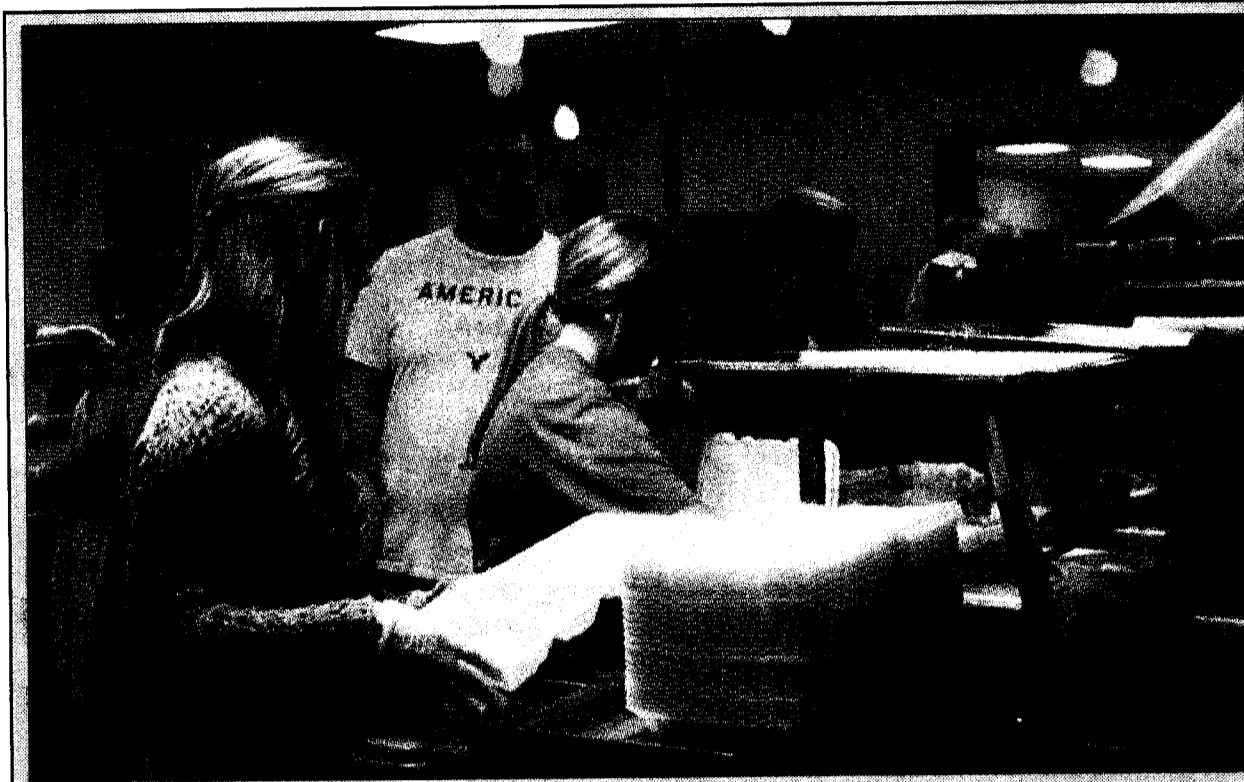


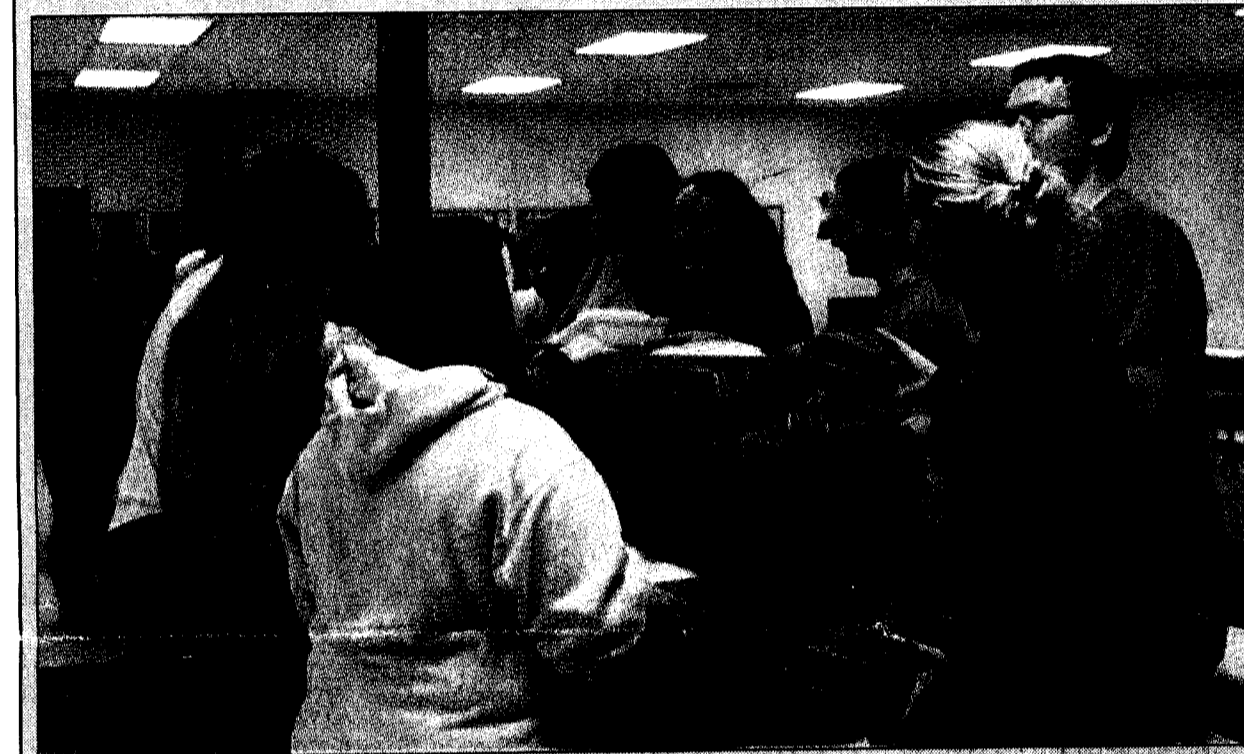
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It was a beehive of activity Tuesday afternoon at Mt. Vernon Elementary School as many volunteers came together to prepare, serve and distribute over 1,600 Thanksgiving dinners during the annual Kenna's Kitchen event. In the top photo, volunteers are shown preparing the take-out dinners. They are, from left: Maddie Bullen, Jordan Smith, Angie Payne, Hope Renfro and Sandy Bullen. In the bottom photo, RCHS Key Club members are shown packaging the dinners for distribution throughout the county. The event has been held for many years and has grown from 250 meals served the first year to this year's 1,682. Regina Hull-Brown, coordinator of the Youth Services Center at the school, organizes the annual affair and says that she has already started on next year's event.



## Kenna's Kitchen provides over 1,600 meals in county

By: Mike French Reporter

Many people cook for several days to prepare food for the Thanksgiving meal. However, for Regina Hull-Brown and her many helpers, it's a meal that takes a full year to prepare.

Kenna Lanham, School Psychologist and Youth Service Coordinator at MVES was killed by her husband 18 years ago in a domestic violence case and Hull-Brown immediately had the idea of starting Kenna's Kitchen and providing a Thanksgiving meal to those who may need one in her memory.

However, Hull-Brown, current Student Service Coordinator at MVES, had no idea just how big the event would become.

"We just wanted to help people and do it in Kenna's name. It was an effort to increase awareness about spousal abuse and we had no idea it would take off like it has," she said.

And grow it has. That first year, Hull-Brown, and volunteers from across Rockcastle County, served nearly 250 meals and, last week, Hull-Brown and her

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## Woman arrested for endangering welfare of child

By: Mike French Reporter

On Monday evening, local law enforcement received a complaint from the Rockcastle County Department of Community Based Services (DCBS) for a welfare check on Tonya Fryman, 36, of Acorn Fork Road in Mount Vernon.

According to an arrest citation from the Kentucky State Police, DCBS reported that representatives had been at the home to investigate a complaint about drug use around a seven-year-old child.

Upon arrival, police noticed Fryman appeared lethargic and while speaking with her boyfriend, Detective Chris Pruitt was shown a Mason jar containing

marijuana.

Police also observed hydrocodone pills (a schedule II narcotic) that the report says were "laying in the open where the child could have easy access to them."

The report says Fryman admitted the pills and marijuana were hers.

Fryman was arrested and taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where she was charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and endangering the welfare of a minor.

Fryman's bond was set at \$7,500 surety, third part signature.

According to the report, DCBS found placement for the 7 year-old female.

## County and city ready for snow

By: Mike French Reporter

The winter of 2015-16 was a difficult one as far as bad weather in Rockcastle County. But 2016-17 was much better and that is going to be a big help this year, according to Mark Blanton, Rockcastle County Road Department Supervisor.

"We were able to save a lot of salt from last year since we didn't need it. What we did use we have replaced so our bins are full and ready for the winter weather," said Blanton.

It was also last year that the county purchased a new truck and upgraded some snow removal equipment. Hence, this year, Rockcastle County is ready for snow.

"You can't predict how much you are going to need," said Blanton, "but we

should be ready. Our trucks are in good shape and our bins are filled with salt. We are as ready as we're going to get."

In fact, the county has two dump trucks and seven pick-up trucks. All nine vehicles are capable of spreading salt and most have scraper blades on the front.

Blanton said with the trucks in good shape and the salt supply restocked, he expects no real problems this winter as far as slick roads in the county.

The City of Mount Vernon is also well prepared for winter according to City Administrator Josh Bray. "We are better equipped to handle winter than we have ever been," said Bray. "We have a full stockpile of salt and three vehicles ready to go to plow or salt the roadways."

## Tree lighting tonight

Parades scheduled

By: Mike French Reporter

Don't forget to attend the annual Kiwanis Club of Rockcastle County Tree Lighting Ceremony tonight (Thursday, November 30) beginning at 6 p.m.

The event will include special music by the RCHS Band and the MVES Pentatonics preceding the lighting of the Christmas Tree by Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant.

Music was moved indoors last year due to rain and there is a possibility of rain in the forecast for to-

night. In case of rain, everyone is asked to go to city hall for the special singing and then back to Triangle Park for the tree lighting.

The annual Mount Vernon Christmas parade will be this Saturday, December 2 at noon. The annual E.J. Taylor Christmas Parade in Brodhead will be the same day but will begin at 2 p.m.

Brodhead will also be awarding prizes for the best float and best business storefront.

Livingston's Christmas Parade will be December 9 at 7 p.m.

## Dog rescued on Thanksgiving Day

By: Mike French Reporter

While people everywhere gave thanks last Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving Day) one Rockcastle County resident added licks and wagging as their way of offering thanks.

Members of the Brodhead Fire Department were called to the Sand Springs area last week when a local man reported his coon hound had been missing since the night before.

After a search of the area, firefighters could hear the barking of the animal that had fallen into a sink hole that officials say was at least 40 feet deep.

A lengthy rescue ensued with members of the BFD lowering Sergeant Larkin Prewitt into the sink hole to attempt to find the dog. About two hours after the

dog had first been located, a group stood around a sink-hole as firefighters pulled Prewitt slowly up.

Once near the top, a sigh

of relief was heard around the site, along with cheering, as Prewitt reached daylight with the dog safely wrapped in his arms.

The uninjured animal ran around the scene offering a lick of thanks through an obvious joy to be out of the hole.

Firefighters say the rescue of dogs not only saves the animal, but provides welcome training and experience for the volunteers.

## ERWA sale to Am. Water still pending

Over 600 customers of the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association (ERWA) are waiting to hear who will be the owner of their water association soon.

In July, the American Water Association made an offer for the company and Russell Barron, president of ERWA said it was a good offer. Barron said the offer included paying off the debt held by the company from when the water service was built, keeping all current employees and keeping rates to customers the same.

Barron also said the modern equipment and larger resources of the much bigger company will be a big advantage for all customers.

The offer was accepted by board members and now the proposal has been submitted to the Public Service Commission for approval.

According to officials, a ruling by the PSC is expected at any time.

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# ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I have watched with interest, and some horror, all the recent revelations about sexual harassment by elected officials, celebrities and, at least, one political hopeful.

It is a sad commentary on our society that these allegations even have to be made. It would have seemed that we would have evolved by now into a society that realizes that prey-

ing on women is not okay.

At the same time, I am of two minds about the situation. In the case of Judge Roy Moore, Republican candidate for Congress in Alabama, my first thought was that it was mighty convenient that allegations from 40 years ago are just being brought into the light of day. My second thought

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## Aces Over

By: Mike French



I'm not too sure when all the commercialism took over Christmas. I don't know how the day could possibly have gone from the recognition and worship of the birth of one man who saved the world, to shopping frenzies that rival a locust swarm in a corn field.

Talk about extreme opposites. From the somber, humble worship of the birth of the Savior of the world, to the focus upon, and adoration of, the root of all evil.

I try not to write a lot about religion. I figure I'm no preacher and surely can't be anyone's moral character guide. I try to do what I think is right and try to never hurt anyone. But I fail miserably at those things so I generally leave the preaching to someone called to do so.

But when something is this obviously Devil-guided, it's not preaching to point it out.

We have become so immeasurably preoccupied with gifts and tradition that I wonder sometimes if Jesus even crosses the mind of some people on Christmas Day. I think it has be-

come possible nowadays to raise a child and go through the entire Christmas season with all the lights and tinsel and ribbons and bows and never even mention the birth of Christ to that child.

Just for the record, in case your parents neglected to mention it, Santa did not willingly suffer the agony of nails driven through the feet and hands and being hung up on a wooden cross

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Democratic party aiming to become competitive...

Dear Editor,  
Democrats struggle to organize: have no fear Re-

publicans, Rockcastle County Democrats (RCD) have recently had two meetings with themes of taking back their county (Rockcastle), and they have another meeting scheduled for December 5th to consider whether to support the Kentucky Democratic Party strategy of becoming competitive in all 120 Kentucky counties.

The local party needs to consider the facts below to get some measure of its challenge. In fact this situation is a serious constraint on the aspirations of the state party's 120 county strategy because there are probably 90 counties with a distribution of party identification and activism like that of Rockcastle Democrats.

The Kentucky Board of Elections reports that there are 12,366 registered voters in Rockcastle County.

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## Points East

By Ike Adams



I recall the days when seed catalogues came in the mail nearly every postal day during the month of February. A few of them jumped the gun and did their mailings in January but, for the most part, the seed suppliers waited until they figured potential customers were itching to get into their gardens before they sent out their offerings and a few even waited until early March when they figured you were actually ready to get serious about gardening.

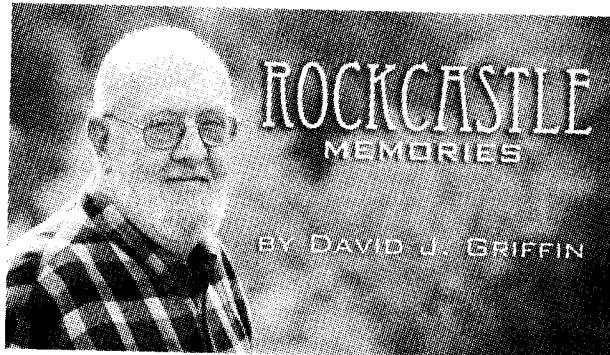
Needless to say that, when I was growing up on Blair Branch, seed catalogues commenced arriving just in time to replace last year's Sears-Roebuck, Spiegel's, and Montgomery mail order catalogues as the outhouse substitutes for Charmin.

But my how times have changed. I've been getting 2018 seed catalogues in the mail since back in September and I've already lost or tossed at least 3 that I

wanted to mention this week.

A few readers may recall that, back in the 1980s, when my kids were younger than most of their own kids are now, I ran a service in this column that we called The Great Seed, Sporting Goods, and Risqué Underwear Catalogue Scam. Actually,

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## Thoughts of Christmases Past

They say that Christmas is for children, and of course that is true. However, I am not so sure that it isn't just as much for those of us who are entering into our second childhoods. Even though the season seems to arrive sooner each year, the sights,

sounds, and smells of the season always take me back to my youth.

The aroma of cedar and of pine reminds me of my grandparents' home during the holidays. Pop himself always cut down a cedar tree from our own property — or just across the fence on Dee Ramsey's land. I often helped him carry the tree back to the house, where he proceeded with lopping off the bottom limbs and securing it onto a stand before placing it into the living room.

Mommie Katie gathered those bottom branches from the tree in order to decorate her kitchen and the den. Pop also sprinkled small pieces of the cedar on top of the Warm Morning stove so that the entire house was filled with the fragrance — creating in my mind the idea that Christmas was supposed to smell precisely like that.

Any time that I see large-bulb Christmas lights or "bubble lights," I am reminded of our tree. After the lights were carefully placed on the tree, Mommie Katie selectively hung her large glass ornaments, arranged with a silver star on top. The finishing touch was to hang those aluminum foil "icicles" all over the limbs. The tree always looked the same. Like many children, I lingered in the room with it for long periods of time, watching those lights blinking on and off. Christmas trees, once they are complete, seem to take on a magical quality all of their own.

Thinking of Mommie Katie's star on the top of her tree reminds me of the tree Kathy and I had when we were living in Lexington in a townhouse. At that time, we had a frosty snowman who topped our tree. My son Todd loved that snowman and insisted that we allow him to place it on top of our tree as we were finishing the decorating. For some reason, that snowman was his favorite part of the tree. Year after year, he took pride in being the one to top the tree with the snowman.

One year, we discovered

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## T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



### Thanksgiving

Dear Journal,  
Thanksgiving has now come and gone. Stanley and I had a very quiet day alone at home. It was rather somber, as a few days ago Michael David, one of our cats, had to be put to sleep due to feline leukemia, and two days before Thanksgiving, our dog, Elizabeth Joanne, or "Liz" had to be put to sleep due to kidney failure. We weren't a social pair, so to speak.

Mid-afternoon, we went to London to the Golden Corral. We went last year along with other family and had a good meal, so we decided to go back this year. The place was packed and we stood in line about thirty minutes to get a table. I leaned on one leg and then the other. There were so many people, it took nearly as long to get some food on a plate.

It was a good experience. They gave huge portions of steak and turkey. Let me tell you, the steak was wonderful. It was seasoned just right and so tender that I could cut it with a spoon. The turkey was equally as good and tender.

The people in our section were rather chatty. For a little while, it seemed like a bunch of friends having lunch. The waitress, Terri, was great. She was very friendly and so efficient. We learned that her mother was very sick and her chances of recovery didn't look good. We never know the burdens

others carry.

I had been looking at an electric skillet at Walmart for the last few days thinking I'd get it when the kitchen was done. Stanley decided to get it for me on Thanksgiving so I could make our family's fried dressing to take to the Anglin family Thanksgiving dinner the next day.

There are two or three little strip malls next to Walmart as well as the Golden Corral. The next stop was Walmart. Little did we know that a huge sale was to start at six o'clock there. Their parking lot was full and so were the strip mall lots. Everything in the way of parking was full for at least a half mile or more. People were even parked on the grass. The drive past the entrance was roped off with caution tape, so I couldn't be dropped off. Stanley said that it looked like a crime scene or at least they were expecting a crime to happen.

Several yards from Walmart coming down the middle of the road at about six-thirty, and way past dark, there was a woman pushing a shopping cart full of Walmart goods. It was dark and we scarcely missed hitting her as the area was poorly lit. It was madness and mayhem in the parking lot. You could only imagine what was going on in the store. Over twenty years ago, I went to

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**“Aces”**

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until he bled and starved and thirsted to death just so that you could live for eternity. Nope, that wasn't Santa. Santa wasn't born from a virgin to teach and preach and live the perfect life to rescue all those who could never rescue ourselves. Nope, not Santa. There was this man who healed the sick, caused the blind to see and the deaf to hear and the lame to walk and the dead to rise. But, it wasn't Santa.

There was a man who taught men to pray and taught men to forgive and love and show compassion and caring. But, it wasn't Santa. There was once a man who was killed by evil men but then he rose again on the third day and declared victory over death for Himself and all of mankind. But, that wasn't Santa. There was a man who stood in line and turned over the tables of the money changers but it wasn't on Black Friday. This man was why there

is a Christmas and he had by far the best “layaway plan” ever known. How on earth we became so completely and totally enthralled with shopping and specials and gifts on the one holiday that was meant to minimize those very things amazes me. It's not going to stop anytime soon. Every year Americans spend a little more than the year before to celebrate Christmas. What do we want for Christmas this year? Have we been naughty or nice? A bicycle? A car? A million dollars? Believe it or not, you were given a gift that pales those by comparison. There is no dollar value for this gift. It's priceless. And yet, it's free. And by free, I mean free. Not that kind of free where you get something for free as long as you buy something else. That's not free. This gift, the biggest gift of all, the best gift ever given, greatest of all presents, is absolutely free. No purchase necessary. You don't need a coupon nor do you need to mail in your rebate. All you have to do is accept it. The gift is eternal life in Heaven even though you nor I deserve that gift. There's only one way to get it. You have to pay for your sins. Oh wait, no you don't. Someone else already did that for you and guess what...It wasn't Santa.

readers offer to drive from London to Paint Lick to help get the mailing out. Nowadays you don't need a stamp to get seed catalogues in the mail. You can subscribe online and most of them are absolutely free for the asking. If you don't have a computer, I can't imagine that you don't have a friend who does and they really aren't much of a friend if they are unwilling to spend less than 5 minutes to order some catalogues for you. But you'd better do it fast because we found out last year that most companies stop mailing them out in mid December. Here's a list of some that I can't seem to live without, not just for their products but for their expert growing tips and advice: R.H. Shumway's Seedsmen is easily my favorite and where I found the Lazy Wife fall beans (they call em Lazy Housewife) seed that we'd lost over 40 years ago and fell in love all over again in 2017. Totally Tomatoes has well over 200 tomato and pepper varieties that you can't find elsewhere. K. van Bourgondien's has the best and best priced selection of Dutch Bulbs, lilies and other perennials I've yet seen. Vermont Bean Seed Company has an incredible offering of hard-to-find bean seeds. Pinetree Seeds is worth the effort just for the photos, as is Johnny's Selected Seeds, Territorial Seed Company and Burpees. I've ordered from these and numerous others and I personally vouch for their excellent service and customer satisfaction. Seed company mail ordering is a multi-\$billion industry. Just type seed catalogues into your search engine and you can stay busy the rest of the day. I've gotten to the point that seed catalogues are about the only thing that get me through the winter.

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killed in the rush of people trying to get this or that. All I wanted was something to make my tea in. I haven't been to such an event since. Well, we decided to head over to Big Lots, where we could park next to the door. Stanley went in, got the skillet, and was out in about ten minutes. While I was waiting outside, I noticed more and more cars coming to Big Lots. They were the smart ones. On Friday after Thanksgiving, we went to Quail Park to meet with several of the Anglin Family for another Thanksgiving meal. Everything was just great, the food was delicious, and we all had such a good time that there may be a repeat event next year. That has been our Thanksgiving this year. Sometimes we get caught up in things that distract us from the purpose of the day and focus on things that are negative, and the things we've lost instead of the things we do have. In my case, I can honestly say that just to be alive to enjoy even a bad day is enough.



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Women have the edge in registration over men at 51.9%. Roundstone is the only one of the county's 15 precincts in which men, at 51.6%, have a higher registration than women. In terms of major parties, Republicans (76.3%) greatly outnumber Democrats (18.5%) at more than 4 to 1. Based on the voter turnout report for the 2016 General Election, 1,053 (45.7%) of Rockcastle County Democrats voted compared to 5,502 (58.5%) of Republicans. So it seems that Republicans not only greatly outnumber Democrats in the County but are more likely to turnout and vote in elections.

sewer plant. We went out to eat a couple of weeks ago and while the food was OK, I had to order bottled water because the sodas and the tea are made with local water, thus “un-drinkable”  
*Letha French*

**In support of the right to bear arms**

Dear Editor, It is quite possible that some of those victims of the Texas Sunday morning massacre owned a weapon that could have saved lives, but they were mindful of their surroundings; of the laws of conscience and respect that restrict areas where guns would be out of place. Hence, the obedience to the law of the land, to their God and to the Constitution, the latter of whose framers must have trusted us to know the appropriate differences. It has now, unfortunately, become a difficult subject for serious church debate.

Obviously, a church neighbor had decided the issue himself and we thank God for him and for the legal right to “bear arms” and give chase. Under a national gun control law, he would now be in jail awaiting trial! The shooter had violated all the laws required of gun owners who struggle to stay within the strict bounds of legal enforcement.

And these gun-grabbers want to pile on more restrictions, or better still, abolish the Constitutional Amendment that gives such men the right and the courage to bring these murderers down before they kill others. At any time, we could find ourselves in a similar situation and in need of such help. It is up to us to see that it is still available - and still legal!

Which reminds me of a bumper sticker message that bears immediate attention: When guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns.” With such tragic possibility in mind, I make this prediction, “You ain't seen nothing yet!”  
*Flossie C. McKinney  
West Chester, Ohio*

now that I think about, I'm reasonably sure the “Seed Scam” columns only ran in the London, KY Sentinel Echo. We called it a scam even though it was a very legitimate and fun little project that kept the kids busy during the inevitable, in those days, snow days that canceled school. I offered, in the column, to put readers' names on a mailing list and send it out to at least 30 companies that published such catalogues. All you had to do was send me your address and whatever postage stamp was required to mail a letter. The only scam involved was the notion they were getting away with they thought was mischief really made the project appealing to the kids.

Before they out grew it, we were accustomed to having upwards of 400 names on the list every year. Postage increased at least three times before I finally ran out of the surplus stamps we accumulated. I recall one year we mailed Christmas Cards, using 2 stamps, which was quite a bit more than necessary, but it was the only way the stamps were ever going to be used. For years, after we stopped doing it, readers would either write or call wanting to know when the “seed scam” was going to start. And a couple of times, after I explained that my help had moved on to more interesting endeavors, I had

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**Annual Community Potluck**  
The Annual Community Potluck will be held at Western Rockcastle Fire Dept., on Hwy. 70 at Quail, Saturday, December 2nd at 6 p.m. We hope you will join us and bring a dish of your favorite food. The fire department will be providing meat and drinks. Hope to see you for lots of food, fun and fellowship and the lighting of our Christmas tree.

**CVFD Turkey Shoot**  
Climax Volunteer Fire Department will have a Turkey Shoot, beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2nd at the fire station. Stock guns only, 12, 16, 20 and 410 gauges. Food and drinks will be available. For more information, call Freddie Cope at 606-965-3288.

**Craft Sale**  
The Extension Office will have a Craft Sale on Dec. 1st and 2nd. Plan ahead now if you would like to have a table to make extra funds during the holiday season. Only three-four table spaces remain. Table cost is only a \$5 donation (proceeds will go to the KY Academy Kindergarten in Ghana). Plan to attend the sale to purchase locally made items for family and friends. Call Hazel Jackson at 606-256-2403 for more details.

**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**  
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\*Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria, Friday, 6 to 8 p.m. 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 Grill. Everyone is invited.

**Historical Society Hours**  
The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

**American Legion Post 71**  
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. 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

## Karen Kay King

Karen Kay King, 64, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at home, surrounded by family and friends.

Arrangements have been entrusted with the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals and are incomplete at this time. [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Bonnie Hysinger

Bonnie Hysinger, 86, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Jackson County on August 29, 1931, the daughter of Willie and Nettie Collins Tillery. She was a retired owner of Hysinger Carpet and a member of Gray Hawk Church of God.

She is survived by: a son, Rickie (Katherine) Hysinger of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Donald Tillery of McKee and Wendell Tillery of Independence; a sister, Elura Lear of Richmond; a grandson, Richard Dwayne (Tiffany) Hysinger; three great grandchildren, Madison, Rae Lynn, and Hunter; and a step-great grandchild, Kadence. Also surviving are a host of nieces and nephews, as well as a special niece, Loretta Gilbert. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Wayne Dean Hysinger, four sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 26, 2017 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jack Martin. Burial followed in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Rickie Hysinger, Richard Hysinger, Jerrett Gilbert, Jeremy Gilbert, Chris Poynter and Alvin Pigg. Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) to view online obituary.

## Paul Edward Blanton, Sr.

Paul Edward Blanton, Sr., 77, of Brodhead, died Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at his residence. He was born November 2, 1940 in Brodhead, a son of the late George Carsel and Dovie Loreen Brock Blanton. He had been an appliance service technician, who was of the Pentecostal faith. He found great joy in gardening.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Paul Edward (Robin) Blanton, Jr. of Berea, Barry (Mary) Blanton of St. Cloud, FL, Stanley (Michelle) Blanton of Berea and Christina (Jon) Beasley of Lawrenceburg; grandchildren, Rachelle, Trent, Cody, Caitlyn, Savannah and Alyssa Blanton; Jameson Smith, Ace Beasley and Kam Beasley; great grandchildren, Elijah and Tristan Ater, Orion Blanton, Emma Blanton, Samantha and Chloe Campbell; brothers, David Ray (Goldie) Blanton of Brodhead, Earl Phillip (Opal) Blanton of Brodhead and Carsel (Linda) Blanton, Jr. of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Mildred Hunt of Mt. Vernon, Christine (Walter Lee) Cash of Brodhead, Lena Griffin of Dayton, OH, Viola Sebree of Brodhead, Geneva (Bill) Meenace of Maneville, OH and Irene Watson of Frankfort; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Roy Lee Blanton and his sister, Shirley Blanton Burton; his nephews: Jerry Lee Cash and Bryan David Blanton; nieces: Erica Kilpatrick and Melissa Jolene Sebree Kellar; and a grandson Ayden Blanton.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 25, 2017 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Buford Parkerson officiating. Burial was in the Negro Creek Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Lisa I. Samuel

Lisa I. Samuel, 52, of New Albany, died October 31, 2017 at her home. She was born May 26, 1965 to the late Alice (Adams) Ross.



She is survived by: her loving husband, William Samuel; son, Quinton Tyron Overton; brother, Dougie Douglas Ross; sisters, Barbara Rodewig and Jennifer Ross, Donna Silcox and Linda Bishop; and extended family nieces and nephews

She loved to sew, knit and crochet and being outdoors. She was a wonderful cook and baker. She enjoyed flower arranging.

She was preceded in death by Everett and Louise Wilmott, who reared her.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the Spring Valley Funeral and Cremation Service.

## Thomas D. Hayes

Thomas "Tommy" D. Hayes, 69, of Stamping Ground, died at UK Medical Center Monday, November 20, 2017 following a short illness. He (County) native born September 24, 1948, son of the late Oscar and Christine Hardix Hayes. He served as the owner and butcher for the Hayes Market before becoming a team member in Quality Control for Toyota in Georgetown.

He is survived by: his son, Shannon Hayes (Billie); siblings, Bobby (Carol) Hayes, Steve (Patricia) Hayes, Cynthia Rose, Eva (Kirby) Hubble, Bessie Parsons, Sue Cole and Chrissy (Carlos) Collier; grandchildren, Tyler and Tanner; step-granddaughters, Alyssa Smith and Courtney Cope; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 50 years Charlotte Burdette Hayes who died last month (Sunday, October 22, 2017); sister, Irene Hayes and brothers, Jimmy, Frankie and Jack Hayes.

Funeral services were held Sunday, November 26, 2017 at Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service with Bro. Mark Smith officiating. Burial was in Maret Cemetery.

## Murphy "Jarvis" Martin

Murphy "Jarvis" Martin, 56, of Waco went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017 at the Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center in Knoxville, TN, following a brief and unexpected illness. He was born November 13, 1961 in Laurel County. He was the co-owner and operator of B&M Pipeline and was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church. He was a hardworking, generous man who loved to garden and spoil his family.

He is survived by: his wife, Diana Martin; father, Murphy Martin II; a son, Michael Martin; step children, Chris (Andrea) Cochran and Brandi (Matt) Shepherd; brothers, Frankie (Patricia) Martin, Johnny (Karen) Martin and Eugene Martin; sisters, Pam (Dennis) Elliott, Diana (Curtis) Carpenter, and Marlene (Robert) Johnson; grandchildren, Desmond Martin, Cameron Cochran, Regan Douglas, Cody, Seth, and Makayla Shepherd; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Eva Martin, and brother, James Martin.

Pallbearers will be Eddie Barnett, Dwayne Coffey, Harvey Kidd, Dustin Barnett, Alex Martin, Anthony Martin, Jason Martin, and Will Chambers.

Honorary pallbearers include Frankie Martin, Johnny Martin, Eugene Martin, Jeremy Martin, Robert Short, Rodney Short, Terry Barnett, Charles Isaacs, Lester Powell, Larry Todd, Fred McKnight, Scott Rowlette, Jeremy Powell, Robbie Todd and Billy Beavers.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 25, 2017 at Bethlehem Baptist Church with Bro. Lerrmon Willis officiating. Burial was in Berea Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Fellowship Center at 1901 W. Clinch Ave. Knoxville, Tn. 37916 or the Building Fund at Bethlehem Baptist Church 2101 Dreyfus Rd. Waco, Ky. 40385.

Davis & Powell Funeral Directors were in charge of arrangements.

[www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com](http://www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com)

## At EKU Center for the Arts Grand Hall Annual Remembrance Tree ceremony set for Sunday

The annual Remembrance Tree ceremony is set for Sunday, December 3, at 2 p.m., at the EKU Center for the Arts Grand Hall.

The event is a long-standing tradition for the community, bringing hundreds together on the first Sunday in December for more than 20 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.

"We begin getting calls in early November each year," says Brenna Wallhauser, director of public relations at Hospice. "People want to know when it will be. I think it has just always filled a real need for families who are missing someone, especially at this time of year when people gather together."

After an opening prayer and holiday music, the memorial list of names is read. Guests place their personalized ornament on the Remembrance Tree when they hear their loved one's name. If no one is present to place the ornament on the tree, a hospice staff member will do so.

A variety of refreshments, donated and made by Hospice Care Plus staff and volunteers, will be served following the ceremony.

After the ceremony, the 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 December 6 and 31.

To request an ornament, contact Hospice Care Plus at [development@hospicecp.org](mailto:development@hospicecp.org), 859-756-4755, or 1-800-806-5492. Donations for ornaments can also be made online at Hospice's website: [hospicecareplus.org](http://hospicecareplus.org). There is no charge for the ornaments or for the ceremony, but a donation—of any size—is suggested. Proceeds from the event fund all of the 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. Visit [hospicecareplus.org](http://hospicecareplus.org) to learn more.

## 37th DVA Guardian Angel Linda "Darlene" Meyer

By Mandy Oberyshyn  
37th DVA Executive  
Director

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Linda Darlene Meyer of Richmond, formerly of Mt. Vernon, passed away in December of 2016 and bequeathed the 37th DVA \$20,000 in her will. Printed below is an article, written in appreciation of Mrs. Meyer's donation).

It started with a call in mid-April. I was asked to confirm our association's information and was told that one of the financial group's clients had passed away and that we were named in her charitable trust.

The name Linda D. Meyer wasn't familiar to me and I couldn't find her obituary online to learn more about her. I called the financial group to inquire and they were able to get me a copy of her obituary, along with a copy of her redacted trust.

My contact at the financial group reached out to the trustee who wasn't sure why the 37th DVA was selected, although her father was a veteran named Herbert Lee Duncan.

In talking to our president, Joe Woodrum, he simply said, "Darlene is our Guardian Angel." He's right, in her death she has given us life. I worry frequently about how we can balance the budget as we lose members to the Life Clock. Those currently serving with the Ohio Army National Guard do not necessarily see the value in joining our association as they are young. The connotation of being a member of a veterans' organization is that they're for the Old Soldier and not the young.

My goal, when I started working for the association back in 2004, was getting us to our 100th birthday, which is now on the horizon. Thanks to our Guardian Angel, I can now see well beyond that goal thanks to Darlene's gift which will extend the life of our organization.

I wish we could have known of her intentions before her death so that we could have thanked her personally. In lieu of that, beginning in 2018, the Ladies Social Hour, that is part of our reunion agenda, will be named the "Darlene Meyer Ladies Social Hour."

I sent a letter of appreciation to Sandra Blair, Darlene's sister, and trustees. It is important that her family knows how much we appreciate her act of kindness.

As a result of that letter, Sandra called the association. I had a wonderful talk with her and learned more about her family. Their father, Herbert Lee Duncan, was one of the youngest Pearl Harbor survivors at the age of 16. He was in the U.S. Army stationed at Schofield barracks in Honolulu when the bombs hit. Not surprisingly, his mother wanted him home immediately. He returned home, as his mother wished, but the stay was short since when he turned 18 he joined the Marines as a tank driver.

On behalf of the 37th DVA, we extend our condolences to Darlene's extended family.

We will be sending her family copies of this newsletter. Our Guardian Angel's legacy will be felt and carried with us as we celebrate our 100th birthday next year.

## "Ramblings"

(Continued from A-2)

was, shame on me, the allegations must, at least, be thoroughly investigated.

Are just allegations enough to ruin a person's career and life? But, again, how often is concrete proof available since, obviously, these actions are not taken in public with numerous witnesses to back them up.

I don't know the answer. I know if one of my daughters were involved, it would be enough for me (and various types of physical revenge would immediately start being explored). But, as I have gotten older, I have come to realize that there are sometimes underlying reasons for these allegations that have nothing to do with the truth.

I have been mulling these constantly breaking news stories over for several days and am no closer to a resolution in my mind as to how they should be resolved.

But, on Wednesday morning, I had the TV on in the office and heard a clip by Republican Representative House Majority Leader Paul Ryan speaking on the subject and saying, "we cannot and will not tolerate that kind of behavior." Well, that sounded impressive but I immediately thought about

the recent revelation of the \$17 million fund that has been used for years by congress to pay off their accusers and decided that Ryan's "will not tolerate" didn't ring quite true. Did he mean, "will not tolerate" as soon as the slush fund to payoff accusers is depleted?

I cannot express how news of the fund upset me. I was incensed and aghast at the arrogance of our lawmakers approving this practice with taxpayer money. But, I do not have high expectations for the actions of our elected officials these days and I no longer wonder why. I should qualify that remark with the fact that I am still a great fan of Senator Rand Paul who, in my opinion, says what he means and means what he says (Sen. Mitch McConnell, not so much). If Paul ever disappoints me, I will probably just crawl in a hole somewhere and never enter a voting booth again.

Meanwhile, I will just trudge on in my daily life, trying to do no harm and being thankful that the Lord has allowed me to remain on this earth for almost 76 years. But, if He chooses to take me soon, my main regret will be that I am leaving my descendants a country that seems to have lost its way.



## RCHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY CONCERT

Thursday December 7, 6:30 p.m. RCHS Auditorium

Free Admission

Featuring Holiday Classics performed by the RCHS Honors Choir, General Chorus, Concert Band, Brass Choir, and Percussion Ensemble.

**Look Who's Coming to Town!**

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**Grateful Threadz Thrift Store**  
Saturday, December 2nd  
9:30 a.m. - Noon  
&  
12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.



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

**Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings**  
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\*Celebrate Recovery-Livingston at Livingston School cafeteria. Friday, 6 to 8 p.m. 859-314-7828.

**Benefit Singing**  
There will be a Benefit Singing at Pine Hill Holiness Church on Saturday, December 2nd, beginning at 7 p.m. Featured singers will be: Heaven's Jubilee, Jason Medley, Bryan Parsley, Grace Abounding Church

and Old Pathway Church. Everyone is invited to attend. Proceeds will go to the funeral expenses of Sister Amanda Eversole's mother.

**Fellowship Meeting**  
Crab Orchard Pentecostal Church will hold their monthly Fellowship Meeting on Monday, December 4th beginning at 7 p.m., with Bro. Ralph Chasteen of Berea preaching. Bro. and Sister King and congregation invite everyone.

**Singing**  
Mt. Vernon Church of God will have a Singing on Sunday, December 10th, beginning at 10 a.m. Featured singers will be The Massey Family from Glasgow.

Pastor Bobby Owens and congregation invite all to attend.

**Philadelphia United Baptist Church**  
•Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
-Worship Service at 11 a.m.  
•Sunday night Service - 6 p.m.  
•Wednesday Bible Study at 7 p.m.

•Church service at the Brodhead nursing home the first Sunday of each month.

•Church Singing every fourth Sunday at 6 p.m. Come out to sing or be with us. Everyone welcome.

**Seth Barrett**  
We want to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to so many.

To the first responders, the flight crew and the doctors, nurses and staff at UK Medical Center for the prompt and efficient care each of you gave to our son, Seth.

To the Rockcastle High School, students and staff, for your love and support and for the beautifully touching memorial you gave to us; to Dowell & Martin Funeral Home for printing the obituary, to our friends and neighbors for all your expressions of love and support, for all the food and kindness that you gave. To those who sent a card, or who spoke a word of comfort and those who paused to pray, we say thank you.

So many people and organizations have supported us and shared our grief, it is not possible to name you. Just know we are grateful and, far and above all else, we humbly thank you for the many prayers sent up on our behalf.

Please continue to remember us when you pray, our grief has only just begun.

*Love and God bless each of you,  
Christy, DeWayne, Amber,  
Andrew and the extended  
Barrett and Turner families*

**Ashley Rader**  
The family of Ashley Rader would like to thank everyone for their kind words during our time of sorrow.

We want to thank everyone for their prayers, kindness, food, flowers and just for being there for us.

A special thank you to Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, Gash Memorial Chapel in Lawrenceburg, Maple Grove Baptist Church and all the churches, Bro. Jerry Owens, Bro. Kyle Rader, the pallbearers, everyone that helped with funeral expenses, Samantha Gross, WLEX 18 and for all the GoFundMe funds.

To the woman at CashA Check in Lawrenceburg, we did not even get your name. Not only are you going to Heaven, you are going to wear a crown.

We also want to thank U.K. Hospital and Benny's plastic surgery team.

Words just cannot say enough and we apologize if we have left anyone out.

Last, but definitely not least, we would like to thank God because without Him and His grace, we would not have made it through this.  
*We love you all sincerely,  
The Family of Ashley Rader*

**Text Message From Heaven**

Don't cry for me, don't weep no more,  
I am on Heaven/s shining shore.  
I know your loss is Heaven's gain  
But up here I will never have any more pain.  
Corey and Ashton, I know you miss me so  
But I am up here with Jesus and Papaw you know.  
I know my life on earth was short,

I will be in Heaven forevermore.

So please try to weep no more

You have so much to be thankful for.

I will see you again someday  
So please stay on the straight and narrow way.

Corey and Ashton, I am your guardian angel now  
So please take care of your Mamaw somehow.

I will be waiting on you when your life is over.  
But in Heaven we will never grow older.

I love you so much,  
But in Jesus you must trust.  
Until we meet again,  
Please be careful with sin  
For when it comes your time to die,

I will be waiting to come get you in the sky.

*Text message from Heaven to everyone on earth from  
Ashley Rader*



Aunt Sallie Bond Mason celebrated her 90th birthday with her family and friends on November 19, 2017. Her parents was the late Frank and Mary Belle Bond, she was married to the late Earl Mason. They had 7 children, Brenda Kirby, Judy Wyatt, Keith Mason, Darlene King, Mike Mason and the late Garry Mason and Leon Mason Her children, grand children, great grand children, nieces and nephews, Mother n law, Gladys Mason, and brother n laws George Jr (Janice) Mason and David Mason enjoyed their visit with Aunt Sallie. We love you Aunt Sallie and we want to wish you many more Happy Birthdays. May God Bless You.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on December 6, 2017 Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") will file an application with the Public Service Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky for approval of revisions in its Demand-Side Management and Energy-Efficiency ("DSM-EE") program portfolio, as shown in KU's Adjustment Clause Demand-Side Management Cost Recovery Mechanism ("DSM") tariff and the resulting changes in its DSM Cost Recovery Component ("DSMRC") charges. In its application, KU will notify the Commission that the revised DSM tariff sheets are proposed to become effective on and after January 5, 2018; however, because KU anticipates the Commission will suspend the proposed changes in the DSM tariff to conduct an investigation of the proposed changes, KU will ask the Commission to approve the proposed changes in its DSM-EE program portfolio and resulting charges under the DSM tariff to be effective on January 1, 2019.

The proposed changes to the DSM-EE program portfolio, if approved, will result in changes to the DSMRC calculated under the DSM tariff for all affected electric rate classes as follows:

Rate RS, RTOD-E, RTOD-D, and VFD			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00290	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00104	Difference per kWh -\$ 0.00186	% Change -64.1%
Rate GS			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00142	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00106	Difference per kWh -\$ 0.00036	% Change -25.4%
AES			
Current Charge per kWh \$ 0.00095	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00357	Difference per kWh +\$ 0.00262	% Change +275.8%
Rate PS, TODS, TODP, RTS, FLS, SPS, STOD, and OSL			
Current charge per kWh \$ 0.00059	Proposed Charge per kWh \$ 0.00067	Difference per kWh + \$ 0.00008	% Change + 13.6%

KU proposes also to make available DSM-EE program to, and to apply DSM charges to, industrial customers. KU is also revising its definition of "industrial" for the purposes of DSM to include only those customers engaged in activities primarily using electricity in a process or processes that involve either the extraction of raw materials from the earth or a change of raw or unfinished materials into another form or product. KU is also proposing an opt-out for industrial customers' meters serving energy-intensive loads, defined as any meter served under Rate TODP, RTS, or FLS. To be eligible to opt out, an industrial customer must state it has implemented cost-effective energy-efficiency measures not subsidized by other rate classes for the loads served by the meters to be opted out. Customers choosing to opt out eligible meters must submit an opt-out form to KU; properly completed and submitted opt-out forms will be processed and opt-outs implemented by the second full billing cycle following form submission. Opt outs will be effective indefinitely, though a customer may seek to opt back into DSM charges and DSM-EE programs for opted-out meters as soon as one year after opting out. Any opted-in meter or meter that serves load that has participated in a DSM-EE program may not opt out for at least three years after most recently opting in or participating in a DSM-EE program, whichever is later.

In addition, KU proposes to include DSM in the Adjustment Clauses section of Rate FLS because such customers will now be able to participate in DSM-EE programs and be subject to DSM charges unless meters served under Rate FLS are opted out.

The estimated amount of the annual change and the average monthly bill to which the proposed DSMRC charges will apply for each electric customer class is as follows:

Electric Rate Class	Average Monthly Usage (kWh)	Annual \$ Increase	Annual % Increase	Average Monthly Bill \$ Increase
Residential	1,179	(11,001,457)	(63.9)	(2.19)
Residential Time-of-Day	1,171			(2.18)
General Service	1,805	(618,661)	(25.2)	(0.65)
All Electric School	21,341	364,440	275.8	55.91
Power Service	41,148	431,732	15.2	3.29
TODS (Secondary)	245,336			19.63
TODP (Primary)*	1,241,109			99.29
Retail Transmission*	4,160,317			332.83
Fluctuating Load*	46,076,466			3,686.12
School Power Service	46,098			3.69
School Time-of-Day	118,621			9.49
Outdoor Sports Lighting Service	6,056			0.48

\* KU formulated the DSMRC Charges applicable to Rates TODP, RTS, and FLS assuming that industrial customers taking service under those rates will choose to opt out eligible meters. Therefore, KU does not anticipate such customers will actually incur the costs shown; however, the table above reflects the impacts to such customers if they elect not to opt out, though the DSMRC Charges, and particularly the DSM Billing Adjustment, may change to reflect the additional revenues from such customers' load paying DSMRC Charges.

Complete copies of the proposed tariffs containing text changes and proposed rates may be obtained by contacting Kentucky Utilities Company at 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 1-800-981-0600. or visiting Kentucky Utilities Company's website at [www.ige-ku.com](http://www.ige-ku.com).

Notice is further given that a person may examine this application at the offices of Kentucky Utilities Company, 100 Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, and may also be examined at Kentucky Utilities Company's website at [www.ige-ku.com](http://www.ige-ku.com). A person may also examine this application at the Public Service Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

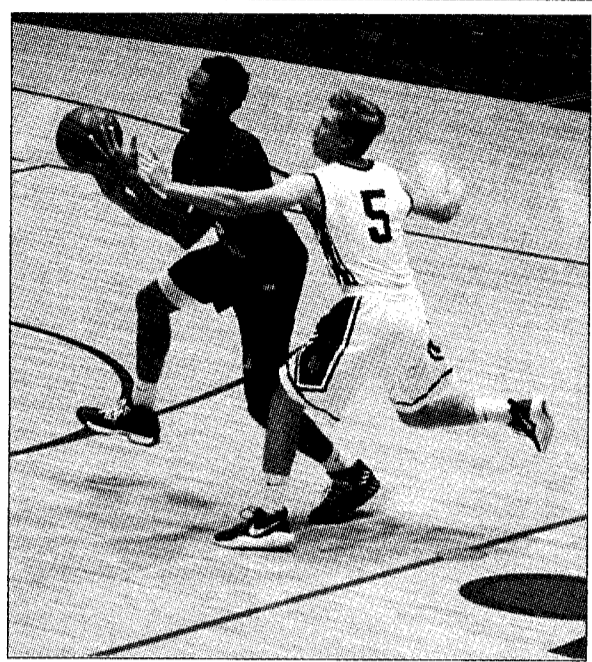
Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission, by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, or by sending an email to the Commission's Public Information Officer at [psc.info@ky.gov](mailto:psc.info@ky.gov). All comments should reference Case No. 2017-00441.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company, but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or mailing of the notice, the commission may take final action on the application.

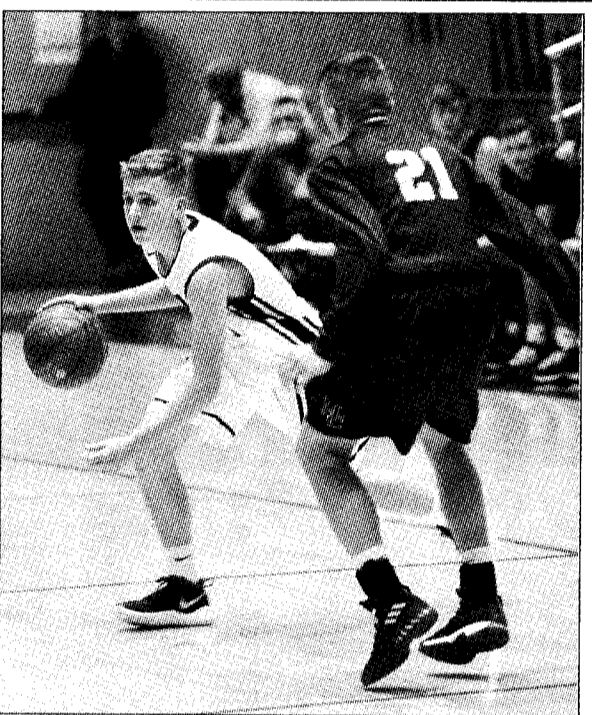
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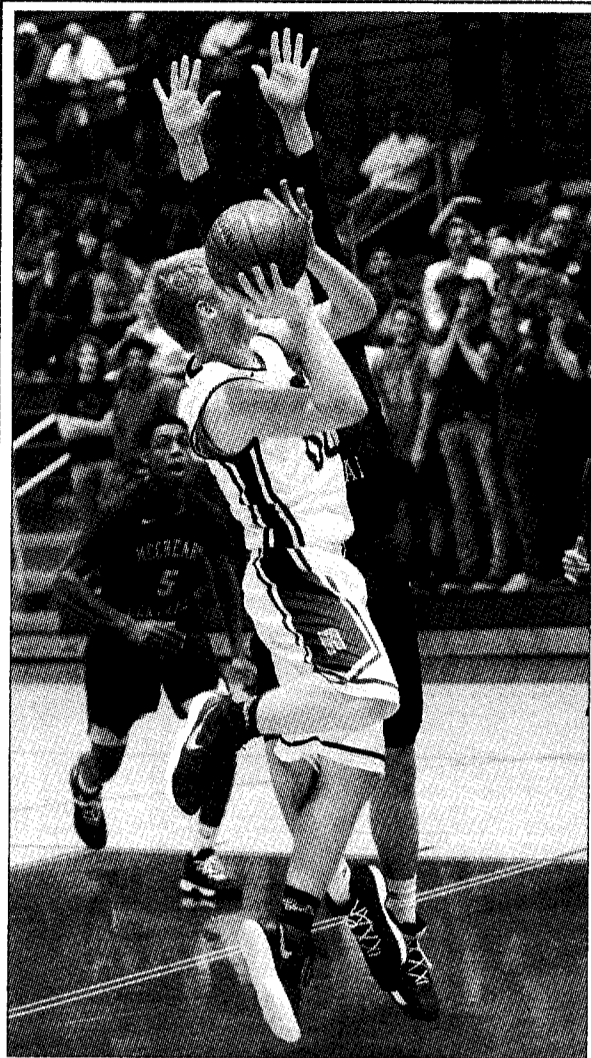
# SPORTS



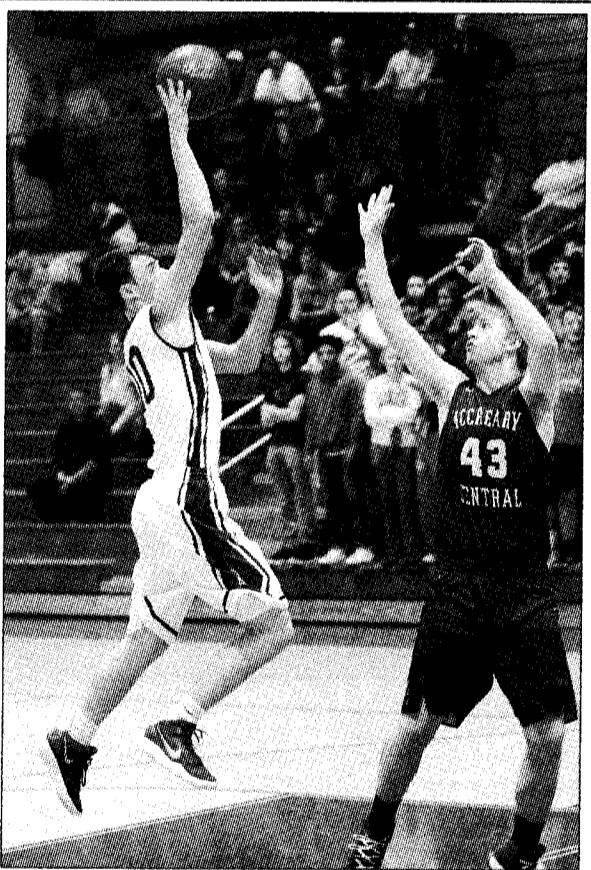
Cade Burdette applies defensive pressure for the Rockets in their opening game Tuesday night against McCreary Central.



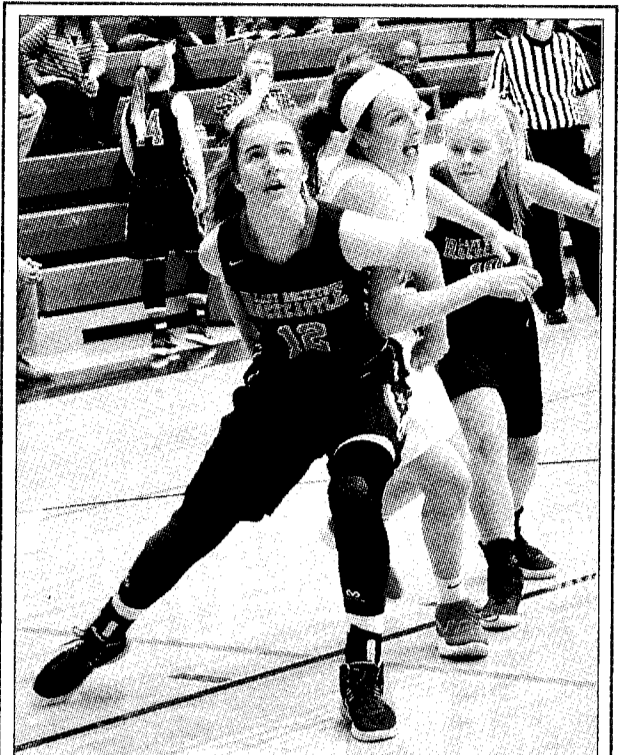
Logan Noel works around a defender in the Rockets' loss to McCreary Central Tuesday night. The Rockets will host Estill County next Tuesday night.



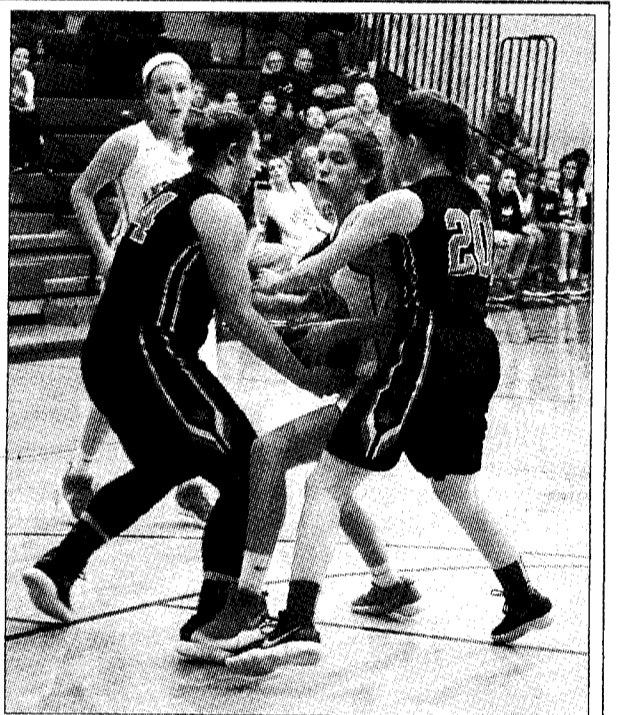
Trevor Todd goes up for two of his team high 11 points in the Rockets' loss to McCreary Central Tuesday night. Others scoring for the Rockets were: Logan Noel, 7; Isaac Stratton, Josh Thacker and Josiah West, 6 each; Cameron Cornelius, 5; Devin Mullins, Nick Dillingham and Cade Burdette, 4 each; Grant Bryant, 2.



Devin Mullins puts up a jump shot in the Rockets' 68-55 loss to McCreary Central Tuesday night. The Rockets now travel to Lincoln County Friday night in a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets.



Freshman Casey Coleman blocks out during the Lady Rockets' loss to Anderson County Monday night. It was the first game of the season for the Lady Rockets and was a tough loss, 77-43. Coleman, along with teammate Shelby Newland, each scored 13 for the Lady Rockets. Others scoring were: Emma Bullens, 5; Mackenzie Payne, 4; Lea Ellen Rogers, 2; Kenzi Himes, 2; Emily Adams, 2. Photo by John Herndon, The Anderson News.



Kenzi Himes and Emma Bullens trap an Anderson County player during the Lady Rockets season opening game Monday night. Photo by John Herndon, The Anderson News.



Senior Emily Adams makes a pass during the Lady Rockets' loss to Anderson County Monday night. The Lady Rockets travel to Lincoln County Friday night for a doubleheader with the Rockets. Photo by John Herndon, The Anderson News.

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## T.J. Ramsey makes Kentucky Middle School All-Star Football Team

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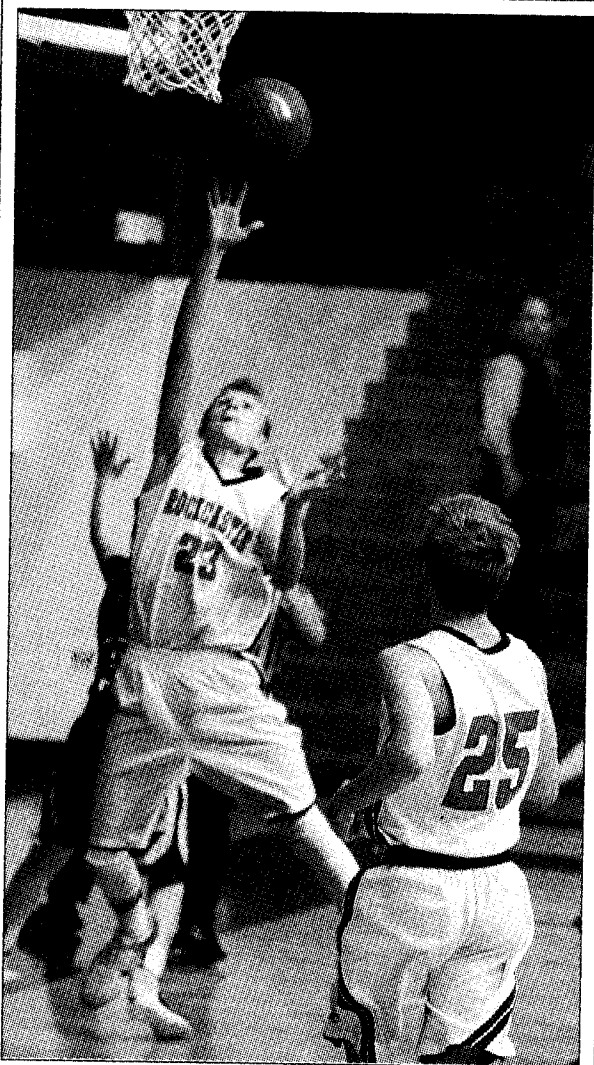
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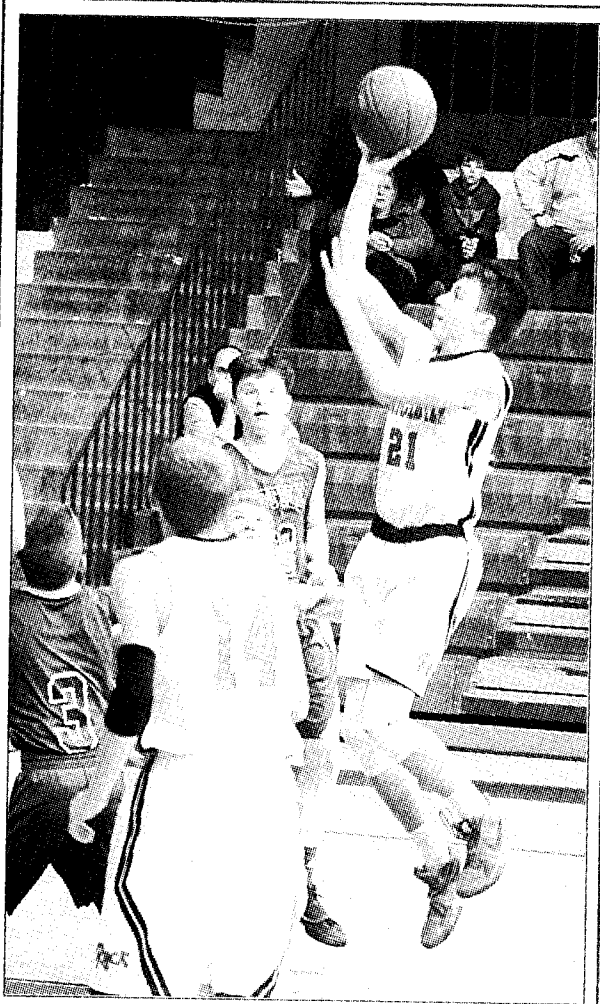
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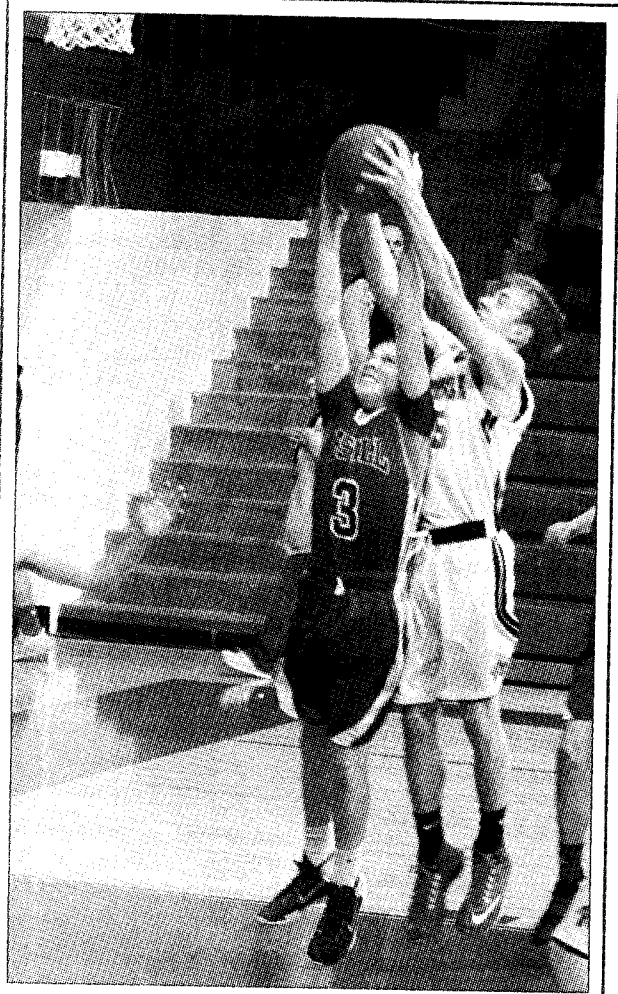
# Middle School Boys' Basketball



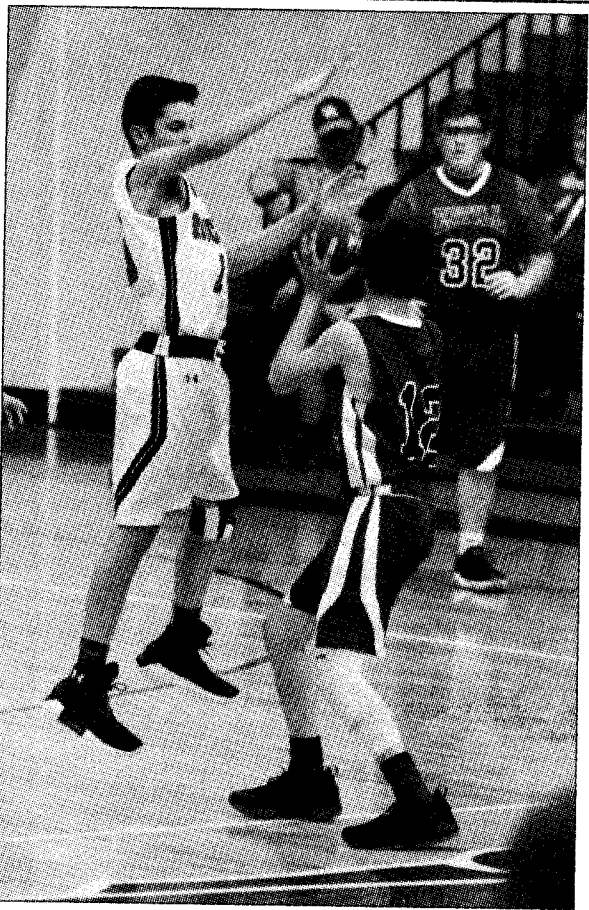
Drew Hopkins goes up for two of his 11 points in the eighth grade's win over Estill County. Others scoring were: Daniel Mullins, 18; Reese Coguer, 8; Matthew Chasteen, 9; Noah Fain, 2; Jake Sanders, 2; Jared Bugg, 2; Kaleb Whitaker, 2; Will Bishop, 2.



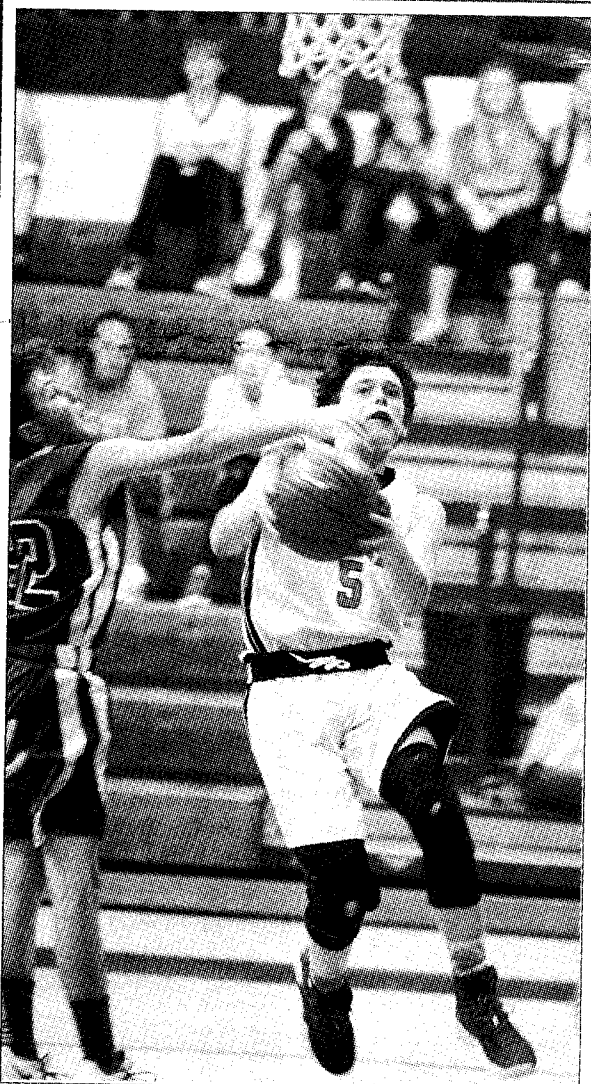
Daniel Mullins puts up a jump shot in the eighth grade's 56-31 win over Estill County.



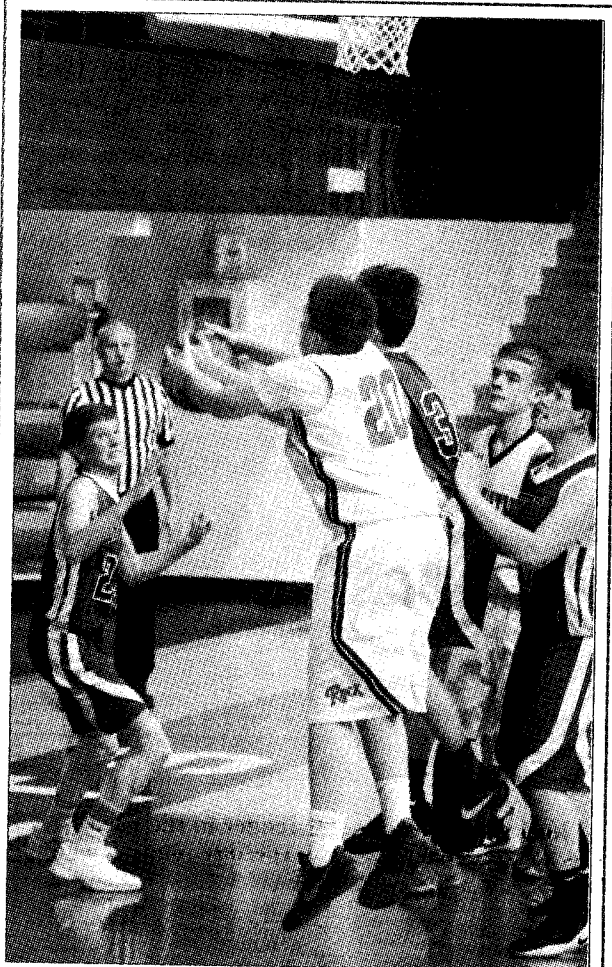
Eighth grader Reese Coguer goes up for a rebound during the Rockets' win over Estill County.



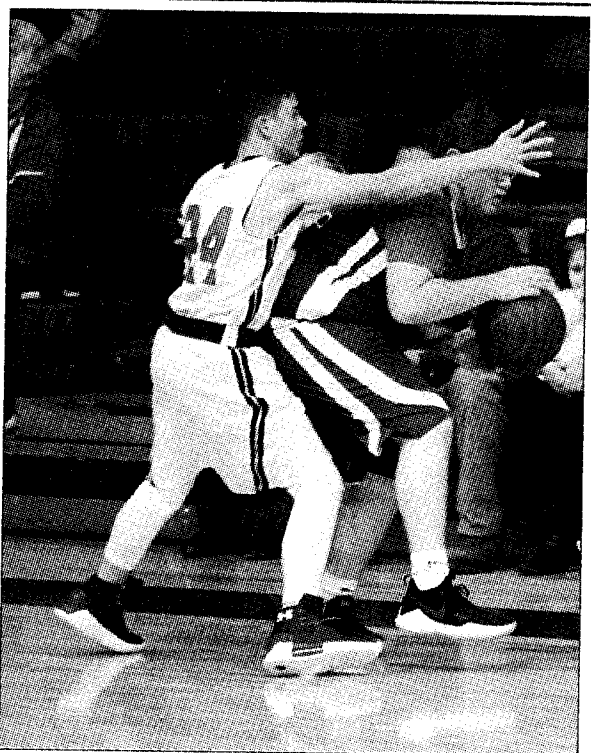
Carson King applies pressure during the seventh grade's win over Estill County recently.



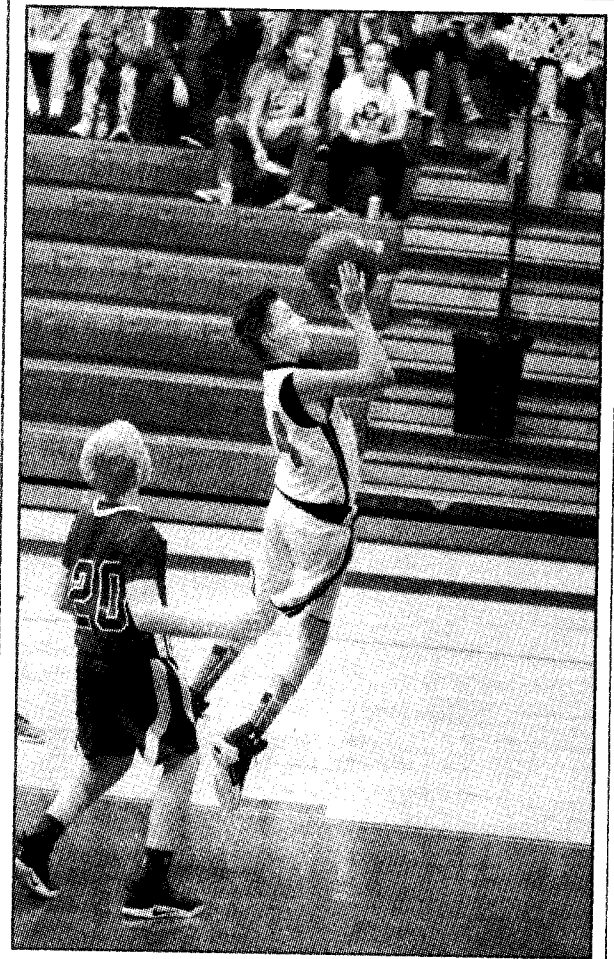
Seventh grader Xander Fletcher goes up for two of his 13 points in the Rockets win over Estill County. Others scoring were: Carson King, 8; Marquise Gentry, 4; John Farrow, 2; Ethan Medley, 8; Will Bishop, 6.



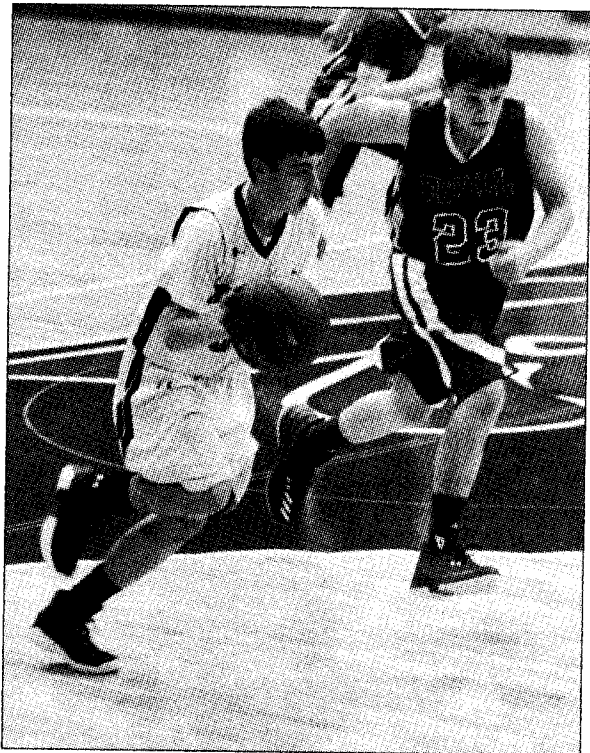
Landon Gentry fights for a rebound during the eighth grade's 56-31 win over Estill County.



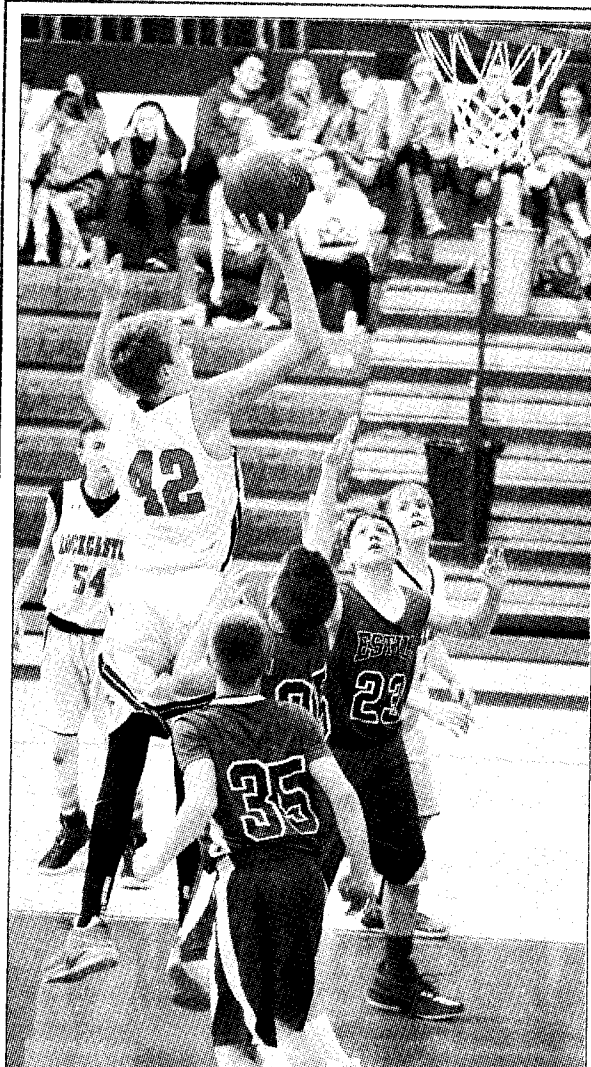
Ethan Medley plays some tough defense during the seventh grade's 41-26 win over Estill County recently. Medley scored eight points in the win.



Skyler Durham goes up for two of his nine points in the RCMS sixth grade's 40-30 win over Estill County recently.



Lance Coffey runs a fast break during the sixth grade's win over Estill County. Coffey scored 10 points in the win. Other scoring for the sixth grade were: Will Bishop, 15; Skyler Durham, 9 and Ben Brown, 6.



Will Bishop goes up for two of his 15 points in the sixth grade's 40-30 win over Estill County.

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# Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

## FSA Encourages Farmers and Ranchers to Vote in County Committee Elections

The 2017 Farm Service Agency County Committee Elections began on Nov. 6, when ballots were mailed to eligible voters. The deadline to return the ballots to local FSA offices is Dec. 4, 2017.

County committee members are an important component of the operations of FSA and provide a link between the agricultural community and USDA. Farmers and ranchers elected to county committees help de-

liver FSA programs at the local level, applying their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on commodity price support programs; conservation programs; incentive indemnity and disaster programs for some commodities; emergency programs and eligibility. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program. A person who is not of legal voting

age, but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm may also be eligible to vote.

Eligible voters in local administrative area 3 who do not receive a ballot can obtain one from their local USDA Service Center. Dec. 4, 2017, is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to local USDA Service Centers. Ballots returned by mail must also be postmarked no later than Dec. 4. Newly elected committee members will take office Jan. 1, 2018.

The candidates in this year's election are:

Brenda Parsons is nominated in LAA 3, Rockcastle County, to serve as a committee member. Parsons re-

sides in Wildie and has produced Hay, Pasture, Vegetables and corn for over 25 years.

She is an active member of the Rockcastle County Soil Conservation District and serves as Supervisor, Farmers Market, Young Farmers, Rockcastle County Cattleman's, and Rockcastle County Farm Bureau.

More information on county committees, such as the new 2017 fact sheet, can be found on the FSA website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/elections](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections) or at a local USDA

Service Center.

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: Dec. 6, 2017 8:00 A.M. at the Mt. Vernon USDA Service Center.

**Office Closure Schedule**  
The Mt. Vernon Service Center (FSA, NRCS and Rockcastle Co. Conservation District) offices will be closed the following dates for observance of a Federal Holiday:

December 25, 2017- Christmas Day  
January 1, 2018-Mew Year's Day

## Important program dates and Interest Rates

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 2.750%  
Farm Ownership Loans-Direct= 3.625%  
Limited Resource Loans= 5.000%  
Farm Ownership Loans-Direct Down Payment= 1.500%  
Farm Storage Loans= 3 yr. = 1.625%, 5 yr. = 1.875%, 7 yr. =2.125%, 10 yr. =2.375%, 12 yr. =2.375%  
Commodity Loans= 2.375 %

## "Meals"

(Continued from front)

volunteers served 1,682 meals to residents across the county.

Hull-Brown was a friend of Kenna and knew her well. "She would be very happy with how this has grown and the people we help every year. The good people of Rockcastle County join together and make a difference each Thanksgiving. Kenna would be proud."

At first, Kenna's Kitchen was expected to be a small event each year with a few volunteers helping out. After all, it's a big job to prepare 1,682 Thanksgiving meals.

"Over the years we have added church groups, civic organizations, businesses and individuals to help deliver meals and the school cooks volunteer their time to prepare the food and we have volunteers and helpers from every walk of life," she said. "These are just people who want to do good things."

Meals originally were served to those in need who were referred by school social workers or church groups. But since then, meals are now served to elderly, poor, sick and many other groups who could use a good, hot Thanksgiving meal. In fact, 130 of the meals went to the Rockcastle County Detention Center this year. "We provided a good, warm Thanksgiving meal to everyone at the jail," said Hull-Brown. "It takes all of us working together to make this happen. It's a team effort and our team is growing every year."

Throughout the year, Hull-Brown leads several food drives and receives donated canned goods such as green beans and corn. Then as the holiday nears, teachers and staff make desserts and members of the community volunteer to cook other sides or deliver meals or simply do some of the lifting involved.

The meal deliveries are not always based on income, according to Hull-Brown. There are other reasons a family or a person would be in need of a meal besides income. "We don't care why someone may need a meal. We just care that they do need one for whatever reason." Volunteer firefighters, police agencies, politicians and other organizations have joined the workers who deliver meals. "There are some

## "Ban"

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hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

There are a few guidelines one must follow to have a fire even within the allowable hours.

The Kentucky Forestry Division says anyone starting a fire should clear leaves and debris for at least ten feet around the burn pile and keep the burn pile small and controllable.

You are also asked to keep a hose or bucket of water nearby and to always stay with your fire until it is completely out, including embers.

Anyone needing more information concerning the burn ban should visit [www.forestry.ky.gov](http://www.forestry.ky.gov) or [www.ar.ky.gov](http://www.ar.ky.gov) to find details.

The burn ban is expected to be lifted on December 15 but will be reinstated next year from February 15 to April 30th.

of these places way back off the road that we couldn't get to without the help of those volunteers," Hull-Brown said.

Kenna's Kitchen now delivers meals to local trailer parks, apartment buildings, nursing homes, and many other areas and volunteers increase every year as well. "People from city hall and county workers and officials all volunteer to help. It's such a community-wide effort and Kenna would love to see everyone working together for such a good cause," said Hull-Brown. Anyone is eligible for the free Thanksgiving meal with very few requirements. "All you have to do, is need a meal and live in Rockcastle County. If you do, you qualify," she added.

The school board has no budget for Kenna's Kitchen and it's not the recipient of any tax or fee. It's all volunteers and donations and that's the way Hull-Brown wants it to stay.

She, and the countless volunteers have already started preparing for next

year's meals and will work throughout the year collecting canned goods and planning volunteer jobs and gathering names of those who will get a turkey dinner next November.

Anyone who would like to receive the free dinner next Thanksgiving is asked to contact your church, or city hall or your local fire department and get your name on the list before next November so that the proper amount of food can be arranged and ready by Thanksgiving.

Also, this year's turkey costs were a little more than the group was able to raise. So anyone who would be willing to donate should contact Hull-Brown at MVES to help cover the costs.

"If we listed all the good people who volunteer or donate to this cause, it would take all day and we would still miss some people. Just know that our volunteers are everywhere and this is growing more than anyone expected. It's just people helping others and for that, we all give thanks," she said.

## Lost Generation

I think we would all agree the one word in the English language that gets our attention quicker than any other is the word Lost. It causes a whole community to jump into action if it is a small child or an elderly person to begin a search.

Jesus also talked about the lost and the serious condition it places a person, sheep or a coin. Luke 15 chp and how that people search and search until they find that which they have lost because they cannot find no rest until they do. We think how stressful this is when it is a coin or a sheep or just one person think, just for a moment if it was whole generation of people.

Thousands of Israelites wondered in the wilderness lost. Num. 14:23 Because of their murmuring, and their lack of faith in God. For forty they wandered Num. 14:34 they never got to enter into the promise land. What a tragedy. Only two above the age of twenty years was able to cross over into the promise land.

Folks, are you lost? Do you fear not being able to cross over into the promise land? Jesus says, behold I stand at the door and knock. Jesus wants to come into your life so that you can be saved, so that you can have hope and direction in your life. By believing he is the son of God, repenting and turning from sin, confessing that he is the Son of God and then being baptized for the forgiveness of your sins. Thank you for reading article.

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# Let It Snow

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## City of Mt. Vernon's Christmas Parade

### Saturday, December 2nd

Line up starts at 11am in the Mt. Vernon Elementary School parking lot. Mt. Vernon Fire Department will be placing people in the line -up. Parade will start at 12pm.

For any question call City Hall at 256-3437.

Kwanis Christmas Tree Lighting, will be on Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in Triangle Park.



# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, November 30, 2017



## \$1,000 donated to The Grateful Bread Food Pantry

Jaclyn Newcomb, Patient Care Coordinator of Wayne Stewart & Horizon Adult Health Care was proud to present a check to Sherri Barnett, Program Coordinator of The Grateful Bread Food Pantry. The clients and staff at Wayne Stewart Adult Health Care work all year with various fundraisers to raise money for different organizations that impact the community. This year they raised close to \$1,000 and donated to the food pantry. Sherri and her workers do a great deal to help the community in providing what they need. The clients and staff at Wayne Stewart appreciate the opportunity to work with the Grateful Bread Food Pantry and this was a way the clients chose to give back to their community. Pictured above from left are: Brad Hunt, Helena Gallant, Zachary Centola, Sherri Barnett (Program Coordinator, Grateful Bread Food Pantry), Jaclyn Newcomb (Patient Care Coordinator, Wayne Stewart Adult Health Care), Mary Spurlock and Brittni Robinette.

## Beard and Mustache Competition for My Brother's Keepers this Saturday

Come One, Come All, to the First Annual My Brother's Keepers, Inc. Beard and Mustache Competition commonly known as "Beardtucky". This spectacle of an event will take place Saturday, December 2 at the Rockcastle County Middle School. Doors open at 10 a.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 addiction. Help us raise the

funds necessary to get out facility open right here in Rockcastle County. Competitors \$10 and Spectators \$2.



## Rockcastle DAR to Paint the Town Red

The Rockcastle DAR will be holding a year-long celebration and commemoration of World War I from November, 2017 through November, 2018.

On Saturday, November 18, 2017, County Judge Executive Doug Bishop signed a proclamation declaring the year to be noted as such.

It has been one hundred years since the war ended on November 11, 1919.

World War I, "The Great War" or "The War to End All Wars" began with the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on June 28, 1914.

The United States entered the war on April 6, 1917, after the British passenger ship, the Lusitania, was sunk in 1915, and President Woodrow Wilson was pressured to enter the war.

There were about forty-one million military and civilian deaths as a result of World War I; twenty-three million were wounded.

It was one of the deadliest conflicts in human history. There were about 486 Rockcastle men who fought in the effort. Many of their descendants still live in the county. The influenza outbreak of 1917 killed additional thousands.

The Great War was the first major conflict to be fought from the air. Airplanes from Great Britain, France, and Russia fought along with the Americans.

The local DAR has been noting and cleaning the graves of some of the Rockcastle men who fought and the process is expected to be lengthy.

The DAR also plans a series of small events in the upcoming year such as planting poppies in every town.

The poppy has become the flower of remembrance for World War I. They are bright red, hence "paint the town red".

To conclude the year, in November 2018, there is a spectacular event in the works, such as the county has never

seen before, if all goes as planned.



The RCHS Cheerleaders competed in the 12th Region KHSAA Cheerleading Competition on Saturday, November 18th at McCreary Central High School. RCHS placed second in the Large Division. Pictured are front from left: Sarah Powell, Sydney Hager, Sierra Hansel, Manami Yaotia, Sydney Draper, Hannah Cotton, and Brinkley Abney. Back row from left: Ashley Garrett, Coach Joanie Alexander, Riley Betsworth, Lebrana Sparks, Shelby French, Brooklyn Smithern, Taylor Hall, Kaylee Brock, Elisabeth Owens, and Kerrigan Medley.



The RCMS Cheerleaders competed in the 12th Region Kentucky Association of Pep Organization Sponsors (KAPOS) Competition at Garrard County Middle School on Thursday, November 16th. RCMS placed second in the Small Division. Pictured front from left are: Kendra Gibson, Maddie Ellis, Halli Bales, Emma Ballinger, Raychel Carpenter, Kamryn Hall, and Melanie Vanwinkle. Back row from left: Coach Joanie Alexander, Alexis Martin, Jayda Hubbard, Beth Mink, Jaelyn Pennington, Natalie Wilson, Sydney Carrera, Savannah Thacker, Taryn Powell, Lindsey Robinson, and Volunteer Coach Brittany Adams.

## Celebrate Family and Consumer Sciences Day

The Rockcastle County High School FCS Program would like to personally invite the citizens of Rockcastle County to participate in the 4th Annual Family and Consumer Sciences Day on Sunday, December 3, 2017.

Family and Consumer Sciences Day calls attention to something simple families can do to be physically, mentally, and financially healthier—prepare and eat a nutritious meal together. KY Family and Consumer Sciences is proud to take part in this important initiative.

The fourth annual Family & Consumer Sciences Day, launched by the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS), has set a goal of 200,000 "Dining In" commitments.

December 3rd was chosen as Family & Consumer Sciences Day to honor AAFCS Founder Ellen Richards, first female graduate of MIT and pioneer for Family and Consumer Sciences.

Studies show that intentional family mealtime:

- Decreases the likelihood your family will

be overweight or obese

- Improves family relationships
- Saves money
- Increases your families consumption of healthy foods

Please join us and Kentucky Family and Consumer Sciences by making a commitment to dine-in with your family on Saturday, December 3, 2017. Also, feel free to use the following hashtags to show your support:

- #FCSday
- #healthyfamselfie
- #KYFCS

Support is greatly appreciated.



The Rockcastle County JROTC High School Raider Team traveled to Molena, GA to compete in the National Raider Competition. The group camped the nights of November 3rd and 4th and on Sunday. Ethan Saylor, Elijah Vaught, Kensie Sheffield, Nathan Renner, Billy Boggs, Benton Kuntz, Sebastian Poynter, Lydia Walker, Shawna Mink, and Amber Doan all competed in a 5 Kilometer run, the Cross County Rescue (3 quarter mile run with 35 pound backpacks and a 95 pound litter, a waist deep mud crawl and a 6 foot wall), the One Rope bridge, the "Raider Gauntlet" (a run through woods with 35 pound backpacks, an 8 foot wall, and the tunnels that cadets had to crawl through), and the Physical Team Test (a run where cadets had to carry various items, such as a canoe, or ammo crates.). Overall, they placed 21st out of 31 schools, and the entire team was given chest medals and a group photo.

# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## Deeds Recorded

Herbert Shoemaker, property on Silver St., Brodhead, to Richard Birney. Tax \$12

Kermit Bowling, property in Wabd community, to Brent Callahan. Tax \$12.50  
Estate of Harvey Rasnick, property in Lakeside Subdv., to Nelson and Ruth Ann Hamilton. Tax \$45

SFS Investments LLC, property in Rockcastle County, to Zac Wynn Realtor Guy LLC. Tax \$50

## District Civil Suits

Eagle Financial Services, Inc. v. Sarah L. Whitlow and Rita Henson, \$1,657.31 plus claimed due.

LVNV Funding v. Barry Solomon, \$598 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank v. Laurie A. Cole, \$1,809.46 plus claimed due.

Jefferson Capital Systems v. Mellissa Marler, \$2,243 plus claimed due.

Jefferson Capital Systems v. Michael Calder, \$714 plus claimed due. C-00385

## Marriage Licenses

Kristen Ellen Stamper, 21, Richmond, student and Corey Randall Lamb, 21, Richmond, police recruit. 11/18/17

Brittney Nicole Lear, 32, Crab Orchard, unemployed and Kenneth Eugene Smith, 44, Crab Orchard, unemployed. 11/21/17

## Circuit Civil Suits

Emily Lauren Reeder v. John Richard Peeder, Jr., verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

Champion Mortgage Co. v. David Layne Riddle, et al, \$68,150 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding v. Leroy Monk, \$9,972 plus claimed due.

Gaylen Griffin v. Myron H. Griffin, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00269

## District Court

Nov. 20-22, 2017  
Hon. Kathryn G. Wood

Julia B. Brock: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, license to be in possession, no operators/moped license, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), license suspended.

Ashley D. Warrimer: public intoxication, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, 60 days (each charge)/concurrent plus one cost.

Adam Wayne Caldwell: driving too slow for traffic conditions, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine; failure of owner to maintain required insurance/

security, \$500 fine (suspend \$450 on condition), instructional permit violations, \$25 fine plus costs.

David Lee Durham: failure to wear seat belts, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, license suspended for fta.

Gregory Eldridge: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Heath Estep: criminal mischief and criminal littering, bw issued for fta.

Noah J. Faulkner: fines/fees due (\$248), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

Amanda Gadd: criminal trespass, bw issued for fta.

Joshua M. Ghantous: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators

license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Ronald Raider: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Joey Yancy Thacker: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, possessing license when privileges are revoked/suspended, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Bradley Wesley: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.

Speeding: Robert N. Helle, Christopher S. LaCasse, Wesley Farrell Noe, Worthington Paul, Paula Proctor Reed, Carlee L. Smith, license suspended for fta.

Bryan Keith Hammons: flagrant non-support, court

notice issued.

Philip Berry: harassment, bw issued for fta.

Steven James Clark: assault, terroristic threatening, bw issued for fta.

Sherry Lynn Didonato: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension, ADE authorized; possession controlled substance, 365 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Johnny F. Meadows: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, obstructed vision and/or windshield, failure to wear seat belts, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt - plates, failure to produce insurance card, improper display of registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Ernesto Maldonado-Colon III: careless driving, court notice issued.

## Yards to Paradise

wanting to market their home immediately spend on major landscape upgrades, minor work that delivers a positive curb appeal is a super idea. And, in time, a good landscape can deliver up to 200% or more in return. (Example: a tree that you buy and plant for \$100 or one you hire done for \$225—that tree, depending upon species and what part of the country you're talking about, may be valued by an appraiser at somewhere between \$1,000 and \$10,000 in a decade or two when it becomes a large tree, provided it's healthy and was planted in an appropriate spot to begin with.)

In the real estate sales

business they talk a lot about "comps" or comparable homes. Above average landscaping raises pricing 4-5 percent. However, landscaping below neighborhood standards can negatively affect price 8 to 10 percent!

Landscape improvements not only add value, they can help a property sell 5 to 6 weeks faster, according to the American Nursery and Landscaping Association. Again, we have to qualify this to modest expenditures that improve appearance of a home. Fancy or extensive new landscaping to a place you are selling is not wise, both from a cost/return perspective and also that the more elaborate

projects will only appeal to a smaller portion of prospective new homeowners looking at your home with the 'for sale' sign. Fairly simple but tasteful is the key. Let the next owner do the big expensive stuff.

What about the homeowner who plans to keep his property for many years and wants to invest in the landscaping? There is more freedom here to do involved projects, and those that are on his family's need or wish list. A swimming pool or a jungle gym may not return full value at selling time, but if it means the kids and grandkids really have a good time and it makes for a much

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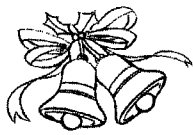
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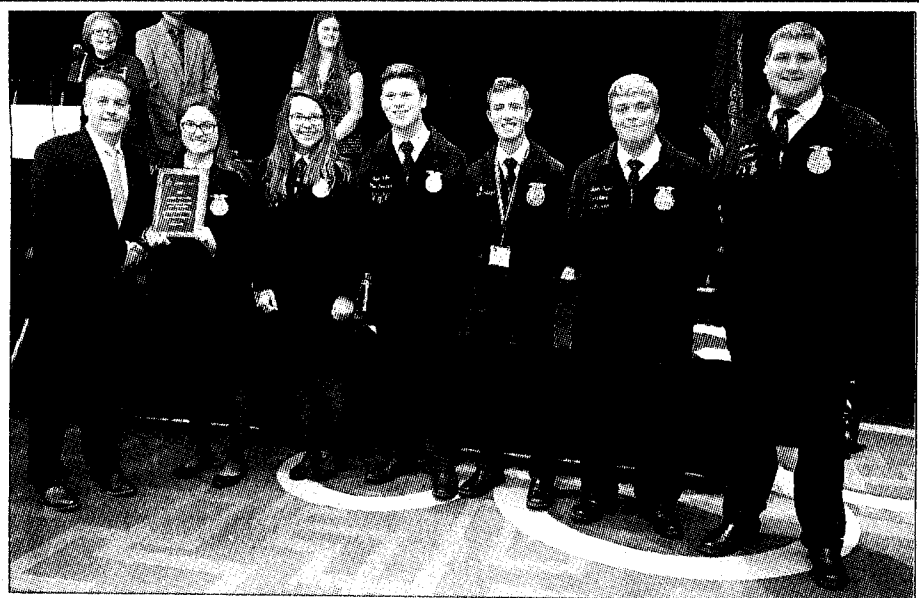
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**Rockcastle FFA travels to Indianapolis**

October 25-27th the Rockcastle County FFA Parliamentary Procedure team traveled to the 90th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN. They competed against 49 other teams from across the country. The Rockcastle County FFA team received a silver rating in the contest. The team members consisted of Caleb Ballinger, Trevor Sweet, Pam Miller, Savannah Goff, Logan Miller, and Austin Kirby. Congratulations to all team members.



**Rockcastle Land Judging competes at state**

On November 3rd The Rockcastle County FFA Land Judging team competed at the State Contest at the Kentucky Leadership Training Center in Hardinsburg, Kentucky. The team received 1st place out of 24 teams. Hope Holbrook received 3rd high individual. Tiffany McGuire and Madison Pride tied for 4th high individual, and Joy Frith received 7th high individual. This team is the first in Rockcastle County FFA history to win land judging at the State Contest. They will be advancing to Oklahoma City to compete in the National Contest. Congratulations to all team members.



**Tiger Pause**

Mr. Devin's third grade class from the Turquoise pod at Brodhead Elementary School created Native American homes with some resources from around the school. Moira Neely, Lane Wilder, Senthia Sagraves, Haley Bustle, and Kathryn Coffey prepared a round house from the Native Americans of the Northwest coast of North America. Ethan Kirby, Bryant Davis, Layla Roberts, and Brayden Thacker made adobe homes from the Native Americans of the North American Southwest. Jaimey Harris, Kadyn Feldman, Dylan Burke, and Kelsey Moore made long houses from the Native Americans of the Eastern woodlands. Derrick Nunley, Precious Boyd, Chase Wooton, and (not pictured) Ally Brummett made tee-pees from the Native Americans of the Central plains. Students were able to show their knowledge of the various styles of Native American dwelling across the regions of North America with a model representation.

**KHEAA outreach counselor named for Rockcastle County**

JR Thompson is the new Rockcastle County outreach counselor for the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

"I am eager to ensure that Kentucky students are provided the best service in our efforts to bring awareness about financial aid programs, KHEAA resources and anything that would help them achieve success after high school," Thompson said.

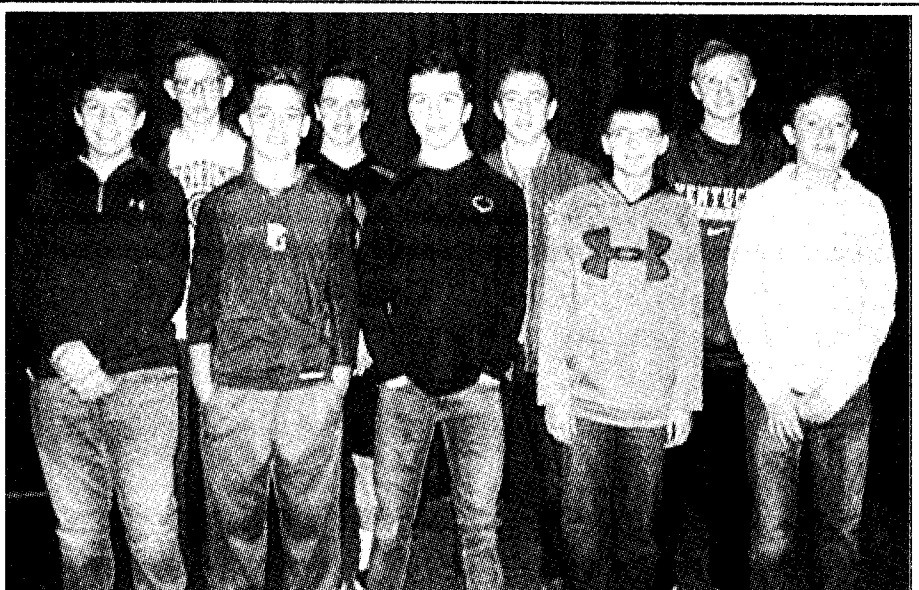
In addition to schools, Thompson will work with adult education centers, state agencies and other groups. He can be reached at jrthompson@kheaa.com or (502) 229-1147.

"We are so pleased that JR has joined the KHEAA outreach team," KHEAA Director of Outreach Services Kim Dolan said. "He has a wealth of college access knowledge and a passion for helping students, which will make him a great asset to the South Central Kentucky region."

Thompson has a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of the Cumberlands. Before joining KHEAA, he was director of scholarships and academic advisor at Somerset Community College.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), need-based grants and other programs to help students pay their higher education expenses.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.



**RCMS students take part in G2-TECS Conference**

Students from Rockcastle County Middle School recently participated in the Guys Geared Up for Technology, Engineering, Computers and Science (G2-TECS), at Somerset Community College. G2-TECS was created as a way to encourage male students to consider mathematics-oriented and science-oriented careers, to gain confidence in doing mathematics and science and to take advanced level mathematics and science courses in high school. Shown above from front left are: Bryson Atkin, Silas Shaffer, Noah Fain, Carson White and Ethan Cotton. Back row from left: Gary Ramsey, Ethan Fain, Reese Coguer and Drew Hopkins.



**RCMS raises money for Veterans Park**

Rockcastle County Middle School Leadership Team Members Kylie Martin and Molly Craig presented Kathy Bobo a check for \$225 toward the American Legion's efforts to create a Veterans Park in Rockcastle County. RCMS students brought in their spare change on Veterans Day to make the donation.

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The project site is located at 1545 Cumberland Lake Pkwy, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. The bid is to furnish all necessary labor, materials, tools, machinery, warranties, and all other items required to renovate the HVAC System, Replace Roof and E.I.F.S., Extend Drive Lane and repave existing parking lot to meet plans and specifications. Work to include, but not limited to: ceilings, lighting, electrical, hvac, roofing, E.I.F.S. and minor site grading, new asphalt paving and striping.

The project is separated into the following Bid Packages:  
 Bid Package No. 1 – Roof and E.I.F.S. Replacement  
 Bid Package No. 2 – HVAC Replacement  
 Bid Package No. 3 – Asphalt Paving  
 Bid Package No. 4 – Combination BID

Interested Contractors shall attend a mandatory pre-bid conference on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. at the project site, 1545 Cumberland Lake Pkwy, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening. Each bid must include a bid security in the amount of 10% of the total bid in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or surety company bond made payable to the Rockcastle County School Board of Education.

If a bid security in the amount of 10% of the full bid amount is submitted with the bid, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and payment bond and labor and material bond from an acceptable surety in the amount of 100% of the full contract amount. If a bid guaranty bond in the amount of 100% of the total bid is submitted with the bid, performance and labor and material bond will be required.

The contract documents have been prepared by N3D Group, 1204 Winchester Road, Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40505. For additional information or questions, send email inquiries to HYPERLINK "mailto:snoel@n3dgroup.com" snoel@n3dgroup.com or phone 859-303-5708. Copies of the documents may be purchased from Lynn Imaging, 328 East Vine Street, Lexington, KY, 40507, (859) 255-1021 or [www.lynnimaging.com](http://www.lynnimaging.com).

All provisions of the Kentucky Revised Code as it relates to bid guaranty's conditions, liabilities, and withdrawal of a bid are applicable to this contract. The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to accept any bid which is deemed most favorable. The owner also reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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## Posted

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

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

**Posted:** No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

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

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

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

**Posted:** No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25ftn

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**RTEC** is seeking a qualified individual for CSR. High school diploma or GED required. Good computer skills, telephone etiquette, experience in contemporary office practices, equipment and data entry a must. Fluent Spanish is a plus. Applicant duties include taking reservations and data entry, as well as other clerical duties. Start rate of pay for this position is \$11 per hour. Excellent benefit package. Applications may be obtained at the RTEC office, 100 Main St., Mt. Vernon. RTEC operates a drug and alcohol free workplace and is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 45x4

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## Notices

**Notice is given that** Phyllis Lopez and Gaylene Griffin have filed a Proposed Final Settlement of their accounts as Co-Administratrixes of the estate of Woodrow Saylor, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held December 22, 2017 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 47x1

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Cooperative Solar Farm One features more than 32,000 solar panels and can generate enough power to meet all the needs of 1,000 typical Kentucky homes.

"Cooperative members have said they want options for renewable energy for their home or business," said Jackson Energy Manager of Member Services Karen Combs. "Now, they can license solar panels

from Jackson Energy and receive the benefits of solar power without the hassles of private solar."

Jackson Energy and the 15 other electric co-ops of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives partnered to build the not-for-profit solar farm, which is located next to Interstate 64 between Lexington and Winchester. The panels will be operated and maintained by the electric co-ops.

For a one-time payment of \$460 per panel, participating co-op members will receive a 25-year license. They will get credit on their monthly power bill for the

value of the energy generated by their share of the solar farm.

Co-op members can license enough panels to offset their average annual electric consumption. And they can monitor panel performance online. Each panel is projected to generate 460 kilowatts per year.

For more information and to sign up, visit [www.CooperativeSolar.com](http://www.CooperativeSolar.com).

### "Yards"

(Cont. from B2)

better quality of life, who is to say it isn't money well spent! (Not everything can be totaled up with a dollar value.)

Long term, some of the best return on money spent comes from planting small but healthy trees and shrubs, and they become much more valuable in time. Hardscaping such as patios, decks, terraces, swales, walks, water features and so on are also important to long term satisfaction and reward to the homeowners. The tough part for the beginning new homeowner is visualizing when they plant that shade tree that it shouldn't be planted in a certain spot if a pool or patio or new driveway or a second garage will need to go there at some

future date. Hiring a designer early on in this matter may be much cheaper than dealing with mistakes as time passes and some things have to be removed to make way for more projects at a later date. Planning is useful—so often I see people shopping for trees or shrubs and they have little idea until they get home how it is going to fit in some good looking scheme.

Right tree? Not only right size, right shape needs to be considered. What does your proposed tree look like in each of the four seasons? Will it bloom? Should it be an evergreen tree? Will it tolerate sun, shade, drought, swampy areas, poor soil, acid or alkaline soils? Will it survive salt trucks, salt mist or runoff water from treated streets that is salty?

Considering just the color of the leaves, or that it has such a pretty bloom can lead to poor choices and followed on by poor performance if planting conditions and other factors are not in line with the preferences of the tree you dream about. This could lead to negative return on your investment, or even death of the tree, not to mention the time wasted and the delay in having the dream tree you want.

The value of a good looking yard that also is functional and usable is huge. Broken sidewalks, rotten porches, unfenced yard with pets: these detract

from values. A yard that appeals to the most people will be a winner if selling is in your future. Having all the little particulars you want are fine if you plan on staying awhile, your own comfort and preferences may be a good investment for you and your yard.

Trees and greenery relax people. So does the sound of water. And sometimes wind. Being able to swim, grow a garden, cook outdoors, all of these can be wise investments. They just may not return the same good returns if you are just looking at dollars return for dollars spent. Again, not everything can be priced as having a certain dollar value. Making your place the way you want it is money smart too.

Doing things yourself will save money in the short run. And perhaps even long term, if you do your homework and do things with utmost care and attention. It will be easier, for sure, if you turn it over to someone experienced and reputable.

What if you do need expert help? Well, my first bit of advice is don't go to a garden center that also has a landscape crew. The more expensive stuff they sell, the happier they'll be. Instead try going to a place that sells yard furnishings, or a mulch and stone yard perhaps, someone who will feel responsible for it if they refer a poor choice to you. You'll get the best names such a business knows about usually.

Another tactic to insure you don't get a bad contractor or job? Go through some neighborhoods and ask who did the job for that home? And, especially, inquire who did the landscapes that you think look bad! If several homes on a street mention a certain landscaper, and you're looking at what's before your eyes, and you're underwhelmed with crooked, dead, mismatched or unsuitable choices for the location, you may realize going to that extra effort saves you from the error of calling the same company to do your work!

In conclusion, time is your friend. The right landscaping will gain steadily in value over the years. I believe landscaping, well planned and executed, will produce a positive return on your investment and will be money well spent. (And even if spending money on your property increased the value in an exactly equal amount to what you spent, you would still enjoy the new landscaping, and not for a few days like you would a vacation, or a few hours like a Superbowl, or a few minutes perhaps if you gamble those dollars away. Instead you accumulate equity in your home that will endure and grow as time passes.)

Evidence is abundant, good landscaping is a super investment.

The author, Max Phelps, is a landscaper. Your feedback is encouraged. [www.rockcastles.net](http://www.rockcastles.net)

## KSP "Cram the Cruiser" extends through Dec. 11

Kentucky State Police Post 11, London kicked off their eighth annual Cram the Cruiser food drive on Wednesday, November 22. The campaign extends through Monday, December 11 and is designed to collect non perishable food items for needy families.

The food will be distributed to local shelters, churches or other organizations serving those in need during the holiday season. Suggested donations include canned fruit and vegetables, canned meat, macaroni and cheese, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned soups, chili or spaghetti sauce, brownie and cake mixes, coffee, water, powdered milk and juices. Last year KSP collected 339,656 pounds of food.

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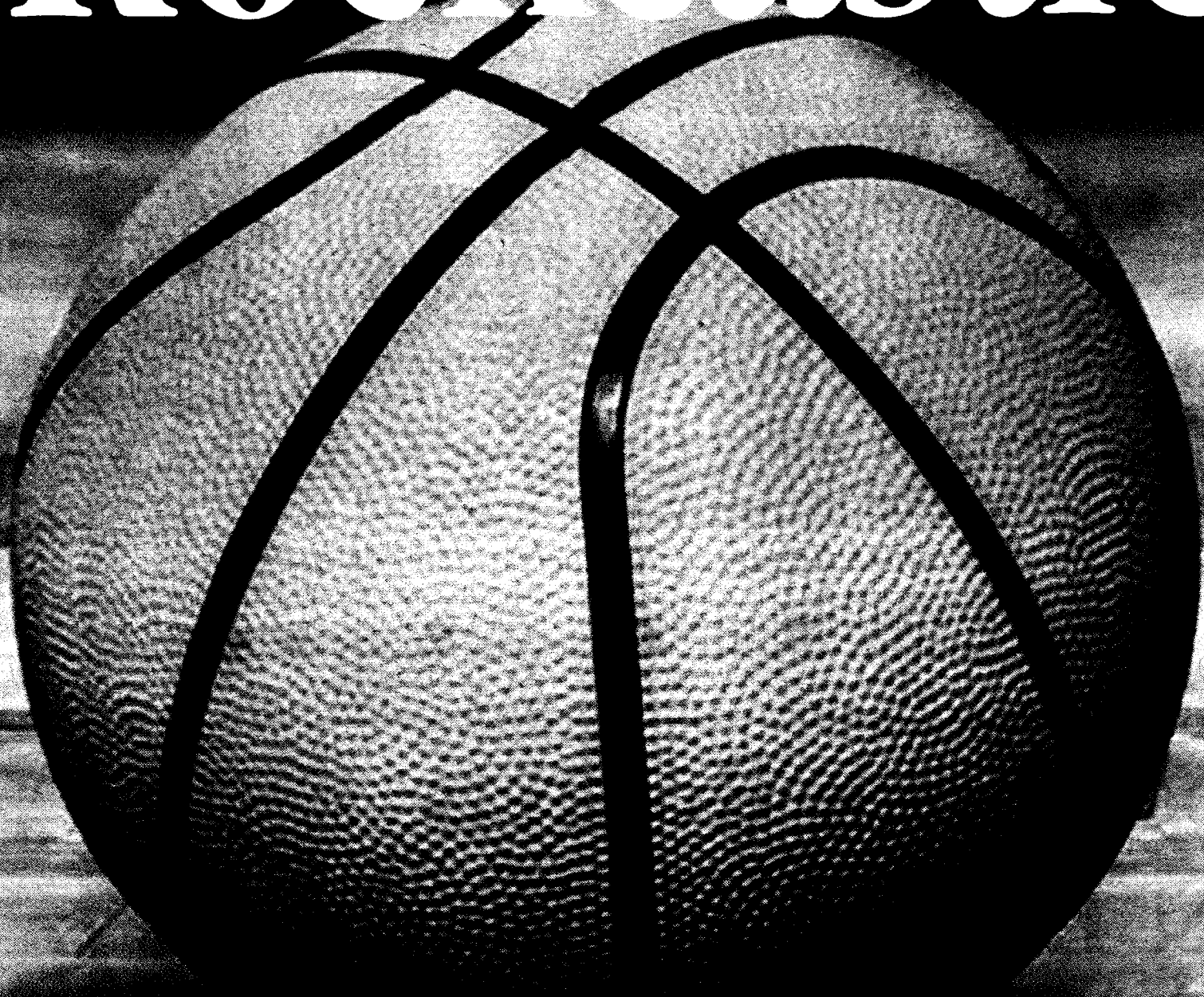
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**Basketball Preview**



***2017-2018 Edition of the Rockcastle Lady Rockets***

Members of the Lady Rockets squad are pictured above, front row, from left: Cynthia Wells, Shelby Newland, Mackenzie Payne, Lea Ellen Rogers, Emily Adams and Jordyn Powell. Back row from left: Selecity Broaddus, Jamison Roberts, Zoe Burdette, Brooke Castle, Kassie Lay, Valerie Kendrick, Emma Bullens, Kenzi Himes, Alexa Bussell, Casey Coleman, Madison McIntosh, Savannah Neeley, Raegen Chasteen, Aliyah Lopez and Jordan Harper. Not pictured: Bailee Allen, Lindsey Jones and Emily Reynolds.

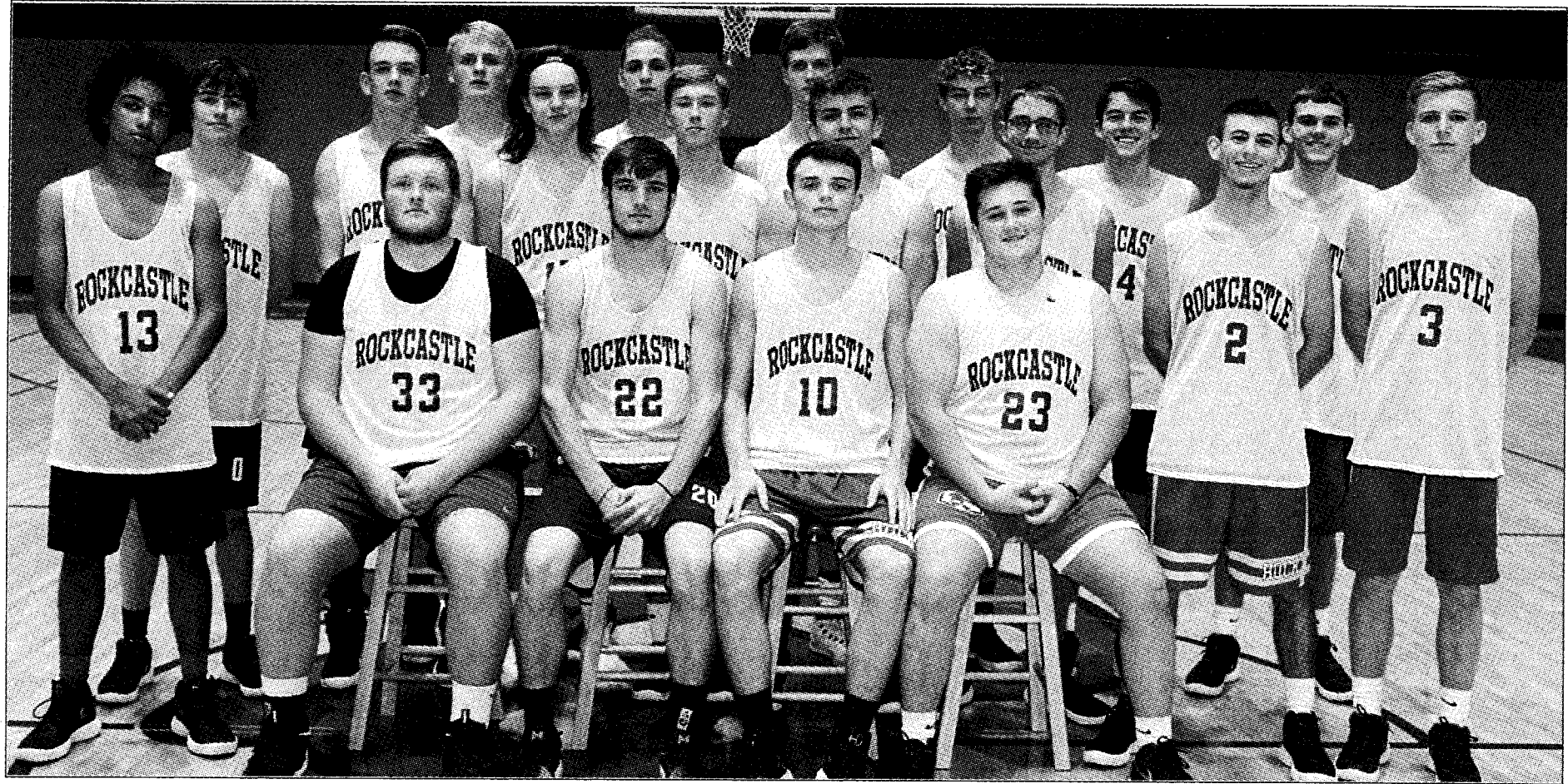
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*2017-2018 Edition of the Rockcastle Rockets*

Members of the Rockets basketball squad are pictured above, seated, from left: Nick Dillingham, Cameron Cornelius, Devin Mullins and Grant Bryant. Second row from left: Josiah West, Andrew Hurt, Donovan Elwood, Isaac Stratton, Cade Burdette, Josh Thacker, Logan Bullock, Jordan Nicely and Logan Noel. Back row from left: Trevor Todd, Caleb Burns, Jonmark Loudermilk, Daniel Holsing, Jacob Loudermilk and Bentley Taylor.

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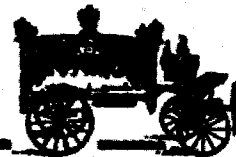
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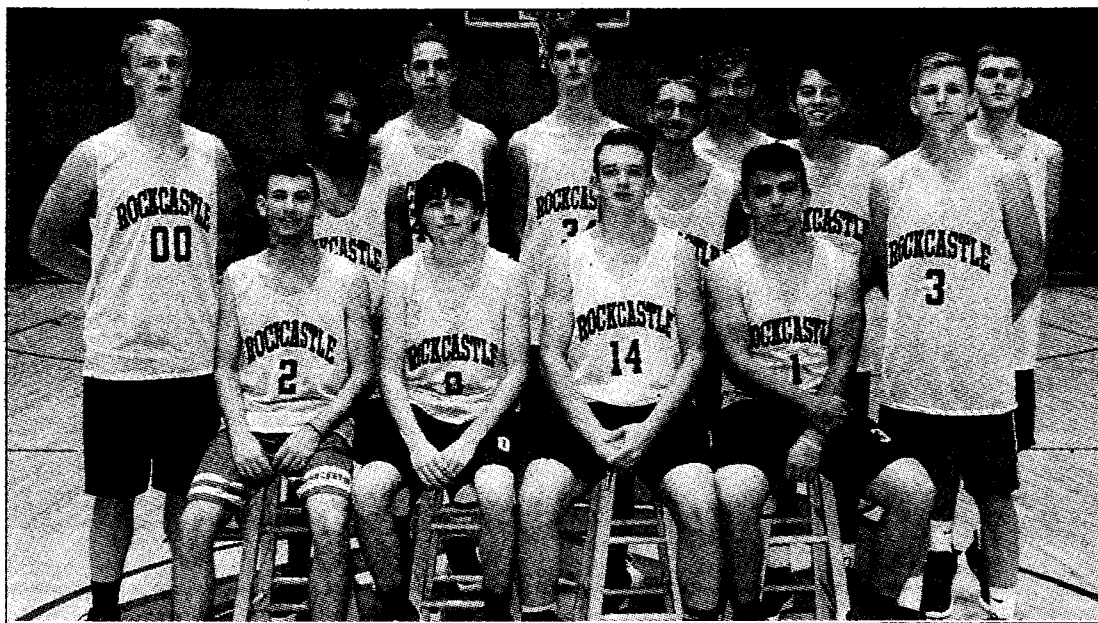
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***2017-2018 Rockets Junior Varsity***

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# Lady Rockets hoping for big things from lots of players

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets are looking to replace five seniors and four starters from a 17-14 season last year.

The girls made it to the 12th Region Tournament as runners up, after a disappointing loss to Somerset in the 47th District Championship game.

“Any team that loses five seniors will struggle at times,” Head Coach Chrysti Noble said, “last year’s seniors practically ran practice.”

Seniors Emily Adams, Mackenzie Payne, Lea Ellen Rogers and Jordyn Powell will be counted on to fill the void left by the departed seniors. “Our seniors this year will have to step up their game if we are going to be successful,” Noble said.

The lone returning starter from last season, sophomore Kenzi Himes, will be called upon for experience and scoring.

“Kenzi had a great summer playing AAU along with freshman Casey Coleman,” Noble said. “We will count on these two a lot,” she added.

Sophomore Shelby Newland will be running the point this year for the Lady Rockets, “Shelby gained a lot of experience at the end of last year and this is going to be a huge plus for us,” Coach Noble said. “Fortunately, we have a lot of girls we are going to play. If we are going to

be successful, we are going to have to work hard all the time.”

Casey County will be the favorite in the district this year. Coming off a 20-10 season, the Lady Rebels will be looking to avenge a first round upset in the 47th District Tournament to Somerset.

In the 12th Region, the Lady Rockets will have to contend with last year’s state champs, Mercer County. The Lady Titans are ranked #1 in the state in pre-season polls.

“We have a tough schedule and we will have to give 100% at every game if we want to be competitive and have a good season,” coach Noble said.

Noble added that every team on their schedule will present a challenge to her squad this season. “We will have to take every game on our schedule one game at a time and not look ahead in order to have success.”

“If we do these things and continue to grow as a team, we should be competitive and accomplish our goals,” Noble added.

The Lady Rockets kicked off their season Monday night when they traveled to Anderson County.

Friday night, the Lady Rockets will be on the road again as they take on Lincoln County in a doubleheader with the Rockets:




## 2017-2018 Lady Rockets Freshmen

Members of the Lady Rockets freshmen squad are pictured above, bottom row: Jordan Harper. Second row from left: Alexa Bussell, Aliyah Lopez, Laney Bryant, Haley Thacker and Emma Hackworth. Back row from left: Elizabeth Denney, Valerie Kendrick, Hallie Brown, Karalinn Loudermilk, Keelee King, Natalee Dillingham and Darby Smith. Not pictured: Emily Reynolds.

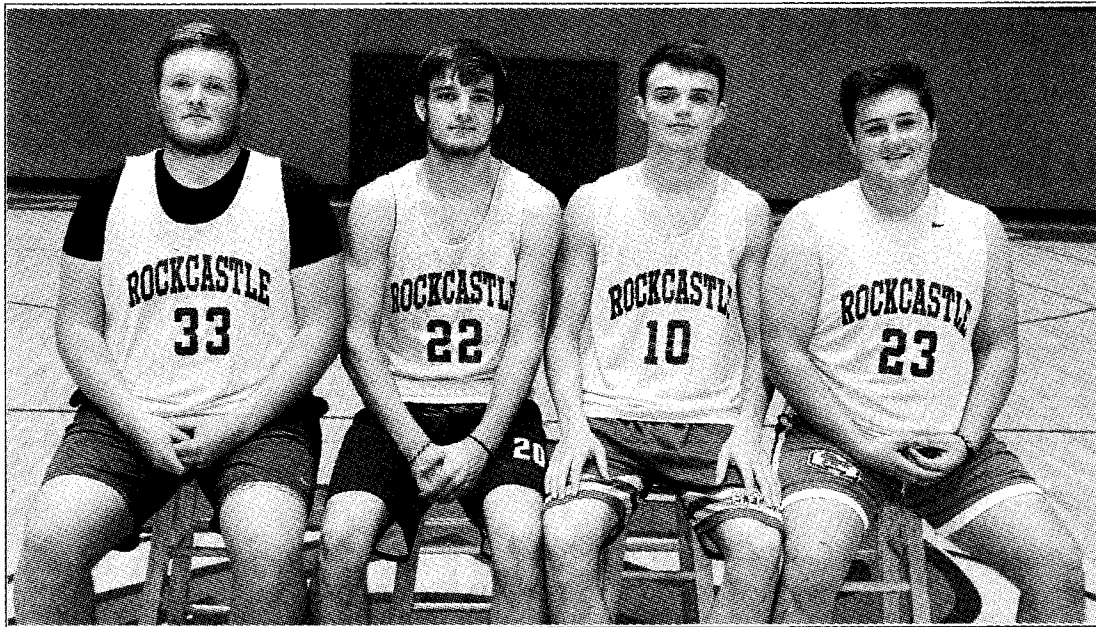
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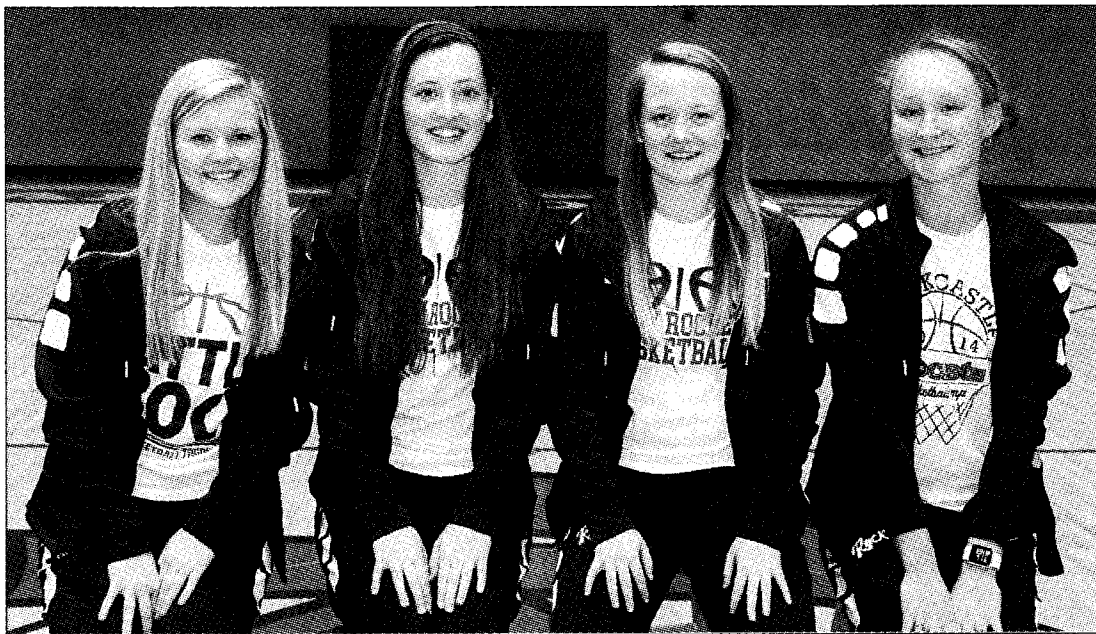
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## *Rockets and Lady Rockets Seniors*



Senior members of the Rockcastle Rockets for 2017-2018 are shown above, from left: Nick Dillingham, Cameron Cornelius, Devin Mullins, Grant Bryant.



Senior members of the Rockcastle Lady Rockets for 2017-2018 are shown above, from left: Mackenzie Payne, Lea Ellen Rogers, Emily Adams and Jordyn Powell.

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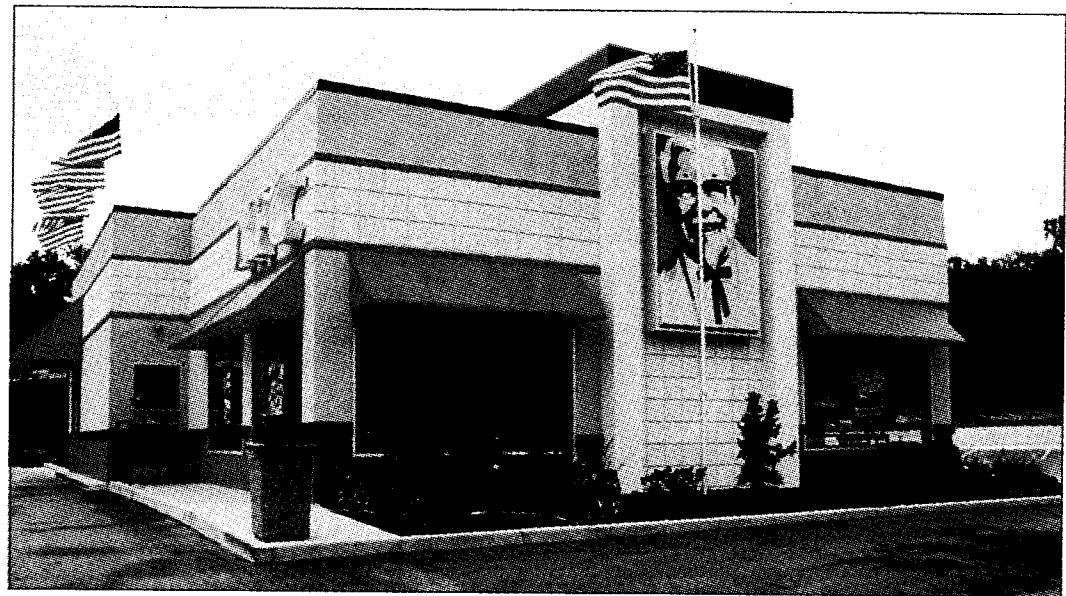
### JV/Freshman Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Teams
11-30	7:00	Garrard	Home	F/JV
12-2	10:00	Corbin	Away	F/JV
12-4	6:00	SW Pulaski	Away	F/JV
12-7	7:00	Pulaski	Home	F/JV
12-11	6:00	Lincoln	Away	F/JV
12-14	6:30	North Laurel	Away	F/JV
12-16	TBA	McCreary	Away	F
12-18	6:00	Estill	Away	F
12-18	7:00	Berea	Away	F
1-8	7:00	SW Pulaski	Home	F/JV
1-11	6:00	Burgin	Away	F/JV
1-13	TBA	Pulaski	Away	F/JV
1-15	1:00	Estill	Home	F/JV
1-25	7:00	Somerset	Home	F/JV
1-27	TBA	Knox Central	Home	F/JV
1-30	5:00	Model	Home	F/JV/V
2-3	TBA	Somerset	Away	F/JV
2-5	6:00	Lincoln	Home	F/JV
2-8	6:00	Corbin	Home	F/JV
2-10	TBA	F-Men Regional	TBA	
2-12	6:00	Berea	Home	F/JV
2-17	TBA	JV Regional	TBA	

## RCHS Lady Rockets

### JV/Freshman Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Teams
11-30	7:00	North Laurel	Away	F/JV
12-2	10:00	Lincoln	Home	F
12-4	7:00	SW Pulaski	Home	F/JV
12-9	10:00	Pulaski	Away	F/JV
12-11	7:00	North Laurel	Home	F/JV
12-14	7:00	Clay	Home	F/JV
1-4	7:00	Whitley	Home	F
1-6	1:00/4:00	Garrard Tourn.	Away	F/JV
1-8	7:00	SW Pulaski	Away	F/JV
1-9	TBA	North Laurel	Home	F/JV/V
1-11	TBA	Lincoln	Away	F
1-13	TBA	Garrard	Home	F/JV/V
1-15	5:00	South Laurel	Home	F/JV
1-18	6:30	Mercer	Away	F/JV
1-20	10:00	Pulaski/Somerset	Home	F
1-25	7:00	South Laurel	Away	F/JV
1-30	7:00	Clay	Away	F/JV
2-1	7:00	Madison Central	Home	F
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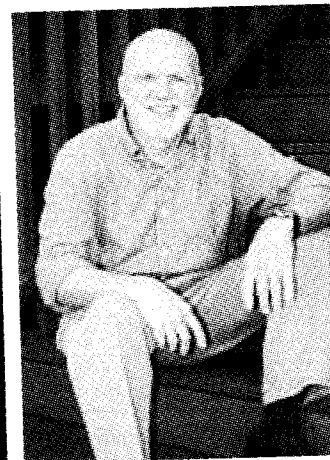
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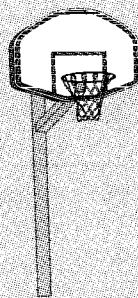


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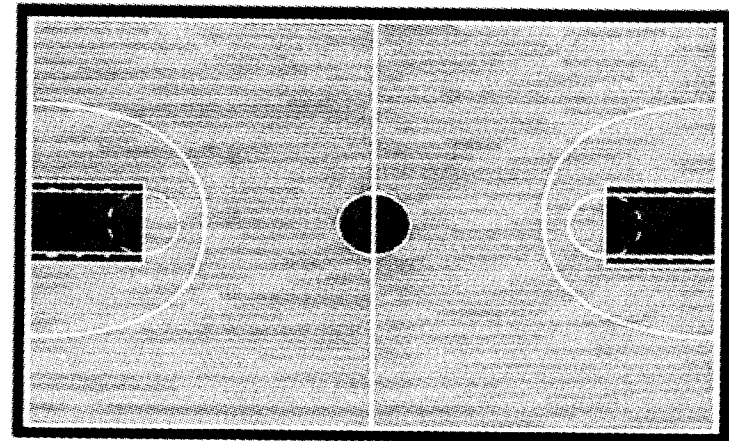
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# Rockets Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
11-28	McCreary Central	Home	7:30
12-1	Lincoln County	Away	7:30
12-5	Estill County	Home	7:30
12-8	Somerset	Home	7:30
12-9	Phelps	Away	1:30
<i>(PRTC Classic at Jackson County)</i>			
12-12	Anderson County	Away	7:30
12-15	Casey County	Home	7:30
12-22	Augusta	Away	7:30
<i>(Ky. Bank Challenge at Rowan County)</i>			
12-23	Rowan County	Away	12:30
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12-27	Barbourville	Away	6:00
<i>(Bowman Classic at Lynn Camp)</i>			
12-28	Owen County	Away	6:00
<i>(Bowman Classic at Lynn Camp)</i>			
12-29	Lynn Camp	Away	7:30
<i>(Bowman Classic at Lynn Camp)</i>			
1-2	Somerset	Away	7:30
1-5	Pulaski	Home	7:30
1-6	Clay County	Away	3:30
<i>(Raymond Reed Classic at South Laurel)</i>			
1-9	North Laurel	Home	7:30
1-12	Casey County	Away	7:30
1-16	Wayne County	Home	7:30
1-22	East Jessamine	Away	7:30
1-26	Pulaski County	Away	7:30
1-30	Model	Home	7:30
2-1	Williamsburg	Away	7:30
2-3	Danville	Away	7:30
2-6	Jackson County	Away	7:30
2-9	Garrard County	Away	7:30
2-13	Whitley County	Away	7:30
2-15	South Laurel	Away	7:30
2-16	Russell County	Home	7:30

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Members of the Rockcastle Rockets freshmen squad are pictured above, front row from left: Jacob Collinworth, Jacob Lopez, Nikolas Chasteen, Connor Price and Aidan Thompson. Back row from left: Jacob Watson, Hunter Spivey, Reece McGuire, Rily Smith and Tanner Noel.

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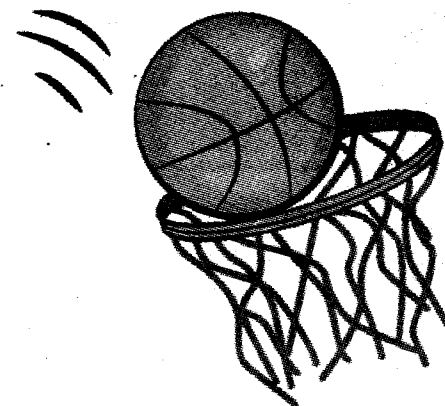
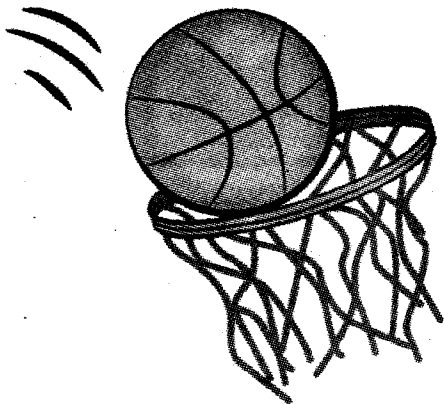


# Lady Rockets Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
11-27	Anderson County	Away	7:30
12-1	Lincoln County	Away	6:00
12-5	Estill County	Home	6:00
12-8	Somerset	Home	6:00
12-12	Jackson County	Home	7:30
12-15	Casey County	Home	6:00
12-18	West Jessamine	Away	7:30
12-20	Marshall County	Away	7:30
<i>(Lady Marshal Holiday Classic at Marshall County)</i>			
12-28	Marion County	Away	12:00
<i>(Bankers Hardwood Classic at Russell County)</i>			
12-29&30	TBA	Away	12:00
<i>(Bankers Hardwood Classic at Russell County)</i>			
1-2	Somerset	Away	6:00
1-5	Pulaski County	Home	6:00
1-9	North Laurel	Home	6:00
1-12	Casey County	Away	6:00
1-13	Garrard County	Home	2:30
1-16	Wayne County	Home	6:00
1-19	Lynn Camp	Away	7:30
1-22	Lexington Christian	Home	7:30
1-26	Pulaski County	Away	6:00
1-29	Clay County	Home	7:30
2-3	Danville	Away	6:00
2-5	Berea	Away	7:30
2-8	Madison Central	Away	7:45
2-13	McCreary Central	Away	7:30
2-15	South Laurel	Away	7:30

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## RCMS Rockets 8th grade

Members of the RCMS 8th grade boys squad are shown at left, front row from left: Noah Fain, Reese Coguer, Ethan Cotton, Bryson Atkin, Kaleb Whitaker, Landen Broaddus and Ethan Fain. Back row from left: Jaydon Albright, Will Bishop, Daniel Mullins, Jake Sanders, Jared Bugg, Drew Hopkins, Landon Gentry and Matthew Chasteen.

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: Cameron Wright-Bugg, Jaidan Burton, Marquise Gentry and Logan Dykes.

Back row from left: Xander Fletcher, Ethan Medley, Kaden Kidwell, Carson King and John Farrow.

Not pictured: Will Bishop

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: Dawson Farrow, Ashton Sanders, Jadon Ramsey, Harper McCool, Landan Gray and Jake Cromer.

Back row from left: Dalton Simpson, Ben Brown, Will Bishop, Skyler Durham, Lance Coffey and Landon Reppert.

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## RCMS Lady Rockets 8th grade

The RCMS 8th grade finished their season with a 25-13 record and runners-up in the Commonwealth Middle School Athletic Conference and the 46th District Preview.

Members of the team are shown at left, from left: Laney Bryant, Elizabeth Denney, Darby Smith, Natalee Dillingham, Haley Thacker and Emma Hackworth.

The team is coached by Becky Smith.

*Team pictures courtesy of  
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## RCMS Lady Rockets 7th grade

The RCMS 7th grade finished their season with a 35-1 record. They were winners of the CMSAC Conference Tournament and regular season. They also won the 46th District Preview, North Laurel Invitational and the Whitley County Classic.

Members of the team are shown at right, front row from left: Makinlee Goff, Karlee Smith and Calliegh Burdette. Second row from left: Kaylee Cameron, Abby Owens, Kara Bullock, Mackenzie Lopez and Carlee Cameron. Back row from left: Savanna Santo, Keelee King, Hallie Brown and Kylee Burns.

The team is coached by Bert King.



## RCMS Lady Rockets 6th grade

The RCMS 6th grade finished their season with a 16-15 record.

Members of the team are shown at left, front row from left: Makayla Denney, Kelsey Rowe, Molly Irvin and Makayla Coffey.

Back row from left: Lexi Dotson, Brooklyn Smith, Haven King, Camryn Cash, Kailee Collins, Riley Smith, Averi Dillingham and Allie Todd.

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