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## Decoration contest to start next week

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Be scary. Be fall-like. Be-witchy. But no matter what you do, be elaborate.

The 2nd annual City of Mount Vernon Halloween Decoration Contest is this coming week.

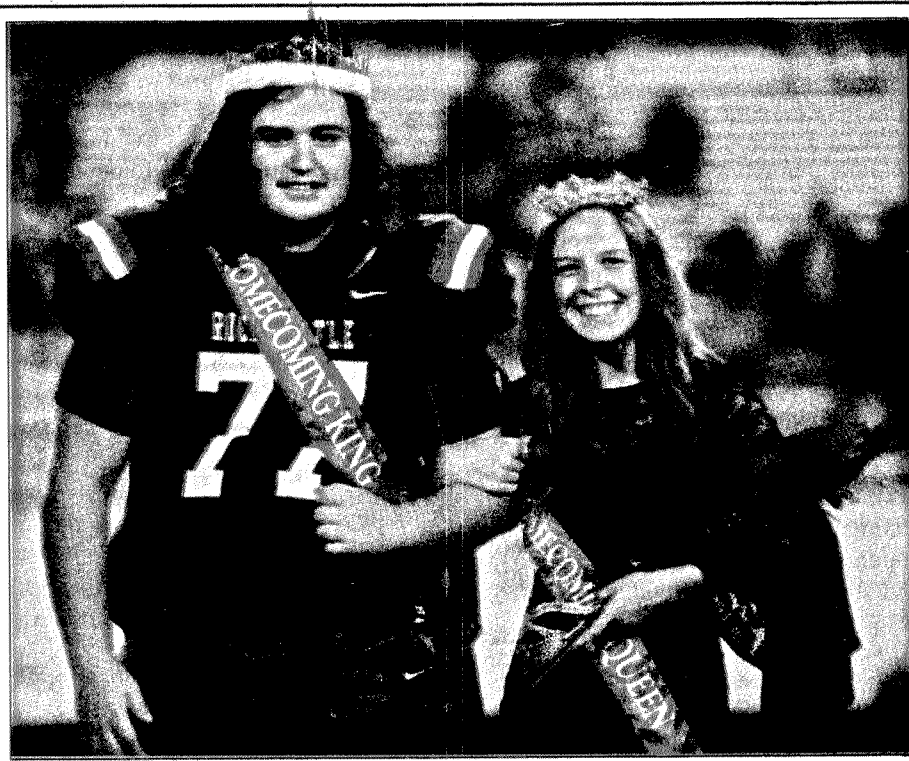
Winners will receive a yard sign from the city to place amid your decoration before trick or treat and will have a photo of your decoration published in the Mount Vernon Signal.

To enter the free contest, you must visit City Hall and fill out an application by Wednesday, October 27. Judging will take place on Thursday and Friday, October 28 and 29.

The winners of each category will receive a free sign proclaiming the victory that you may place in your yard on trick or treat night with the decorations.

All themes must be Halloween-related and not politically-related and all decorations must be outdoors.

Anyone inside the city limits of Mount Vernon is invited to participate in the event.



## RCMS royalty

Mr. Garrett Hamilton and Miss Destiny Adams were selected RCMS Football Homecoming King and Queen during halftime ceremonies held Friday night. Members of the court are shown below, from left: second runner-up Ethan Fain, first runner-up Ethan Russell, Mr. Hamilton, Miss Adams, second runner-up Haley Thacker and first runner-up Laney Bryant.



## RCMS shows art work School district moving ahead with big plans

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Vice Chairman Anna Goff led the Rockcastle County School Board regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening in the absence of Chairman Angela Mink.

The October guest school was the Rockcastle County Middle School which provided information about the artistic work done in the cafeteria and nurse's rooms to help welcome new students and inform them of the many benefits offered by the school. School Representatives said the cafeteria is more welcoming and inviting

and the area set aside for a student who may be having an anxiety attack is more soothing and comfortable due to the art work.

Facility Management Director Trent Clark then presented the board with a slide show demonstrating some of the completed work at local schools recently. One of the projects included the solar installation at the high school. Clark said his calculations show that the district has saved about \$1,500 in utility costs alone in the five weeks that the system has been active.

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## Board moves ahead with new middle school

Hammond votes no

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County School Board held a special called meeting Tuesday to review and approve a draft amendment to the District Facilities Plan. The amendments included removing the expense of renovating the existing middle school building for the budgeted \$15,587,383 and adding a new 86,000 square foot middle school for an estimated \$23 million.

The motion to accept the draft amendment passed with only board member Larry Hammond voting "no" on the amendment.

Superintendent Carrie Ballinger, said the draft will be sent to the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) this week for approval.

Questions from board members, including Hammond, centered around the size of the proposed building suggesting it may be too small since it would be 30,000 square feet smaller than the current middle school. "This is smaller than Brodhead Elementary," said Hammond.

However, board member Anna Goff said the square footage was set by the KDE based on current enrollment and she feels that the 86,000 square feet will be enough. "There is a lot of wasted space in the current building," she said. "With this new design, we can use all our space much more efficiently."

Ballinger agreed. "With hallway space and storage and unused space

in the current building, I think this is a good plan," Ballinger said.

Hammond also asked about the gymnasium in a new building. Ballinger said there are still options available in that area. "We have discussed this with the architects and one option includes utilizing the

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## COVID Update

The Rockcastle County COVID incident rate dropped again to 40 on Monday. Though it continues to fall, most Kentucky counties are falling at a slightly faster rate. The Cumberland Valley District Health Department says there have been 65 confirmed and 0 probable new cases reported in the past seven days here. One death was reported this week in the county. A 61-year-old-male. 32 COVID-related deaths have been reported in the county.

## City council meeting

The regular monthly Mount Vernon City Council meeting is scheduled for tonight Thursday, October 21 at 6 p.m. at city hall. The public is invited to attend. See next week issue of the Signal for details.

## Fiscal court deals with many subjects

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Members of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court held their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening with several items on the agenda.

The court approved the budget as presented from the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, after asking Executive Director Jeff

## No elections here in November

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Election time is getting close. But Rockcastle County won't be involved this year.

"2021 is an off year for Rockcastle County" said Rockcastle County Clerk Danna Ford Allen. "Our next election will be the May Primary elections on Tuesday, May 17."

Some states will have off-year elections for gubernatorial candidates in New Jersey and Virginia, who will also have some state legislative elections.

There are also a few counties with mayoral elections and there will be two special elections to the House of Representatives on November 2 in some states as a result of deaths or other vacancies.

VanHook how much money that board has in its accounts. VanHook listed individual accounts but said the total balance at the end of September is \$424,403.

Magistrates also accepted several resolutions from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, involving culvert replacement and flex funding. The court also agreed to purchase a new 46-inch mower for \$1,619 after trade-in.

However, the court refused a request from the Climax Volunteer Fire Department for \$2,700 to install a new generator that the department had purchased. Magistrate Shannon Bishop said he

## Dead large animal removal program is underway in county

By: Mike French  
 Editor

There are a lot of difficult chores to running a farm but some say that among the most difficult is the removal of large farm animals which have died. Not only can the animal weigh close to 1,000 pounds, but a decaying animal can cause many environmental hazards and health problems for other animals on the farm, according to agriculture workers.

But the Rockcastle

would prefer to see more than one bid for the installation and the bids should be from local companies. The court agreed to revisit the request once more bids are provided.

Magistrates agreed that workers at the Rockcastle County Animal Shelter should provide much more detailed monthly reports. This month's report reads "total # of dogs - 58" and "total # of cats - 39" However, magistrates said they don't know if that means there are currently 58 dogs at the shelter or if 58 dogs were brought in last month and there are more or less dogs than that on the premise. Magistrates agreed the

County Fiscal Court, in conjunction with the Soil Conservation District,

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## Noel Night Market planned for December

By: Mike French  
 Editor

Planning is nearly complete and organizers are ready to begin one of the most popular events in the county, The Noel Night Market.

monthly reports should be much more detailed and include information concerning monthly and yearly averages and comparisons to the same month last year as well as any other pertinent information.

A request from the Cumberland Valley Regional Board of Ethics asked the court to elect a Rockcastle resident as a member of the board. Holbrook nominated Rockcastle County Attorney Jeremy Rowe who accepted the position.

County Treasurer Joe Clontz presented his usual detailed monthly reports. This month's reports show general fund September balance at \$106,228 and the road fund at \$721,642. The LEGA fund shows \$169,211, while the CSEPP fund has a balance of \$50,705 and the Microfoodery account balance was \$118,924.

Clontz then requested the court approve the

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The event was canceled last year, due to Governor Beshear's mandates and restrictions, but though the Delta variant is delivering even more illnesses than last year at

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# ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I felt that one thing stuck out especially in this week's actions/announcements by our present administration.

The deputy secretary of the Department of the Treasury told reporters that the present supply chain collapse in our country would not be fixed until everyone was vaccinated.

I'm not exactly sure how my almost 80-year-old body getting vaccinated, for a disease I had in February which gives me much greater immunity than a vaccine, is going to help the supply chain crisis but, hey, that's why the "smart" ones are in Washington and I'm sitting in rural Kentucky trying to understand their actions. (Not really, I mostly dismiss them out of hand).

I might also add, though, that if Cali Gov. Newsome would reportedly allow non-union truck drivers into ports to transport the cargo, things might go a lot faster. But, I do understand that Newsome is quite busy saving the environment by managing to get a law passed which bans the sale of small engines, you know such as those on lawn mowers, weed eaters, leaf blowers, etc, here come the long, long extension cords.

Also, if Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg would cut his "family leave," which he has been on since mid-August after he and his husband adopted twin babies, and come back and do the job he is being paid to do, that might also help the situation.

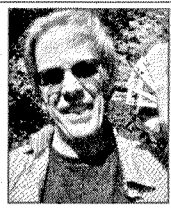
tion. Instead he tells reporters that the supply crisis is a good thing because it proves the wonderful job Biden has done in revitalizing our economy. An economy in which we are soon not going to be able to buy groceries at all but I guess that counts as "wonderful" in Democrat lexicon.

It's a strange world today, where Joe Biden can "mandate" an experimental vaccine, yes the Pfizer vaccine is still experimental since the FDA actually approved the Comirnaty version of the Pfizer drug which is not available in the US. They even admit it. What they did is they extended the Emergency Use Authorization for the Pfizer drug vaccine. That's what's available in the U.S. But if you're wondering what the reasoning was behind Hydroxychloroquine and other therapeutics being blocked is because if something worked, they couldn't give Emergency Use Approval to the vaccines.

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# Aces Over

By: Mike French



Clearly, America has found another way to divide its people. We started as one nation under God, united and indivisible. Over the next 200 years, we found countless ways to divide our people. Politics, race, religion, social standing, geography and any other point we could find to argue over. Now, there is yet another division. Pro-vaxxers and anti-vaxxers.

I just want to point out one fact.

Did you know, 98% of people have never used the internet. Only 2% of people have any idea what the internet is or what it does. You thought the internet was everywhere didn't you! This is an absolute fact. It is true and only a conspiracy theorist would doubt it.

Obviously, anyone with commonsense, would know this statement is extremely misleading. But it is not a lie. I can provide abso-

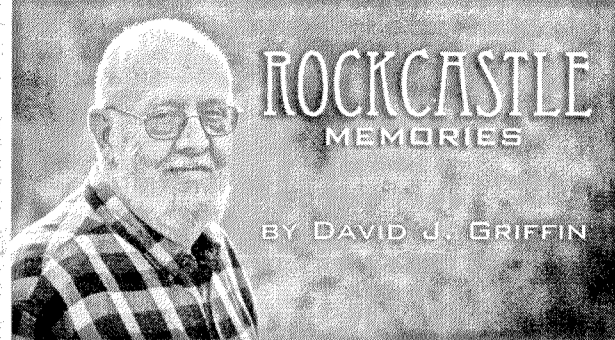
lute, positive proof that it is true. But you are right. It is grossly misleading. This would tend to convince the sheeple of the world, that they don't need the internet.

This is one of ten thousand examples of how easy it is to manipulate numbers and statistics to mean anything you want them to mean. How one word a sentence and which statistics they choose to include, can completely change the outcome of any statistic or study.

COVID has divided us into two factions of people who have very specific beliefs about the vaccine and masks and shutdowns and mandates. Each side of the argument has documented proof that their argument is accurate and the other side is either selfish or ignorant...and of course racist.

But, there is indeed one fact that can't be denied. Of the two side of the issue, only one side seems to believe that the other side should lose their First Amendment

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## Mommie's Green Thumb

My wife and I moved into our new home on Johnson Avenue, in Mt. Sterling, during the last week of November 2019. Because of the time of the year, we were unable to determine the names of the flowers, shrubs, and trees that filled our yard. The one thing that we knew was the previous owner had also owned a local flower shop here in town.

Now that we have been here through all of the seasons, we are pleased to learn that our yard has a wide variety of flowering plants that were started by the previous owner. In some ways, our yard reminds me of my grandmother's (Mommie Katie) yard in Mt. Vernon.

Mommie Katie's flowers, so meticulously placed in her yard, were the talk of the neighborhood. If you can imagine yourself walking on a winding path through her large yard, you would ex-

perience different clusters of flowering plants placed by her own hands, in groups that were spectacular.

Just outside the living room door, she had the largest snow-ball bush I have ever seen. Time after time, I witnessed her standing in that door just looking at that big white bush. Early in the spring, the white flowers caught the attention of everyone driving up the lane next to the yard. Over the years, people commented on her snow-ball shrub with envy because hers was the best they had ever seen.

On the edge of the yard, next to Pop's vegetable garden, Mommie planted a long row of orange lilies, which created a border for her yard.

Continuing our walk around the yard, you would observe a group of roses of nearly every color nestled in a corner near her bedroom window. The position of each type of flowering plant was designed to showcase her yard.

Next to the road, in front of the house, Mommie planted rows of daisies and pansies, and sunflowers, which she placed in each corner of the front yard. It was fascinating to me how she carefully grouped each type of plant in order to create a bright and lively arrangement of color.

Inside the house, Mommie had countless numbers of African violets. There were rainbows of color in those small pots, which lined the window sills of several rooms. I never saw anyone who could create such "splashes" of color as she did. I can see her now, gently attending to each violet as if it were a child. If you were standing close enough to her while she was watering the plants.

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# T.J.'s Journal

By: Tonya J. Cook



## The Adventures of Thelma and Louise Dear Journal,

I quite often see a movie months or even years after it has been released. I have a love of old movies from the 30's through the 50's, so I know most of this new

stuff isn't for me. Of the new stuff that I've seen, some of it is pretty good, others not so much. Anyway, I saw the movie, "Thelma and Louise", the other night. I wanted to see the movie because Stanley had named two female dogs that name that we had been trying to rescue, along with others, for about three months. The girls are living with us now.

Thelma is wearing a cast that she somehow managed to get off and we had to take her for a recasting. Louise, two days later, had her litter of puppies. We got a tarp and some blankets and put them down in the bedroom floor so we could monitor her in her delivery. However she ignored our best efforts. She decided to go up under our bed for her delivery. Just about daylight I heard a faint whimper

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Thank you...

Dear Editor,

This is Doug Brock, Sr., V.P. of the Rockcastle Farmers Market, and I would like to thank everyone that supported us farmers in 2021 in the Farmers Market on behalf of all the members.

We have had a great year. If you have seen our new Farmers Market building, you know we

are planning a much greater year in 2022.

Saturday, Oct. 30th will be the last day for myself and most of our members, so come on by. I will have my honey for sale as always. This week I will have some turnips and real bittersweet for sale and to show what bittersweet really looks like.

Sincerely,  
Doug Brock, Sr.

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# City of Mt. Vernon 2nd Annual Halloween Decoration Contest

## How It Works

- To Enter: Pick up application at City Hall.
- Dead Line: Applications must be submitted to City Hall by Wednesday October 27th 2021.
- Entries will be judged on October 28th and 29th.
- Winners will receive a sign to place in yard or business window and picture will be submitted to the Mt. Vernon Signal.
- Entries must be Halloween themed.
- No inappropriate or political themes.
- Decorations may include (but are not limited to):
  - Window Displays (Inside or out)
  - Front Porch Displays
  - Entrance Ways
  - Yard Displays
- OUTSIDE ONLY (inside of residence/business will not be judged)
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The house sits on a nice corner lot measuring 210' x 177.5' with nice mature shade trees. In addition to the house, there is a detached metal garage measuring 14 x 19 and a frame outbuilding.

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## 'ramblings'

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The FDA really has little credibility since they approved Oxycontin with a first time special label that said there was less than 1% chance of addiction to the drug. We know how that turned out. And, of course, we can't forget their approval of Thalidomide in the early 60s, a drug prescribed for morning sickness in expectant mothers, that caused thousands of babies to be born without limbs.

The FDA that approved the special label for Oxycontin left his post at the FDA quickly afterwards for a high level position with the drug company that produced the Oxycontin.

I was saddened to read this week of the death of Gen. Colin Powell, the first black chairman of the Joint Chiefs and a former secretary of staff.

His death was attributed to COVID 19 complications, even with being double jabbed. Some vaccine activist are already beating the drum of

"the unvaccinated caused his death."

**While telling us how safe this vaccine is, why is Biden planning to compensate government workers who are injured as a result of his vaccine mandate, according to Congressman Thomas Massie (R-KY). Who will compensate those who don't work for the government but are injured as a result of his vaccine mandate, Massie asked. The proposal is in the form of a bulletin issued on Oct. 1st under the Federal Employees Compensation ACT (FECA).**

This is the first of its kind since FECA has never been used to compensate employees for injuries for vaccines, according to the bulletin itself.

I'm sorry, it will never make sense to me to take a vaccine which does not protect you unless everyone takes it and that, after getting jabbed twice, you are still able to get Covid and transmit it to others. I know it supposedly makes the illness less severe if you have been vaccinated but there should be at least some provision made for those who have had the illness and not just for 648,000 postal workers, all of congress and the judiciary, FEMA workers, pharmaceutical employees, illegal immigrants, Whitehouse employees, etc.? It also makes me very nervous that so many medical workers are willing to give up their careers in order not to have to be vaccinated.

In Chicago, the Chicago PD union president estimates that over 3,000 officers will defy the city's vaccine reporting mandate and the department was already short 1,000 beat cops before this controversy arose.

The CPD's top cop has threatened to deny retirement benefits to those who choose to retire from the job rather than comply with the city's vaccination policy.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot has ceded a little ground saying that officers who will not reveal their vaccination status must pledge to get tested regularly as required.

And, in San Francisco, residents were reported out in the streets yesterday demonstrating by the thousands against the mandated vaccine requirement for all public school children in the state, by Cali Governor Gavin Newsome.

Country music star and entertainer Travis Tritt is one bright spot in all this. He's canceling concerts in venues requiring masks, vax passports and negative tests -

- you know like those in attendance by the thousands at college football games every week all across the country.

And, as a final note, Texas Sheriff Brad Coe of Kinney County has announced a plan to deputize local citizens to fight back against the Biden border crisis under the Posse Comitatus act which is the legal power of sheriffs to summon armed citizens to aid in keeping peace.

The National Guard is reportedly attempting to protect our southern border against the horde of illegal immigrants on the way but have been rewarded for their efforts by being shot at by members of the Mexican Drug Cartel.

Interesting but scary times.

## 'Memories'

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you could hear her, under her breath, talking to each one. Once I heard her declare, "Plants grow better if you talk to them."

Mommie Katie's garden was a form of personal expression. Her choice of colors, textures, shapes, and flower species all contributed to her own artistic design. Her entire yard was intended to highlight the groups of flowers arranged by her own hand. They were placed to complement each other.

Mommie Katie loved both flowers and people, and they both loved her. I can't help but wonder if she wasn't given some gardening job in Heaven - for I know that she would love tending to the stunningly beautiful flowers that must be there.

*(You can reach me at themtnman1962@gmail.com or you can drop me a line at 30 Johnson Avenue - Mt. Sterling, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments.)*

## 'T.J.'s'

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under the bed. It was the sound of one small dog whimpering for the first time. Stanley and I managed to get mother and pup from under the bed putting them on the prepared blanket area. No, that wouldn't do at all. She got her baby and crawled back under the bed all of the way to a corner of the room on the other side of the room. That is where she stayed for quite a while. This was Saturday morning so we didn't have to work but we did have other things to do at home. Stanley checked back in a few minutes and there were two little ones by this point. Time passed and no more babies came. I called the vet's office to see how long it took dogs to stop delivering babies. They said it sometimes took all day.

Well, one or the other of us was going to have to stay here all day. I was the winner. I checked in on Louise from time to time but no more puppies. Night came and another morning but still no more puppies. I was thinking all day about the movie, "Thelma and Louise" that I had seen. I've never seen such two good friends as these two girls. They started out with the very best of intentions, but when things started to go wrong, I've never seen two girls get into such trouble. These two dogs have really built a bond so close I don't think they can be separated. All day on Friday Louise would curl up really close to Thelma and just stay there. To honor her good friend, Louise had two pups that looked just like Thelma, black with white paws and a blaze down the front. The other one looks like mom, a golden brown but with a little white on its paws and front.

Just like Thelma and Louise of movie fame, I sometimes wonder how these two girls survived out in the wild and on their own except for a little food and water rescuers would bring. They had to contend with coyotes and other wild animals probably. They had been terrorized by people on four wheelers and the list just goes on. These dogs are a perfect type of the famous Thelma and Louise...a daily adventure.

## 'Aces'

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rights. Only one side believes every single person in America must agree with their view or be forced to do things their way by law. Only one side suggests that anything the other side says is "misinformation" and should be banned from social media. Only one side aggressively seeks to force the other side to agree with them. Only one side ridicules and blames and demoralizes the other side. Only one side wishes to punish and limit rights of anyone who doesn't agree with their view.

In a free country, founded on individual liberty, they will freely admit they want you to be censored unless you agree with them.

Though they deny it until they are red in the face, there is just as much evidence and documentation and science and data for both sides of the issue. Each of the two opinions are based on science and documented evidence. But those who choose to believe one side of that

evidence, believes the other side should be muzzled and forbidden to speak. They believe no one should even be allowed to hear the evidence against their opinion.

I have never once heard an anti-vaxxer say that vaccine lovers should be forced to shut up. Never have I heard an anti-vaxxer claim that no one should get the vaccine. Instead, they speak for themselves and believe in freedom of choice. Imagine that. In America...freedom of choice. What a novel idea.

If the powers that be would have told me the truth, I might have thought differently. But they used misinformation and slanted data just like I did with the internet story. We are misled by them every day. That, I can prove! If they would simply be honest, maybe this division of people would diminish and there would be one less thing to hate over.

Just remember, those vax lovers get their information exactly the same way the anti-vaxxers do. Not one of your vax loving neighbors is a scientist peering through a microscope and working in a laboratory with decades of virus manipulation experience. They listen to their favorite news show and read CDC and FDA reports and make up their minds just like anti-vaxxers do. Yet only the pro-vaxxers claim the other side is "misinformation" and should be silenced.

A recent letter to the editor we received is the perfect example. It claimed anti-vaxxers were wrong and misinformed and should shut up because they get their information from Fox News. But did that writer fly to Washington and test Coronavirus DNA in a petri dish? NO! They got their information from CNN, agenda-driven rhetoric and the same places anti-vaxxers use.

But, vax-lovers like to say daily, "Shut up and stop disagreeing with me because you are wrong and only MY evidence matters." When in fact, their "evidence" was gained the same way as the anti-vaxxers.

Just notice, no anti-vaxxer will ever tell you that you should not be fully vaccinated. In fact, they believe that if you want to be vaccinated, you should hurry up and do it. It's your choice.

More importantly, anti-vaxxers say you should be allowed to speak your opinion. That alone should tell you a lot.

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**Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule**  
**Monday, Oct. 25th:** Caloway, Red Hill and Livingston.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 26th:** Maple Grove, Orlando and Climax.  
**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 Kiwanis 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 from 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 call 256-5577 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: Kathryn, 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 attend.

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# Obituaries

## Merville Brown

Merville Brown, 77, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, October 14, 2021, at his residence. He was born February 21, 1944, in London, a son of the late Dewey Brown, and Ruby Reams. He was inducted into the US Army on January 24, 1968, and proudly served his country for over six years. He was united in marriage to Rita Stewart on August 19, 1970. He was of the Baptist faith, a proud member of the Rockcastle County VFW, and enjoyed horseback riding, go-carts, and dirt track racing.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Rita Stewart Brown of Mt. Vernon; his children, Melony (Brian) Wynn of Orlando, Merrill Brown of Mt. Vernon, Amy (Eric) Philbeck of Mt. Vernon, Merita (Jamie) Medley of Orlando, and Phillip Durham of Ohio; grandchildren, Jason and Jonathon Raider, Aaron and Austin Brown, Christopher Philbeck, Hunter and Hayden Medley, and Rebecca Renee Durham; two great grandchildren, Willis Keith and Tristan Wade Brown; five brothers, Mark (Jennifer) Brown of Mt. Vernon, Marshall (Kelley) Brown of Tampa, FL, Ernest (Sandy) Slavey and Kenny Blackwell, both of Oregon, and Jackie (Wanda) Navarre of Orlando; four sisters, Molly (Jim) Cantrell of Crossville, TN, Tina (Leon) Hahn of Garden City, KA, Jean (Charlie) Witlock of Danville, and Karen (Ben) Hichcock of CA; as well as a host of many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant brother Merrill Brown, a brother Cecil Brown, and a sister Kathy Carpenter.

Services were held Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at Flat Rock Baptist Church with Jason Medley officiating. Burial was in Briarfield Cemetery with Military Rites by Rockcastle County Honor Guard.

Casketbearers were: Aaron and Austin Brown, Jason and Jonathon Raider, Hunter Medley, and Chris Philbeck, with Hayden Medley as an honorary casketbearer.

Condolences can be made to the family at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Shirley Hopkins Turner

Shirley Hopkins Turner, 95, of Crab Orchard, died Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at her home while surrounded by her family. She was the widow of Robert A. Turner, who preceded her in death on February 11, 1987. She was born December 29, 1925, the daughter of the late Bill and Rosie Ellen Brock Hopkins. She was a member of Valley Baptist Church. She was a loving mother and homemaker. She loved and adored her family. She enjoyed cooking for her family. She loved to work with her flowers, especially her poppies. She also enjoyed going to Goodwill and yard sales.

Survivors include: her children, Louise Whitaker, Bob Turner, Jesse (Shirley) Turner, Gerald (Karen) Turner, Rita (Marvin) Martzall, Elisha (Donnie) Turner, and Kay (Herb) Wilson; daughter-in-law, Dana Turner; 15 grandchildren; 27 great grandchildren; one great great grandchild; and special family friend, Hazel Herbert.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by: a son, Edgar Turner; two daughters-in-law, Sherry and Bonnie Turner; son-in-law, Charles Whitaker; her twin sister, Pearl Hopkins; sister, Merlie Brummett; two grandsons, Darryl Sokol and Bobby Gene Turner; and six brothers, John, Zack, Ernest, Robert, Henry and Jesse Hopkins.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 15, 2021 at McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Tony Shelton officiating. Burial was in Ephesus Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Edgar Lee, Shane and Duane Turner, Angie and Roy Gillispie and Ray Fletcher.

Honorary pallbearers were: Rick Creech, David Martzell, Steven Eversole, Nathan Creech and Casey Allen.

## Card of Thanks

Nina Burkhart

We, the family of Nina Burton Burkhart want to thank the doctors, nurses and staff at the Rockcastle Hospital. A special thanks to the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals and staff for their caring service, those who dug the grave and took care of that. Also to Robby Cable and Roy Reynolds for their part in the service and all the pallbearers, those that came for visitation and also to the funeral.

Also a special thanks for those that brought food and served us at Quail Park after the funeral.

Thanks again to all that had a part in the funeral and afterwards.

David, Kendall, Lisa Burton and Sisters

## David Watson Henderson

David Watson Henderson, 84, died at his home on October 18, 2021. He was born January 9, 1937, the son of the late Dr. John D. Henderson and C. Beatrice Watson Henderson. David was a member of First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon, where he served as a deacon for several years. He was a retired realtor with Ford Brothers Realty of Mt. Vernon. He was a U.S. Army Veteran. He loved his church, his family, his friends, and basketball. He was a quiet, gentle man - always positive and upbeat, always ready to encourage and help anyone struggling with life's difficulties. He was a deeply loyal, loving, supportive husband, father and Papaw.

He is survived by: his wife, Betty Abney Henderson; a daughter, Stacy Lynn Gentry; a daughter-in-law, Lori Walters Henderson; four grandsons, Lucas David Gentry of Mt. Vernon, Levi Tucker Gentry of Berea, Landon Christian Gentry of Mt. Vernon and Neal Scott Henderson of Lexington; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: a son, David Scott Henderson; two brothers, Dr. Joe Henderson of Mt. Vernon and Dr. Jack Henderson of Berea; a sister, Francis Henderson Pennington of Winchester; a nephew, Bill Henderson of Mt. Vernon; a niece, Lida Henderson Evans of Lexington; and a sister-in-law, Joyce Ritchie Henderson of Berea.

Funeral services will be conducted at 12 noon, Thursday, October 21, 2021 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Bruce Ross officiating.

Arrangements are by the Cox Funeral Home where friends may visit from 10 a.m. until service time on Thursday.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at [www.coxfuneralhomeky.com](http://www.coxfuneralhomeky.com)

## Carrie Anna Milburn

Carrie Anna McClure Milburn, 73, of Calloway, died Thursday, October 14, 2021 at Lake Cumberland Regional Medical Center in Somerset. She was born in Livingston, on May 10, 1948, the daughter of Robert and Ruth McClure. She had been a homemaker and a member of Calloway Holiness Church.

She is survived by: her children, Billy Milburn of Pine Knot, and Melissa (Mike) Doan and Sonya (Scottie) Renner, both of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Raymond McClure and Bobby Lee (Christine) McClure, both of Mt. Vernon; and four grandchildren, William Milburn, Brittany Milburn, Jacob Milburn, and Carrie Milburn Mullins. Several nieces and nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Billy Milburn; a brother, Robert Cecil McClure; and two sisters, Aleda Bond and Nellie Leger.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, October 18, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Phillip Doan. Burial was in Sand Hill Cemetery.

Please visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) or Dowell & Martin Funeral Home's Facebook page to view online obituary.

## Clifford Earl Howard

Clifford Earl Howard, 61, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born October 13, 1960, in Mt. Vernon, a son of the late Earl Howard, and Georgia Mae (Wynn) Howard. He was a member of Lighthouse Assembly of God and enjoyed fishing and hunting.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Daniel (April) Ashcraft, and Michael (Kimberly) Mills, both of Mt. Vernon; his grandchildren, Jasmine, Christian, Bethany, Emily, Danielle, and Charles Ashcraft, Shelby and Shayla Couch, and Xavier Gay; great granddaughter, Cora Mae; three sisters, Darlene Smith, Wanda (Scottie) Coffey, and Kathy (Jon) Price, all of Mt. Vernon; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by: his parents; his wife Nancy Howard; and sister, Linda Robinson.

Services were held Saturday, October 16, 2021 at Lighthouse Assembly of God with Tim Hampton officiating. Burial was in Howard Family Cemetery.

Condolences can be made to the family at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps  
Grow Some Food in  
Your Landscape

Alert! Cost of food is rising, as is just about everything else. Fastest jump in inflation in 40 years. And even price increases won't stop the growing number of empty store shelves. (Sources of statistical information for this column include INFOLine and Eurostat.)

We can grumble about hiked prices and empty shelves and 3 selections of a product where there used to be 15, but grumbles won't end the situation. I could try to pin blame on deficit spending and stimulus handouts or on some politician. But, the intelligent thing seems to be just to inform and warn that more of my readers should plan on planting and growing for themselves a greater portion of the foods they consume. Future shortages may include a lot more things than toilet paper and ammunition.

And I suggest you buy or swap for things you need with your neighbors every time possible. (Money spent with neighbors continues to circulate locally, not go to China, or other distant lands.) Perhaps you've seen on television the scores of cargo ships lined up waiting a turn to unload at ports? Many are empty heading back overseas. This situation is not sustainable in the long run. Buying local instead of from Amazon would be a start at returning to the 'good old days'.

From wholesale growers and nurseries to vendors of lumber and rubber and plastic, metals, gasoline, meat and potatoes—can you name something that hasn't gone up in price in the past year? The bargain lunch menu at the fast food joint isn't \$5 anymore—it's \$7 to \$10—and not served very "fast" at that.

Price increases and shortages aren't a result of creative imaginations; the shortages and price rises are real.

Let's look at how we may provide more of our own food and consumables, how to grow some good fruits and vegetables at our place.

When planting trees, try for an apple or pear or cherry rather than a Bradford pear or a dogwood tree.

Can a nandina or euonymus have a blueberry planted as a substitute? Or a gooseberry or currant? Landscaping can look good, and double as a food source. Or, try planting a small traditional garden behind the house.

There is value in harvesting seeds and nuts. Picking your own fruits and preserving them or storing in a cellar or other cool and dry place can mean you have food when the power is out, or when the roads are closed, or the town is locked down. Walnuts, mushrooms, wild greens such as dandelions—free food just for the effort can be a boon in hard times.

Apples, pears, nuts, turnips, potatoes, cabbages—many items we grow can be stored for use through winter. All of us could grow more food items. Even on a small lot or a patio or balcony of an apartment. Small raised beds can furnish a

lot of produce from a small space. Some cities offer community garden space for those that may live in rental housing.

My grandparents, aunts and uncles, seemed to all have an apple tree, cherry tree or something that would produce some fruit. We have taken the convenience of buying a can or package of fruit or produce from the big store in town for granted. A sack of sugar or flour or cornmeal, a box of crackers or a loaf of bread—not a lot else was on the shopping list as the old folks traded at the little country store. Convenience may be something we have to part with as more price increases and shortages become the normal.


I could elaborate to a much greater extent if I had the space in this article to do so. I'd lead the interested to an online forum for growing fruits and vegetables; [www.growingfruit.org](http://www.growingfruit.org) and, additionally, suggest many universities have websites and extension programs to help homeowners grow gardens and fruit trees.

I well remember a little over 40 years ago; we had a peanut farmer in the White House, hostages in prison in Iran, and high inflation. The cure was scarce money with banks paying up to 20% on deposits. We've figured out how to print money and hand it out like candy at Halloween—but what most haven't been told is that inflation will get much worse as a result of the 'free' money, and the shortages will be getting much worse. (Numerous factors are in play, but COVID-19 has created added shortages and thus price increases. Significant shortages are caused by mandates to "get vaccinated". Those who want a vaccine have gotten one. Some are being fired for not getting jabbed...and hence restaurants, meat processing plants, factories, airlines, hospitals and schools become even more understaffed. Free enterprise worked for over 225 years, but it's becoming extinct.)

There are not enough commercial truck drivers, not enough computer chips to go in all our 'smart' devices, there is no surplus of registered nurses, and there is only the 'normal' amounts of seeds, feeds, potatoes and toilet paper. There is just enough fruit trees and shade trees; so a 'run' on any of these products creates a shortage with somebody hoarding and somebody else getting none, and prices going up if anyone still has some for sale.

I hope this article prods my readers to think ahead and get prepared by growing as much as possible everything they have need of in the coming year. You might suppose this column is a joke; I wish that it was. By growing some for yourself, you'll have food and can keep the grocery budget steady as prices rise at the markets.

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## Doug Brock Sr./Brock's Honeybee Farm

Saturday will be my last day to sell honey at the courthouse parking lot. If you have my phone number, call me. I will meet you somewhere close and deliver your honey this Saturday. I will have some fresh turnips for sale along with some bittersweet. If you don't know what bittersweet looks like, come by and see. A gentleman from Ohio told me he asked to see some bittersweet at the Bittersweet Festival and the vendor told him he didn't know what it was! So come on out and see some Rockcastle County bittersweet at the courthouse.



# Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

## Eligibility for Elections for the 2021 County Committee

Elections for USDA's Farm Service Agency's (FSA) Rockcastle County Committee are underway.

It is important that every eligible producer participate in these elections because FSA county committees are a link between the agricultural community and the USDA. The 2021 election in Rockcastle County will be conducted for the representative Local Administrative Area (LAA): LAA2, The Southeastern section of Rockcastle County bound by Pulaski and Laurel County. Highway boundaries are Hwy 70, Hwy 150, and Hwy 25.

To be eligible to vote in the elections, a person must:

Meet requirement one (see explanation below) or meet requirement two, and requirement three (see explanation below).

**Requirement One:** Be of legal voting age and have an interest in a farm or ranch as either: an individual who meets one or more of the following: (a) is eligible and capable to vote in one's own right, (b) is a partner of a general partnership, (c) is a member of a joint venture OR an authorized representative of a legal entity, such as: (a) a corporation, estate, trust, limited partnership or other business enterprise, excluding general partnership and joint ventures or (b) a state, political subdivision of a state or any state agency (only the designated representative may cast a vote for the entity).

**Requirement Two:** Not of legal voting age but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm.

**Requirement Three:** Participates or cooperates in an FSA program that is provided by law. A cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching

operation(s) but may not have applied or received FSA program benefits.

County committee election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters on Nov. 1, 2021. The last day to return completed ballots to the USDA Service Center is Dec. 6, 2021.

For more information on eligibility to serve on FSA county committees, visit: [fsa.usda.gov/elections](http://fsa.usda.gov/elections).

Next FSA County Committee Meeting Date: Nov 3rd, 2021 8:30 A.M. at the Limestone Grill.

**COVID-19 INFORMATION:** At this time the Mount Vernon USDA service center is open to phone appointment only. While we are currently closed to visitors because of the pandemic, we continue to work with agricultural producers via phone, email, and other digital tools.

### Important program dates and Interest Rates

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 1.750%  
 Farm Ownership Loans-Direct = 2.875%  
 Limited Resource Loans = 5.000%  
 Farm Ownership Loans-Direct Down Payment = 1.500%  
 Emergency Loans = 2.750%  
 Farm Storage Loans = 3 yrs. = 0.375% 5 yrs. = 0.750%, 7 yrs. = 1.250%, 10 yrs. = 1.375%, 12 yrs. = 1.500%, 15 yrs. = 1.625%  
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Reynolds and District Operations Manager Hannah Prewitt, have acquired a 75/25 grant to purchase a specialized trailer, specifically for the purpose of hauling dead animals.

The only requirements are that the land owner call the Judge/Executive's office or the Soil Conservation office within 24 hours after the animal has died and move the animal close to the road so that the truck and trailer will not have to drive onto the farm property.

"All they have to do is put the \$25 in a plastic baggie and attach it to the animal and we will pick it up and haul it away for them," said Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook Jr. "Checks should be made out to Rockcastle County Solid Waste," Holbrook said.

Holbrook says the county is proud to offer the service to the residents of Rockcastle County. The animals will be taken to the Laurel Ridge Landfill.

Anyone in need of the service may call the judge's office at 256-2856

## "Art"

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Superintendent Carrie Ballinger said she is proud of the district's choices to use CMTA and begin the energy savings construction projects.

Transportation Director Ken Hopkins asked the board to approve the purchase of three new 72-passenger buses for next year. Board member Larry Hammond asked for some details about transportation within the district. Hopkins said there are currently 61 buses in the district with 44 bus routes leaving 17 spare buses. Hopkins also said most buses average about 60 students per route. The request passed unanimously.

The board approved the monthly financial reports with no questions.

The board had previously approved the hiring of three academic interventionists but there have been no applications submitted for one of the openings so Ballinger asked to amend the requirements of the position so that more potential applicants would qualify. The motion passed unanimously but Hammond said he has "serious concerns that high quality teachers are going to become a challenge to find very soon for a number of reasons." Ballinger agreed but did not elaborate.

### New Middle School:

Ballinger also informed the board of the very tight schedule the district must follow in order to submit the plan for a new middle school to the KDE in December. In fact, the board scheduled a special called Zoom meeting at noon on October 19 to discuss the issue.

Hammond expressed his concerns about the existing middle school building saying he is "afraid that building could become a dead expense on the district if not handled properly." He continued to ask how much conversation has been held about the possible uses for the existing building if a new one is built.

Ballinger said the subject can't be addressed in detail until the district is approved for the new building. "We have to know about our funding and how much money we will have to work with before we can speak intelligently about what our options are with the existing structure," she said.

Ballinger said once a new building is approved and designed and funding is established, the board can then address what the new structure will look like, where it will be located and what can be done with the existing building.

### Personnel:

The board also heard the Superintendent's Personnel Action Report. It is as follows:

#### Full time certified employees hired:

Lisa Noe and Jennifer Mattingly, retired teachers; John Hansford, teacher at RCHS.

#### Full time classified employees hired:

Julia Alcorn and David Stivers, bus drivers; Mikhael Shaffer, JAG KY Specialist; Amanda McFerron, cook/baker at MVES; Brittany Lakes and Cora Moore, cook/baker at RCHS.

#### Resignations

Eric Bullock, GEAR UP college and career navigator at RCMS.

#### Certified substitutes

Peggy Akin, Paula

Cowan, Michelle Atkin and Madelyn Bullen as substitute teachers.

#### Classified substitutes

David Stivers, substitute bus driver; Crystal Brooks, substitute bus monitor; Christie Turner, substitute nurse; Kasey Newcomb, substitute cook/baker; Austin VanWinkle, substitute custodian/lawn care; Tasha Robbins, substitute bus monitor; Delroy Bishop, substitute bus driver.

#### Personnel updates

Stacy Gentry, One-year placement at Rockcastle Academy; Tara Brown, Itinerant teacher between RES and RCHS.

## "School"

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existing gymnasium, along with the new gymnasium. The existing gym could be used for many things throughout the entire county if we go that route."

Before the vote, Ballinger said the local district can't have a lot of input into the size of the building. "This square footage has been set by KDE based on our enrollment and if we approve this today or five years from now, it won't change that," she said.

A public hearing is set for November 4th and the board elected Ballinger as the Hearing Officer to conduct that meeting.

The location for the new proposed middle school has not been established and what the district plans to do with the existing middle school building is not settled. Ballinger says the issue of dealing with the existing building and its potential uses will be addressed after the district gets a better idea of how much funding will be available for the entire project. The current numbers are simply Kentucky Department of Education estimates used to submit the facilities plan to the KDE but do not reflect actual costs.

## "Noel"

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this time, no such mandates are in place at present. So, the event is scheduled to be back on Main Street in Mount Vernon on Saturday, December 4.

This year's event will include arts and crafts vendors and many local businesses, along with food trucks.

The celebration will begin immediately after the annual Mount Vernon Christmas Parade at 4 p.m. and will last until 10. The

event is planned to extend down Main Street and all vendors, except the food vendors, will be limited to handmade arts and crafts. The event provides an opportunity for local arts and crafts workers to show their wares and visitors will have the opportunity to purchase locally-made items of the highest quality, organizers say.

Anyone interested in registering as a food vendor or anyone who would like to participate in the parade, should contact the Arts Association.

## Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Paynter Hoskins



### STUFFED ZUCCHINI

3 zucchinis  
 1 tablespoon sour cream  
 1/2 large onion, chopped fine  
 1 tablespoon butter  
 5 or 6 slices crispy bacon, chopped  
 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1/4 tsp. curry powder  
 1 tsp. fresh thyme leaves  
 Freshly grated Parmesan cheese  
 One tomato, chopped  
 Slice zucchini in half lengthwise. Leave the ends on to keep the filling in. Scoop out the flesh with a melon baller or a spoon. Leave a ledge of zucchini around the edges. Arrange the zucchini boats in a greased baking dish. Chop the zucchini flesh as small as you like; add sour cream. Set aside. Finely chop half a sweet onion and place in a skillet. Sprinkle curry powder on onions; Cook until desired doneness of onions and remove from heat. Add chopped cooked bacon to onions and curry powder. Rough chop some fresh thyme leaves; stir into onion and bacon mixture with other ingredients. Taste and adjust seasoning. Fill the zucchini shells with the filling mixture. Grate some Parmesan cheese on top. Bake uncovered at 375° for 30 minutes. Sprinkle

with fresh chopped tomato to serve.

### ZUCCHINI PANCAKES

4 or 6 medium zucchinis  
 1 teaspoon salt  
 4 eggs  
 1 clove garlic, minced  
 1 medium onion, finely chopped  
 1 jalapeno, finely chopped (optional)  
 3/4 cup all-purpose flour  
 3/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
 Grate enough zucchini to make five cups. Place in a bowl and mix with the salt. Place in a colander or strainer. Place plate on top and weigh down with a can or something heavy. Let sit for 20 minutes. Drain and discard the liquid. While the liquid is draining, beat 4 eggs in a bowl. Add in garlic, onion, and jalapeno if using. Mix well. Stir in flour and Parmesan cheese just until moistened. Batter will be lumpy. Stir in drained zucchini just until combined. Heat lightly greased skillet or griddle. Spoon by heaping tablespoons full into skillet or on griddle. Spread into a 3-inch circle. Cook over medium heat 2 to 3 minutes on each side or until pancake is golden brown. If desired, pancake can be topped with sour cream or apple sauce. Can be served as main dish or a side dish.

## Invitation to Bid

City of Livingston, Kentucky is requesting proposals from interested parties for the purchase of the Livingston Municipal Water Works water and wastewater facilities.

The City of Livingston owns the following facilities:

- Water Facilities:
  - Water supply lines of 3", 4", 5", and 6" and domestic water service lines totaling approximately 70,442 LF.
  - One 128,000-gallon bolted STP, built in 1992 and last inspected in 2020.
  - 168 metered connections.
  - Twenty fire hydrants
  - Approximate annual average daily metered flow of 17,000-21,000 gpd.
- Wastewater Facilities:
  - Wastewater package treatment plant with a capacity of 40,000 gpd and an average flow of 32,000 gpd.
  - Two lift stations.
  - 38 manholes.
  - 72 metered connection.
  - The collection system entails approximately 1,070 LF of force line and 10,510 LF of gravity line.

The City is selling all tangible personal property (the facilities) and the intangible property (customers and ongoing concerns, etc.) and utility buildings. The City will enter into a franchise agreement for the use of rights of way and other City property. The City will perpetually retain first right of refusal regarding any subsequent transactions regarding the transfer of ownership or operations of these facilities and resources.

The successful bidder will assume all obligations with respect to the water distribution, sewer collection and sewer treatment, in accordance with the relevant governing regulating bodies, creditor agencies, and taxation authorities.

The minimum requirements for qualified bidders include:

- Five years good standing with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Division of Water, for both water and wastewater operations.
- Assets in excess of \$5 million US dollars.
- Ownership of emergency utility equipment which can be dispatched to the City of Livingston within 30 minutes.
- Emergency Operator dispatch to Livingston within 45 minutes.
- The employment of at a minimum of five water and wastewater certified operators.
- Servicing a population over 3,000 customers in Kentucky.
- Requirement to bid for both water and wastewater systems combined, (no single-system bids).
- The sealed bid will be a lump sum payment amount, clearly stated in US dollars.
- At least three references.
- It is the intent to have a purchase agreement signed by March 30, 2022.

The City reserves the right to waive any irregularities; award based upon the various considerations of The City of Livingston, KY Legislative Body, and negotiations with up to two most qualified bidders.

The City of Livingston, KY reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Please address any inquires and due diligence request to:

City Of Livingston, P.O. Box 654, 9246 South Main St., Livingston, KY 40445

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 Email address: [cityoflivingston@windstream.net](mailto:cityoflivingston@windstream.net)

## "Court"

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transfer of \$198,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund and then \$29,000 from the general fund to the jail fund and \$19,000 from the general fund to the 911 fund.

The court then entered closed session.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9 at 4 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the court house. The public is invited to attend.

## "Animal"

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have a way to help for less than half a tank of gas.

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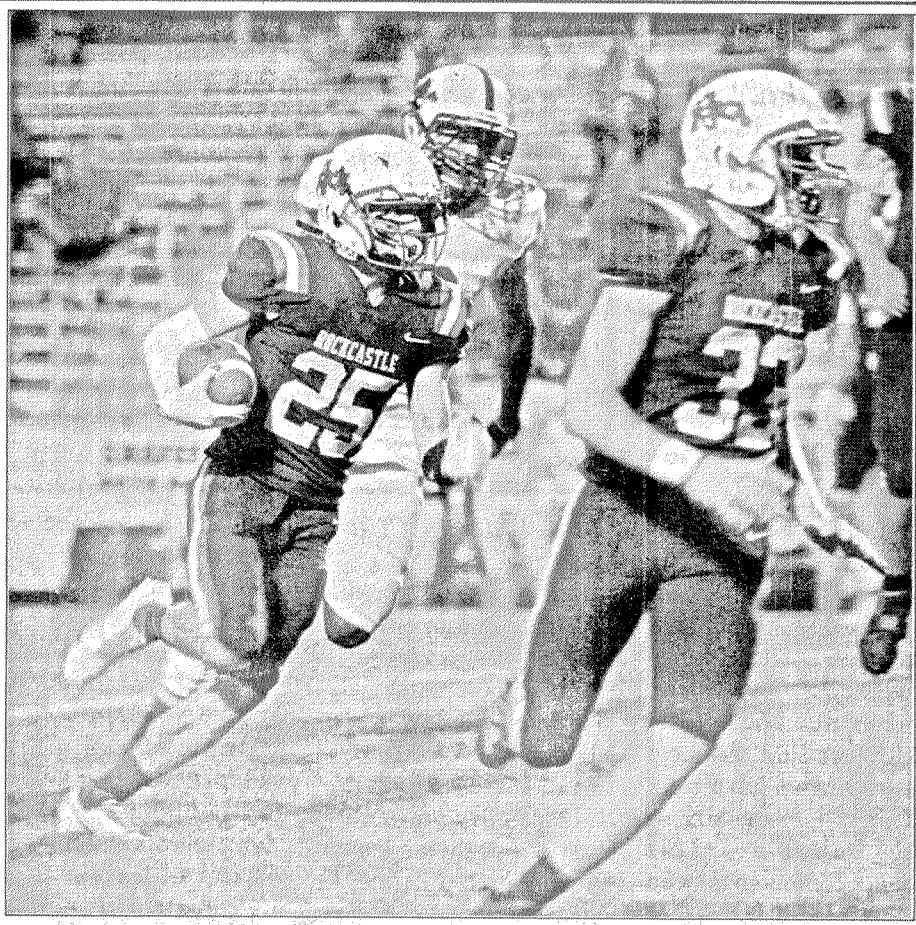
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# SPORTS



Matthew Chasteen leads the blocking for Reese Coguer in the first half of the Rockets' 56-12 win over McCreary Central. Coguer had 24 yards receiving with a touchdown reception. Chasteen had 81 yards rushing on 10 carries and led the defense with six tackles, a QB sack and a forced fumble.

## Rockets easily roll past McCreary Central, 56-12

The Rockcastle County High School Rockets had a spot on the line in the KHSAA Class 3A postseason tournament and did not disappoint in a 56-12 blowout victory over McCreary Central in front of a large Homecoming crowd this past Friday.

The contest was the 50th Homecoming in program history with members of the first football team being recognized at halftime as well as the induction of the newest RCHS Football Hall of Fame members.

The game was never in doubt as the Rockets (5-3) raced out to a quick 8-0 lead on the game's opening possession thanks to an Ethan Medley 3-yard touchdown run

and Matthew Chasteen's 2-point conversion run with 7:12 remaining in the first quarter.

The dominant Rockcastle defense that all Rocket fans have come to know, and love was on full display from the first play on offense by the Raiders (1-7), who netted -9 yards on their first two plays before Landen Broaddus intercepted the third play of the drive.

Broaddus' interception was returned for 21 yards set up the Rockets in prime McCreary Central territory needing just 23 yards to score.

Rockcastle got those 23 yards in just five plays for the second touchdown of the game when Landon Dillingham tallied his first of three touchdowns on the night.

Dillingham's 5-yard scoring run was followed by Benjamin Brenda's extra point kick to put the Rockets up 15-0 at the 3:14 mark of the first quarter.

Second quarter scoring got underway just over a minute into the quarter when Reese Coguer took a short pass from Cameron Wright and scampered into the endzone from 7-yards out. Brenda's kick was once again good for a 22-0 advantage.

The offensive woes for the Raiders continued into the second quarter with multiple run attempts being tackled in the backfield and numerous pass attempts falling to the pristine grass at Rocket Field.

Dillingham added another touchdown from a yard out at the 6:39 mark in the second stanza. Brenda's kick was once again good to make it 29-0 in favor of the Rockets.

The rout was on, and the Rockets weren't looking back when they extended the lead out to 36-0 with 1:32 remaining in the half on a Broaddus 3-yard run and Branda extra point kick to invoke the running clock for the remainder of the contest.

Dillingham, Anthony Goodin and Caleb Moore scored on short touchdown runs in the second half thanks to prime real estate the Rockcastle defense willed to the offensive unit all night long.

McCreary Central's offensive output remained in the negative until the fourth quarter and the Raiders finished with just 14 total yards with 28 by way of passes and -14 on the ground.

The Raiders would manage 12 points with all points scored coming when the starters had long been pulled and the game was already out of reach.

The festivities at halftime saw the football team's very own Garrett Hamilton win the Homecoming King title. Hamilton is the starting center on the offensive line and accepted his sash and crown while still in uniform.

Offensive numbers for the Rockets included

Wright throwing for 32 yards and one touchdown while completing both pass attempts. Moore was 2-for-3 passing for 25 yards.

Chasteen may not have tallied a touchdown, but he still led the way in the rushing yards column with 81 on 10 carries. The senior running back is now less than 100 yards away from joining the 2,000-career rushing yard club at Rockcastle County.

Dillingham carried the ball nine times for 51 yards and three touchdowns. Goodin trounced his way to 36 yards and one touchdown on just three carries.

Broaddus had 26 yards with one touchdown on four carries and was closely followed by both Wright and Carter Powell with 22 yards each. Wright had three touches while Powell had two.

Medley gained 13 yards on three carries and crossed the endzone once as did Moore, who finished with 10 yards on two touches.

Isaiah Dehart and Parker Kidwell both notched a carry each for a yard apiece.

Dillingham hauled in one pass for 25 yards to narrowly edge Coguer in the receiving yards column. Coguer had two catches for 24 yards and one touchdown. Wright also caught a one pass for eight yards.

Brenda had his best kicking performance in his young career when he converted 6-of-7 extra point attempts.

Defensively, Chasteen seemed to live in the McCreary Central backfield as he collected six tackles with four tackles for a loss and one quarterback sack. Chasteen also caused a fumble that Dehart picked up and nearly returned for a touchdown.

Dillingham and Ethan Tyree added three tackles each including a tackle for loss by Tyree, who also had an interception.

Medley was the final Rocket to tally more than one tackle when he finished with two including a tackle for loss.

Eleven other Rockets tallied a tackle each including Dehart, Moore, Goodin, Broaddus, Jayvon Bowden, Marion Farthing, Devin Tompkins, Ethan Carpenter, Brandon Valle, Kaden Kidwell and Tyler Osborne.

Broaddus and Goodin both recorded a tackle for loss.

The win did in fact lock up a spot in the playoffs for the Rockets with one district matchup this week against Garrard County looming large. A Rockcastle win coupled with a Bell County victory over Estill County would give Rockcastle County a first round home matchup with Estill County.

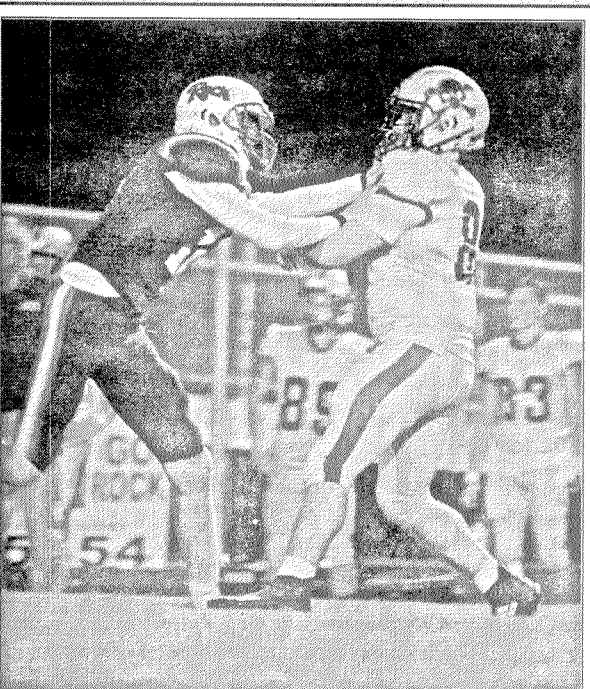
Kickoff for the Garrard County contest in Lancaster will be at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.



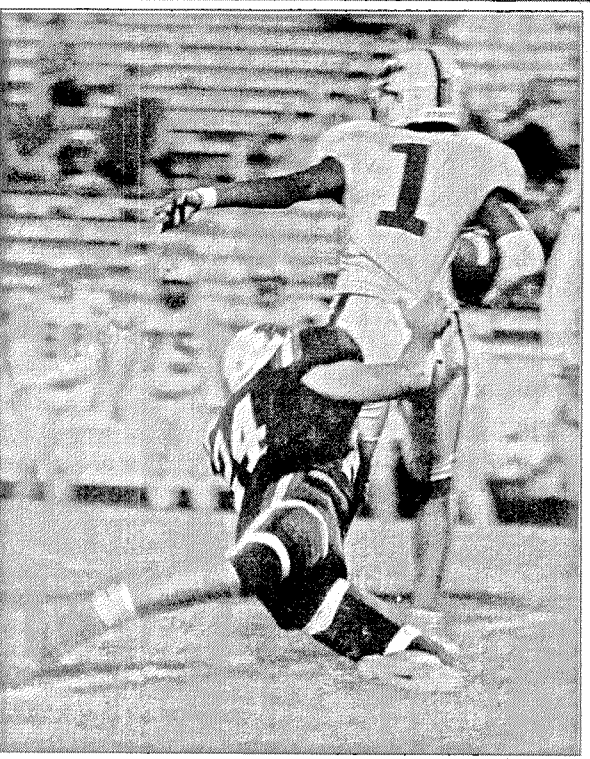
Sophomore Caleb Moore prepares to make a toss to Matthew Chasteen during the Rockets' 56-12 win over McCreary Central Friday. Moore completed two passes for 25 yds and had one rushing touchdown. Moore shared the QB duties with Cameron Wright who had 32 yards passing on two completions.



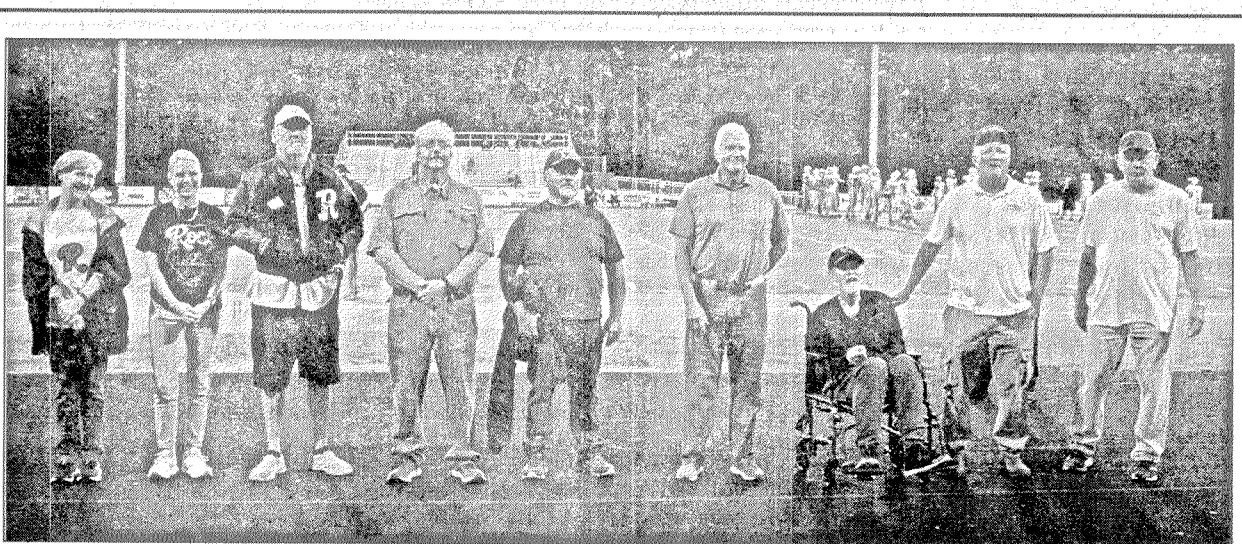
Senior Landon Dillingham scored three touchdowns and had 51 yards rushing during the Rockets' 56-12 win over McCreary Central Friday.



Junior Kaden Kidwell pressures the quarterback during the Rockets' 56-12 win over McCreary Central Friday.



Junior Ethan Medley makes a tackle for a loss during the Rockets' 56-12 win over McCreary Central Friday. Medley had 13 yards with a touchdown and four tackles on the night.



The first football team at RCHS was honored during Homecoming activities this past Friday before the Rockets' game with McCreary Central. Members in attendance are shown above, from left: representing their father, the late Jim Cox, daughters Jamie Cornelius and Jennifer Mattingly, John Mark Bray, Gary Witt, Larry Welch, Paul Travis, Ditter Davis, Ronnie Brown and Troy McClure.



*To close-out regular season play*  
**RCHS volleyball defeats Lincoln County, 3-1**

The Rockcastle County volleyball team closed out their regular season with a 3-1 (17-25, 25-17, 25-17, 25-19) victory over Lincoln County in Senior Night-action this past Thursday.

Prior to the matchup, the Lady Rockets honored their four seniors (Laura Doan, Alexis Elam, Karalinn Loudermilk and Haylie Owens) and their families for the many contributions they made over the last four seasons.

Sarah Barron, a junior libero, was also honored for recently collecting her 1,000th career dig.

Rockcastle County (15-6) once again saw Keelee King direct the offensive attack from her setter position as she tallied 28 of the team's 35 assists.

King also rounded the night with five digs, four block assists, three kills and a service ace.

Hallie Brown turned in another excellent performance with a team-high 14 kills.

Barron scooped up 22 digs and was closely followed by Riley Sherrow with 13 digs.

Rockcastle was able to keep Lincoln County on its heels with a fantastic team performance serving the ball by notching

15 aces in just four sets. Kylee Burns led the way with seven aces.

The win was the sixth in as many attempts for the Lady Rockets against the Lady Patriots dating back to Aug. 27, 2019.

Two days prior to knocking off Lincoln County, Rockcastle took to the road for their first ever matchup against Somerset Christian School.

Unfortunately for the Lady Rockets fans, the Cougars came out victorious in straight sets (25-22, 25-20, 25-20).

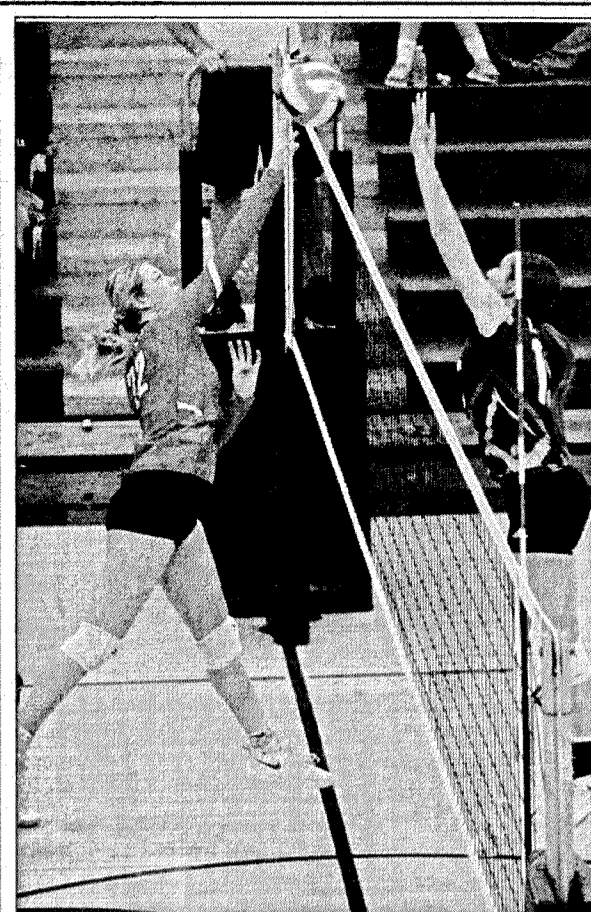
Rockcastle County was in action in the 47th District tournament on Mon., Oct. 19 at Pulaski County when they took on and cruised past Casey County 3-0 (25-11, 25-13, 25-17).

The result of Tuesday night's district finals was not known at press time, but the winner of the Rockcastle County matchup with Somerset would determine which of the two schools would host the 12th Region tournament set to begin on Mon., Oct. 26.

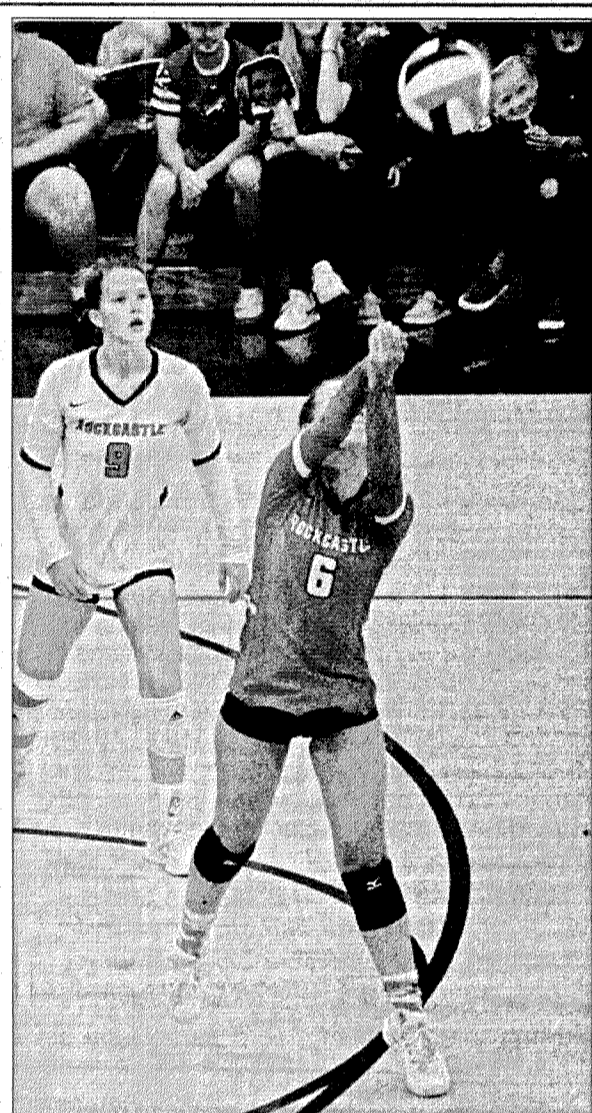
Matchups for the region tournament as well as a full recap of both district tournament games will be in next week's edition.



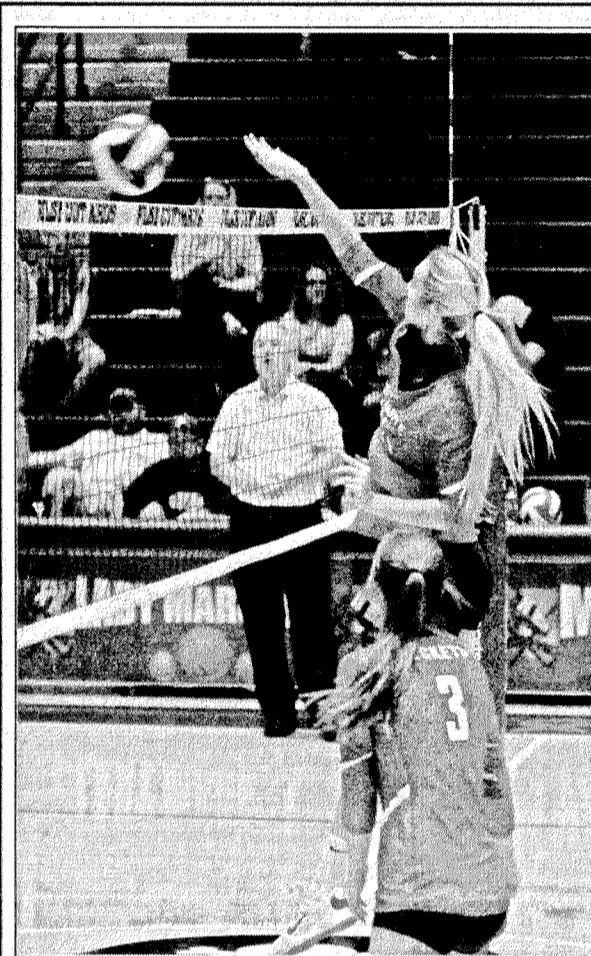
**1,000 digs**  
 RCHS head volleyball coach Loren Maples presents a game ball to junior Sarah Barron for reaching 1,000 digs in her volleyball career. Barron is the daughter of Mike and Sherry Barron.



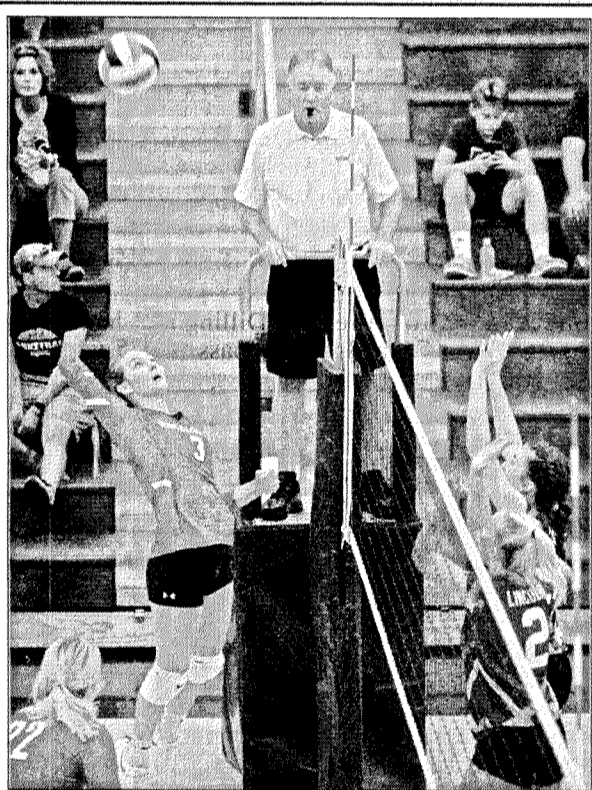
Junior Hallie Brown's goes for one of her 14 kills in the Rockets' 3-1 win over Lincoln County last Thursday. Brown also had three blocks, two assists and one dig in the victory.



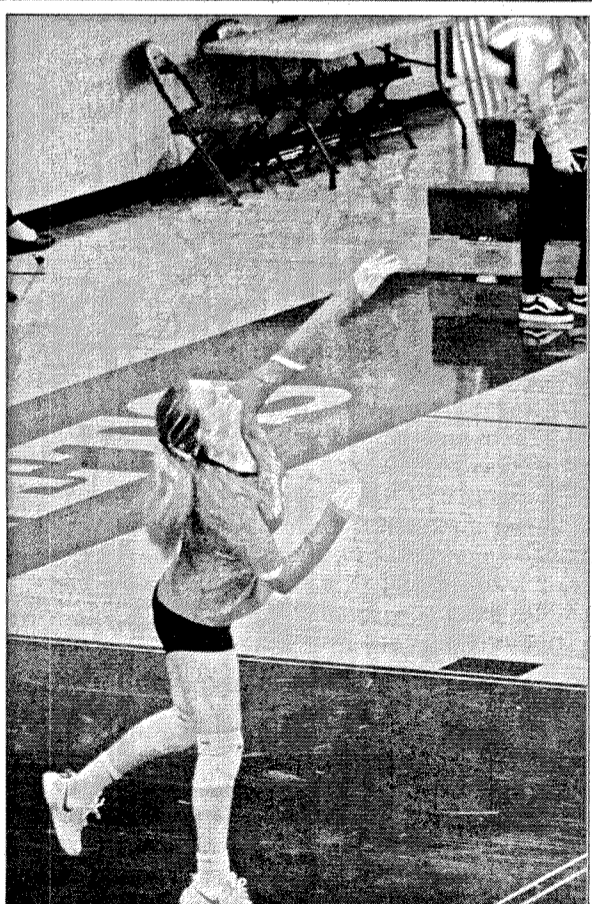
Senior Alexis Elam makes a pass in the Rockets' 3-1 win over Lincoln County last Thursday. Elam had five digs in the win.



Senior Karalinn Loudermilk goes for a kill in the first round of the 47th District Tournament Monday at Pulaski Co. The Rockets beat Casey County 3-0 (25-11, 25-13, 25-17). The girls will now face Somerset in the finals Tuesday night.



Senior Leann Doan goes for a kill in the Rockets' 3-1 win over Lincoln County last Thursday. Doan had six kills, one assist and one dig in the win.



Senior Haylie Owens puts up a serve in the Rockets' 3-1 win over Lincoln County last Thursday. Owens had three kills, two blocks and one assist in the win.

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 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm

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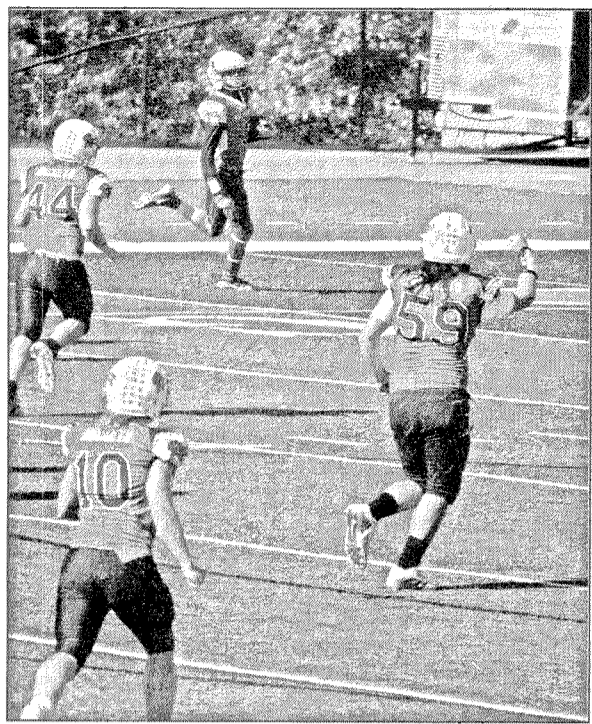
Free Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes **for Rockcastle County Residents Only** • Drive through & stay in your car • Workers will unload the waste from your vehicle • **No Businesses may participate** • Call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information

**The following items will be accepted:**

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| <b>Batteries:</b>  | <b>Corrosives:</b>  | 1# Soldering/Small Stove Type   |
| Lead Acid (no automotive)   | Drain Cleaners   | <b>Fluorescent Bulbs:</b>    |
| Dry Cell  | Toilet Bowl Cleaners   | 4' & 8' Bulbs (unbroken)  |
| Lithium   | Muriatic Acid  | Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL)   |
| Ni-Cad  | Deck Wash  | <b>PCB Materials (Polychlorinated Biphenyls):</b>   |
| Recyclable  | Vinegar  | Light Ballasts   |
| <b>Oxidizers:</b>  | Stop Bath  | Capacitors  |
| Pool Chemicals  | Acetic Acid/Lye  | Free-Liquid Oils (must be marked as such)   |
| Spa Chemicals   | <b>Reactives:</b>   | <b>Aerosol Cans:</b>   |
| Bleaches  | Aluminum Paint   | Any and all types   |
| Hydrogen Peroxide   | Flammable Solids   | <b>Solvents:</b> All compatible flammable solvents, such as: gasoline, kerosene, lamp fluid, automotive fluids, etc.  |
| Ammonium nitrate fertilizer   | Dangerous-When-Wet Materials   | <b>Pesticides/Herbicides/Insecticides:</b> All liquid and solid forms, such as: lawn fertilizers, lawn foods, lawn treatments, plant foods, insecticides, rodent poisons/killer, etc. |
| <b>Mercury:</b>    | <b>Paint:</b>       |   |
| Free Liquid   | Oil Based  |   |
| Thermostats   | <b>Propane:</b>     |   |
| Thermometers  | (must be manufacturer labeled as propane)  |   |
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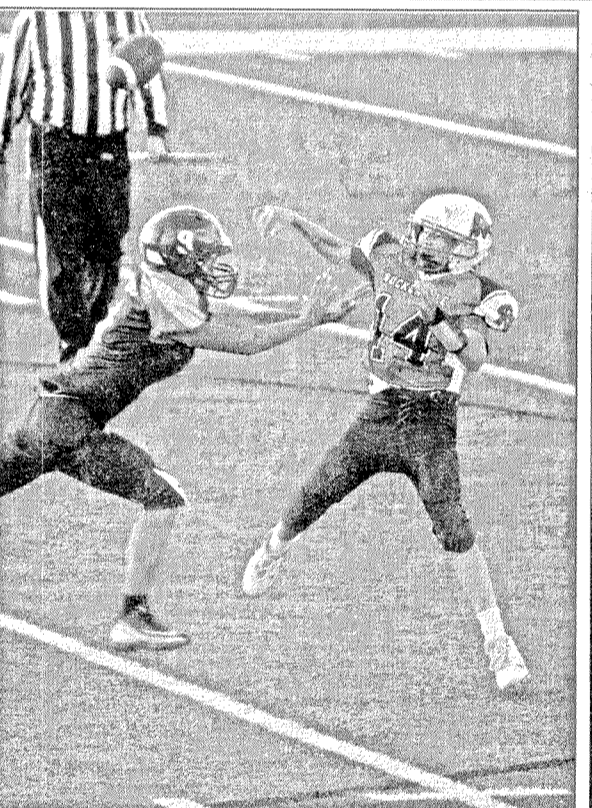




Colin Hamilton, #59, celebrates as Isaiah Jackson goes in for a touchdown in the RCMS eighth grade's 42-0 win over East Oldham Saturday in the Ky. Middle School Football Association's state playoffs. The Rockets will now face Caudill Middle this Saturday in Richmond.



Jai Denny makes a tackle in the RCMS eighth grade's 42-0 win over East Oldham Saturday in the Ky. Middle School Football Association's state playoffs.



Mick Reppert gets a pass off during the RCMS seventh grade's 28-0 loss to Georgetown Middle in the KYMSFA playoffs last Saturday. The seventh grade had defeated Lexington Catholic 36-26 October 9th to advance to this game.



Jacob Camel makes a tackle the RCMS seventh grade's 28-0 loss to Georgetown Middle in the KYMSFA playoffs last Saturday. The seventh grade ended their regular season with a 5-3 record.

## RCMS 8th grade football defeats East Oldham, 42-0

The season has been extended by at least one game for Rockcastle County Middle School's 8th Grade football team thanks to a 42-0 demolishing of East Oldham Middle School.

The game was played at Great Crossing High School in Georgetown, Ky., as part of the Kentucky Middle School Football Association's 8th Grade Division 2 Region 3 tournament.

The Rockets advance on to the region semifinals where they will take on Caudill Middle School out of Richmond on Saturday at a time and location to be determined.

The 7th Grade team unfortunately saw their season come to an end with a 28-0 loss to Georgetown Middle School in the KYMSFA 7th Grade Region 3 quarterfinals.

## Bids Accepted

The City of Mount Vernon will be accepting bids for a new Fire Rescue Truck.

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(606) 256-3437

Sealed bids are due by  
November 3, 4:00 p.m. EST

## 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

v.

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".
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John D. Ford  
Master Commissioner  
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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

Pennymac Loan Services, LLC Plaintiff

v.

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 SEVENTY 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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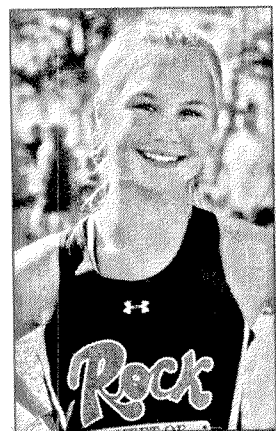
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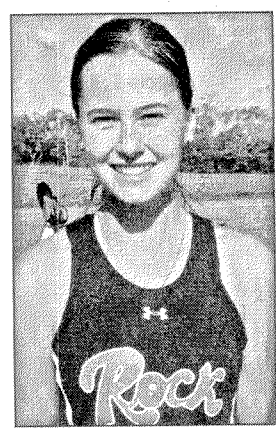
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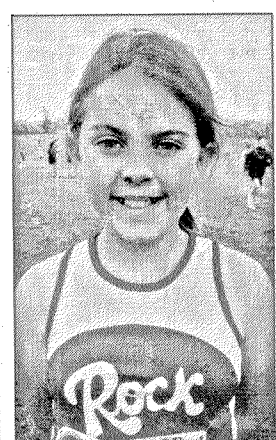




RCMS seventh grader Maliyah Swinney had another outstanding performance at the KTCCCA Middle School State Championships in Bourbon County on Saturday. With cool, windy weather and muddy course conditions, as well as an ear infection that has troubled her for several days, Maliyah ran the second fastest 4,000-meter time of her career. She placed 158th overall out of 383 competitors with a great time of 19:33.36. Maliyah will compete in the Class 2A Region 5 Championships next Saturday in Wayne County.



RCMS sophomore Lexi Dotson had another outstanding performance at the KTCCCA Class 2A Meet of Champions in Bourbon County on Saturday. With cool, windy weather and muddy course conditions, Lexi ran a personal best time on the state meet course, placing 7th overall out of 88 competitors with a great time of 20:56.12. Lexi will compete for the Class 2A Region 5 individual title next Saturday in Wayne County.



Rockcastle fifth grader Aria French had another outstanding performance at the KTCCCA 6th Grade and Under State Championships in Bourbon County on Saturday. With cool, windy weather and muddy course conditions, Aria ran a great 3,000-meter race. She placed 182nd overall out of 261 competitors with an all-time personal best time of 16:54.07. She improved upon her previous best time by nearly one minute.



The RCHS Marching Rockets presented their show, *The Journey*, at halftime of the Rockets' football game Friday. The Rockets will compete in Regional Quarterfinals this Saturday at Madison Southern with a performance time of 8:30 p.m.



Rock Cheer Alumni and Rock Tumblers joined current RCHS cheerleaders on the field during homecoming festivities last Friday night.



## News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



### Marriage Licenses

Amanda Viola Booth, 36, Mt. Vernon, receptionist and Timothy Ellis Owens, 41, Mt. Vernon, City of Mt. Vernon. 10/8/21  
Makayla Eva Eldridge, 18, Mt. Vernon, unemployed and Isaiah Daniel Didelot, 19, Orlando, factory. 10/8/21

### Deeds Recorded

Alma Vanzant, James Payne Property, to Rodney D. Vanzant and Eric I. Vanzant. No tax  
Alma Vanzant, property in Rockcastle County, to Rodney D. Vanzant and Eric I. Vanzant. No tax  
Bobby Lewis Phelps, property in Livingston, to James A. Hursey, III. Tax \$3  
Vernon L. and Diane Heacock, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael Beck and Joana Amorim and Loren Heacock. No tax  
Nicole Marie Ribis, property in Rockcastle County, to Penny J. Wilhoite and Clinton Blanton. Tax \$50  
Jacob Lawson, property on Negro Creek Road, to Elaina Cromer. Tax \$155  
Penny J. Wilhoite, property in Livingston, to Jamie and Joseph Alcorn. Tax \$70  
Omer Julian Wilson, property in Lakeside Subdv., to Jacqueline Marie Wilson. No tax  
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Patsy Mary Jane Thomas Mason and Dawson Edward Mason, property near Pine Hill, to Fred N. Hampton III and Racheal Hampton. Tax \$39.50  
David B. and Tara Carpenter, property on Willailla Road, to Leslie and Janet Marie Bastman. Tax \$200  
Jack and Dawn Stallsworth, property on Poplar Street, to Thomas and Patricia Miller. Tax \$18  
Raymond and Donna Dalton, property in Rockcastle County, to Joseph Whitehead. No tax  
James A. Hursey III, property in Livingston, to Misty Dawn Sutton. Tax

\$10  
Chris J. Reddington, property in Hidden Creek Subdv., to John David Reddington. Tax \$220  
Larry Phipps, property in Dusty Trails Subdv., to Dale Phipps and Patricia Gail Phipps. Tax \$1  
Perry T. and Amy Mink, property in Hunters Ridge Subdv., to Robert R. Loudermilk and Andrea L. Barber. Tax \$260  
Katherine J. Parsons, property in Rockcastle County, to Adam and Sarah Parsons. Tax \$45  
Monte Shelton, property in Rockcastle County, to Kevin and Tammy Jean Shelton. Tax \$10  
Shirley Irene Wilson, property in Rockcastle, to Gary and Cassandre Rosenblum. Tax \$15  
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Emmie and Jerald Stogsdill, property in Mt. Vernon Lovell Addition, to Sirena Renee and Daniel Dakota Lamb. Tax \$35  
Nancy J. Fetters, property in Livingston, to Fred N. Hampton III and Racheal Hampton. Tax \$6

Garrett Scottruss Payne: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine plus costs; no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine/suspended; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security, \$500 fine.  
Hugh A. Rader: fines/fees due (\$173), bw issued for fta/ four das in jail or payment in full.  
James Christopher Robbins: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and five other charges, bw issued for fta.  
Michael Anthony Scott: speeding and four other charges, bw issued for fta.  
Jacob Daryl Singleton: fines/fees due (\$171), four days in jail in lieu of fines/fees.  
Angela L. Smith: fines/fees due (\$668), bw issued for fta/14 days in jail or payment in full.  
Billie Tharp: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security and three other charges, bw issued for fta.  
Melissa D. Winn: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bw issued lfor fta.

### Mt. Vernon Message

October 21, 2021  
School News

Red Ribbon Week kicks off this Friday, October 22 and runs through next week. The overall theme is *Drug Free Looks Like Me*. There will also be a drug free theme for each day and students are encouraged to participate.  
•Friday, October 22-- Kickoff Day/wear red!  
•Monday, October 25-- Put Drugs to Sleep/wear your favorite pj!  
•Tuesday, October 26-- Sock it to drugs/wear silly socks!  
•Wednesday, Oct. 27-- Put a Cap on Drugs/wear a hat!  
•Thursday, Oct. 28-- My future is too bright for drugs/wear neon!!  
•Friday, October 29-- I'm Too Smart to Start/ wear a storybook character costume!  
UNITE and FRC are providing sunglasses for students!  
Mr. Tom Atkin, our school safety officer, introduced himself to MVES student and showed them his car. Students enjoyed getting to know him and see what it's like inside the police car.

### District Court

10/13/21  
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless  
Speeding: Lee Anthony Croft, paid.  
Dustin Lane Cromer: fines/fees due (\$723), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.  
Miranda Nicole Damrell: drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).  
Clinton T. Daugherty: operating vehicle w/expired operators license and eight other charges, bw issued for fta.  
Treston Daniel Edwards: failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security and four other charges, bw issued for fta.  
Michael Dwayne Grimes: fines/fees due (\$673), bw issued for fta.  
Mark S. Mahaffey: fines/fees due (\$233), bw issued for fta/five days in jal or payment in full.  
James Anthony Miller: fines/fees due (\$375), bw issued for fta/eight days in jail or payment in full.



Rockcastle Chapter NSDAR recently conducted an oath of membership welcoming ceremony for its newest members. Pictured from left are: Sonja Bratcher, Marlene Lawson, Debra Lambert, Brenda Lovell, Jill Stevens and Jennifer Hand.



Tom Atkin, Rockcastle County Schools Resource Officer, introduced himself to MVES students and showed them his car. Students enjoyed getting to know him and to see what it's like inside the police car.

## ROCKCASTLE COUNTY SCHOOLS Public Hearing

In accordance with 702 KAR 4:180, the Rockcastle County School Board will conduct a Public Hearing on November 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Rockcastle Teaching and Learning Center. The public is invited to provide comments regarding the District Facility Plan.



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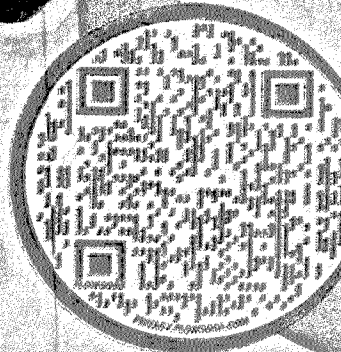
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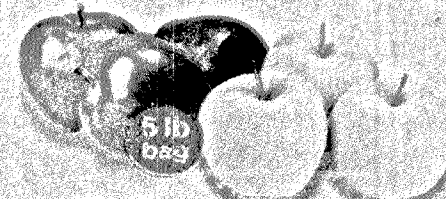


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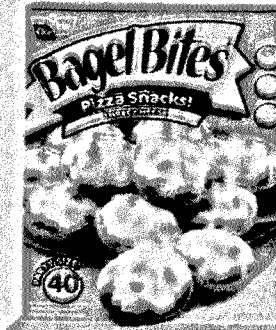


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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, October 21, 2021

## Red Ribbon Week in Rockcastle

By: Mike French  
Editor

It's Red Ribbon week. Many say the most destructive force against a healthy society is the drug abuse epidemic. According to the CDC, overdoses take well over 70,000 American lives per year.

Rockcastle County is not immune as methamphetamine and Flakka cause disruption in families every week, according to local police.

However, Red Ribbon Week is a chance to speak out against drug abuse and remind all youth how easy it is to fall into the life-threatening trap of illegal drug usage.

The Rockcastle County School System will be observing Red Ribbon week by asking students to use their cloth-

ing to signify their efforts to fight drug abuse.

On Monday, October 25 students will "put drugs to sleep" by wearing their favorite pajama's to school. On Tuesday, students will "sock it to drugs: by wearing silly socks. Wednesday, students will "put a cap on drugs" by wearing their favorite cap to school and on Thursday, students point out that their "future is too bright for drugs" by wearing neon all day. On Friday, students will show they are "too smart for drugs" by dressing as their favorite storybook character.

So, if you notice students in Rockcastle County dressing differently next week, you should know they are proclaiming their fight against drug abuse.

## I-75 lane closures

By: Mike French  
Editor

Once again the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in District 8, released information about the closure of two lanes on I-75, after the newspaper was already printed.

As many local motorists discovered too late to avoid the area, two lanes on I-75 in Rockcastle County were closed this

week between Mile points 64.5 and 69.

According to the press release, the closure was due to pavement marking operations which were expected to be completed by today, Thursday, October 21.

Motorists can check the transportation website for such closures each day at:

<http://goky.ky.gov>.

## RCHS graduates named Senator Jeff Green Scholars

Three 2021 graduates of Rockcastle County High School have been named Senator Jeff Green Scholars by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Students earning this honor were Audrey Childress, Faith Harris and Alyssa Lunsford.

These students have also earned Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) awards, which they can use to continue their education beyond high school. They are eligible for \$2,500 per year in KEES funds for up to four years of postsecondary education.

To earn this honor, a student must achieve a 4.0 grade point average each year of high school and score at least a 28 composite on the ACT.

"My administration will always put education first, and that's why we're so proud to celebrate these students for their hard work in the classroom the past four years," Gov. Andy Beshear said. "This is especially true for the 2021 graduates, who earned this honor while spending much of their last two years of high school under new

and often challenging learning conditions because of the COVID-19 pandemic."

This designation is named in honor of the late State Senator Jeff Green of Mayfield, who served in the Kentucky General Assembly from 1992 to 1997.

KEES and other Kentucky student aid programs are administered by KHEAA. KEES awards are funded by net Kentucky lottery proceeds and may be used at most colleges and universities in Kentucky. In some cases, the award may be used at an out-of-state school if the major the student is pursuing is unavailable in Kentucky. No application is necessary for KEES awards.

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

KHEAA also disburses low-cost Advantage Education Loans, the state's only nonprofit private education loan. For more information, feel free to visit the website at [advantageeducationloan.com](http://advantageeducationloan.com).



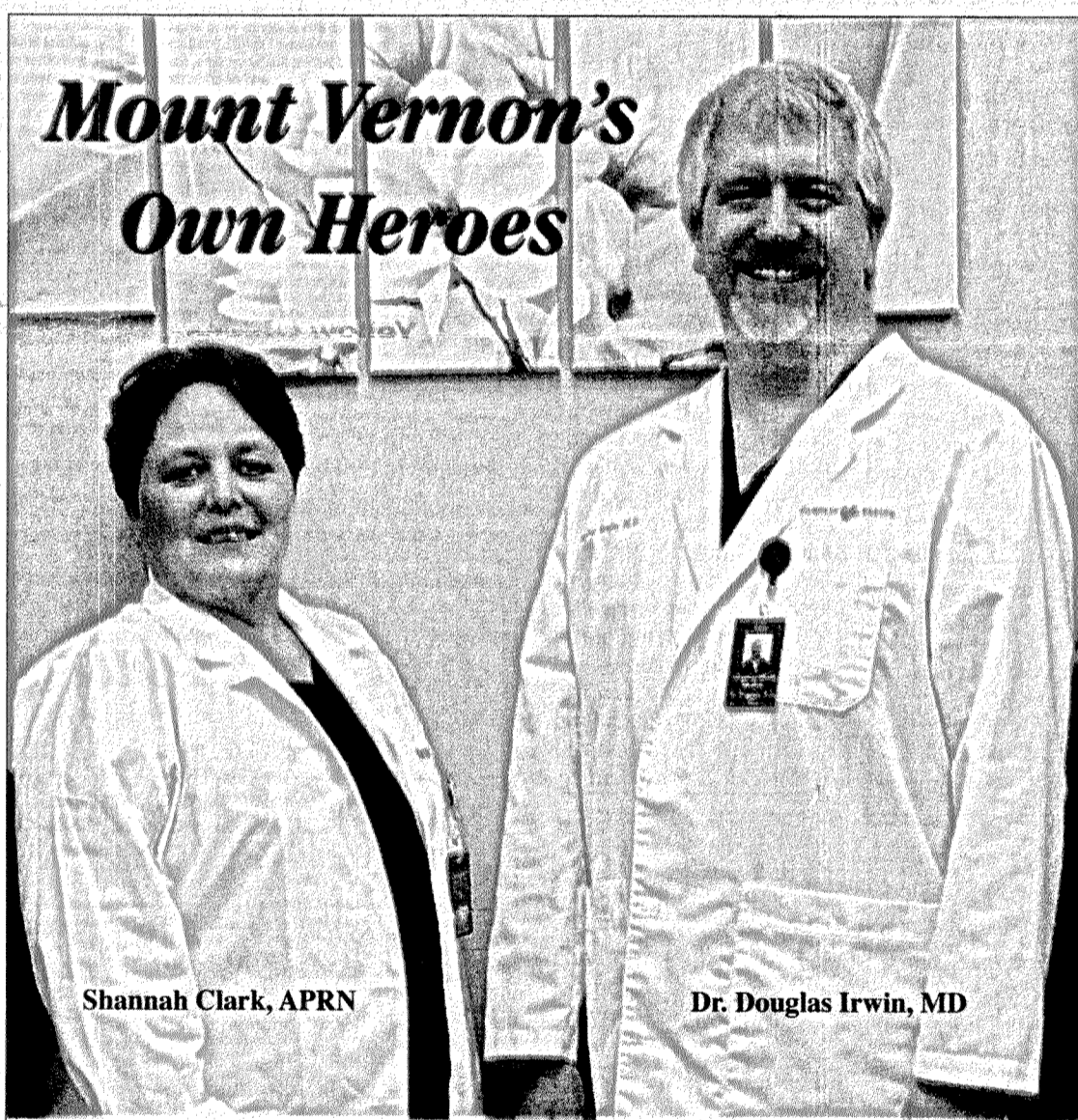
## Football Hall of Fame Induction

Presentations were made Friday night for eight former RCHS football players inducted into the Rockcastle County Football Hall of Fame. Presenting the certificates was Tony Saylor, shown at right. Inductees shown from left: Chris Goff, Chayse McClure, Logan Coffey, Jared Lake, Boone Saylor, Michael Brummett and Chad Hodges. Not pictured was inductee Graham Fay.



Former RCHS football homecoming queens were recognized during homecoming festivities this past Friday. Former queens in attendance are shown above, from left: Lindsey Dowell Gabbard, first ever queen Pamela Cummins Martin, Sandy Hunter McClure, Wendy Himes King, Angie Boreing Ford, Cheryl McClure, Samantha Payne, Jennifer Cox Mattingly, Lauryn Carpenter, Michelle Cromer Atkin, Amber Doan, Julie Dowell Asher, Twila Croucher Burdette, Lisa Bullock Brock, Alexa Bussell and Allyson Washburn Crawford.

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## Posted

**Posted:** No trespassing on property owned by Shannon Hellard on Cove Branch Road in Rockcastle County. 28x26

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

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

**Posted:** Absolutely no trespassing on land belonging to LJL Honeycomb LLC for any reason. Formerly known as Christ Outreach

for the Blind. Violators will be prosecuted. 33x53

**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Orville and Bernice Burkhart on Cove Branch, Livingston, Mt. Vernon. Violators will be prosecuted. 27x51p

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

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

## Miscellaneous For Sale

**Cresthaven Cemetery Plots.** Contact Billy Dowell, 606-308-1058. 39xntf

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## Notices

**If you need a caregiver,** with excellent references, call me. 606-453-9202. 38x2

**If all leftover stuff** at 111 West Street, Brodhead, is not removed in seven days, from 10/21/21, it will be hauled away. 38x1

**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 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

**Notice is hereby given** that Georgie Shumate, 58 Church St., P.O. Box 355, Livingston, Ky. 40445, has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Franklin Delano Shumate, Jr., deceased, on the 18th day of October, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Georgie Shumate or to Hon. Jeremy B. Rowe, 205 Richmond St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, on or before April 20, 2022 at 11 a.m.

**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 Street, Richmond, Ky. 40475, on or before April 18, 2022 at 11 a.m. 38x2

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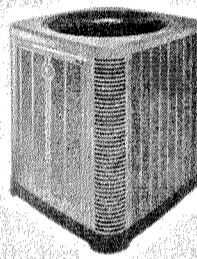
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 Daniel Boone CAA  
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 All vendor information and quotes must be received by October 30, 2021.  
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## Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

**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 call 256-5577 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, Ky. 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.

## 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.

## Gospel Singing

Kingsmen Quarter will be singing October 29th at 7 p.m. at Crossroads Assembly of God, South Main St., Brodhead, Ralph Reynolds, Pastor and congregation welcomes all.

## Cooler temperatures signals Forest Fire Hazard Season

As the first leaves begin to turn in eastern Kentucky, the Daniel Boone National Forest is preparing for the busy fall recreation season. This period of cooler temperatures and lower humidity also signals the start of Kentucky's Forest Fire Hazard Season. From October 1 to December 15, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service encourages visitors to take care to recreate responsibly and reduce their risk of starting a forest fire.

"In Kentucky, forest fires are more than 99% human-caused," said E.J. Bunzendahl, Daniel Boone National Forest Fire Management Officer. "That doesn't always mean arson. In the Daniel Boone National Forest, most of our recent forest fire activity has been from abandoned or escaped campfires. Knowing the correct way to set up and extinguish a campfire is a big first step to reducing the risk of a forest fire."

A spark can quickly ignite fallen leaves and flames can move rapidly through drying vegetation in the Forest. To prevent a campfire from causing an accidental forest fire, the Forest Service recommends:

- Building campfires in existing fire pits or in clear spaces at least 15 feet away from branches or shrubs.
- Avoiding campfires in windy conditions where sparks can easily be carried to nearby fuels.
- Never leaving a campfire unattended or letting it grow out of control.
- Ensuring a campfire is completely extinguished before leaving by covering it with dirt or water, stirring the ashes around, and dousing it again. If the ashes still feel warm to the back of a hand, repeat the process until they are cold.

Forest visitors should also plan around fire season burning restrictions. From October 1 to December 15, it is illegal under Kentucky state law to burn anything within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the daylight hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Additional burning restrictions bans may be put in place as conditions change throughout the season.

Visitors are encouraged to report abandoned or uncontrolled campfires or burn restriction violations to local law enforcement. Suspicious acts of arson should be directed to the nearest Kentucky State Police post or the Target Arson Hotline at 1-800-27-ARSON.

"Fall is a beautiful time to visit the Daniel Boone National Forest," said Bunzendahl. "But it can also be a dangerous time. Following burn restrictions, staying responsible with campfires, and avoiding activities that may create a spark, like idling a vehicle on dry vegetation, help reduce the fire risk to, not only the Forest, but also our surrounding communities."

For more information on Kentucky Forest Fire Hazard Season, visit the Kentucky Department of Forestry website at <https://eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry>

For more information on the Daniel Boone National Forest, visit their website at [www.fs.usda.gov/dbnf](http://www.fs.usda.gov/dbnf). Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/danielboonenf](http://www.facebook.com/danielboonenf), or Twitter at [www.twitter.com/DanielBooneNF](http://www.twitter.com/DanielBooneNF)



**Congratulations to 10-year-old Addie Payne for getting her first ever four point buck. Way to go! Addie is the daughter of John and Angie Payne of Mt. Vernon.**



*The Rockcastle Chapter, NSDAR*

*Requests Your Presence at the Dedication of*

*The American Revolutionary War Patriots of Rockcastle Monument*

*Saturday, October 30, 2021*

*1:30 P.M. EST*

*Mt. Vernon Courthouse*

*205 E. Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky*

*If you wish to lay a wreath, please contact Karen Adams at [rockcastle@rockcastle.org](mailto:rockcastle@rockcastle.org) by October 23, 2021 to be included in the program. Please bring a lawn chair.*

## The Abundant Life

A pessimist says, "If I don't try, I can't fail." The optimist says, "If I don't try, I can't win." It is the difference in attitudes which makes for success for one and failure for the other. Optimism is one of the necessary qualities of success.

A Christian, of all people, should be exceedingly optimistic. The apostle Paul tells us this and then tells us why.

1. Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. If we are Christians, we have something extra the world does not have, to always help in this life, and God wants us to succeed. We must be in Christ to find this extra help and to be able to do all things.

2. Romans 8:31 If God be for us who can be against us, or who can defeat us, there is no one. This is the reason why we should never be afraid to try.

3. Psalms 23:4 I will fear no evil for thou art with me. The evil that man may do to me or the lies that man may say, I don't have to fear these things because I am on the Lord's side and the truth will always stand, and the cream will come to the top. Sticks and stones may break my bones, but the words of a false accuser will never harm me.

4. John 14:1 Let not your be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. Faith in God helps us to have hope even when things are troubled and it seems like everything is falling apart, we have the understanding God is still in control and everything will work out according to his will and according to His purpose. That is faith with understanding.

Optimism gives one a sparkle and a magnetic attraction that pulls the world to him. The world is not going to follow the man that always has a gloomy outlook. We like the person that enjoys the doughnut, rather than the man that gripes at the hole in it.

The Christian has so much to offer and so much to share, it is a shame that so many of us, walk around so gloomy and it seems so little to be happy about.

Are you a Christian you can be one, by hearing the gospel, believing, repenting of your sins, confessing you believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God and then being baptized for the forgiveness of your sins? Thank you for reading this message, I pray God, has blessed you with the things you need, and we count our blessings every day.

Contact numbers - 606-224-1480 or 859-582-4021

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Bro. Ova Baker 606-878-8104 • Bro. Dale McNew 859-582-4021

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## Pastor Appreciation

October is Pastor Appreciation Month and

Livingston Pentecostal Church wants to recognize our Pastor Bro. Jim Miller and wife, Christine. Thank you for the outstanding job you do for our church.

We love and appreciate you from the bottom of our heart.



## Pastor Appreciation

Pastor Vaughn Rasor and wife, Lisa

Thank you for the early Sunday mornings & the late Wednesday nights

Thank you for the seeds you plant & disciples you nurture

Thank you for the sermons you preach & the prayers you lift up

Thank you for the wise counsel & the words of encouragement

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## TENT REVIVAL Community Gathering

**Saturday, October 30th  
Mount Vernon City Park**

Williams St. - Mount Vernon

4 to 6 p.m. - Free hot dogs and activities

6 to 7 p.m. - Worship

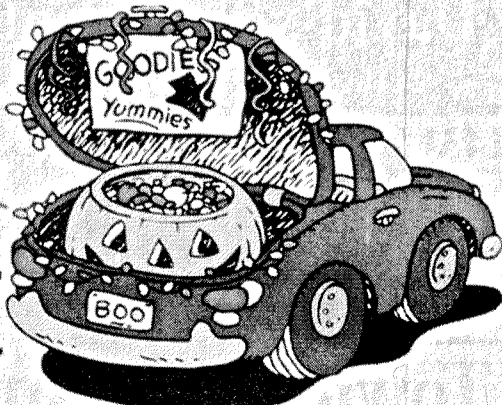
7 to 9 p.m. Tent revival service

• Free event for all ages •

Join us as we share the good news of Jesus Christ and His great love for us. Come and fellowship, receive encouragement, hope. If you need breakthrough, freedom from addiction, healing, please come.

## First Baptist Church

# Trunk or Treat



**Saturday, October 30th  
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

Join us on the front lawn at 340 West Main St. - Mt. Vernon