in Rockcastle County, to Dustin and Kayla Hale. Tax \$150

Fred Abney, property in Rockcastle County, to Robert and Faye Dodds. Tax \$15

Jon W. and Traci L. Bullens, property on Scaffold Cane Road, to Joey Yancy Thacker. No tax

Joey Yancy Thacker, property on Scaffold Cane Road, to Roy Gene and Anita Todd. No tax

Ben G. and Carol Broughton, property on KY 328, to Randy and Vicki Reynolds. Tax \$1

Lora Lee Lambert, property on Newcomb Avenue, to Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. Tax \$110

Donnie L. and Ethle S. Eversole, property on Poplar St., to Rachel Miller and Eliza York-Hansel. Tax \$94

Cristy Robin and Billy Browning, property in Rockcastle County, to Cristy Robin Browning. No tax

Laura Lee Durham and William C. Wesley, property in Mt. Vernon, to Betty and Lloyd Cain. Tax \$85

Wilma Hayes, property in Rockcastle Co. to Michael Bradley. Tax \$108

Circuit Civil Suits

Brent Dobbs v. Heather Lynch, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Synchrony Bank v. Melvin Taylor, \$10,136 plus claimed due.

Jamie L. Via v. Brian D. Beardsley, et al, complaint.

Anastacia McBride-Cain v. James Allen Cain, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00280

District Civil Suits

LVNV Funding v. Travis Wynn, \$897 plus claimed due.

Cavalry SPV I v. Angela Smith, \$764 plus claimed due.

Central Bank & Trust Co. v. Johnny Bussell, \$1,853 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding v. Mattie Ramsey, \$1,509 plus claimed due. C-00230

District Court

Nov. 19-21-18

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Dustin J. Abbott: failure to wear seat belts, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, drug paraphernalia-advertisement, failure to notify address change to Dept. of Transp., public intoxication controlled subs, resisting arrest, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

Theresa Lucille Bland: criminal littering, bw issued for fta.

Timothy J. Bussell: public intoxication (two counts), possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess (two counts), bw issued for fta.

Darrell Wayne Clift: theft by deception, bw issued for fta.

Jessie Foley: speeding, license to be in possession, license suspended for fta.

Tonya N. Fryman: no/expired registration plates - receipt, amended to all other traffic, license suspended for fta.

Chris McClure: alcohol intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Timothy Cecil Miller: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to produce insurance, bw issued for fta.

Trajon Louis Neal: speeding, no/expired registration plates - receipt, license suspended for fta.

Jamieson Lee Pingleton: possession controlled substance, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, failure to notify address change to dept.

of transp., bw issued for fta. Michael Edward Robinson: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.

Tabitha A. Whitehead: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, controlled substance prescription not in original container, illegal possession of legend drug, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Anthony E. Whitson, Richard E. Rhodes, license suspended for fta.

Devin Adams: possession of synthetic drugs, sentencing order entered.

William Brandon Cromer: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, 5 days in jail/costs waived.

James Matthew Miller: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, 10 days in jail (each count)/concurrent/costs waived.

Ronald R. Rice: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Delbert Dwayne Spurlock: Assault, sentencing order entered.

Timothy B. Vanwinkle: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 10 days in jail/each count/concurrent/costs waived.

Rodney Moberly: giving officer false identifying information. 10 days in jail/costs waived.

Donnie Andrew Barron: no/expired registration plates-receipt, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance sec., failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta.

Amanda Kaye Carrier: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to register transfer of motor

vehicle, failure to wear seat belts, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.

Joshua D. Hayes: speeding, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, license suspended for fta.

Brandy Long: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.

Kevin Douglas McCoy: criminal trespassing, bw issued for fta.

Charles Delmer Mink: disregarding stop sign, failure to wear seat belts, no/expired registration plates-receipt; failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/sec., obstructed vision and/or windshield, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, improper display of registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Jessica Marie Norris: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

Jessica April Nunnally: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt-plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/sec., bw issued for fta.

Jessica L. York: public intoxication, 3 days in jail/costs waived.

Michael Scott Choate: failure to wear seat belts, license suspended for fta.

Gregory Baugh Owen: reckless driving, license suspended for fta.

Beard and Mustache Competition for My Brother's Keepers is December 1st

Come One, Come All, to the Second Annual My Brother's Keepers, Inc. Beard and Mustache Competition commonly known as "Beardtucky". This spectacle of an event will take place Saturday, December 1 at the Rockcastle County Middle School. Doors open at 12 noon with judging beginning at 2 p.m.

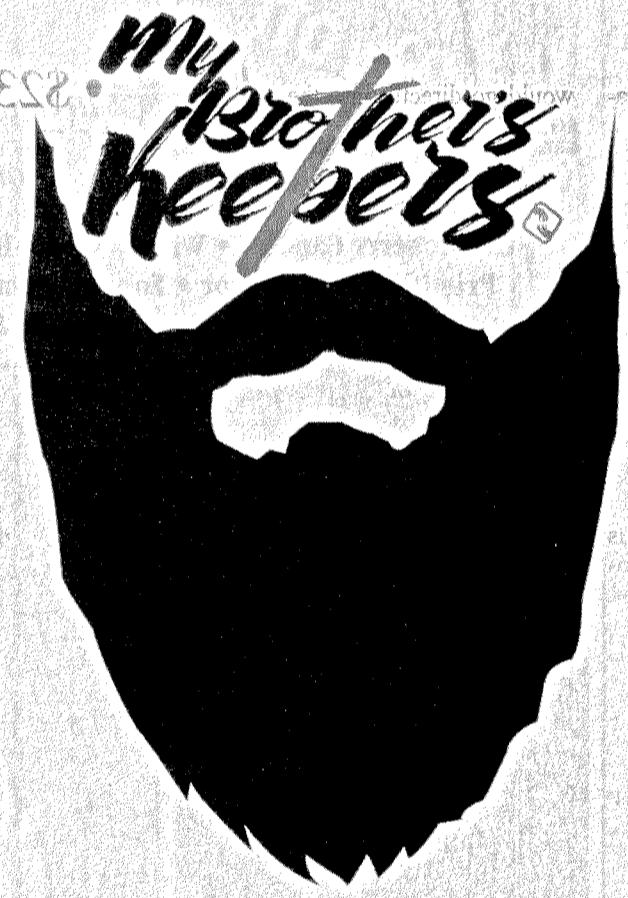
Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place for 10 categories. Categories include a women's and children's category. Women and children, make your own beards (yarn, feathers, candy, etc.) And compete along side of the bearded men.

Don't have a beard? You're still invited. This event will also include dozens of local vendors, food vendors, as well as a silent auction and live music. There'll be something for the whole family. Including Santa Claus himself, pictures

will be available.

This is a fundraising event for My Brother's Keepers, Inc. whose mission is to help me gain their freedom from ad-

diction. Help us raise the funds necessary to get out facility open right here in Rockcastle County. Competitors \$10 and Spectators enter free.



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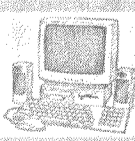
Applications will be available for Rockcastle County's CAIP to assist farmers in making important on-farm investments.

Application Period:
December 14, 2018 - January 15, 2019
No applications will be accepted after January 15, 2019.

Application Availability:
Rockcastle County Conservation District
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For More Information:
Contact Sandy Whitaker at Rockcastle County Conservation District at
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Informational meeting will be held at the County Extension Office on December 14, 2018 at 9:30 am and 6:30 pm.



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Let the Bible Speak

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Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

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

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

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies. Northside Baptist, Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m. 606-256-

5577. Men and women, small groups.

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

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

So Great A Love - Christmas Play

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church, 5762 Brindle Ridge Road, will be hosting the Christmas play "So Great A Love" on Wednesday, Dec. 5th at 7 p.m. The play will be presented by the ministry of Free Gospel Bible-Institute in Export, PA.

From Jackson Energy's Operation RoundUP Brodhead Family Resource Center receives \$500 grant

Jackson Energy's Operation Round-Up is helping a Rockcastle elementary family resource center provide services to its students with a \$500 Operation RoundUP grant.

Brodhead Family Resource Center recently received the grant. Jackson Energy Board Chairman and Rockcastle County Director Phil Thompson presented the check to Center Coordinator Angela King.

"Operation RoundUP is an easy way for co-op members to give a small amount each month to deserving individuals and organizations in their local communities," said Jackson Energy Vice President of Corporate Services Ryan Henderson.

Operation RoundUP works when co-op members voluntarily have their electric bill rounded to an even dollar amount. For example, if a bill was \$122.62 and the member had volunteered to participate in RoundUP, it would automatically be rounded up to \$123.

The additional 38¢ would go directly into the RoundUP account. The average contribution over time is approximately 45¢ per month.

The donated funds go directly into a trust account that can only be used for grant funding. This account is administered by a seven-person Board of Trustees who meet quarterly to review grant applications. Any individual or community group with a worthwhile project can apply for funding.

More than \$325,000 has been donated to area community service projects since Jackson Energy began this program in 2003.



Phil Thompson, left, presents a \$500 Operation RoundUP grant check for the Brodhead Elementary School Family Resource Center to Coordinator Angela King. The funds will help cover operating costs for the center.

From Jackson Energy's Operation RoundUP

Climax Volunteer Fire Dept. receives \$1,000 grant

Jackson Energy's Operation RoundUP is helping a Rockcastle fire department provide services to the region with a \$1,000 Operation RoundUP grant.

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For more information on Operation Round-Up call 1 800-262-7480, or log on to Jackson Energy's web site, www.jacksonenergy.com.



Phil Thompson, left, presents a \$1,000 Operation RoundUP grant check for the Climax Volunteer Fire Department to Ken and Carolyn Holt. The funds will help cover operating costs for the fire department.



Phil Thompson, left, presents a \$500 Operation RoundUP grant check for the Rockcastle County Youth Service Center to Coordinator Angie Payne. The grant will help fund the center's operation.

From Jackson Energy's Operation RoundUP RCMS Youth Service Center receives \$500 grant

Jackson Energy's Operation Round-Up is helping a Rockcastle youth service center help students with a \$500 Operation RoundUP grant.

Rockcastle County Middle School Youth Service Center recently received the grant. Jackson Energy Board Chairman and Rockcastle County Director Phil Thompson presented the check to Center Coordinator Angie Payne.

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Climax Volunteer Fire Dept. receives grant from Kentucky American water

Kentucky American Water (KAW) recently awarded grants totaling \$10,000 to 20 Kentucky fire and rescue organizations in support for the departments' year-round efforts to protect the communities they serve. The donations are part of the company's annual Firefighting Support Grant program, which the company initiated in 2011.

This year's donations bring the total amount of funds provided through this program, since its inception to \$65,658. The maximum grant per organization is \$500.

Climax Volunteer Fire Department was one of the 20 grants awarded. There grant was for brush fire equipment.

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1 Peter 5:8-10—Peter tells us why we need this kind of faith to withstand the acts or the tricks of the devil, because he is seeking and trying to destroy every Christian that he possibly can. He will use everything that he possibly can to do that, this is the reason we need to always be watching, be on guard, be of a sound mind, not carried away with drinking or silly living, because when our guard is down that is when he will attack.

The Hebrew letter tells us those who were teetering back and forth in their service to God we find Hebrews 10:38-39—The apostle writes warning them. Now the just shall live by faith, but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them that draw back unto perdition, but of them that believe unto the saving of the soul. The word perdition means to lose one's soul, we don't want to be grouped with those folks but of those who keep the faith, those who continue to march forward, steady and strong. Because if we are true servants of Jesus Christ we will suffer from time to time. 2 Timothy 3:12—Yea, and all that will live godly in Jesus Christ shall suffer persecution. Persecution helps us to understand at times we are serving the Lord, it helps us to remember who we are and why we are not to be like world. The way we do that, is allow the Bible to change our life because it is for certain, God will not change his.

There were some Hebrew Christians who had fallen away. The apostle exhorts those who are faithful Hebrews 6:9-12—Not to be sluggish or lazy, but to be active keep themselves motivated, by reading and studying, praying and worshipping, the one and only true God. Spend time with brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus to encourage and exhort and be long suffering, one with the other.

Matthew 5:10-12—Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness sake, for there is the kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in Heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets that were before you. It would be easy for Christians when they suffer hardships to give up or throw in the towel and say, I will live my life the way I want to, and throw myself on the mercy of the court.

The Bible tells us clearly if we do that there will be no mercy given but we will find ourselves with the devil and his angels in the end. Matthew 25:41—Then shall he say to them on the left hand. Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.

We need to be sure as Abraham Lincoln once said we need to be sure we are on the Lord's side.

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

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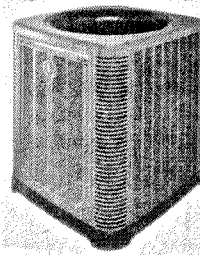
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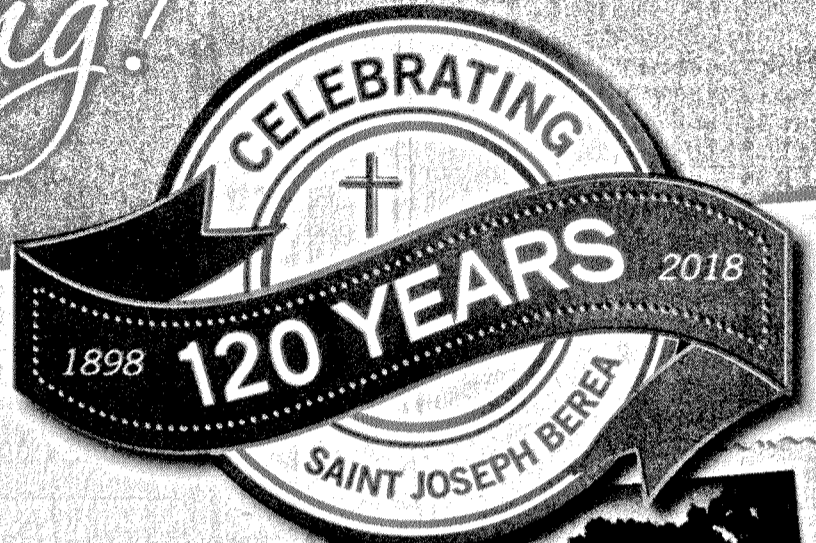
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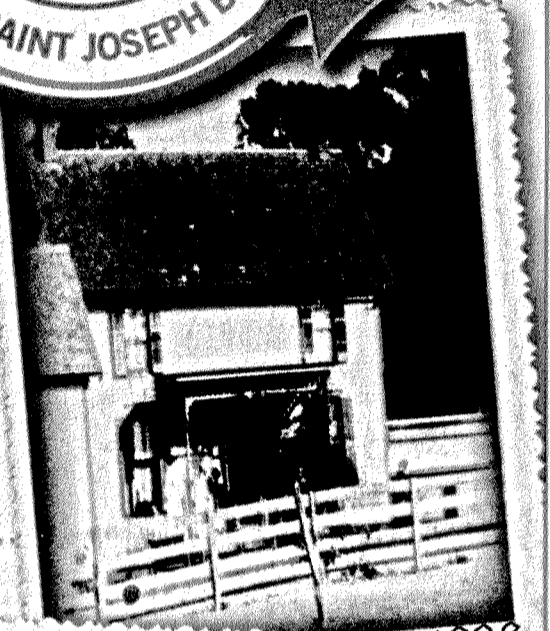
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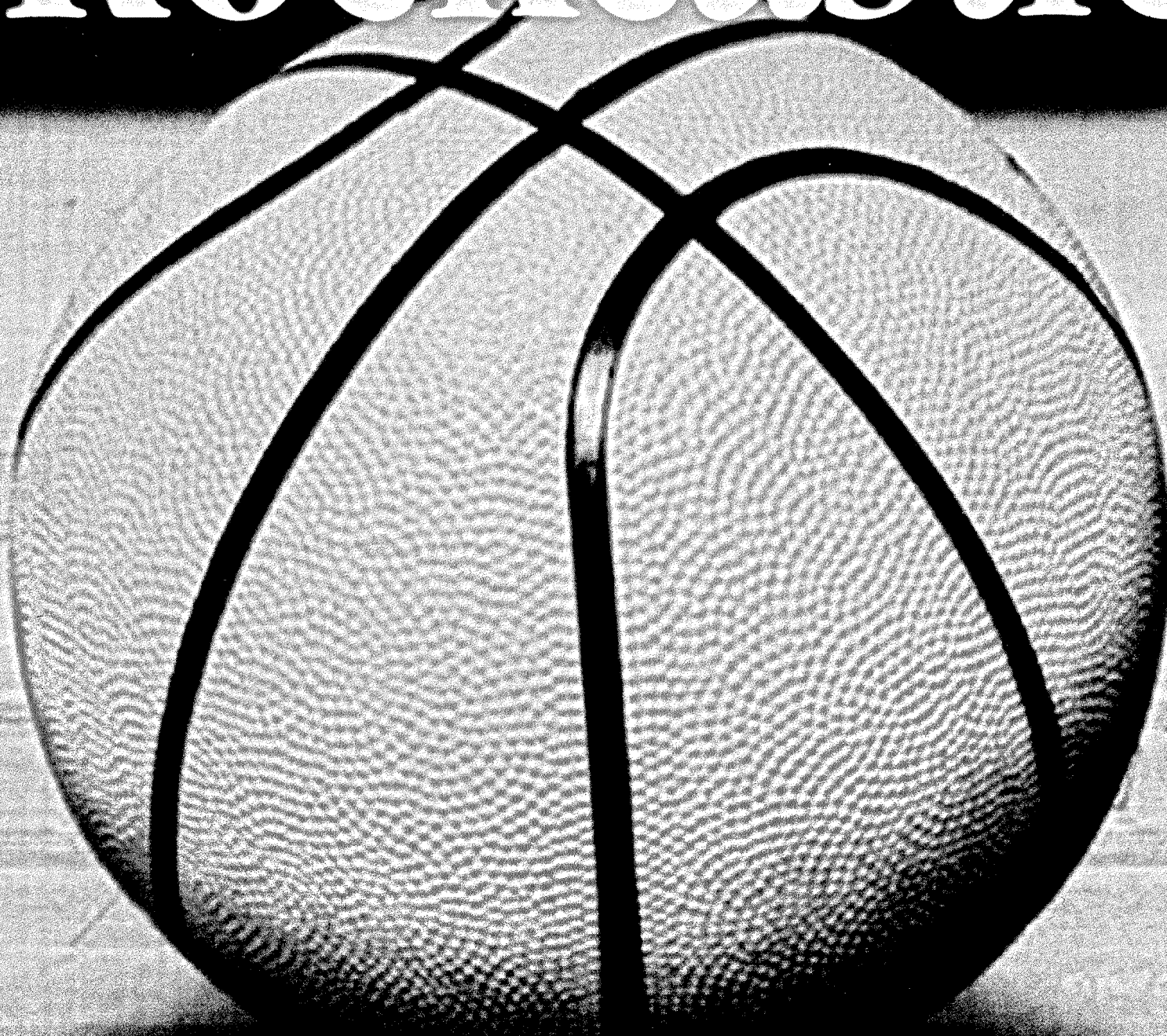
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Members of the Rockets basketball squad are pictured above, seated, from left: Jordan Nicely, Bentley Taylor, Jacob Loudermilk, Logan Bullock, Josiah West, Cade Burdette and Logan Noel. Back row from left: Trevor Todd, Drew Hopkins, Isaac Stratton, Jonmark Loudermilk, Caleb Burns, Daniel Mullins, Reece McGuire and Matthew Chasteen.

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Rockets learning to win, lose and love each other

By: Mike French
Editor

Boys basketball at Rockcastle County High School may not have had a great record last year, but the players were given a strong foundation for the new head coach to build from.

Andrew Cash, 37, of Rockcastle County, has taken over the reins as the new head coach of the Rockcastle County Rockets and he brings many years of experience courtside.

Cash served many years as assistant coach at RCHS with his father Clayton Cash and, under the leadership of exiting coach Benny Blanton. Not to mention, Cash also played as a Rocket from 1996 to 2000 and then for Berea College.

Cash learned a lot during his time as assistant coach and now he has brought his experience, both as a player and assistant coach to the school as head coach.

"There are some changes we are making," said Cash. "But it's mostly philosophical changes. It's the overall mental-

ity of the players that we are focused on. The actual thought process that our players have," said Cash.

And that thought process involves one area that not all coaches may have, love.

"I just plain love these guys," he said. "There is nothing on earth I wouldn't do for any of them and nothing they wouldn't do for me. They all know they can come to my house anytime. We do things together and we have gatherings. We are a family."

Cash said he does indeed get loud from time to time but "they know I still love them. I am just teaching them and showing them life."

Cash says he tries to coach more than the basketball player inside each student. "I try to prepare them for the game. Prepare them to lose. Prepare them to win. But mostly, prepare them for life. The real world is coming and I want them to be good people even more than good basketball players," he said.

Last year ended with a 5-25 record but this year Cash has

four seniors and a very strong bench, he says.

"That's one of the differences in my style," Cash said. "I don't only play upper classmen. I play whoever is producing. Whoever we need in a certain situation regardless of what grade they are in. All of our guys have strengths and I am going to play whoever we need at the time."

Cash has a starting five in mind for the upcoming season but he says he will not stick to it. "I'll be paying very close attention to how hard they work and how they perform. We have some very strong young players and I am going to use that," he said.

Though Cash is focused on each game as it comes, he is also watching and thinking about next year he said. "We play in the moment. Game by game. But as the season goes on, I start looking for who is going to step up next year. I start looking ahead once the players start working well together."

Cash is looking to each player to produce this year but

Isaac Straton brings the most experience to the team this season. "Isaac brings a lot of experience. But we have an explosive team and on any given night, anyone of them could score 15-20 points. It depends on who has the hot hand," he said.

"The younger class is bigger than our senior and junior class this year. We have strong prospects and a lot of guys that can make a difference."

Cash also has a strong staff. His brother Aaron serves as an assistant coach along with Bryan Clontz and Sam Pensol.

"One advantage is my brother and I spent our lives playing together and coaching together. We share the same philosophy," he said.

Cash has already had meetings with the parents and made sure everyone understands his motto. "We are all in this together," he said. "That's what we live by. We are like family. I want these kids to know they are part of something special and they can be proud."

Though the Rockets face

some strong schools this year, Cash nor his staff or players are too concerned. "We think we will be very competitive this season," he said. "We only had five wins last year but this year we expect to have a lot more wins and who knows, we may go further than anyone expects."

Cash said he has his team working extra hard in the weight room this year for a lot of reasons. "It keeps them healthy and strong and builds confidence and makes them more competitive."

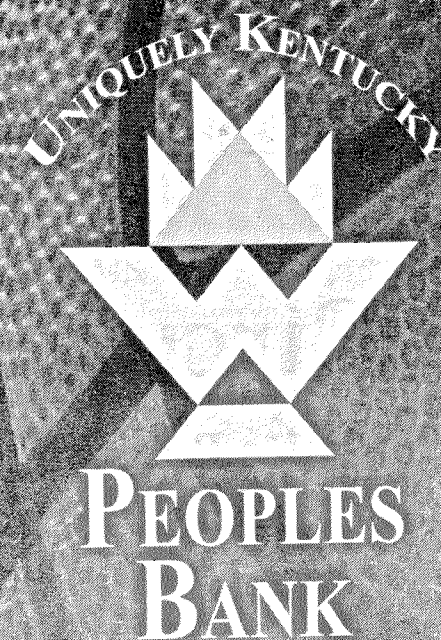
Cash is also a strong believer in hard practice. "We practice very hard. Actual games should be easy. That's the fun part. Practice is work. Hard work. The game is where that pays off."

But no matter how difficult the practice or the workout program or the game itself, one thing is clear at the end of the night. "We are going to give our all in every game, everytime. But at the end of the night, win or lose, we will know we all love each other."

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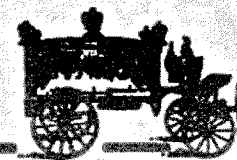
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2018-2019 Rockets Junior Varsity

Members of the Rocket junior varsity team are pictured above, front row from left: Aiden Thompson, Silas Shaffer, Reese Coguer, Bentley Taylor, Logan Bullock, Ethan Fain and Bryson Atkin. Back row from left: Andrew Hurt, Rylee Deleon, Drew Hopkins, Will Bishop, Jake Sanders, Reece McGuire, Daniel Mullins and Matthew Chasteen.

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Lady Rockets bring experience and speed

By: Mike French
Editor

Rockcastle County High School has a lot to be proud of in their Lady Rockets Basketball team. Over the past 29 years, Head Coach Chrysti Beaver Noble has led the team down victory lane many times and it looks, to many, like this will be yet another winning year.

In fact, while at RCHS, Noble has led the Lady Rockets to seven Regional Championships and even a state title. With an astounding overall record of 553-268, it is clear to all Lady Rocket fans that Noble knows what she is doing.

Last year's 18-13 team were runners up in the district and lost to the defending state champion Mercer County in the 12th region to end their season.

Seniors Emily Adams, Mackenzie Payne and Jordyn Powell were strong contributors to last year's success and Noble has worked her team to get ready for this year.

The other senior, Leaellen Rogers, had to sit out most of the season because of an injury.

Noble says she foresees a strong season. "We have worked really hard this summer and during the pre-season," she said. "We want to have a great season."

One of the biggest reasons Noble expects a strong team this year is the fact that she has three returning starters in Shelby Newland, Kenzie Himes and Casey Coleman.

"We are returning experience and will have at least 10-12 players who will see a lot of game time," she said.

And that's not all. Noble says the entire bench is strong this year. "Our biggest strength this year may be our depth."

Currently, Nobles plans to start Emma Bullens, Kassie Lay, Shelby Newland, Casey Coleman and Kenzi Himes. Still Noble is keeping an eye on that strong bench. "We could change that starting line-up some depending on who works hard and can get the job done," she said.

The three returning starters led the team in scoring last season and 5 foot 10 Coleman led all scorers

with 12.5 ppg. But, Coleman was followed closely by two teammates, Himes, who averaged 10.1 ppg and Newland who averaged 9.2 ppg last season. "We expect to see a lot out of these three players as well as some others," Noble said. "Our team will be well rounded this year."

Noble expects every player to be noticeably better towards the end of the season. "I think all our players will grow this year," she said. "especially our eighth graders Keelee King and Hallie Brown."

Other players Noble expects a lot from are Lindsey Jones, Madison McIntosh, Bailee Allen, Aliyah Lopez Savanna Neeley, Zoe Burdette, Brooke Castle and Jordan Harper.

"Our team is faster and stronger this year. We are working on our three point shooting. We are working hard on being able to score on the outside so that our inside game will open up," the coach said.

It may be a difficult start when the season opens since the first two games of the year may be the toughest games of the season. "Our first two games of the season start out with two of the best teams in the state," she said.

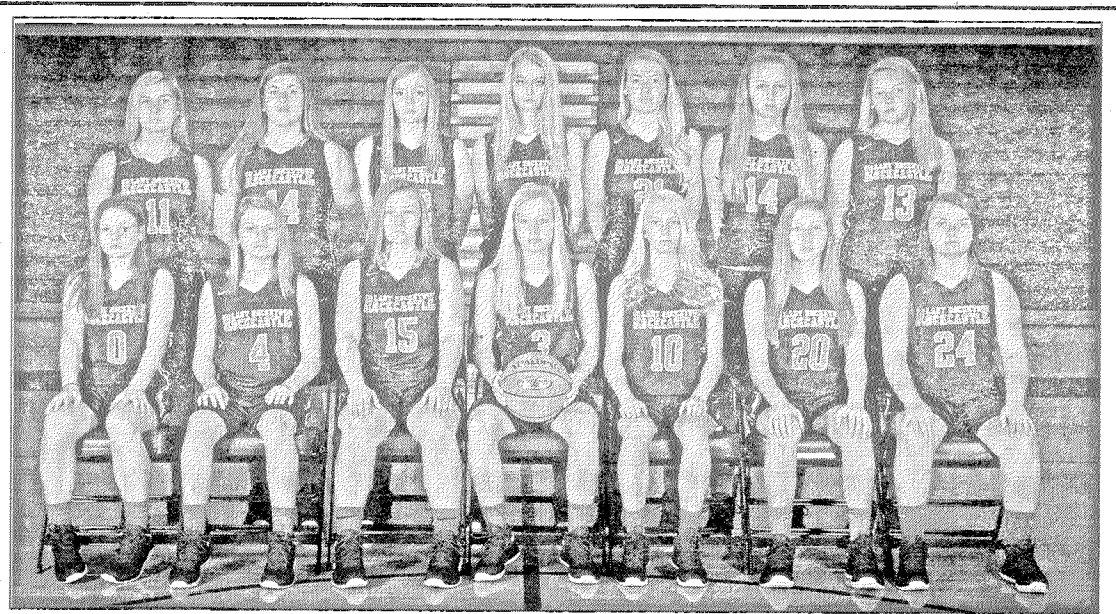
In fact, those two teams, Anderson and Lincoln County are both expected to see deep regional play, according to state reports of high school basketball.

However, with the help of assistant coaches Eric Wright, David Owens and Ken Mattingly, Noble plans to win the district and compete strongly in the regional.

Noble isn't worried about last year's team or next year's season at this moment. "I focus on each game. Not the past season or next season," she said.

Lady Rocket fans can expect to see action-packed games this year since Noble has plans to push hard. "We plan on pressing and pushing the ball in transition. We need our defense to lead our offense," she said.

Noble said she wanted to thank all the parents, RCHS staff and administrators and the community for all the support the team receives each season.



2018-2019 Lady Rockets Junior Varsity

Members of the Lady Rockets junior varsity squad are pictured above, front row from left: Emma Hackworth, Addison McClure, Aliyah Lopez,

Jordan Harper, Lindsey Jones, Laney Bryant and Haley Thacker.

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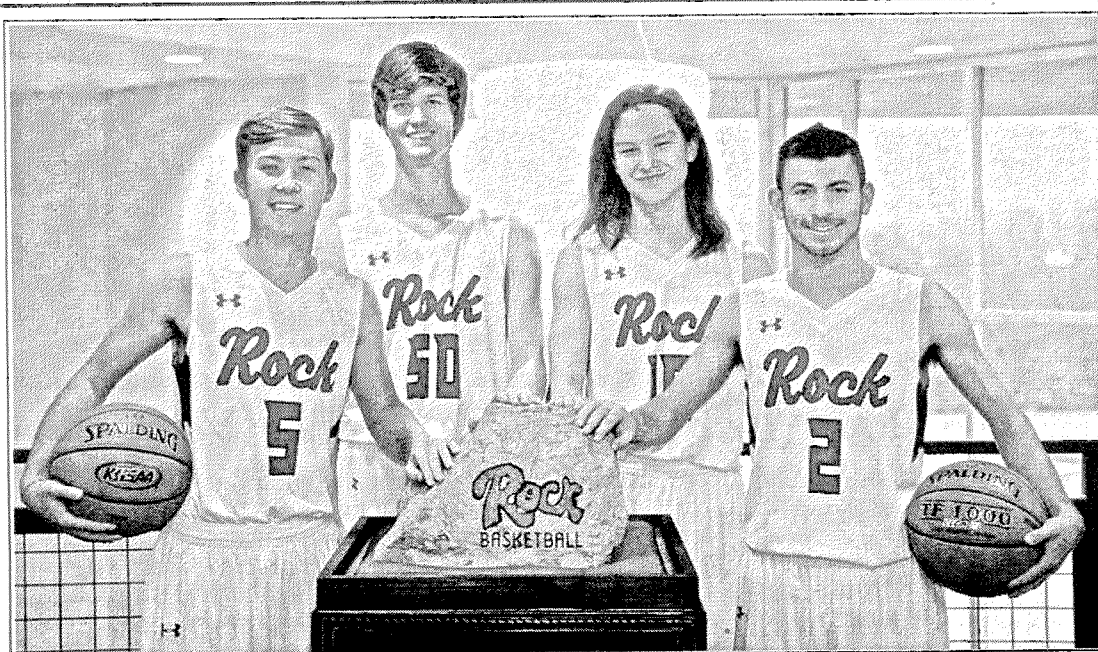
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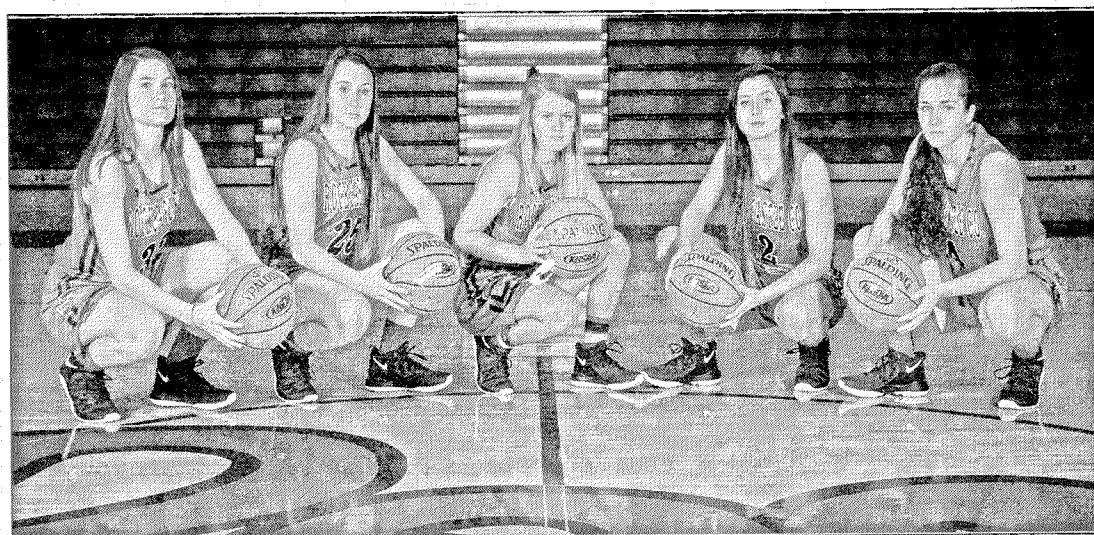
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Rockets and Lady Rockets Seniors



Senior members of the Rockcastle Rockets for 2018-2019 are shown above, from left: Cade Burdette, Jonmark Loudermilk, Isaac Stratton and Jordan Nicely.

(Photo by Selena Thompson)



Senior members of the Rockcastle Lady Rockets for 2018-2019 are shown above, from left: Emma Bullens, Kassie Lay, Savannah Neeley, Zoe Burdette and Brooke Castle.

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11-30	Lincoln County	Home	7:30
12-4	Estill County	Away	7:30
12-7	Somerset	Away	7:30
12-11	Anderson County	Home	7:30
12-14	Casey County	Away	7:30
12-18	West Jessamine	Away	7:30
12-19	Mercer County	Away	8:15
	<i>(Clash of the Titans)</i>		
12-21	Lincoln County	@ Mercer	8:15
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12-27	Montgomery Co.	Away	5:30
	<i>(Gateway Holiday Classic)</i>		
12-28	TBA		
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1-2	Somerset	Home	7:30
1-4	Pulaski	Away	7:30
1-8	North Laurel	Away	7:30
1-11	Casey County	Home	7:30
1-14	Wayne County	Away	7:30
1-19	Marion County	Away	
1-21	East Jessamine	Home	7:30
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1-29	Model	Away	7:30
1-31	Williamsburg	Home	7:30
2-2	Danville	Home	7:30
2-5	Jackson County	Away	7:30
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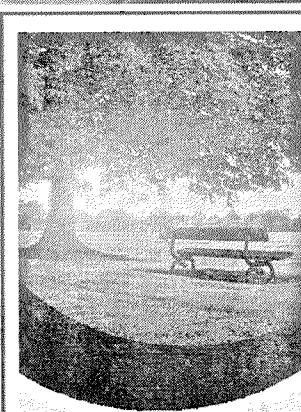
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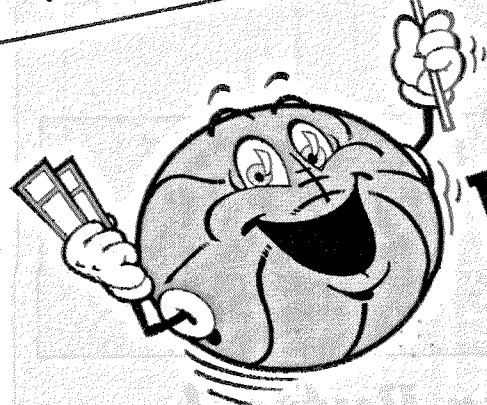
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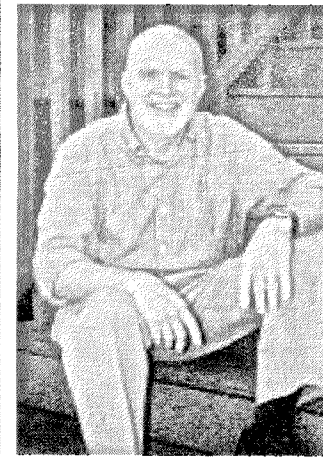
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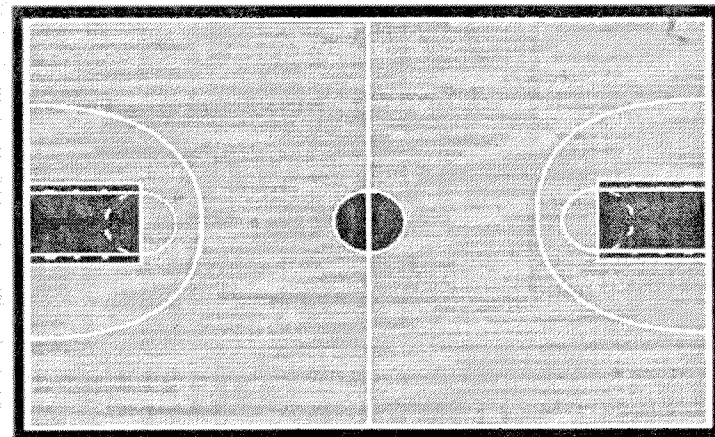
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Lady Rockets Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
11-26	Anderson County	Home	7:30
11-30	Lincoln County	Home	6:00
12-4	Estill County	Away	6:00
12-7	Somerset	Away	6:00
12-14	Casey County	Away	6:00
12-17	West Jessamine	Home	7:30
12-20	Lafayette	@ Mad. Central	1:45
<i>(Jack Burford Chevy Christmas Classic)</i>			
12-21	Harlan County	@ Mad. Central	5:15
<i>(Jack Burford Chevy Christmas Classic)</i>			
12-22	Southwestern	@ Mad. Central	5:15
<i>(Jack Burford Chevy Christmas Classic)</i>			
12-28	Nicholas County	@ Montgomery	6:00
<i>(Gateway Holiday Classic)</i>			
1-2	Somerset	Home	6:00
1-4	Pulaski County	Away	6:00
1-8	North Laurel	Away	6:00
1-11	Casey County	Home	6:00
1-12	Garrard County	Away	2:30
1-14	Wayne County	Away	6:00
1-18	Lynn Camp	Home	7:30
1-21	Lexington Christian	Away	7:30
1-25	Pulaski County	Home	6:00
1-26	Lafayette	@ Garrard	10:30
<i>(Elite Insurance Solutions Lady Lions Classic)</i>			
1-28	Clay County	Away	7:30
2-2	Danville	Home	6:00
2-4	Mercer County	Away	7:30
2-7	Madison Central	Home	7:30
2-12	McCreary Central	Home	7:30
2-14	South Laurel	Home	6:00

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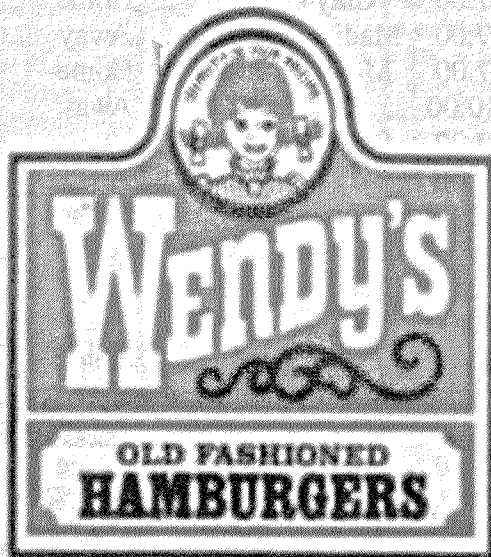
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RCHS Rockets JV/Freshman Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Teams
12-1	North Laurel	Away	F/JV
12-13	Knox Central	Away	F/JV
12-17	South Laurel	Away	F/JV
1-5	Southwestern	Away	F
1-5	Adair County	Away	F
1-7	Southwestern	Home	F/JV
1-12	Clay County	Away	F
1-15	Knox Central	Home	F/JV
1-17	Jackson County	Home	F/JV
1-24	Garrard County	Away	F/JV
1-26	Boyle County	Away	F/JV
1-28	South Laurel	Home	F/JV
2-4	North Laurel	Home	F/JV
2-5	Jackson County	Away	F/JV/V
2-8	Garrard County	Home	F/JV
2-9	12th Region Freshman Tournament		F
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2-25	Russell County	Away	F/JV

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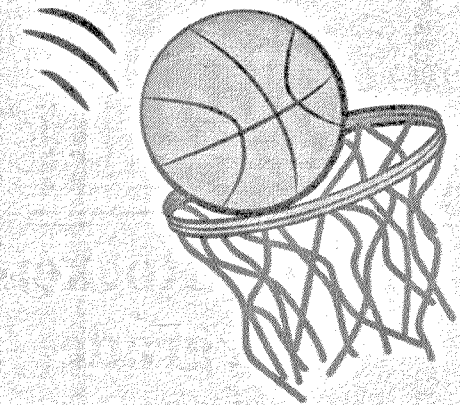
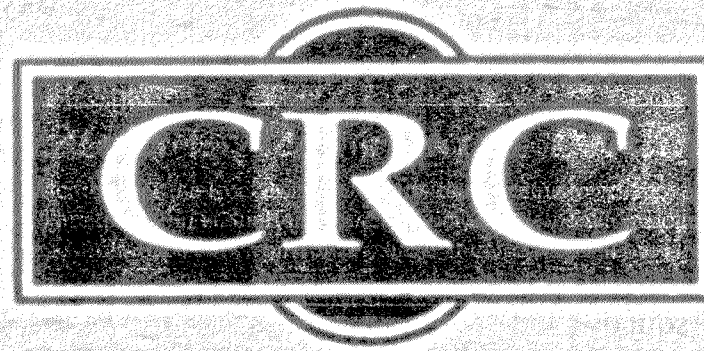
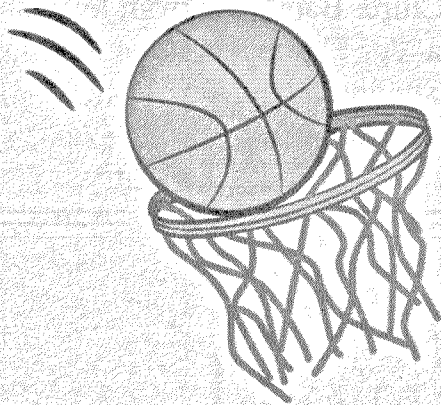
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RCHS Lady Rockets JV/Freshman Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Teams
11-27	7:00	Clay County	Away	F/JV
11-29	7:00	Somerset	Home	F/JV
12-1	TBA	S. Laurel Invit.	Away	F/JV
12-3	7:00	North Laurel	Away	F/JV
12-6	7:00	Clark County	Home	F/JV
12-8	10:00	Lincoln County	Home	F
12-10	7:00	Clay County	Home	F/JV
12-11	7:00	Madison Central	Away	F/JV
12-13	7:00	Mercer County	Home	F/JV
12-15	10:00	Somerset	Away	F/JV
12-18	7:00	Pulaski County	Home	F/JV
1-3	7:00	Pulaski County	Away	F/JV
1-5	10:00	South Laurel	Home	F/JV
1-7	6:00	Lincoln County	Away	F
1-10	7:30	Clark County	Away	F
1-19	10:00	Casey County	Away	F/JV
1-24	7:00	North Laurel	Home	F/JV
1-29	7:00	Whitley County	Home	F/JV
1-31	7:00	Mercer County	Away	F/JV
2-5	5:30	Woodford Co.	Home	F
2-7	5:15	Madison Central	Home	F/JV/V
2-9	10:00	Casey County	Home	F/JV

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RCMS Rockets 8th grade

Members of the RCMS eighth grade boys' basketball team are shown at left, front row from left:

Jaidan Burton, Lance Coffey, Marquise Gentry, Cameron Wright-Bugg and Johnathon McClure. Back row from left: Ethan Medley, Xander Fletcher, Carson King, Skyler Durham and Kaden Kidwell.

Not pictured: Ben Brown
The team is coached by Zach Gentry.

RCMS Rockets 7th grade

Members of the RCMS 7th grade boys' squad are shown at right, front row from left:

Cody Maupin, Harper McCool, Landon Reppert, Jace Rogers, Jake Cromer, Carson Carrera and Rex Parkey.

Back row from left: Ashton Sanders, Ben Brown, Skyler Durham, Lance Coffey, Dalton Simpson and Connor Hunt.

Not pictured: Kaleb Alexander.
The team is coached by Dustin Reynolds.



RCMS Rockets 6th grade

Members of the RCMS 6th grade boys' squad are shown at left, front row from left: Ethan Weaver, Daulton Santo, Conner Winstead, Rex Parkey, Kaleb Alexander and Parker Kidwell.

Back row from left: Lincoln Rader, Connor Hunt, Emerick Goff, Brandon Valle, Carson Carrera and Jace Rogers.

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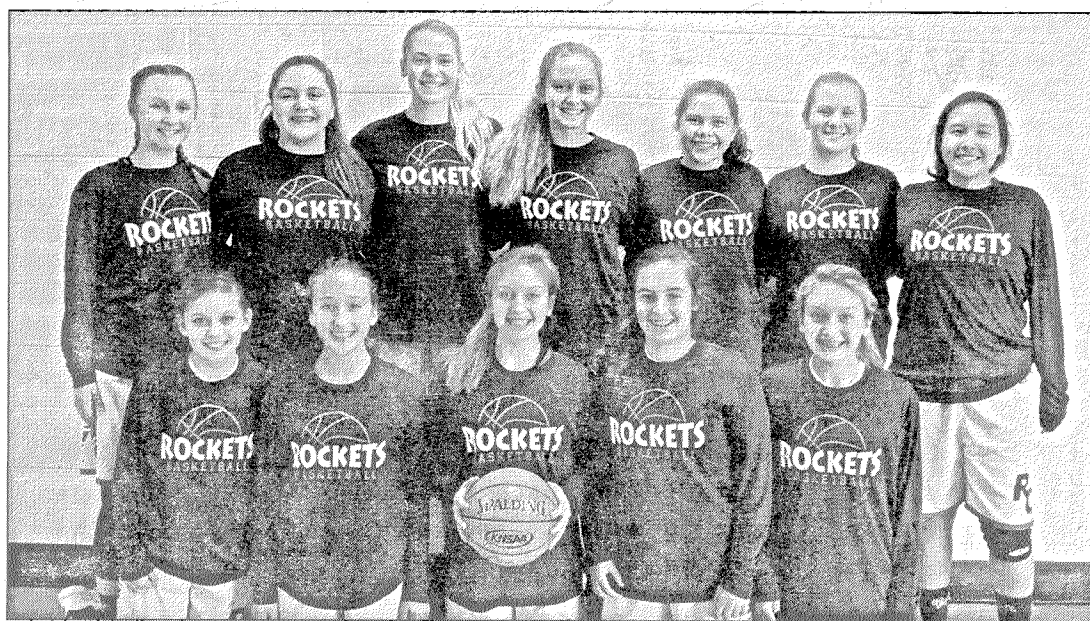
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RCMS Lady Rockets 8th grade

Members of the RCMS eighth grade girls' basketball team are shown at left, front row from left: Karlee Smith, Calliegh Burdette, Kaylee Cameron, Kara Bullock and Karlee Cameron. Back row from left: Mackenzie Lopez, Kylee Burns, Hallie Brown, Keelee King, Makinlee Goff, Abby Owens and Savannah Santo.

RCMS Lady Rockets 7th grade

Members of the RCMS seventh grade girls' basketball team are shown at right, front row from left: Makayla Coffey, Molly Irvin, Kelsey Rowe, Makayla Denney and Brooklyn Smith. Second row from left: Kaliee Collins, Allie Todd, Camryn Cash, Haven King, Riley Smith and Averi Dillingham.



RCMS Lady Rockets 7th grade

Members of the RCMS sixth grade girls' basketball team are shown at left, front row from left: Kaylee Hargis, Chloe Morris, Markley Richards, Bailey Harris, Kaylee Duncan and Madison Barnett. Back row from left: Bethany Chasteen, Makyla Hester, Madison York, Abby DeLeon, Caylie Mobley, Brylee Mullins and Lilyann Storm.



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An Old Fashioned Christmas parade

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Not much will be different this December when it comes to Richmond's Christmas parade.

Set for Dec. 7, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., the parade will have a similar route to past parades, according to Elizabeth Eversole, program coordinator for the Richmond Parks Department. However, the parade will exit the Alumni Coliseum Parking Lot by leaving through Model Laboratory High School's exit.

Also new this year is the theme, "Old Fashioned



Richard Simmons hustles Santa's Reindeer back into shape at the annual Richmond Christmas Parade.

Christmas."

"The department came up with a few different

themes and then decided to have the community vote on the options,"

Eversole said. "We were excited to see Old Fashioned Christmas was the winner. The theme means honoring tradition, and I'm excited to see what the community comes up with."

She's most looking forward to seeing "all the wonderful floats and decorations with lights," she said.

Eversole expects to see 100-125 entries, as that's how many there have been in the past few years, she said. The final deadline to submit a parade entry is Dec. 4, and there's a \$20 fee associated with it.

Create a special gift with Make It, Take It, Give It

Register Staff Report

If one can't find the perfect gift for that special person, Berea Tourism will help them make a one-of-a-kind gift from the hands and the heart during Make It, Take It, Give It.

Berea Tourism communications manager Aja Croteau said the Make It, Take It, Give It weekends are where families can attend workshops together or on their own to create gifts for others or maybe something for themselves. The workshops are every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, now through Dec. 16.

"Make It, Take It, Give It is a great opportunity for people to not only learn new skills and enjoy art, but also to create a finished piece that they can give as a gift this holiday

season," Croteau said. "Making gifts by hand adds such a special touch and allows others to enjoy the beautiful art that we're so lucky to have here in Berea!"

Residents can choose from a variety of workshops, such as creating stained glass sun catchers, learning how to forge a letter opener, blowing glass for an ornament or making fiber art. Each workshop varies in time, cost and skill level but each will provide a unique experience for the holidays.

"Alongside our returning popular workshops, we have a variety of brand new workshops this year including blacksmithing, crocheting and glassblowing courses," Croteau said. "If you want to try something new or deepen your understanding of

a class you've already taken, there's always something to learn from this program."

Croteau said the workshops are more than just an educational program. Participants return year after year not only because they enjoy the classes, but to reconnect with students and instructors that are as passionate as they are.

"One former participant shared that coming to a workshop was like sitting down for a family meal, and we strive for everyone to have that warm, heartfelt experience, especially during the holidays," she said.

For more information about the workshops and registration, visit <https://www.visitberea.com/workshops/group/make-it-take-it-give-it>.

'A Christmas Carol' returns to Berea Arena Theater

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Once again, as it approaches that time of year, "A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Berea Arena Theatre.

"For 33 years now, this production has become a community holiday tradition, a great show to bring

family to and the magic of Charles Dicken's classic still brings cheer to audiences," said Norma Kennedy, of Berea Arena Theater.

"More than ever, I think the story's message is one the world needs right now," she continued. "At its core, it is a story of good and evil and how a

man can change his fate. It's a story about compassion and the power it has on others. 'A Christmas Carol' shows how one act of kindness and mercy can alter lives, and it's something audiences connect with in a world of cruelty and judgment."

The show is being put on Nov. 28-29 and Dec.

1-2. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$5 for students/children. Call 859-986-9039 for reservations.

Kennedy strongly recommends calling in reservations for performances, as tickets normally go quickly for this show.

An 18th Century Christmas

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Given the history and nature of Fort Boonesborough, it becomes a little bit different at Christmas time than other traditional celebratory events around the holiday season in Madison County.

"The fort becomes a magical lantern lit venue on Friday night (Dec. 7) with over 100 lanterns lining the pathway and along with candles lighting the cabins," said Elizabeth Chalfant, president and secretary of the Fort Boonesborough Foundation. "Saturday in the daylight, all parts of liv-

ing in an 18th Century fort is evident: cabins, outside fires, the blacksmith forge and so much more."

The foundation sponsors the event as part of its fundraising effort to support the state park. This year, the 18th Century Christmas will be happening 6-9 p.m. Dec. 7 and 1-4 p.m. Dec. 8.

"The event has something for everyone," Chalfant said. "The cabins will be filled with 18th Century living, interpreters explaining about the customs of several countries, such as England, Germany and Scotland, with foods of the time and area."

Handouts and samples of the food will be avail-

able.

Plus, the Daniel Boone Memorabilia Cabin has a collection of memorabilia gathered during the past 50 years. A lot of the items are from the old Fess Parker TV show, according to Chalfant.

In the Frontier Foods cabin, guests can learn about foods that were common on the Kentucky frontier during the late 1770s.

In the crafts cabin, children can make simple rag dolls, while the iron collection cabin features original iron pieces from the 1660s to the 1860s.

"Father Christmas will be visiting, and we invite you to have your picture taken with him," Chalfant

said. "We will print (them) and give (them) to you as a souvenir of your visit."

Both the museum and the Transylvania store will be open for shopping, and there will be music in the open air as well as in the tavern, where refreshments will be served. There will also be period games.

"All cabins are candle lit. Friday, the fort is toured by lantern light, a magical scene," Chalfant said.

All visitors will be asked to park in a parking area on Highway 388, where there will be signs. Shuttles will provide rides from the parking area to the fort for free, starting at 5:30 p.m. Friday and 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

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Berea's Christmas Parade set for Dec. 1

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With the start of holiday season here, those hoping to get a head start on the Christmas celebration can enjoy the 33rd annual Berea Chamber of Commerce's Twilight Christmas Parade on Dec. 1 at 6 p.m.

This year's theme for the parade is "Christmas Through a Child's Eyes."

David Rowlette, chamber executive director, said the theme came from the planning committee who is in charge of organizing the parade.

"It was just something that everyone felt was appropriate," he said.

The parade will start with lining up at Berea Community School, up Ellipse, across Jefferson, up Broadway, down Chestnut streets and back to the school, the same parade route as many years before. Rowlette said the best viewing spot is along Chestnut from the corner of Broadway up to College Square.

In continuing tradition, there



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The Grinch and Berea Youth League at the Berea Christmas Parade.

will be prizes and awards for Best Business, Best Church, Best Non-Profit and Best Industry. First place will be awarded \$200 and second will receive \$100.

There will also be places to get a treat to eat and warm drinks, as many businesses will be open to showcase their goods. The parade will not only serve as great way to bring in the holiday spirit but also a good opportunity to get hand-

crafted gifts from the many local shops Berea has to offer, Rowlette said.

He said he's just looking forward to having a good time, and he hopes the weather will be nice.

"It's appreciated by everyone," Rowlette said.

Last year, the parade was rescheduled because of a snowstorm, and Rowlette just hopes that isn't the case this year.

Remembrance Tree Ceremony coming Dec. 2

The annual Remembrance Tree ceremony is set for Sunday, Dec. 2, at 2 p.m. at the ECU Center for the Arts.

The event is a long-standing tradition for the community, bringing hundreds together on the first Sunday in December for 25 years.

The Remembrance Tree ceremony gives the community a chance to remember loved ones during the holiday season by placing a personalized, memorial ornament on a remembrance tree.

Hospice Care Plus sponsors the event as part of its bereavement program, which provides grief support services to the community. The ceremony is open to all, whether or not their loved one was cared for by Hospice Care Plus.

"Our bereavement program has always recognized that the holidays can be a hard time for people who've lost loved ones, even when those losses aren't recent," said Chasity Coleman, director of development at Hospice Care Plus. "It's a time of year when their absence is felt so strongly, yet there isn't a built-in way to acknowledge that hole they've left behind. The Remembrance Tree seems to do that for people. It gives us an outlet for those feelings."

After an opening prayer and



Guests place memorial ornaments on one of three trees at a recent Remembrance Tree ceremony. This year's Remembrance Tree is Dec. 2 at 2 p.m. at the ECU Center for the Arts. It's sponsored by the Hospice Care Plus bereave-

ment program. After the holiday music, the ceremony continues with the reading of memorial names. Guests place their personalized ornament on the Remembrance Tree when they hear their loved one's name.

If the person who requested the memorial ornament is unable to attend, a Hospice Care Plus staff member will place it on the

tree for them.

After the ceremony, ornaments will be taken to Hospice's Compassionate Care Center and placed on the Center's Christmas tree. Guests who wish to take their personalized ornament home with them may do so immediately following the ceremony, or they can claim them at the Compassionate Care Center anytime between Dec. 6 and 31.

Anyone can request a memorial ornament. There is no fee for ornaments, but a donation — of any size — is encouraged.

To request an ornament, visit hospicecareplus.org, call 859-986-1500 or 1-800-806-5492 during business hours, email hospice@hospicecp.org, or visit the Hospice Care Plus Facebook page. Proceeds from the ceremony cover the cost of the ornaments and help fund all programs offered by Hospice Care Plus.

Hospice Care Plus is a non-profit organization serving Estill, Jackson, Lee, Madison, Owsley and Rockcastle counties. Services include hospice care, palliative care, bereavement outreach, and hospice inpatient care at the Compassionate Care Center. All services are provided regardless of ability to pay.

Find original artwork for a holiday gift

Register Staff Report

Locals hoping to find the perfect handmade gift can look no further than the Berea Arts Council's annual Original Art, Original Gift exhibit, where people can take advantage of one stop shopping to find original artwork for everyone on their holiday list.

Through Dec. 22, residents can visit the exhibit and select wonderful crafts and artwork created by local artisans in the area, everything from wooden toys, jewelry, scarves to painting, prints and much more.

Gwen Childs, executive director of the Berea Arts Council, said

they were trying to focus on smaller, lower priced items so anyone would be able to come in and buy something handmade.

The Berea Arts Council is located at 139 N. Broadway, Old Town Artisan Village, Berea. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday – Saturday.

Breakfast with Santa Dec. 8

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The Richmond Area Arts Council is continuing its holiday tradition with the eighth annual Breakfast with Santa event.

This year's event will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8, from 9 a.m. until noon at the RAAC's headquarters, 399 W. Water St., Richmond. The event, which has grown exponentially over the course of the years, is a family friendly gathering where parents, grandparents and children of all ages can come to have fun.

Admission is \$5 plus tax per person, and children two or younger are admitted free of charge with the purchase of adult admission. The proceeds from the event will go towards sponsoring children's classes in the Fun with the Arts after-school program and the Madison Strings program.

In addition to breakfast, which is being provided by Hardee's, attendees will get a chance to participate in several activities, including decorating cookies, gift bags, and holiday cards, and creating numerous holiday gifts and crafts.

Santa and his little helpers will be in attendance as well for plenty of photo opportunities by Custom Photo. Images will be sent to parents/guardians via email.

The event is sponsored by Meijer, Arcadian Cove and Custom Photo.

Call 858-624-4242, email director@artsinrichmond.org, check them out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/RichmondAreaArtsCouncil/> or at www.artsinrichmond.org for more information.

Reach Kaitlyn Brooks at 624-6608; follow her on Twitter @kaitlynkskovran.



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Santa and his helpers will be at the annual Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 8 to take photos with as well as to hear what every good kid wants for Christmas.

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Dancing around the holidays

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Berea College is bringing the holiday spirit to its campus with two events sure to put everyone into good spirits.

The annual Berea College Christmas Concert is set to take place on two nights, Friday, Nov. 30, and Saturday, Dec. 1. Both performances, which start at 7:30 p.m., will be held at Union Church. According to Tim Jordan, Berea College's Media Relations spokesperson, both shows have already sold out. But that shouldn't cause panic, as interested viewers can watch the shows via livestream.

The show is co-sponsored by the College's music department and the Willis D. Weatherford Jr. Campus Christian Center.

The Christmas Concert will include performances by the college's Black Music Ensemble, Bluegrass Music Ensemble, Chamber Singers, Clavere Piano Duo, Concert Choir, Folk Roots Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Wind Ensemble, Bel Canto Treble Singers and the Mariachi Band.

A livestream to the Nov. 30 show can be accessed here: <https://livestream.com/bereacollege/events/8415585>.

Another event taking place at Berea College is the Christmas Country Dance School.

Starting after the Christmas holiday, a week of dancing and celebrating folk art will take place at the college's Seabury Center. Attendees will get the opportunity to learn a variety of dances, including English Country, Morris dance, rapper, Danish, Appalachian clogging, and



The Country Dance School invites people of all ages to attend a week full of dancing, storytelling and crafts.

square dance every day from Dec. 26-31. There are five class sessions, with six to 10 choices each session. Singing, music, crafts and storytelling will also take place.

In the evening, dancers can expect a night filled with dancing and parlor, a time of sharing songs, stories and special talents. The week ends with a New Year's Eve gala dance. Only registered participants can attend the gala.

The Country Dance School welcomes participants young and old, but ages 13 to 17 are accepted with a parent or guardian. Dances are open to the public Dec. 26, 28, and 30 only.

One of the things that makes CCDS unique is the development of dance callers and instructors, with classes in writing dances and calling English Country. However, a major facet of community dance is inclusion. Classes are graded by experience level, so beginners are given the special attention they need,

while experts are provided with new insights and inspiration.

Dancers should wear regular clothes they are comfortable in for the day and festive attire for evening parties. Hard-soled shoes are recommended. Dancers should bring with them a pair of shoes to be worn indoors only for dancing. Participants are also encouraged to bring a crazy or wild hat for a hat night.

The ongoing tradition has been in place since 1938, when it served as a training ground for dance leaders. For additional information, email ccds@berea.edu. To register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/christmas-country-dance-school-2018-tickets-47492130240?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>.

Any lodging for the week of dancing is to be arranged and paid for by the participant, but they can visit <https://www.berea.edu/ccds/housing-options/> to help find the right place for their stay.

Christmas Bazaar returns Dec. 1

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Can you believe it? It's already Christmas Bazaar season. St. Mark Catholic Church invites everyone to go to the 55th Christmas Bazaar at the church at West Main Street and Parrish Avenue in Richmond on Dec. 1.

The church's doors open at 8:30 a.m., and there will be breakfast and coffee available at Anna's Breakfast Nook. Then, visitors can shop an entire gym, cafeteria and two hallways, which will be filled with a wide assortment of gifts and personal items.

Grandma's Christmas Shoppe will have Christmas décor for sale (everything from little ornaments to 20-foot-tall trees), according to a news release. Winter Haven will sell every size of winter ware from newborn size to adult in coats, boots, scarves, hats, gloves and mittens. Another store that will be present is Lucy's Jewelry to offer

unique gifts for all ages.

Plus, Santa himself will be at the bazaar. Guests can find out which list they're on, drop a few gift hints to the man and snap a photo with him before he heads up north to get back to work, the news release states.

For indoor yard sales, visit Grandpa's Attic, which will have rows upon rows of great deals on new and gently used items, ranging from furniture, baby stuff, toys, books, games, bags, purses, jewelry, wall art, kitchen and household merchandise.

Refuel midday with lunch by the church's hispanic ministry, starting at 11 a.m. The ministry is providing a menu of tacos dorados (fried), tamales, empanadas, doughnuts and hot chocolate. Dine in or take out.

There will also be a craft section featuring handmade Kentucky crafts by the church's parish and friends. That includes items made

from crafted wood, metals, fabrics, yarns, paints and repurposed materials.

The release also mentions a silent auction, featuring several themed gift baskets, gift card bundles, antiques and high-valued handcrafted items. Plus, there will be a raffle: First drawing winner receives a \$200 Meijer gift card, and second winner will receive a new, light cream-colored Churchill Weavers afghan. Raffle tickets cost \$1.

If you're looking for dessert, Grab and Go will offer cookies. Plated, wrapped, ribboned and ready cookie trays come in 1-pound and 2-pound sizes. There's also a baked goods and crafts section planned, which will feature a variety of home-baked and canned foods, such as baked breads, cakes, pies, jams, jellies, pickles and relishes.

The bazaar will be open until 2 p.m.

Danish-American Christmas celebrates 25 years

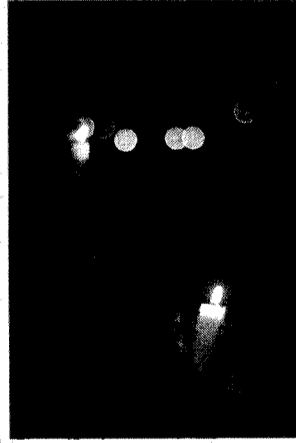
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This year, the Danish-American Christmas Celebration is celebrating more than just the holiday season. This celebration marks 25 years of ongoing festivities at the Russel Acton Folk Center.

The Berea community staple event brings together people of all ages for an evening of holiday cheer. The celebration will take place on Sunday, Dec. 2, starting at 5:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the Folk Circle Association of Berea.

Sune Frederikson, coordinator of the event and Danish native, said the event draws people from all over Kentucky, especially the Danish. Last year, 100 people attended the event, and



Frederikson hopes for just as many, if not more, this year to celebrate 25 years of the Danish-American Christmas Celebration. The event is free of charge, but Frederikson said people are free to leave a donation or bring fruits and snacks to the celebration.

The Danish-American Christmas Celebration

will feature live music, caroling and workshops, as well as traditional Danish dishes, such as Ris a la Mande, which is a sweet rice porridge with almonds. In keeping with the tradition, there will be a few whole almonds in Ris a la Mande, and those who find it will get a little gift, Frederikson said.

During the workshop, guests can look forward to making heart-shaped ornaments to be placed on the tree. Christmas is also called the celebration of hearts, according to Frederikson, which is why they make the woven paper craft. Attendees can expect to make paper stars and participate in other small workshops as well. Frederikson said there will also be story-telling, and Santa

will also be in attendance. Playing Santa is John Holbrook, who has played Jolly Ol' Saint Nick each year since the celebration's inception.

Following the workshops and dessert, there will be the Santa Lucia procession, where young women from the Berea Festival Dancers will don themselves in white robes and will be led by a young woman who is portraying St. Lucia. They will walk around with their live candles and light the candles on the Christmas trees. Frederikson said this portion of the event is emotional, but makes for a great evening and keeps in tradition with traditional Danish Christmas traditions.

Madison Southern Christmas Concert scheduled for Dec. 4

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Madison Southern High School's band will perform its annual Christmas concert on Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. at the school auditorium.

Several groups will be performing, including the Percussion Ensemble, Concert Band and

Symphonic Band.

Band director David Ratliff said concert attendees can expect to hear some Christmas-time music as the groups demonstrate the music they've been preparing in various classes over the past month.

"I am very proud of how the groups have prepared for this upcoming performance," the band

director said. "This is the first time in school history we have had two separate performing concert band ensembles here at Madison Southern. This is definitely an exciting time for the band program here."

The event is free and open to the public. All are welcome, said Ratliff.

Calling Mr. Claus

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Berea Parks and Recreation will be starting its Santa Calls Tuesday, Dec. 4, between 4 and 8 p.m.

For those who are interested in speaking with Ol' Saint Nick, they can call Mrs. Claus at 859-986-9402 to reserve a spot on the calling list. Callers must sign up by Dec. 3. Santa's call comes free of charge. The annual Santa Calls provides children an opportunity

to speak with Santa without the hassle of long lines at the mall.

Berea Parks and Recreation will also be hosting a Berea Uncorked "Kidz Edition" Canvas & Confections event Saturday, Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Russel Acton Folk Center.

The price is \$25 per child and includes a canvas, painting supplies and treats. The family friendly event provides fun in the warmth and away from the chilly weather winter brings. For more

information and to RSVP, email bereauncorked@gmail.com. The class will be taught by local artist Jesse Albert Glenn.

The Folk Center will also play host to the Madison County Special Olympics Special Needs Holiday Dance on Monday, Dec. 10, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and is free to attend.

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Several events planned at Artisan Center

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There's something for everyone this holiday season at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

"Our lobby has three trees decorated with handmade ornaments in the theme of holiday treats and candy," said Gwen Heffner, who works with the Artisan Center. "They are made by three artists — Joette Dunn of Falmouth, KY, did all the fabric stitched ornaments; the small candy-colored baskets are by Elizabeth Worley, of Lexington; and the round stitched circles are by Shawna

Southerland of Berea."

On Dec. 1, Rahab's Rope will perform holiday music from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Mike Ware will give a pottery on the wheel demonstration from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Then on Dec. 8, Jan Hill of Lexington will play holiday music on the harp from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Jamie Donaldson will do woodturning on the lathe from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Those who want to know more about woodcarving can visit the center on Dec. 15, when the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will be

doing demonstrations from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and there will be a musical performance from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. again, but the artist is yet to be announced.

Plus on Dec. 22, there will be another artist demonstration from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and that artist is also yet to be announced.

The center will be closed on Christmas Day, but on Dec. 29, Carl Von Fischer will demonstrate oil painting from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All events are free, Heffner said.

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Battlefield participating in Project Warm Feet

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With old man winter knocking on the door and Jack Frost nipping, it's time to make sure those in need are taken care of this holiday season.

One way to do that is by participating in the Battlefield of Richmond Visitors Center Project Warm Feet, which collects new, prepackaged socks to be distributed to the less fortunate here in Madison County.

Throughout the American Civil War, soldiers on both sides of the fight often faced a shortage of common clothing items that some today take for granted — socks.

The project took its first step in 2014, and has since collected more than 5,000 pairs of socks. In 2017 alone, generous donors were able to contribute 2,250 pairs of socks in just three weeks.

The staff at the Battlefield of Richmond Visitors Center is asking individuals who are interested in helping to purchase new, prepackaged socks for men, women and children, with a preference of athletic socks if possible. Donations can be dropped off at the visitors center, located at 101 Battlefield Memorial Highway (US 25 and 421 split), just south of Richmond.

The Battle of Richmond Visitors Center is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Project

Warm Feet kicks off Monday, Nov. 26, through Wednesday, Dec. 19.

OPERATION STARS AND STRIPES

In addition to Project Warm Feet, the Battle of Richmond Visitors Center is holding its annual Operation Stars and Stripes program through Nov. 29.

The program provides Christmas cards and DVDS to be sent to those in the service and their families, both stateside and overseas. Last year, more than 1,000 Christmas cards and 100 DVDs were collected and forwarded to Operation Stars and Stripes, a not-for-profit organization that provides military personnel with care packages and letters.

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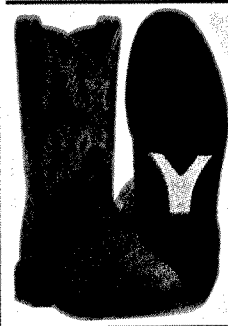
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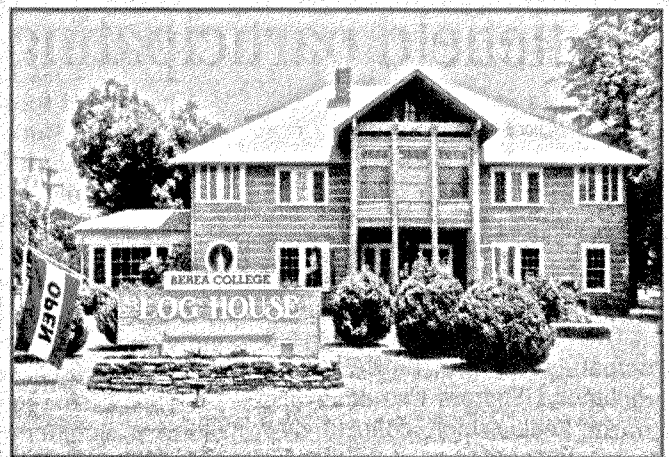
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