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COVID **Update**

The Rockcastle County COVID incident rate stood at 66 on Monday. In a surprising turn, though incidents continue to drop, deaths continue to rise suggesting the recent variant is more deadly than the original according to the Cumberland Valley District Health Department.. There have been 23 confirmed and 36 probable new cases reported with two additional deaths in the past seven days here. Rockcastle County deaths this week include a 22 year-old female and a 66 year-old male bringing the total to 31 COVID-related deaths in the county...

Fiscal Court meeting

The Rockcastle **County Fiscal Court** held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, October 12 at 4 p.m. See next week's issue of the Mount Vernon Signal for details.

City council meeting

The regular monthly Mount Vernon City Council meeting is Thursday, October 21 at 6 p.m. at city hall. The public is invited to attend

School **Board**

The regular monthly meeting of the Rockcastle County Board of Education was held Tuesday, October 12. See next week's issue of the Mount Vernon Signal for details.

Irvin attorney waives recent pretrial hearing

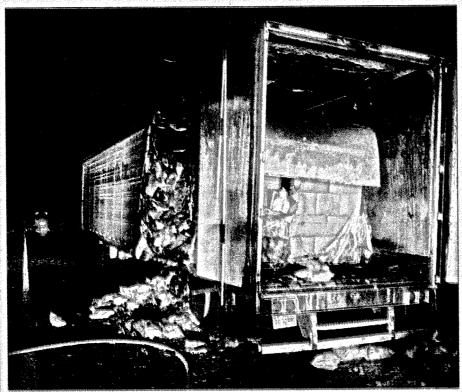
An attorney for 52year-old James D. Irvin, of Brodhead, waived a pretrial hearing last Wednesday, according to County Attorney Jeremy Rowe.

The rape/sodomy case will now go to the grand jury and Irvin will remain in custody on a \$250,000 bond awaiting a grand jury indictment.

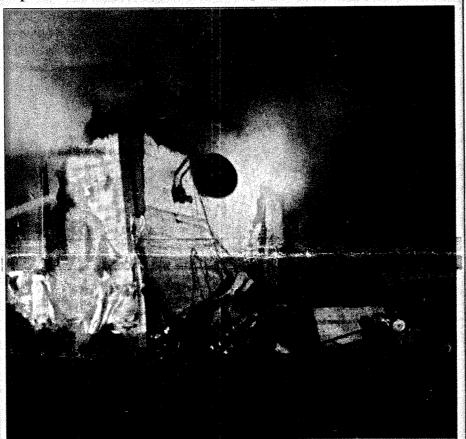
The case now leaves the county attorney's office and will be handled by the commonwealth attorney's office. Once indicted, a new bond may be set for Irvin, but the court has 60 days to indict him.

Irvin was charged with rape and sodomy last month after a minor girl reported sexual contact to her school counselor.

Fire departments have busy week



As usual, local fire departments have been busy in the past week. Shown above, the Mount Vernon Fire Department was called to a tractor/trailer fire on 1-75 northbound Friday. The call came while firefighters were dealing with a residential fire on Davis Street. No injuries were reported at either fire and the Brodhead Fire Department and Rockcastle County Sheriff's office assisted at the scene. Thoroughtruck cleaned up the site. Shown below, another structure fire on Marler Hollow Road caused Livingston firefighters to fight the blaze until it was extinguished. No injuries were reported. The Pongo Fire Department, Brodhead Fire Department and Mount Vernon Fire Department assisted at the scene.



Livingston considering sale of their water/sewer system

The regular monthly meeting of the Livingston City Commission was held Monday night and it was well attended -- so well attended that the meeting had to be moved from the city's office to the old Livingston School cafeteria.

ness was the resignation of City Commissioner Melissa Hahn who, it was recently learned, was not eligible to serve on the commission.

Ms. Hahn read her resignation to the council and it follows:

"Before I became a

The first item of busi- City Commissioner, I

Brodhead postpones two city ordinances

By: Mike French

The regular monthly meeting of the Brodhead City Commission was held Monday evening but the two ordinances that were expected to pass, were tabled until the November meeting.

In September, the commission discussed two ordinances that have caused some disagreement in the past. Both were up for a second reading and approval. However, due to the absence of two City Commission members, City Clerk Becky Bussell said both ordinances were tabled until the November meeting.

"All we did was approved the minutes and pay the bills," said Bussell. "We didn't feel it would be right to approve ordinances with two elected City Commis-

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spoke to many people, all of whom I told I was on Pretrial Diversion and that I was the Mayor's daughter. I spoke to the Governor's Office, Chris Johnson of the League of Cities, Diana Gilbert at the Rockcastle County Clerk's office and my probation officer. I did not keep my past a secret. I answered all of their questions openly and honestly. Each one told me that I was qualified to be a Livingston City Commissioner. I received a police report from the Governor's Office saying I am on Pretrial Diversion. It does not say that I am a convicted felon. I received a letter from the Rockcastle County Courthouse stating that my voting rights were intact as of July 2, 2021 and that I have been a legal voter since 2014.

I have been proud to serve the City of Livingston even if for a

short time. However, I am

sion effective immediately." Hahn went on to say

resigning my Commis-

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Prelim held in attempted murder/suicide

By: Mike French Editor

A preliminary hearing for Derrick Mullins, 39, of Mount Vernon, was held Wednesday, October 6 on charges of attempted murder and wanton endangerment. Assistant County Attorney William Leger, had Kentucky State Police Trooper Richie Baxter give testimony in the case before District Judge Scott Law-

The judge found probable cause to hold Mullins for the charges. He will be held on

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New middle school plans underway

Approval expected by December

By: Mike French Editor

The Rockcastle County School District reconvened the Local Planning Committee and held a special meeting Monday night. The meeting was open to public input from 5:30 to 6 as several members of the community had expressed interest in attending, but did not attend. Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., was the only guest.

With the reconvening of the committee, Trent Clark was elected as Chairman and Robert Phillips as Vice Chairman.

The only item on the agenda at 6 p.m. was to amend the Rockcastle County Schools District Facilities plan to eliminate the planned renovation of the Rockcastle County Middle School and add the construction of a new middle school building instead.

Talk among school board members has centered around the choice between renovation and a new facility for months but the decision has been made to place the construction of a new school building on the facilities plan. However, there are still board meetings and a public hearing planned before final approval.

Sarah Lamere, with Ross Tarrant Architects, informed the room full of committee members of the plan to add a new middle school facility and explained the beginning processes. Lamere said the new

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In Livingston -

Ethics board finds commissioners did not break nepotism rules

By: Mike French Editor

Events, similar to a soap opera script, have surrounded the City of Livingston for several months with accusations of nepotism and unlawful actions almost weekly. In the center of the controversy were Livingston

City Commissioner Melissa Hahn and her father Mayor Dwane King.

Hahn is no stranger to trouble and for the past several months such controversy and public discontentment has followed her into the city government of Livingston.

However, it was found this week, by the Cumberland Valley Area Development District's Ethics Board, that the City Commission and Mayor of Livingston had not broken their nepotism ordinance or ethics commitments. "Everyone needs to know that these accusations were false and my dad and the city commissioners did nothing wrong," said Hahn.

When Livingston Mayor Jason Medley and his City Clerk and other city officials resigned their posts last year, all at the same time, Livingston resident Dwane King was appointed the new mayor, bringing some opposition from the beginning. Partly due to his age (nearing 80 years old) and other residents who had hoped for the seat, King was surrounded with opposition from his first day.

However, over the next few months King could be seen throughout the town carrying garbage bags or sweeping sidewalks and even cleaning windows or painting. While King's work ethics were bringing him

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ramblings...

by; perlina m. anderkin

In case you haven't noticed the slings and arrows have been coming at me pretty hard recently for my presumed antivaccination stand against the Covid-19 vaccine.

That's fine, I am big, old girl and can take it. The old part even makes it easier because as I've gotten older I have decided that I would always mean what I say and say what I mean. If anyone doesn't like it then the choice is obvious, you don't read this column.

To clear up a point about my stand on the vaccine, I am not anti-vax per se. All seven of my children received every vaccine known to man at the time they were supposed to. I am anti-mandated vaccine of a vaccine that obviously doesn't work if those vaccinated have to be protected from thosse of us unvaccinated. If readers have misinterpreted my stand, I hope that helps but if it doesn't so be it.

I had COVID in February of this year. I am in the most dangerous age group, I had pneumonia with it and I have COPD which is supposed to be a death sentence with this disease. I spent four days in the hospital at Somerset and then it took me two+ weeks to be able to, by myself, negotiate the two steps from my garage to the utility room in my house. But, I did and now have immunity at least as long as with a vaccine and, according to some doctors, seven times, or more, longer.

this week end Southwest Airline pilots taking a stand against their employer's mandated vaccination. A mandate that has no paper trail of authority, not even an Executive Order from Biden (and we know how he loves those) and no authority for the mandate has ever been established by OSHA, the federal agency designated as the whipping boy for carrying out the illegal mandate.

OSHA claims authority to do this under the authority of a rule granted the agency by the OSHA Act of the 1970's called an emergency temporary standard or ETS. This rule was made to be used in times of duress to protect employees from

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



I guess it is true after all. We old, white, married Christian, Republicans are simply out of style anymore.

According to the younger, "everything is acceptable" generation, and the left wingers who cater to them for votes, we older patriots are just too old fashioned to deserve a voice. The new "the world owes me" generation, who believes there should be no consequences for one's choices. are convinced us old folks, who actually have life experience, have no idea how things should be

This group of liberals, who claim no one should judge others and every-

one should be free to identify as anything they want and no one is responsible for their own actions, have picked out some exceptions to those standards. If you are male, then you are sexist. If you are white then you are racist. If you are Christian then you are closed-minded. If you are older, then you are old fashioned. If you simply love America, you are a racist, old. closed minded and sex-

It is pretty obvious to most of us that the Democrat party has become the anti-Christian party. They even cry "Boo" at the idea of mentioning God's name in their party's platform. They fight the Ten Commandments in schools and federal buildings, they fight nativity scenes, they support murdering babies to birth, they don't support hard work and they spend till the country is broke then cry about credit limits. It's pretty clear. If it is against the Bible, or the Constitution, liberals are for it.

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The Finest Sorghum

A few weeks ago, I wrote a column about my love of molasses, and I said at the time, that I would be looking for new sorghum in the area. To my surprise, I learned that the Dyer family (Laura and Sid), at the Farmer's Market in Mt. Sterling, made molasses on their farm in Sharpsburg.

Sid told me to try a jar of his molasses and see how they compared to the others that I had tried. The next morning, I poured some of his molasses into a saucer over a chunk of butter. I whipped the mixture into a paste and carefully placed it on an English muffin. Oh, my goodness, was I surprised. Sid's sorghum was the best I have ever tasted! I decided to go back and purchase more for the coming winter months.

When I asked Sid what his secret was, he told me the following: "I only boil my cane sugar once." He explained his process to me. "It is important how you handle your cane. After I strip and cut the heads off the cane, I let it lay about five days. Then it is squeezed and I cook the sugar very slow." Whatever he does, the final product is wonderful.

[If you would like to contact the Dyer family, their address is: 277 Lower Sharpsburg Road, Sharpsburg, KY 40374]

As a young man living with my grandparents (Pop and Mommie Katie) in Mt. Vernon, sorghum molasses was a normal staple found on the table for almost every meal. It was Pop's request that the sweet condiment be available every time we had homemade biscuits. And we had homemade biscuits

I can see him now as he prepared his favorite biscuit topping. He always began with a small saucer and fresh butter to start his formulation. Into the saucer he placed a large hunk of butter; then he covered it with molasses. He proceeded by taking his fork and

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Dumped Like Unwanted Trash Dear Journal,

Since August Stanley and I have been on a project. It started when we had been notified that there were two stray dogs in a certain area that needed help. We drove to that area and yes, there they were. As it turned out there was another lady, Tina, feeding them as well. She lived in London, but was coming over to Rockcastle to care for these dogs. We told her that we lived here and

could help. We took three and four day shifts in feeding and watering these dogs. They were obviously unwanted or loved any longer and thrown out like two

Obama and Hillary (Continued on A3)



Bit puzzled...

Dear Editor.

In last week's edition of the Signal in your comments to Mrs. Deloris Reppert Morris' letter to the ED, your comments left me a bit puzzled. IF you are campaigning for no vaccinations then your words about illegals being bussed to the interior of the US makes no sense. You are mixing shots and Americans from South of the border. If "they" need to be part of the mandate then you support vaccinations if not then I am confused. I believe lil ol me has the solution anyway. Stop the mandates and the publicity, just announce the places where shots are being given. Then everyone who is a nonvax can just stand there with their finger in their ear. They will not be able to stand the ignoring and will stampede to get a shot yelling "THEY are trying to kill me give me a dose". Ain't life fun? Well Vaccinated

Don Jones Mt. Vernon, where the water still tastes bad,

KYI'm sorry, calls for another Ed's Note: The only reason I said what I did about illegals not falling under the vax mandate is, until they do, the government has no standing to mandate that I, a legal citizen, be vaxxed. And, no, life is not much fun at present since I have discovered that the "my body, my choice" mantra only ap-

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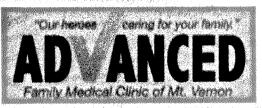
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''ramblings''

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"grave danger from exposure to substances or agents determined to be toxic or physically harmful or from new hazards." You know, like chemical spills or chemical factory explosions or oil spills or, now, a disease with an over 99% survival rate up to middle age.

Of course, Southwest and the pilot's union both denied the sick out (one explanation has it that the December 8th mandate for the vaccine is causing pilots to take their built up annual and sick leave before the mandate deadline kicks in and they quit).

The most embarrassing part of the whole weekend for Southwest (2,000+ flights cancelled) was that they, with the usual arrogance of a big right leaning corporation, explained that the cancellations/delays were caused by "bad weather and ATC (air traffic control) issues" which translates to the fact that only three of 36 air traffic controllers at the Jacksonville Center showed up to work this weekend, pilots called in "sick" and teams to cover were not available.

But then, you've got the hundreds (thousands?) of stranded travelers sitting in airports in Florida watching United, Delta, American Airlines, etc. take off despite the "bad weather and ATC issues" which obviously only affected Southwest flights and which Southwest thought was an adequate excuse for the stupid public.

Son Travis, returning with his family from a Florida Fall break vacation was caught up in it. He had to change to Allegiant out of Sanford, fly to Evansville, IN, then drive to Lexington (where they live), then to Cincy to get their car. They left son's, Alec's, suitcase at the Enterprise garage in Evansville. Travis's in-laws drove up to get that Sunday night. And, worst of all, for a teenage boy, they left Alec's AirPods in the rental car.

There's also the fact that Moderna and J&J are still being used under Emergency Use Authorization since Pfizer BioNTech Covid-19 vaccine is now approved by the FDA for persons ages over 16. It is being marketed as Comirnaty and the FDA admits that they still do not know how long a duration of protection the vaccine will provide. And, they do not know, they say, if Comirnaty will reduce the transmission of the virus that causes the disease.

I'm not going to quit resisting this mandate. There is now data on the long term effects of the vaccines and, even at my advanced age, I want something else to take me out besides something that I purposefully injected into my body (or by my commercial plane crashing because the pilot got a blood clot from the vaccine and collapsed at the controls).

There are a great many more things to be outraged about with this administration. For example, there is our Attorney General Merrick Garland who recently issued a memo directing the FBI to investigte parents as domestic terror threats for what he claims is a "disturbing spike in harassment, intimidation and threats of violence"

against school boards.

The New York Post calls the memo a "shocking abuse of his office on behalf of left-wing activits who have been using schools as brainwashing factories for future social justice warriors. It was designed to intimidate parents and stop them advocating for their children."

The "advocating" is against teachers teaching Critical Race Theory which, as best as I can determine casts black children as "victims" of white children who are "oppressors." And, of course, some of the textbooks that are being used to teach children about different "genders" while also explaining graphic sex to them (at the kindergarten level, in some cases).

Garland's memo comes five days after the National School Boards Association wrote an inflammatory letter to Biden accusing parents of a "form of domestic terrorism and hate crimes."

The NSBA demanded urgent action against parents by the DOJ, the FBI, the Secret Service and the Department of Homeland Security and suggested utilizing the "Patriot Act in regards to domestic terrorism."

Actually AG Garland should recuse himself from this matter at all since his son-in-law's company is peddling curriculum for CRT and recently signed a \$1M+ contract with a California schol for the program.

And the beat goes on,

"Aces"

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once referred to people like me as "those deplorable people who cling to their Bibles and their guns." They were actually saying that is a bad thing. Personally I thought it was the world's greatest compliment.

If there is anything another person could ever say about me, to make me proud and pleased with my reputation, it would be to claim Mike French clings to his Bible and his guns. Yes I do!

If there is anything I want to be it is a Christian, who believes the Bible, AND a patriot, who believes in the Constitution Heck yeah, I cling to them. You're welcome.

But, in general, some of the new breed of kids feel like all the work I have done in my life, and taxes I have paid, should help support them so that they don't have to work like I did. Many of them even believe that the two jobs I worked to pay my way in college should mean their college is free. And there are some who think that because I got up at 5 a.m., scraped my windshield and drove to work every day for 40 years, whether I was sick or not, that means they should be able to lie in bed all day and use my taxes to support that lifestyle. The problem is, many Democrats support their ideas.

I don't.

But in this new "feel sorry for me" world, where so many believe it is okay to burn buildings and steal what they want as long as they can claim they had a difficult childhood, we old fellows, with work ethics, just don't fit in anymore.

We still believe a person should earn what they have or do without. We believe there is nothing wrong with being lazy, as long as you are willing to do without food and shelter. We believe killing innocent babies is a sin. We believe a man born with man parts is, and will always be a man, and all the operations and girly-actions on earth won't change that. We believe in marriage before relations. We believe it takes a good man with a gun to stop a bad man with a gun and that bad men will AL-WAYS have guns no matter how hard Nancy Pelosi whines. We believe no race of people owes any other race anything. We believe every law should apply to all people equally, including elected politicians and their families. We believe you have a wonderful child who deserves the world, but that your child too may not come in first place every time. We believe a cop who arrests a dangerous common street thug is a hero instead of a criminal and no liquor store-robbing Fentanyl addict should have a statue. We believe soldiers and veterans are American heroes and should be honored and respected. We believe the American Flag should be respected and all who are present, when it is honored, should stand at attention or be thrown out the hard way. We believe every person who took part in the riots and looting in the summer of 2020 should be in prison. We believe a President, who orders the military to abandon civilians, should be in the same cell as the

rioting thugs. So yes, I guess we are not needed anymore. Clearly our leaders in Washington do not agree with any of these things that about 140,000,000 of us believe. So don't worry. We old, white men will be gone soon and America will be rid of us Bible-toting gun packers.

Still, I can't help but wonder if the liberals know that, before we go, we are making sure our kids love the Bible and guns both.

"Letters"

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plies to those wanting to kill babies in the womb until birth -- not to people who don't want any drug forcibly injected into their body. I have also had and recovered from COVID, and am in the most dangerous range for the infection (only over 95% survival

Be well and be

safe... Dear Editor,

Thank you for taking my call today regarding Britt Jeffries, the young man who contracted covid in Florida. Britt is the grand nephew of my wife, who married the granddaughter of my brother-in-law. All of us were amazed at the speed with which this disease put the young man in a specialized life support unit. Within almost a day or two after admission Britt had to be transferred to a major medical facility and put on a life support system, typically used for open heart/lung surgery. He is in his early thirties and has been married for about 10 years.

As your newspaper has reported, our local hospital has been overwhelmed with covid patients. There was a touching piece with comments from staff venting their frustration, fatigue, and depression with the caseload here at Rockcastle Hospital.

Britt's situation has brought this disease closer to home for our family. We would hope and urge that you would exercise care in getting accurate information to your readers here. Unfortunately, our government health agencies have made things more confusing, with conflicting directives. The polarization of our electorate, and governance, has at times, reminded me of a car going at high speed down I-75 with two drivers fighting for control of the wheel. As the words in a song from the 1960's go:

Nobody's right if everybody's wrong - Buffalo Springfied - 'For What It's Worth' - 1967

There's a saying in engineering: In God we trust - all others must bring data! The numbers of unvaccinated patients filling our hospitals speak for themselves.

Be well and be safe! Jim Snyder Renfro Valley, KY

"Memory" (Continued from A2)

mixing the two ingredients until they were thoroughly blended into a yellow jellylike consistency. This concoction was then carefully layered on top of a hot biscuit and devoured by my grandfather. I am certain that it was his favorite morning treat. This is where I learned to prepare my

Pop had a friend in the neighborhood who owned a team of mules. Pop had this gentleman turn his garden each year, and they became friends. On several occasions, Pop took me with him to watch his friend make sorghum molasses. As anyone can imagine, I was thoroughly impressed with the process.

After Pop and I watched the molasses-making process, we always took several jars of the sweet, brown liquid home with us. I can never remember being without sorghum in our pantry. It truly was a staple in our home. Mommie Katie and Pop both loved the taste of "lasses" for breakfast, and, on occasion, at other meals.

I guess I will have to make biscuits tomorrow.

(You can reach me at themtnman1962@gmail.com or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue -Mt. Sterling, KY 40353. I appreciate your comments.)

"T.J.'s"

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pieces of unwanted trash. They had lost their social skills and were daily going back to being wild. There is no telling how long they had been there. They had lost faith in people, and I do too quite often, but that is another story. We couldn't even get within several feet of the dogs. Evidently, they had been dumped separately and formed a friendship out in the wild. One had on a collar and the other one didn't, so they probably came from separate homes. In any case, they have a powerful bond now.

As the days turned into weeks and the weeks turned into months the dogs became more trusting of us. Stanley started calling them "Thelma and Louise" from a movie by the same title that came out a few years ago. I haven't seen it, but I think I'll watch it when I get a chance. There was also a woman by the name of Connie from London that had a cabin not far from where the dogs had been dumped that lured them to a cabin by feeding them hot dogs every few feet. Now at least they had a little more secure place and shelter by staying on the porch. She started caring for the dogs, too. Soon, a girl by the name of Angel started coming from London to help. Now, we had five in

our little group. We were becoming concerned as the weather will soon be getting cold and snow can't be too far away. By now, Louise has become pregnant, or "with pup", as I say. Friday night we decided that those dogs needed to be caught...now. Connie, Stanley and I, with help from our friend, Tam, went to the cabin for that exact purpose. Connie and Stanley caught the little brown dog, Louise. Thelma refused to be caught so we had to let Louise loose, as they must stay together. We had to leave both of them. Well, all for another day...very soon. Saturday evening came along and it was our turn to see about the "the girls". We got there and all seemed fine but tragedy had befallen one of the girls.

Poor Thelma had been hit by a car. Her front right leg was broken and swollen. It had happened within the past twenty-four hours. Thelma couldn't walk. Stanley helped her to the car and lifted her into the back. Thankfully, Dr. Chism agreed to see her at his of-

fice, so we took her straight there. He put a splint on her leg, gave her some medicine, and kept her at the of-

I cried almost all of the way to the office over Thelma and having to leave poor Louise behind. I didn't know if Louise could even stay by herself without running away or just what could happen to her. Stanley called Connie and she came from Wolfe County where she had gone for the weekend to help get Louise and thankfully she was successful. With Thelma in the hospital, so to speak, we could focus on Louise. We met Connie at the cabin and got Louise, and then it was on to the London Walmart for a crate. So, Louise is here in the living room with food and water waiting to deliver in a few days.

I've often wondered

why some people take their pets way out in the middle of nowhere or anywhere else to throw them out like a piece of trash. I believe that this is one of the sorriest most low-down inhumane things anyone could do. Is it because it is against the law, KRS 525.130? Could it be because they are ashamed of what they are doing? Maybe it is because they don't want this loyal being to find its way back to them. Who is the true piece of trash? Do they not realize that there are shelters for their unwanted pets? Of course, they will probably only be put to sleep because of overcrowding, which I hate. Why not be responsible and get your pet spayed or neutered? Yes, I am aware it costs money but don't people have money for other frivolous things they want, like cigarettes, tattoos, and lottery tickets? It is a matter of priority.

The act of just dumping your pet is such a cruel thing. They don't understand where they are or why they have been done like this. They are without food or water in a dangerous place, usually. A cat is almost impossible to catch. We saw a yellow cat in caring for the girls, but we never could catch it. The coyotes probably did, though. Why should the former owners worry? The cat is gone, right?

The rescue job is never easy. It is done out of love and concern for animals. Many thankless hours are spent feeding and catching the animals, money for food, medical expenses, miscellaneous items come from out-of-pocket, not to mention time that could be spent doing a great many other things. And there is the stress of it. It all is a terrible burden to put on such a few people willing to do rescue. We could really use some help. We are considering forming a rescue for Laurel and Rockcastle Counties. Half of our group lives in Laurel already. Your help is needed and very much appreciated if you would. Please contact me if interested.

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Stituaries

Jimmie Van Jones

Jimmie Van Jones, 75, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, October 3, 2021 in Frankfort. He was born in Rockcastle County on December 17, 1945, the son of

Hewitt and Mary Ida Hunt Jones. He was a retired employee of Meade Paper Company and was a member of Crossroads Church of God in Brodhead.

He is survived by: his children, Danny and Becky Jones of Frankfort, and Jennifer and Brian Terry of Mason, OH; a brother, Ronnie and Judy Jones of Mt. Vernon; and two sis-



ters,: Brenda Hayes of Mt. Vernon, and Teresa and Joe Harper of Cincinnati, OH. 13 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren also survive. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Geraldine "Gerri" Jones; a brother, Mike; and a sister, Barbara.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Luther Allen. Burial was in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Joseph Harper, Jeremy Jones.

Joshua Jones, Chris Mason, Brian Terry, and Chris-

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

Bonnie Mae Roberts

Bonnie Mae McMullin Roberts, 78, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, September 30, 2021 at The Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She was born to the late John "Hill" and Evelyn Saylor McMullin, in Level Green. On August 27, 1960, she married the late Jack Franklin Roberts and together they raised two children, Cathy Roberts Longhurst and Allen Roberts, and a granddaughter, Nichole Roberts Baker, they raised as their own.

She worked as a gage tester, at Dresser Industries. retiring after 25 plus years of service. She was an avid reader, enjoyed working crossword puzzles, and spoiling her "grand pup" Zeus.

She is survived by: daughter, Cathy Roberts (Chris) Longhurst; son, Allen Roberts; granddaughter, Nichole Roberts (Corey) Baker; great granddaughter, Macy Baker; sister, Mary McMullin Coffey; and a host of nieces and nephews.

She is proceeded in death by her husband, Jack Roberts; her parents, John and Evelyn Saylor McMullin; sister, Amy McMullin Renner; brother, George McMullin; and half brothers, Jack, Slim, Grover, David, and Sam McMullin.

The family has entrusted Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with a private burial in the Roberts cemetery.

Sally Poncer

Sally Poncer, 88, of Danville, died Sunday, October 3, 2021 at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville. She was born April 7, 1933 in Rockcastle County, to the late Charles Dean and Sofie (Bond) Mullins.

She was a member of Grace Baptist Church for many years, helping in the church any where she was needed and hosting many of the visiting ministers and their families. Her numerous talents included being a gifted homemaker and having a green thumb. Her flower and vegetables flourished wherever she planted them. She also worked as a bookkeeper for Butternut Bread Company in Cincinnati and various other jobs in places that they had lived. Lastly she was the bookkeeper for Grace Baptist Church for many years.

She is survived by: a son, Johnathan (Stacie) Poncer of North Carolina; two daughters, Debra Hoover of Florida and Mary (Dan) Brown of Richmond; two sisters, Norma Jean Warren of Ohio and Violet Miner of Tennessee; 11 grandchildren, James Poncer, Eric Poncer, Grant Poncer, Jeremy Hoover, Spencer Hoover, Tyler Hoover, Kimberly Hoover, Christopher Hoover, Erin Brown, Sarah Brown and Lucas Brown; 20 great grandchildren; and a great great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Robert (Bob) Poncer; a son, William (Bill) Poncer; three brothers. Raleigh Mullins, Jack Mullins, and J.L. Mullins; four sisters, Novella Schneider, Bernice Mecham, Louise Foster, and Pauline Frost; and a grandson, David Poncer.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 9, 2021 at Preston Pruitt Spurlin Funeral Home with Pastor Tim Beard officiating. Burial was at Danville Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were: James Poncer, Jeremy Hoover, Eric Poncer, Grant Poncer, Tim Poncer and Luke Brown. Honorary pallbearers were: Sarah Brown, Spencer Hoover and Tyler Hoover.

Sally loved flowers but if you prefer you can donate to the Alzheimer's Association or the Heart Associa-

www.preston-pruitt.com

Church News •

Fall Festival

You're invited to Livingston Baptist Church's Fall Festival Friday, October 22 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Bring your whole family to the Livingston Gym and you're welcome to dress up in your best (appropriate) Halloween costume.

There will be food, candy, games.

Franklin "Del" Shumate, Jr.

Franklin Delano "Del" Shumate, Jr., 61, of Livingston, died Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon. He was

born May 8, 1960, in Chicago, IL to Franklin Delano Shumate, Sr. and the late Jean Carol Burke Shumate. He

served in the United States Army from 1979-1982 and was an over the road truck driver for 32 years. He was of the Pentecostal faith,

enjoyed his family, camping, fishing, Florida State Football, and UK Basketball.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Georgie (Smith) Shumate; 10 children, David (Stephanie) Vaughn of Harlan, Franklin Shumate III of Evarts, Sebrina (Eric) Walker of Palm Bay, FL, Tabatha Shumate of Cawood, Danielle Mohammed and Neil of Palm Bay, FL, Dora Shumate of London, Matthew Casey Shumate and Devine Ahern of Melbourne, FL, Brittany (Austin) Pierce of Casper, WY, Kyle (Leanna) Cash of Livingston, and Nicholas Shumate of Livingston; 23 grandchildren and one on the way; one great grandchild; two brothers, Tim Shumate of Palm Bay, FL, and Freamon "Peanut" Shumate of IN; two sisters, Regina Yvone Bray, and Mellissa Ann Morgan of NC; and his father, Franklin Delano Shumate, Sr.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 11, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Phillip Doan and Jason Medley officiating. Burial was in Wynn-Gibbons Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Johnny Bussell, Sr.

Johnny Bussell, Sr., 56, died suddenly at his home in Tennessee. He was born in Somerset to the late Billy and Joyce Carter Bussell. He was a devoted

employee of Avenue Grading of Franklin, Tennessee and a devoted father, grandfather and brother. Johnny was preceded in death by his siblings, Teddy Roberts, Mary Etta Kaylor, and Shirley Kidder.

He is survived by: his children, Walker Bussell, Johnny (Leslie) Bussell, Jr.; step daughter, Lydia

(Justin) Corby; grandchildren, Bentley and Addison Bussell; and siblings, David Bussell, Genny Whitaker, and Patsy (Herb) Alcorn.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 8. 2021 at Lakes Funeral Home with Rev. Don Adkins officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery at Brodhead.

Larry Franklin Thompson

Larry Franklin Thompson, 70, of Mount Vernon, died Tuesday, September 28,2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born February 19, 1951, the

son of the late Lloyd Thompson, and the late Hazel Bradley Thompson.

He served in the U.S. Army for four years with two of those years in Ger-

many. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and neighbor. Living life to the fullest, he took great pride

in his family, his home and making sure those around him knew they were loved. He was an avid gun collector and anything military inspired, enjoyed daily walks outside and loved to spend time with his family including his dog Pepper.

Survivors include: his wife, Carolyn Thompson; a daughter, Allison Reynolds and Matt; son, Eric Thompson and Heather; step-daughter, Greta Tompkins and Larry; step-son, Levi Northern and Chasity; stepson, Matt Northern and Serena; grandchildren, Maggie Reynolds, Ryan Thompson, Caden Thompson, Kaitlynn, Bentley and Finley Northern, Caleb, Devin, Ethan and Bailey Tompkins, and Abigail and Mattaly Northern; one very special sister, Nancy Sigmon; one very special brother, Roger Thompson and Donna; as well as a host of many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Lloyd and Hazel Thompson; brothers, Bill Thompson, Parkey Thompson, and Gary Thompson; brother-inlaw, Billy Gene Sigmon; and granddaughter, Amberly Northern.

Funeral services were held Thursday, October 7, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Josh Switzer officiating. Burial was in Rimmel Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Ryan Thompson, Eddie Hayes, Donnie Coffey, Thomas Wagner, Levi Northern, Matt Northern, Larry Tompkins, Caleb Tompkins, and Devin Tompkins. Military Honors were performed by Rockcastle County Veterans Honor Guard.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Nina Lou Burkhart

Nina Lou Caldwell Burton Burkhart. 82. of Brodhead, died Thursday, October 7, 2021, at Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon. She was



born October 28, 1938, in Quail, to the late Shirley and Edna Scott Caldwell. Nina was a member of the Providence Church of Christ and Quail Homemakers. She loved spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by: two sons, David Burton, and

Kendall (Lisa) Burton, both of Brodhead; three sisters, Mabel Cash and Ethelene Caldwell, both of Brodhead, and Ella (Monroe) Barnett of Mt. Vernon; one special sister-in-law, Willene Burton of Brodhead; one aunt, Christine Scott of SC; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her two husbands, Roy Burton and William Burkhart; two brothers, Wayne and Raymond Caldwell; one sister, Fern Caldwell; one niece, Regina Cash; and brothers-in-law, Otis Burton, Jackie Cash, and Carl Caldwell.

Funeral services were held Sunday, October 10, 2021, at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Robby Cable and Roy Reynolds officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Gary Caldwell, Matthew Bustle, Shannon Cash, Monroe Barnett, Terry Burton, and Aaron Mills. Honorary casketbearers were: Bobby Hayes, JC Harris, Brian Johnson, and Carlos Caldwell.

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

Beverly Gwen Kidd

Beverly Gwen Kidd, 60, of Strunk, wife of Jeff Kidd, died Saturday October 9, 2021 at the



Rockcastle Regional Hospital in Mt. Vernon. She was born in Stearns on July 25, 1961, the daughter of Euell and Norm Lee (Bruce) Hoskins. Beverly had worked for Papa's Pizza for many years, was a member of the Marshes Siding Church of God, enjoyed doing crafts, but her grandchildren was the joy of her life.

She was preceded in death by: her parents; first husband, Rick Tucker; and sisters, Judy King and Myrtle "Lee" Gregory.

Survivors include: her husband, Jeff Kidd of Strunk; children, Kinsye Collins (Adam) of Mt. Vernon, and Stuart Tucker (Taylor) of Cartersville, GA; siblings, Linda Worley of Marshes Siding, Sue Ford (Danny) of Mt. Vernon, Euell Hoskins, Jr. of Monticello, JC "Buddy" Hoskins (Shirley) of Monticello, Robin Smith of Helenwood, TN, Ralph Hoskins of Arkansas, and William A. "Bill" Hoskins of Whitley City, and grandchildren, Jacob Leger, Kinley Collins, Addyson Collins, Nashton Kirby, Brooklyn Cagle, and Hunter Sewell.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, October 14, 2021 at McCreary County Funeral Home with Bro. Harry Watters officiating. Burial will follow in Whitley City Church of God Cemetery. The family will receive friends after 11 a.m. Thursday at the Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

Bill Cromer

We, the family of Bill Cromer, would like to thank everyone for the love shown to us during the loss of our loved one.

Thank you for your prayers, phone calls, gifts, cards and food brought.

A very special thank you to the Mt. Vernon Church of Christ, Ottawa Baptist Church, First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon, the Maranatha Sunday School class, Marvin E. Owens and staff, Bro. Ralph Baker, Rockcastle Ambulance Service, Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Dr. David Bullock, Acideira (Acideira)

God Bless You, The Family of Bill Cromer

Please Notice

The Providence Cemetery Board would like to invite you to check out our website. www.providencecemetery.net

The cemetery has the following plots, whose owners or family members are unknown. If you have information on any of these individuals, please contact: providencecemeterybrodheadKY@gmail.com If no information is obtained, the plots will be returned to the cemetery January 1, 2022.

George Farris (burials John & Nicey Sutton

Denney)

J.W. Brown (wife Mary J. Brown, daughter Roberta Robbins)

R.T. Laswell (burials SJ, RH, Flora, Johnnie,

Delbert Laswell)

W.H. Jones (burials WH & Isabell Jones) J.R. Taylor (burials one infant)

Amos Brown (no burials)

Horace Thompson/J.H. Mink (burials Horace, Ada, Thaddeus Thompson)

C.W. Cummins (no burials)

Luther Owens (burials Charlie, Ida, Luther

RCHS to celebrate 50th Homecoming



Destiny Adams



Haley Thacker



Darby Smith



Laney Bryant



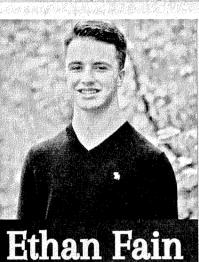


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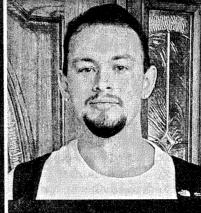




Emma Hackworth Madalyn Morgan



2021 Homecoming King. **Candidates**

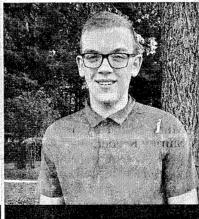


Ethan Russell



Garrett Hamilton





Gary Ramsey Alex Robinson

RCHS will celebrate their 50th Football Homecoming this Friday night at halftime of the Rockets game vs McCreary Central.

Several events are planned for the night including a recognition of the first RCHS football team and the Football Hall of Fame Induction ceremony, both of which take place prior to kick-

There will also be a student tailgate and cookout, as well as an RCHS Alumni Welcome Center with a gift for all returning RCHS graduates who stop by. A recognition of past football Homecoming Queens 1972-2020 will also take place,

The RCHS Cheerleaders will be hosting a reunion and former cheerleaders will be joining the current team on the sidelines during the game.

The RCHS Student Council sponsors the Homecoming King and Queen ceremony, which will take place at halftime, and will be providing a \$500 scholarship to both winners. Gates open at 5:30.

Where Are The Nine?

The question concerns the ten lepers who were healed in Luke 17:17 In the history of mankind, no disease has been more dreaded and painful than leprosy. It has produced years of misery. The disease advances slowly but surely. The joints separate, the fingers, toes, and other members of the body begin to fall off one by one, leaving a body in a terrible condition. Life continues to go on as the body becomes weaker day by

Ten leprous men who stood a far off pleaded with Jesus to have mercy on them. Luke 17:11-13 the Lord healed them. Only one turned back and thanked Jesus for their new lease on life. Luke 17:15-16 and he was a Samaritan, a man least expected to express gratitude to the Lord. Jesus asked the question, were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? The question concerns gratitude.

2. Ingratitude is one of the blackest and most despicable sins. It describes the wicked who forsook God. Romans 1:21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were they thankful. This pictures a rebellious people in the last days. The Bible says, 2 Timothy 3:1-2 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful. God has warned us about ingratitude. 1 Samuel 12:24 God wants us to consider the great things he has done for us. Ingratitude is one of the weakest and worse

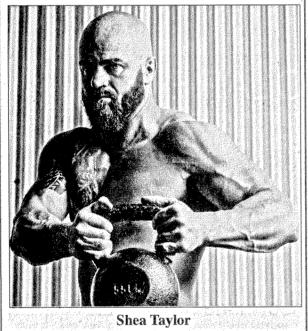
Israel is a good example. Even though they were a blessed people they forgot God. Dueteronomy 32:18 Moses said of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee. These people soon forgot how it was like just a few years ago when they were in bondage and treated like slaves, beaten, very little food, no freedoms, how soon we forget.

When Saul was weak and unknown, he was grateful servant of God, but when God elevated him to a place of power and fame, he forgot the source of his blessings.1 Samuel 15:10-26 Prosperity often leads to ingratitude. Some must hit rock bottom before they learn to appreciate their blessings. Man seldom ever appreciates the well until it runs dry.

Many times, we are like the nine, and King Saul, and Israel we think these blessings that we receive everyday are owed to us and we never give God the thanks. May we always count our blessings and be grateful for every blessing. Thank you for reading this message, I pray God has blessed you with the things you need and more and we always stop to remember where our blessings come from. If you would like to call someone from the church, you can reach us at these # 606-224-1480 or

Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ

Sundays @ 10 a.m. & Wednesdays @ 7 p.m. • Everyone Welcome Bro. Ova Baker 606-878-8104 • Bro. Dale McNew 859-582-4021



Shea Taylor named Mr. Health & Fitness

Shea Taylor has been named the first-ever Mr. Health & Fitness.

Thousands of athletes worldwide were selected to compete and the winner was selected through an online voting system.

Taylor was introduced to the industry at a young age, through sports conditioning, and it has become his way to make an impact in the world.

As an amputee, fitness has allowed him to continue to be active and never take life for granted. Shea is a lifelong athlete and continues to inspire others to face challenges head-on.

As the winner, Taylor received the title, a twopage feature in the iconic Muscle & Fitness magazine, and \$20,000.

Both in the competition and in life, Shea's motto is, "In fear, I trust," which helps him to go the extra mile. "I would have rather tried and failed than to look back down the road and live with regret."

Shea, the son of Coy and Linda Taylor, plans to donate to the National Osteoporosis Foundation to help fund research and awareness of bone cancer.

The competition was sponsored by Magnum® Nutraceuticals, NEBBIA™, and JAWKU.

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court in conjunction with the Kentucky Division of Waste Management is pleased to announce the

Rockcastle County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day

October 23rd , 2021 from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm

At the Rockcastle County Recycling Center • 2528 S. Wildemess Rd, Mt. Vernon

Free Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes for Rockcastle County Residents Only . Drive through & stay in your car • Workers will unload the waste from your vehicle • No Businesses may participate • Call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information

The following items will be accepted:



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Lead Acid (no automotive)

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Recyclable



Pool Chemicals

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Thermometers

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Mercurochrome



Toilet Bowl Cleaners

Muriatic Acid

Deck Wash

Vinegar

Stop Bath

Acetic Acid\Lye



Aluminum Paint

Flammable Solids

Dangerous-When-Wet Materials



Oil Based



(must be manufacturer labeled as propane)

20# Gas Grill Type

1# Soldering/Small Stove Type

Fluorescent Bulbs:



4' & 8' Bulbs (unbroken) Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL)

PCB Materials (Polychlorinated Biphenyls):

Light Ballasts

Capacitors

Free-Liquid Oils (must be marked as such)



Any and all types

Solvents: All compatible flammable solvents, such as: gasoline, kerosene, lamp fluid, automotive fluids, etc.

Pesticides/Herbicides/Insectici des: All liquid and solid forms, such as: lawn fertilizers, lawn foods, lawn treatments, plant foods, insecticides, rodent poisons/killer, etc.

"School"

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construction would be a first priority on the upcoming facilities plan and includes space for 625 students.

The gross square footage of 86,823 and net square footage of 61,645 in the plan is currently set by Kentucky Department of Education standards and may be adjusted by the committee and the school board as the process continues. The net square footage includes all spaces that are student-usable spaces such as classrooms, gymnasium and other rooms. The gross square footage includes the entire building including spaces such as rest rooms, mechanical rooms and corridors.

The estimated cost of the building project was also set by the KDE at \$23,076,068. "This is not the actual cost of the project," Lamere said. Instead, this is a starting average number that KDE uses when considering funding and is based on the number of students enrolled. Nor does that cost include any plans for the existing middle school building.

According to Marcus Reppert, Director of Student Services, students currently in virtual classes are still considered enrolled students and are included in the building space needs estimates.

Superintendent Carrie Ballinger said the district faces an extremely tight time line due to the required meetings before any approval can be given to be eligible for funding in the next legislative session. "In order to be eligible for funding, this item must be on the agenda in the December Kentucky School Board meeting." This has to be completed prior to the legislative session," she said. "We have to hold this first meeting to amend the plan and then another public meeting Monday, October 18 to vote to approve the plan. Then there must be a special called meeting of the school board, then another public meeting and then another board meeting for final approval. All this has to be done for the board meeting on November 9 (26 days from today) for final approval in order to be on the KSB agenda in December."

The renovation of the middle school in the facilities plan was shown at \$15,587,383 which was the amount removed from the facilities plan. The committee addressed a few questions to Lamere who responded in detail to each question.

Ballinger also addressed the debate between renovation versus new construction. "In order to qualify for this funding, we would have to opt for the new building over renovating the existing building," she said. "We just have to show the need for the new building."

Some committee members questioned the size of the proposed new building and space required, but Ballinger explained that these standard KDE estimates need to be used for the beginning process in order to meet the December deadline. However, she said all the estimated numbers may change as the actual design of the new building is underway.

The plan also includes \$4,503,196 in planned renovations Roundstone Elementary School, \$5,449,040 in renovations at Mount Vernon Elementary and \$1,275,000 in renovations at the high school. The total district needs for renovations and construction throughout the district was listed as \$40,050,398.

There were also other plans in the district that are not in the current total, including \$735,000 for high school football locker room renovations among other renovations throughout the district.

Other smaller renovations and repairs are on the facilities plan but are not included in the district total needs yet since those projects are not finalized.

The October 18 meeting is planned at 5:30 p.m., once again giving the public a chance to provide input. Then at 6 p.m. the committee is expected to approve the new facilities plan.

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more supporters, opposition continued to speak out against him and the city government loud and often.

Then, just months ago, two City Commissioners also resigned their post, leaving the city scrambling to fill the seats. It was not easy to find replacements. In fact, officials had tremendous trouble finding anyone interested. Eventually, Mayor King appointed his own daughter Melissa Hahn to fill one of the seats but no one could be found for the other. Eventually, by law, Governor Andy Beshear's office appointed the final seat.

This is when the biggest trouble started. Opponents of King said by appointing his own daughter, the mayor had broken the city's Nepotism ordinance. But that was the least of Hahn's worries. The year before, Hahn had pled guilty to two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance (Methamphetamine) and was currently on a pretrial diversion program which did not allow her to hold a public office. However, Hahn says she did not know that she could not hold public office, though her diversion program lasts through January 10 of 2024. "The first thing I did was check with the parole office and make sure I could be a commissioner," said Hahn. "They assured me it was okay."

As expected, complaints were filed and a public social media campaign began against Hahn's eligibility, King's appointment of her and the city commissioners who approved the appointment.

Two residents of Livingston, Sandi Singleton and Larry Davidson, filed nepotism complaints with the Cumberland Valley Regional Ethics Board against Hahn, King and the City Commission.

As if that weren't enough controversy, King then announced his resignation as mayor due to health reasons and his daughter, Hahn announced that she intended to run for his office.

At this time, County Attorney Jeremy Rowe began looking into the allegations. He originally found that since Hahn was not considered a convicted felon, unless she broke a term of her pretrial diversion agreement, her holding of a public office was "a grey area that requires more investigation." Later the same day (last Monday) that investigation showed that she was not allowed to serve in public office. "In one of the terms of the agreement that she

signed, she had lost her right to vote and her right to hold public office," Rowe said. "According to the pretrial diversion agreement, Ms. Hahn is not eligible to be commissioner or mayor of Livingston."

Once Rowe's finding was provided to Hahn, she contacted her parole office once again to discover she was never eligible for office at all. "I am not in trouble because I was told it was okay to be commissioner," she said. "But now I have to resign effective immediately.'

The good news for Hahn came later in the week when she received a letter from Cumberland Valley ADD Regional Board of Ethics which answered the complaints filed against King and the City for breaking the ethics ordinance. The letter, signed by Chairman

Larry Gabbard, said Mayor King and the Livingston City Commissioners "did not violate the Livingston Code of Ethics" when Hahn was appointed as commissioner partly due to pay scales and other terms in the ordinance. "After all the accusations and trouble a few are causing, I need everyone to know that the mayor nor the commissioners did not violate any ordinances or ethics," said Hahn. "I resigned because of the clause in the pretrial diversion terms that we had all overlooked by accident. But no one acted unethically or violated the nepotism ordinance."

"City"

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sioners not present." The ordinances include 21-913 which re-

homes placed in the city must also have a minimum of 720 square feet of floor space. The ordinances are expected to be adopted at the next scheduled regular meeting on Monday,

> City Hall. The public is invited to

November 8 at 7 p.m. at

quires owners of all rental

properties to be liable for

the delinquent and unpaid

water and sewer bills of

lates to the placement of

mobile homes in the City

of Brodhead. According

to the ordinance, all

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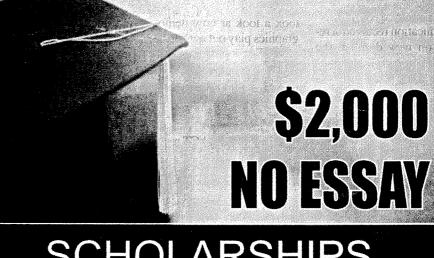
ROCKCASTLE COUNTY SCHOOLS Public Hearing

Public Forum No. 2

The Rockcastle County Local Planning Committee will conduct a PUBLIC FORUM on Monday October 18, 2021 at the Rockcastle Teaching and Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. and hold a Regular Local Planning Committee Meeting thereafter. The Local Planning Committee will convene a Public Forum to solicit public comment on the proposed District Facilities Plan.

The Local Planning Committee Meeting and Public Forum is scheduled in accordance with

KRS 157.620 and regulated by 702 KAR 1:001.



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Applications will be accepted through November 30, 2021

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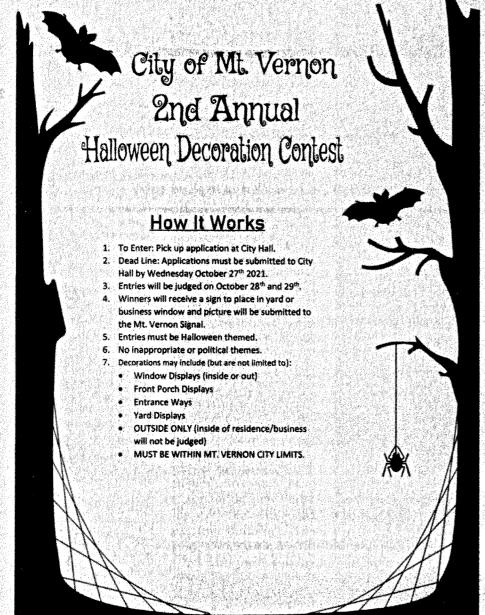
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Frankfort Update

By: Josh Bray State Representative

SB 5 economic A Week in Review: Committees Talk Education, Staffing Shortages, and the Economic Climate

This week's legislative committee meetings pro-



Legislators heard from a variety of stakeholders on issues such as: staff shortages, food supply chain disruption, schooling during the pandemic, and the current economic climate. I hope you will take a few moments and read these brief summaries. As always, just reach out if I can provide additional informa-

IJC on Judiciary: Committee members met to discuss issues faced by the juvenile detention centers, including staff shortages and lack of training among staff working with Kentucky's incarcerated youth who range from ages 10 to 21. Members also heard presentations on a couple legislative proposals, including animal cruelty cost-ofcare, which would expedite the cost of care hearing, creating a system that's fair to owners, taxpayers and ani-

IJC on Agriculture: Members discussed several pressing issues within the state. Those issues range from the present Food Supply Chain disruption brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, Chronic Wasting Disease, as well as Food Insecurity, and the current state of affairs at the Kentucky State University Land-Grant Cooperative Extension program.

IJC on Education: Legislators serving on the IJC on Education received a report on new data on the pandemic's profound impact on academic performance. Legislators also discussed the mental health aspects of our students. Counselors and social emotional learning specialists from three school districts sadly reported that the number of suicidal thoughts and threats in schools skyrocketed. The districts suggested the increase of student mental health concerns are hinged between virtual learning and the extended exposure to trauma and stress while learning online. The committee also heard from Boom Beans' CEO and the Executive Director of Awesome Inc. about youth entrepreneurship opportunities in Appalachia. Both discussed how they partner to bring innovation and entrepreneurial skills to students and connect them with founders in rural parts of the state.

IJC on Appropriations and Revenue: Committee members received an update on the current economic climate as well as the specific impact on agriculture and wholesale distribution. Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles testified that the agriculture industry is facing various supply chain issues, including inadequate access to replacement machinery parts. inadequate infrastructure to process beef, and higher commodity prices. The Kentucky Wholesalers detailed supply chain issues facing the industry. Members also discussed the American Food Group beef processing plant, which recently decided not to build a facility in Christian County following opposition from local community members. Legislators expressed the great need for a new beef processing plant, as cattle either has to be processed locally, or be sent 500 miles away to be processed. This results in larger costs for producers and consumers, and issues for the supply chain.

Transportation Committee members heard an update on the Department of Aviation and General Aviation in Kentucky, the state's major commercial airports, and aviation career training at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) and Somerset Community College (SCC).

IJC on Natural Resources and Energy: The Interim Joint Committee Natural Resources and Energy discussed grid transmission and reliability and received an update on dam safety programs. Presenters from Big Rivers Electric Corporation shared that they rely on coal but are also investing funds into solar power. They believe that solar investment will provide a diverse low-cost generation portfolio of coal, natural gas, hydro and solar. The committee also heard from the Energy and **Environment Cabinet about** dam safety program enhancements. The cabinet proposed several changes in statute, such as: updating terminology to reflect current technology, programs, and practices and requiring emergency action plans for high and significant hazard dams.

Education Assessment

and Accountability Review Subcommittee: Members of the Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee reviewed information about the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) program created as part of education reform in 1990 to help Kentucky fund its public schools. Research revealed that 21 states use Average Daily Membership when counting students to fund education and about a third of states require a higher district local revenue contribution in their funding requirements. They also took a look at how demographics play out across the state. For example, rural districts on average have more people living in poverty, more students classified as special education, and a lower percentage of students meeting ACT reading and math benchmarks. In addition, rural districts have lower teacher salaries and are projected to lose more students.

As part of SEEK transportation funding, the state reimburses districts for transporting students more than one mile to and from school. In 2020, 168 of 172 districts transported students to and from school. Their report found that the square mileage was calculated incorrectly for county districts with independent districts within their borders. The districts' transportation codes for students transported more than a mile was not audited correctly.

As always, I hope you will feel free to contact me with any questions or issues. I can be reached here at home anytime or through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181. Please feel free to email me Josh.Bray@LRC.KY.GOV. If you would like more information about any of these committees or legislative actions, you can visit the Legislative Research Commission website at legislature.ky.gov.

"Prelim"

(Continued from front)

\$150,000 cash or property bond.

The commonwealth attorney's office now has 60 days to indict in order to keep Mullins in cus-

Mullins was charged after he allegedly fired a gun at Stacie Smith after she attempted to end their relationship. Mullins then apparently shot himself, according to the police

"Water"

(Continued from front) that she had received a letter from the Ethics Board of the Cumberland Valley Area Development District saying that they had found no evidence of nepotism in her appointment as City Commissioner to fill a vacancy due to a resigna-

(You will find a separate story in this week's issue of the Signal from the CVADD's Ethics Board to Ms. Hahn explaining their decision).

Former Mayor Dwane King's letter of resignation was also presented to the board and officially accepted. King resigned at last month's meeting citing health reasons and undue stress.

Following those two items of business, five citizens asked that their name be put in for consideration to fill the vacant commission seat. They were: Bonnie Reeves, Sherry Goforth, Larry Davidson, David Mahaffey and Rick Parker. That seat, along with the mayor's, will have to be filled in 30 days or the appointments will be made by the governor's office.

Acting Mayor Lerov Lamb then threw the floor open for discussion by those present.

The main topic of discussion was the, in some places, lack of water pressure. David Mason told the commission that he had been without water pressure for eight weeks, a problem that he said he has actually had for years. Others in the room joined in with the same complaint, even to Acting Mayor Leroy Lamb who said his water pressure is also very poor, "I have a 3/8" line running from my meter to my house so that keeps my water pressure down."

State Representative Josh Bray spoke to the crowd and told them he was aware of the city's really serious issues with their water and sewer system and was available to help in any way possible. He mentioned that the county had \$1.865 (half of an over \$3.6M grant) in infrastructure money that will be prioritized for various projects in the cities and counties.

However, Mayor Lamb said that the city currently owes \$50,000 to Woods Creek, their water provider, and \$2,500 remaining on a \$25,000 fine levied on the city by the Division of Water over their sewer treatment plant and they did not have anyone for Purchase of Water and certified to run the day-today operation.

tor of Government Affairs Signal. Commissioner for Kentucky-American Durham voted against the Water spoke to the group motion.

and detailed how his company could improve the facilities for the city's water and sewer customers if his company was to purchase the systems. Caswell said the costs to customers for an average bill of 4,000 gallons would be \$38 but was unable to tell them exactly what the sewer charge would be.

City Clerk Amanda Thomas said that customers now pay \$32.32 for 2,000 gallons of water and a sewer charge of a little over \$17.

As a last item of business, the commission on a motion by Lamb voted 2-1 to begin the process to sell the water and sewer plant by publishing a Request for Proposal Wastewater Facilities. That notice is expected to Adam Caswell, Direc-sappear in next week's

Average Americans consume 50 lbs annually

October proclaimed Pork Month in Kentucky

Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles celebrated Kentucky's swine industry by proclaiming October as Pork Month in Kentucky.

"Pork plays an important role in our state," Commissioner Quarles said. "Our farmers play an equally important role in the hard work they do to raise healthy lean meat for consumers in our state and beyond. While we celebrate Kentucky Pork Month, let's remember the hard work our farmers do every day to raise this nutritious commodity."

Pork is an important product to the national diet with the average American consuming about 50 pounds of pork per year. Pork is packed with important nutrients and minerals. In addition to protein, it also provides thiamin, niacin, riboflavin, vitamin B6, phosphorus, zinc, and potas-

Kentucky pork sales make up 2.5 percent of total cash receipts for Kentucky agriculture. The sale of market hogs and pigs brought Kentucky farmers \$128 million in 2020, up by more than \$16

million the year prior. "Join my family and others across the state as we celebrate Pork month," said Benji Hudnall, Kentucky Pork Producers Association President. "I encourage Kentuckians to enjoy pork at meals this month of October. When you add pork to your plate, you're supporting farm families like ours."

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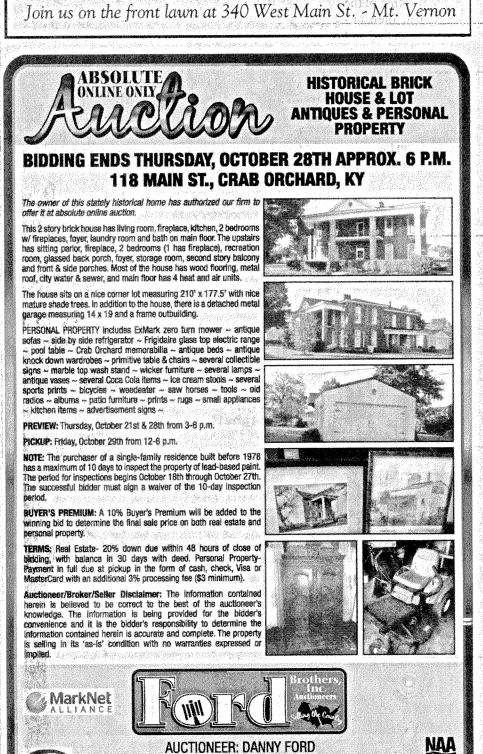
ranks 17th in the nation for total swine production. Though they can be found throughout the state, most of Kentucky's hogs are raised in western Kentucky, near production of their primary food

source of corn and soybeans.

At the end of 2020, Kentucky had approximately 460,000 total head of swine, up from 435,000 the year before. But that number is only a portion of the more than 1 million hogs and pigs Kentucky farmers sold at market last year.

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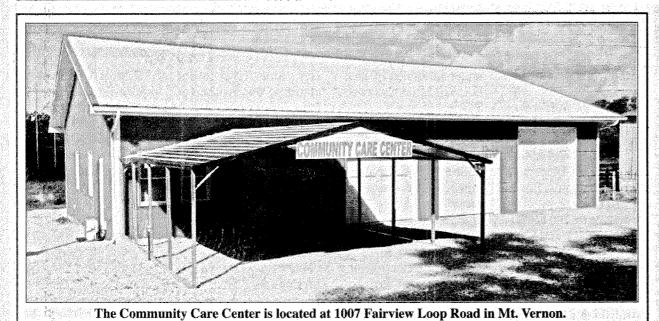
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Thursday, October 14, 2021



Local Community Care Center gives many items to those in need

"Whoever is generous to the poor, lends to the Lord and He will repay him for his deeds," Prov-

erbs, 19:17. Some seem to enjoy giving even more than receiving and Ken Holt, and those who work with him at the Community Care Center in Mount Vernon, must be among them.

Holt retired after 40 years at Hyster and has founded the Mount Vernon Community Care Center at 1007 Fairview Loop Road. "I have been financially blessed and I just want to help people in need," said Holt. I believe in giving to those who need and once I retired, I couldn't think of a better way to

spend my time." Holt serves as the President of the Center and,m with the help of Program Director Sarah Evans and Steve and Kathy Clark, hundreds of local citizens in need have new, warm clothing for the upcoming winter.

Holt and his crew gather new items from sources around the region or anywhere in the world who is willing to give. "We take items from anyone who has a giving heart," said Holt. "We don't take used things. Only new things and we take them to organizations or people or places who have a need for them."

Since he retired, Holt says he has given away dozens of tractor/trailer loads of items that have been donated to the center. This week, he and Evans delivered a pickup truck load of items to the Daniel **Boone Community Action** Agency on Main Street . One of those who helped unload the countless boxes of new clothing and shoes, said the donations provide a lot of help for many people. "Some people come to us with nothing except the clothes on their back," said one worker. "This kind of thing can make a difference in their entire life."

Holt stood outside the **Daniel Boone Community** Action Agency with countless boxes showing workers at the center some examples of the new items he was donating Monday. "Everything is new and still in the plastic and with the help of groups like the Christian Appalacian Project, and others, we can donate all this to help those in need," he said.

Holt says he and his crews will help anyone who is truly in need. "It doesn't matter who or why they are in need," he said. "As long as they are in need, we want to help and that's what we do."

Holt has delivered new clothing, jewelry, shoes, gloves and countless other

items to many different have extra items for any places in Mount Vernon and he says he turns no one in need away.

"So many stores and businesses are willing to donate to our center," Holt said. "They call us when they are overstocked or

reason. This helps them and it helps the organizations involved and most importantly, it help those in need."

A lot of deliveries were cancelled last year due to COVID-19 restrictions

but Holt says the center is back up and running full force this year.

Anyone willing to donate new items to the center or is in need of clothing or other items is encouraged to call the center at 859-661-0808.



Community Care Center (CCC) Program Director Sarah Evans and President Ken Holt are shown above unloading many boxes of clothes and shoes as well as other items Monday. The items were donated to the Daniel Boone Community Action Agency on Main Street in Mount Vernon. The CCC provides such donations to many locations in the county.

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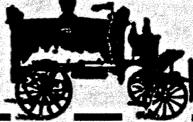
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Barbara Smith, property in Lakeside Subdv., to Barry D. Daulton. Tax

David and Paula Russell, property in Happy Acres Subdv., to Paula Russell. No tax

Sandra Rickels Scott, property on Old Brodhead Road, to Charles Roger Rickels. No tax

Alan W. and Marcia Conner, property on Hwy. 461, to Donald W. Carney, Jr. Tax \$32.50

Ruby M. Epperson and Dan Epperson, Ted N. and Mary Ann Saylor and Jeffrey W. Saylor, property in Rockcastle County, to Tabitha Nickle. Tax \$43

** Billie J. Taylor, property in Rockcastle County, to Regina Taylor Burton, Trustee. No tax Robert and Shirley

Wilson, property in Bowling Ridge area, to James and Cristy Randolph. Tax \$35

Peggy McClure, Linda and Steve Zupancic and Gary and Tracy Nicely, property in Rockcastle County, to Jimmy Clark, Jr. and Jessica Clark. Tax \$65

Danny and Sue Ford and John D. and Angela Ford, property on Union Chapel Road, to Paula G. Deborde. Tax \$60

Darrell W. and Wanda bEllison property on KY 1326, to Angela Hines, Jamie Shepherd and Rodney Ellison. No tax James Earnest and

Dora Jean Robinson, property on waters of Brush Creek, to James Edward Robinson and Holly Rose Chiantaret Robinson. Tax \$50

Eugene Chasteen, property in Rockcastle County, to Melody Adams. Tax \$55

Judy Mills, property on KY 1505, to Roger Lovell. No tax

Ledford Hal Hunt and Carolyn Collins-Hunt, property in Rockcastle County, to Alison Birney. No tax

Cecil and Judy King, property in Brodhead, to Dennie Curtis King. Tax \$125

Jerry Warren Carter and Larry Dale Carter, Trustees, property in Rainbow Ridge Subdv., to Ralph Powell. Tax \$8

Frances Carter, property in Rockcastle County, to David Carter. No tax

Marriage Licenses

Trista Gayle Messer, 35, Stanford, lawn care and Patrick Douglas Johnson, 34, Stanford, lawn care. 10/1/21

Tabatha Charlene Miller, 39, Mt. Vernon, deputy jailer and Jeffery S. Carpenter, 38, Mt. Vernon, deputy jailer. 10/ 4/21

Kathrine Ann Hix, 27, Mt. Vernon, realtor and Michael Paul Statham, 34, Berea, car sales. 10/ 5/21

Lorena Grace Eaton, 23, Mt. Vernon, office and Isaac Christian Dods, 28, Brodhead, Pepsi Cola. 10/8/21

District Court

Sept. 29-Oct. 6, 2021 Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

& Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Rebecca Cameron: alcohol intoxication and resisting arrest, 10 days in jail/each count/concurrent/costs waived.

Tara Lee Marie Kirby: theft by unlawful taking, 30 days in jail/costs waived.

Erica Oakes: public intoxication, two counts, 3 days in jail/each count/ concurrent/costs waived. Jeff Shawn Adams:

fines/fees (\$174) due/ bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/four days in jail or payment in full.

James Bradley: failure to wear seat belts and five other charges, bw issued for fta.

Dakota Daniel Brewster: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/ three days in jail or payment in full. Richard Brightwell:

public intoxication and disorderly conduct, bw issued for fta.

Amy Lynn Brown: operating on suspended/ revoked operators license and eight other charges. Jessica Carr: assault,

bw issued for fta. John Kevin Falin:

drug paraphernalia-buy/ possess and nine other charges, bw issued for

Christopher Foster: alcohol intoxication, bw issued for fta.

Paul James Gray: alcohol intoxication and drinking alcoholic in public place, by issued for fta.

Dustin Hutchins: no/ expired registration plates, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine/suspended; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 fine; one headlight and rear license not illuminated, \$25 fine each; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine; failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, \$100 fineplus court costs.

Tiantshay S. Lyles: speeding and possession of marijuana, bw issued for fta.

Corwin D. Mayer: speeding and five other charges, bw issued for

Darren Bennett: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to wear seat belts and 11 others, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Derick Bishop: no/expired registration plates receipt, no operators/ moped license and failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, bw issued for fta.

Lydia Blackburn: criminal mischief, disorderly conduct and public intoxication controlled substance, 90 days (each count)/probated 24 months on condition; falsely reporting an incident, 365 days/probated 24 months on condition.

James Mitchell Buckner: improper parking violations, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Rodney Coffey: theft

by unlawful taking, failed to appear.

Jennifer Croll: possession of marijuana, bw issued for fta.

Donald W. Crouch: operating on suspended/ revoked operators license and 15 other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Greg Damrell: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine; no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, improper registration plate, failure to resist transfer of motor vehicle, no motorcycle operators license, \$50 fine each; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500

Freddie Denny: fines/ fees due (\$198), converted to four days in jail. Kayla M. Doan: driv-

ing without license/negligence in accident and three other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended. Stephen Mitchell

Dockery: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine each; operating on suspended/revoked operators license \$100 fine plus costs. Ronald Durham: oper-

ating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 Richard L. Eads: com-

licensed and eight other charges, bw issued for fta. Timmon Leigh Helfer:

wanton endangerment. disorderly conduct, menacing, bw issued for fta. Bobby Joe Hensley:

fleeing or evading police and resisting arrest, 365 days/each count/concurrent/costs merged. Clinton Howard: no/

expired Kentucky registration receipt/plates and improper display of registration plates, bw issued for fta.

Vanessa Lynn Hundley: instructional permit violations, license suspended for fta.

Jared Johnson: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine each; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs. Shane Johnson: crimi-

nal mischief, bw issued for fta.

Dionna Lynn Jones: alcohol intoxication in a public place, bw issued for fta.

Gary G. Kelly: no semi-trailer plate and six other charges, bw issued for fta.

Jack McCormiock: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and no operators/moped license, bw issued for fta, license suspended.

Cody Monk: no operators/moped license, failure to produce insurance card and failure of nonowner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.

Brandon L. Overbay: driving without license/ negligence in accident, operating on suspended/ revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/ license suspended.

Joy Bullock Payne: operating motor vehicle

under influence of alcohol, \$200 fine plus costs, \$425 service fee, six months license suspension.

Christian John Roark: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/ security and five other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Zachary Robinson: public intoxication and three other charges, bw issued for fta. Katelyn Hope Shan-

non: instructional permit violations, license suspended for fta. Jacob Daryl Singleton:

operating on suspended/ revoked operators license and four other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended. Matthew Scott Stair:

operating on suspended/ revoked operators license, \$50 fine and no operators/moped license, \$50 fine plus costs. Speeding: Sara Eliza-

beth Vause, Jennifer Lee Vanbrunt, license suspended for fta; Laura Christine Carpenter, action slip pending; Donald Ray Clemons:

operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, license to be in possession, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued fta. Darrin Denney: oper-

ating motor vehicle under influence of controlled substance and three other charges, bw issued for Joseph C. Edwards:

violation part 393, fed isafety reg-commercial mercial driver license-not and river license and nine other charges, bw issued for fta.

Gregory Allen Fox: careless driving, \$50 fine plus costs.

Earnest Gene Gadd: failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to produce insurance card, failure to notify address change to dept. of transp., bw issued for fta.

Billy Ray Halcomb: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol, sentencing order en-Tonya Kay Lunsford:

failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security and five other charges, bw issued for fta.

Jeffrey Kyle Marlow: operating on suspended/ revoked operators license and six other charges, bw issued for fta.

Hubert Dale Stewart: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance security and three other charges, bw issued for

Elijah Clint Walker: failure of non-owner operator t maintain req. insurance and four other charges, bw issued for

Mary Louise Weaver: leaving scene of accident/ failure to render aid or assistance and failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, sentencing orders entered.

Jessie W. Wagers: no tail lamps and three other charges, bw issued for fta/license suspended. driving on DUI suspended/license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 90 days/each charge/ costs merged.

Roy Lee Rose: Pt 393, Federal Safety Regs, Parts Needed for Safe Operation, Pt 396, Fed Safety Regs Inspect/Repair/Maintenance, license suspended for fta.

Kimberly D. Brinson: public intoxication, 30 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Billy Joe Deborde: operating motor vehicle under influence of substance, 13 days in jail and 6 months license suspension; assault, 13 days in jail/credit any days served/costs merged.

Doris Jean Lunce: possession controlled substance, 12 months/costs merged.

John L. Peterson: violation of Kentucky EPO/ DVO, sentencing order entered.

Melissa Ann Puckett: public intoxication, \$100 fine plus costs.

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

Brandon Michael Wynn: assault, bw issued for fta.

Donovon W. Mullins: operating motor vehicle under influence of controlled substance, sentencing order entered. Dennis Edward Bot-

toms: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for

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Notice of Vacant District 5 Board of Education Seat

The Rockcastle Board of Education ("Board") is seeking applications for appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board representing seat Division # 5. This appointment will be effective until the November 2022 regular election.

Responsibilities include: setting policy to govern the District; hiring/evaluating the Superintendent; and levying taxes and adopting the District budget.

Board members must:

- Be at least 24 years old and a Kentucky citizen for the last three years;
- Be a registered voter in the particular District of the vacancy; Have completed the 12th grade or have a GED
- Meet all other legal qualifications (KRS 160.180);
- Complete required annual in-service training.

Applications are available at the Rockcastle County Board of Education.

Mail applications to: Superintendent, ATTN: Board Vacancy, 245 Richmond Street, Mount Vernon, KY 40456



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RCHS sophomore Lexi Dotson had an outstanding performance, placing 23rd overall out of 227 competitors with an awesome new season's best time of 20:28.27 at the Haunted Woods Classic hosted by **Oldham County on Sat**urday. Her time was also the third fastest of her career for a 5,000-meter race. She will compete again next Tuesday at the CKC Championships in Danville.

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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule Monday, Oct. 18th: Child Development, Lisa's Little People, Tic Toc Pre-School. Tuesday, Oct. 19th: Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek and Wildie,

No October Meeting for RRTA There will not be a meeting of the Rockcastle Retired Teachers Association for the month of October.

Farm Bureau Fruit & Nut Program

Rockcastle County Farm Bureau will be taking orders for the annual Fruit & Nut Program October 1st through October 29th. This program is a benefit of being a Kentucky Farm Bureau member. If you have any questions. or would like to order, please come by our office or call 256-2050.

Christmas Angel Tree Applications

The Salvation Army will take applications in Rockcastle County for their Christmas Angel Tree on Thursday, October 28th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Applications will be accepted at the Rockcastle County Library. For questions call 859-624-5826.

Kiwanis Club

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

Celebrate Sobriety Service

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

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post 5908

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

American Legion Post News

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

Recovery Meetings

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

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky, Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. ***Please call256-5577 by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

Alcoholics Anonymous: 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: 859-308-8900

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon. Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Rd., Mt. Vernon. Contact: John Burton 606-308-8226, Frankie Woodall 606-308-2382 or Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190. Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Katheryn, 606-308-3099 or Tammy 606-308-1614.

Thursday-Alcohol Anonymous, 8 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 35 Castle village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Call 606-308-8900.

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

Saturday - Crystal Meth Anonymous: Saturday, 5 p.m. Community Outreach Center, 36 Village Dr., Brodhead, Ky. Contact: Jason Debord 606-386-0646 or Rob Sandusky 606-386-3907.

Sunday - Celebrate Recovery Step Studies-COED, 6 p.m. Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: Jason DeBord 606-386-0646 or J.R. Cornelius 859-314-7828 Saturday. Leaders: John Burton 606-308-8226, Joanie Mink 606-308-3190.

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

Seventh grade defeats LexCath 36-26

RCMS football playing in state tournament

The Rockcastle County Middle School seventh grade football team opened play on Saturday in the Kentucky Middle School Football Association state tournament with a 36-26 victory over Lexington Catholic.

Head coach Jamie Todd's crew, which was the 7-seed in the Region 3 bracket, got on the board first when Blake Mullins entered the endzone with 3:51 remaining in the first quarter. Jacob Camel's 2point conversion put the Rockets up 8-0.

LexCath quickly answered a few plays later, but the conversion attempt was no good to keep the Rockets up 8-6 going into the first quarter break.

Camel would notch a touchdown of his own with 2:55 left in the first half giving Rockcastle a 14-6 advantage.

Mullins found paydirt

once again, but from the defensive side of the ball just 0:17 later when he intercepted a Knights pass attempt and returned the ball for a touchdown. Camel's conversion run gave the Rockets a 22-6 lead with 2:38 left in the second quarter.

Rockcastle would take a 22-14 lead into the locker room thanks to a late second quarter touchdown and subsequent 2point conversion by LexCath.

Xavier Leger scored what eventually would prove to be the game-winning touchdown in the third quarter. Kaiden Lovell conversion was good to give Rockcastle a 30-14 lead.

LexCath responded with a passing touchdown to pull within a 30-20 margin before Leger would put the nail in the coffin with his second touchdown of the game.

Commonwealth of Kentucky **28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II** Civil Action No. 19-CI-00233

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust 1 **Plaintiff**

Danny D. Tankersley

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 23, 2021 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY NINE DOLLARS AND 49/100 (\$129,229.49) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, October 22, 2021 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said real property being more particularly described as follows:

Lot No. 7 as shown of the plat of Hamm's Subdivision of record in Plat Book 2, page 47, in the Office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Court Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

90 McKinney Heights Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Map No.015W-01-010

Being the same property conveyed to Danny D. Tankersley from Danny McKinney and wife, Betty Jo McKinney by Deed dated February 10, 2009 and recorded on February 19, 2009 in the register of Deed for Rockcastle County, Kentucky in Deed Instrument N/A Deed Book 225 page 109.

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

1. The real property shall be sold together as a whole.

2. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser(s) required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.

4. The purchaser shall pay the 2021 local, county and state property taxes.

5. Unpaid delinquent State, County and/or City ad valorem real estate taxes owed to those government entities, and not sold pursuant to the provisions of KRS Chapter 134 to any private purchaser during the pendency of this action shall be paid

from the sale proceeds. 6. Full satisfaction of the judgment shall be paid

from the proceeds of the sale.

7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.

8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required. 9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

10. All sales shall be conducted pursuant to the COVID19 safety regulations set out by the Governor and Kentucky Supreme Court, including but not limited to the following:

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I Civil Action No. 19-CI-00159

Plaintiff Pennymac Loan Services, LLC

Michael Berry, individually and as Administrator of the estate of Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Berry Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on August 13, 2021 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEV-ENTY TWO DOLLARS AND 34/100 (\$117,972.34) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, October 22, 2021 Beginning at the Hour of 10:45 a.m.

Said real property being more particularly described as follows:

77 Scenic View Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 Map ID# 044-00-049.06

Being the same property conveyed to Perry R. Sams and Rhonda B. Sams, husband and wife, jointly, with remainder in fee simple to the survivor of thereof, from Benton Bullock and Theresa Bullock, husband and wife, by deed dated February 12, 1997 and recorded February 14, 1997 in Deed Book 164. Page 546, of the records of the Rockcastle County Clerk's Office. Perry R. Sams aka Perry Reed Sams died on January 9, 2018. Upon his death, all right, title and interest in the subject property became vested in Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams by the right of survivorship clause. Rhonda B. Sams aka Rhonda Sams aka Rhonda Berry Sams aka Rhonda Fay Berry Sams died on January 8, 2019. Upon her death, all right, title and interest in the subject property became vested in her heirs at law.

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be prosecuted. 47xntf

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

Posted: Property belonging to Don and Kitty Reese on Smallwood Road at Roundstone. All trespassers will be prosecuted. 49xntf Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents. Posted: No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Benge property).

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Notices

Notice is hereby given that Dean Singleton, P.O. Box 105, 303 Freedom School Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Steven K. Singleton, deceased, on the 15th day of September, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Dean Singleton or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before March 16, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. 37x3 Notice is hereby given that Vanessa McClain, 59 Sunnyvale Estates, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, has been appointed Conservator of the Estate of Karmon McClain, a minor, on the 12th day of October 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Vanessa McClain or to Hon. Robert A. Morrin, 214 West Main St., Richmond, KY 40475 on or before April 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Notice is hereby given that Trisha Doan, 227 Spruce Lane, P.O. Box 28, Livingston, Ky. 40445, has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Charlene Newcomb, deceased, on the 4th day of October, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Trisha Doan or to Hon, Jeremy B. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before April 4, 2022 at 11

a.m. 37x3 Notice is hereby given that Merna Diana Overbay, 880 Quail Road, P.O. Box 1032, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of David Lee Overbay, deceased, on the 4th day of October, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Merna Diana Overbay or to Hon. Jeremy G. Rowe, P.O. Box

1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

40456 on or before April 4, 2022 at 11 a.m. 37x3

Notice is hereby given that Larry G. Barron, 365 Old Smokey Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Jana N. Robinson, deceased, on the 6th day of October 2021. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Larry G. Barron or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before April 6, 2022, 37x3

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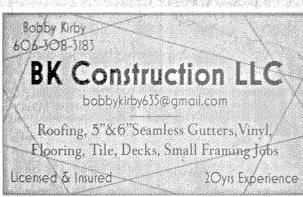
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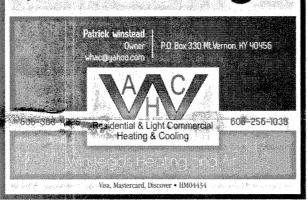
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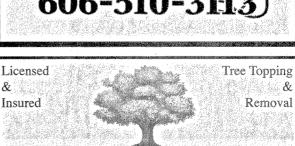
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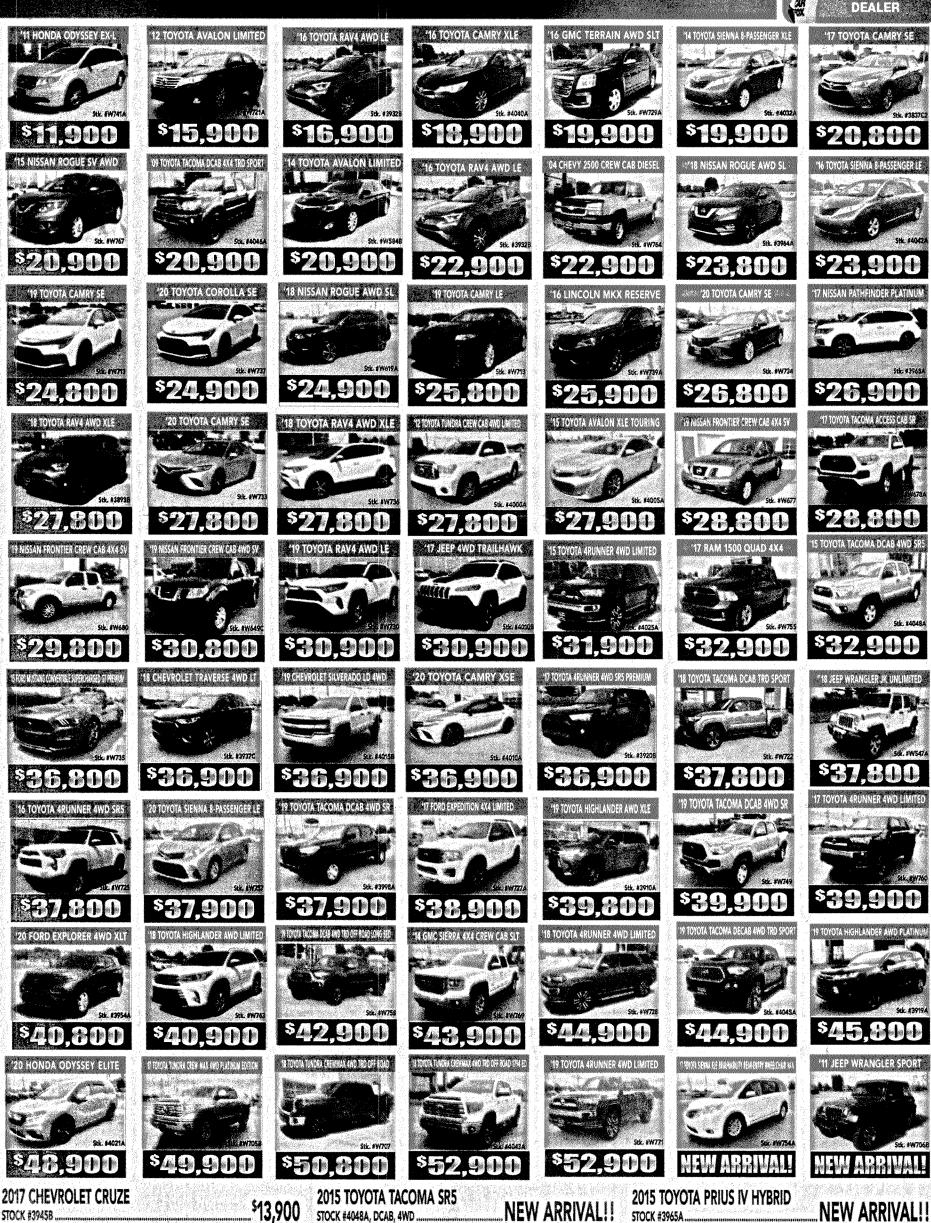
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