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for the Kentucky Food Truck Championship held Saturday at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame by the Mt. Vernon-**Rockcastle Tourist** Commission. The **Tennessee Cobbler** Company food truck was the Grand Champion winning the \$5,000 grand prize. At left, local food truck Carried Away Barbecue won the 2021 People's Choice with Kaye, Carson and Charlie Cameron accepting the prize.

No more older trailers in City of Brodhead

- Owners liable for water bills

By: Mike French

The City of Brodhead held the first readings on two ordinances, during the regular monthly meeting Monday evening at City Hall.

Ordinance 21-913 requires the owners of rental properties to be liable for delinquent and unpaid water and sewer bills of their tenants.

According to the ordinance, "it is reasonable to require property owners to contribute to the support of a system that benefits all property and all inhabitants within the city when the occupants of the property fail to contribute to the support of the system."

There had been strong debate about this subject between city commissioners and rental property owners earlier this year and commissioner Brian Bullock addressed

(See "City" on A9)

Test-to-Stay may avoid quarantine

By: Mike French Editor

One of the most difficult COVID restrictions to overcome, and keep students in school, is the quarantine protocol. Using standard proto-

col, when a person is within six feet of anyone with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more, that person must be quarantined. However, in a school setting, one student who tests positive is near dozens of other students. One positive test, may result in as many as 25 quarantines. And, usually, each of those 25 had been in close contact with dozens more.

So, local school officials have found a way (See "Test" on A9)

Prayer Walk planned

The Rockcastle Regional Ministry is planning a Prayer Walk for patients and employees. Call 256-7767 to schedule a shift from Wednesday, Septemthrough ber 22 Wednesday, September 29. For those unable to attend, you may submit a prayer to Rockcastle Regional, Attn: Jana Bray, P.O. Box 1310, Mount

Most calls in history for local fire departments

By: Mike French Editor

It is well known throughout the state that Rockcastle County ranks

COVID breaking records

Rockcastle County's incident rate has been fluctuating but currently stands at 159.

The New York Times Tuesday named Rockcastle County as

a Top 10 COVID hotspot in the nation. Hospitals continue to report no beds available around the state. Rockcastle Regional,

with the largest respiratory care center in the nation, reported last week that they have also reached "crisis mode." The Cumberland Valley District Health Department reports 29 confirmed and 157 probable cases in the past seven days in

Relay for Life Parade

Rockcastle.

The Relay for Life Parade of Hope planned for Friday, September 17, has been postponed until further notice due to COVID outbreaks.

Cave open house cancelled

Once again the annual Open House at Great Salt Petre Cave, planned for October, has been canceled.

first in I-75 accidents, according to local police, firefighters and AAA. The reason is simple. There are more accidents on I-75 in Rockcastle County than any other Kentucky County, year after year.

But 2021 has turned out to be the busiest year ever for the Mount Vernon, Livingston and Brodhead Fire Departments. In fact, in 2020, there were two separate State of Emergencies declared within two months. due to weather conditions. Still, 2021 has been busier than any year in history for all local rescue

lag Retirement ceremony held

By: Mike French Editor

With leadership from Woodmen of the World, members of the Mount Vernon Fire Department, Police Department and City of Mount Vernon officials, an American Flag Retirement Ceremony was held Saturday..

According to the United States Flag Code, there are several ways to retire a decommissioned

American Flag but the preferred method is to burn the flag in a ceremony.

Several flags that had become worn were decommissioned in Rockcastle County recently and an official Flag Retirement Ceremony was held to honor the flags that have flown over the county for several years.

> A flag is deemed ready (See "Flag" on A9)

services.

"As of Monday (September 6th) the Mount Vernon Fire Department has received 465 calls for service in 2021," said Chief David Bales.

That number stands out because, in 2020, one of the department's busiest years, there were 461 total calls for service all year and, as of Monday, September 6th, there were still 116 days left in 2021. "We have already made more calls this year than we did all of last year

in department history," said firefighter Adam Bales, "By a rather large margin." In fact, the busiest year in the department's his-

with over 100 days left in

the year. We are well on

track to the busiest year

tory was 2015 with 481 runs. To break the all time record this year, the department would only need 16 more runs in 116 days. "We will likely break our all time record calls be-

(See "Calls" on A9)

Shell running for Ag Commissioner

By: Mike French Editor

Jonathan Shell, former Kentucky State Representative for Rockcastle, Garrard and part of Madison Counties, has filed a Letter of Intent to run for the Republican nominee

for the office of Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture.

Shell is a Garrard County native and has been a part of his family farm, Shell farms and Greenhouses, all his life.

(See "Shell" on A9)

Vernon, Ky. 40456.

National Guard lending helping hand at hospital

By: Mike French Editor

Anyone at or near the Rockcastle Regional Hospital will see military personnel throughout the campus. However, don't be alarmed. Public Relations Director Jana Bray says the 299th Chemical Company of the Kentucky National Guard members are simply there as friendly faces.

"They are wearing uniforms but they are just here to give a much needed helping hand," said Bray.

Hospitals across Kentucky are reaching capacity with the sudden spread of the COVID-19 Delta variant. Officials say the COVID positivity rate and incident rate are now

higher than they have ever been. In fact, the New York Times named

Rockcastle County as one of the COVID-19 top ten hotspots in the nation this

week. So, members of the Kentucky National (See "Hand" on A9)



Members of the Kentucky National Guard stand ready to help at Rockcastle Regional.

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ramblings...

by; perlina m. anderkin

Spoiler alert: Be careful what series you begin watching on different TV stations (HULU, Netflix, Prime Amazon, etc). Two that I watched recently, Breathless and The Glades lasted four or so seasons and then both left a huge cliffhanger in the last episode. Then, I found out, well Paige did by looking it up for me, that there was not going to be another season so the cliffhangers never got resolved.

Thanks to the kindness of granddaughter, Alaina, I have gotten to watch Yellowstone on Apple and, except for some pretty graphic scenes (violence and the other kind), I have loved it. There are presently only three seasons but the fourth is expected out in November. Should this not happen, and they leave that cliffhanger unresolved, I will probably have to visit someone high up in that industry and have ugly words with them.

This is the time of year that I get a little sad and depressed. The pool company came and closed my pool Monday and that, for me, was the nail in the coffin for the Summer of 2021.

The time between Easter and Labor Day seems to go more rapidly every year and, trust me, the older you get the quicker it goes.

Of course, as you might know if you've ever read this column, I absolutely hate, loath and despise Winter.

Some of the roughest weather we had in the Winter of 2020-2021 was in February, an ice storm which caused a lot of problems for everyone, I missed it all since I was lying in a hospital bed in Somerset with the dreaded COVID.

None of the children could visit because of COVID regulations and it was a bleak time but, amazingly, after I got home, the weather, as I remember, moderated and that was the last of Winter's challenges.

But, mentioning sad and depressed. I was very saddened to hear our President, in a national address, tell us that "Our patience has grown thin," concerning the reluctance of about 80 million Americans to receiving the Covid vaccine to date.

I felt, for a moment, that I was 10 years old again and being lectured by my mom about some transgression I had committed. And, I must admit, the same feeling of rebellion washed over me immediately. I became even more

rebellious after I realized that the President's vaccine mandate did not include Congress or their staff, the Judiciary and their staff, illegals wandering across our Southern border by the 10s of thousands, since Biden's inauguration, or the over 100,000 Afghans flown in while American citizens are still in Afghanistan in fear of their life.

I understand the Congress and Judiciary carve out simply because the legislative, judicial and executive branches of government are equal and one cannot mandate to the other.

What I don't understand is that our government has made absolutely no provision for those of us who have had Covid and whose immunity, "according to the science" is nine times that of anyone being vaccinated.

Part of my reluctance is not knowing the effects of taking a vaccine for an illness for which I'm already immunized against. Hey, at my age I don't want to do anything that upsets the apple cart even more...maybe you can be too immunized? who knows?

Now, as to these 10s of thousands we have taken into our country from Afghanistan, just because, there is \$6.4 billion being requested from Congress by our President to take care of them.

Remember, we were supposed to evacuate Americans and the Afghanis who helped us during the 20-year-war as translators; sette: bevore

However, it is widely reported that only 7% of approximately

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There are a lot of things I sort of miss about the "old days." Most of them, average youth today aren't even aware of.

There is no doubt a lot has changed in my short lifetime. I wish my kids could know how much they take for granted. They all seem to think the stuff in their life has simply always been there. It hasn't. We did without a lot and we live a lot differently now.

I remember the first ever music video. No one had ever heard of a "music video." I think it was one by Michael Jackson.

We all thought, "Now what good is that? You can't go out and buy a music video like we do a record album."

We used to think marijuana was a terrible, awful, heavy junkie-making thing. Now, some states sell it for fun.

We didn't give our children prophylactics or birth control pills. And abortions were more rare. You know why? You just didn't have relations until you were married. If you did, then you got married... immediately.

I remember man landing on the moon. What a day that was. About 50% of Americans thought it was a hoax and would have been impossible. The truth is, they did that with less computer power than your cell phone has right now. Truth...check it

We collected pop bottles for money, Kids in the neighborhood kept ditch lines clean and made enough money to buy a pop and candy bar anytime we wanted.

We watched people on TV open a device in their pocket and talk to someone miles away. But, it was on a science fiction show. It wasn't real.

There was no such thing as air conditioning, except a big fan in our window.

I remember when America was called a rich nation because almost every family had one car. Now, almost every person has one car...or more.

I remember when people simply would not accept free stuff. If they didn't earn something. they didn't want it. They called that "work ethics." I call it "character."

Candy bars were a nickel.

A penny in a gumball machine got us all a handful of gumballs.

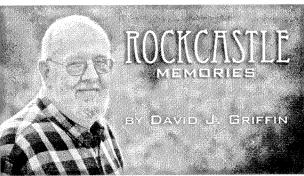
The biggest date-night treat was the drive-inn. There was no way to record a television show. So the drive-inn was a popular attraction. Many homes had one

heater in one room. If you got cold, you went and stood by the heater.

Coffee was made in percolators. You had to watch the glass bubble on top to know when your coffee was strong enough -- it smelled so much better then.

Television went off. Every night. All three channels stopped broadcasting around midnight and they all ended their day with the National Anthem. On the rare occasion that we were up that late, even in our liv-

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Simon and Garfunkel

When I was a student at the University of Kentucky (1964), Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel released the album Wednesday Morning. Their song "Sound of Silence" reached the Billboard Number One spot. I vividly recall relaxing on my dorm bed as I listened to the lyrics of that song: Hello darkness, my old

friend I've come to talk with you again

Because a vision softly creeping Left its seeds while I was

sleeping And the vision that was

planted in my brain Still remains Within the sound of si-

lence. Paul Simon composed

that song while playing his guitar in the dark, at his parents' home. I could not get the lyrics of that song out of my teenage mind. It reminded me of listening to my radio in my dark bedroom at my mother's home in

Mt. Vernon while I was in high school.

In the summer of 1968, I had just moved to Mt. Sterling to teach and coach at Mt. Sterling High School. At the same time, the movie The Graduate opened in Lexington. It was a hit that had everyone talking. I went to see the movie with several of my new friends. The Simon and Garfunkel song "Mrs, " [widt off (Continued on A3)

Robinson" was featured in the movie and went on to reach the number one spot on Billboard's Top 40 list.

In 1970, the Simon and Garfunkel album Bridge Over Troubled Water became their most successful release, and one of the world's bestselling albums.

The duo won 10 Grammy Awards and was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1970.

One morning, sometime during the early 70's, I was teaching my Human Anatomy class at Mt. Sterling High School when someone from the Principal's office came to my room and reported to me that "Mr. Hamilton wants you to come to the office." I immediately went to the office after getting someone to cover my class.

The office secretary advised me that Cooper's Motel had called to report that Art Garfunkel was there and that I should bring my camera. They called me because I was the Trojan Yearbook advisor.

immediately grabbed my Nikon and drove to the motel. When I got there, Mr. Cooper showed me which room Mr. Garfunkel had rented the night before. I simply leaned on my car and waited for him to appear. Within a few

T.J.'s Journal By: Tonya J. Cook

Welcome to the Threshold of Fall Dear Journal.

School has started and Labor Day is now behind us. The leaves are beginning to change in color and drop to the ground. The stores have out Christmas decorations so you can see that the fall of the year is upon us. As I look around our front yard, I see a lot of things that needed to be done before this time of the year but haven't yet been done. There is mulch out there I had delivered last summer that is still in the same spot. We had some help with the yard, but due to unfortunate circumstances, it came to an abrupt end. I guess Stanley and I will have to put it down as we can along with doing a few

more things. We have been watch-

ing for our turtles Terry and Tilly, but to our disappointment, they haven't been around this year. Terry had been coming for seven years and Tilly for at least three or four. Last year they had a baby turtle, Tiny, we called it. Stanley has been watching for them when he would be out walking the dogs or working in the yard. We sure hope nothing has happened to them. Nothing has been around except Stanley's black snake that I saw once this year. If I never saw it ever again it would be too soon for me. He refuses to kill it. If you all hear that the Cooks are getting a divorce, you can just say that you had heard it said that a snake came between them. I tried to kill him last summer with a paint roller extension, but he managed to get away from me (the snake, not Stanley). The snake I saw this year was a younger snake. The one I tried to kill was older and about five feet long. I took advantage of Stanley being gone to visit a neighbor when I tried to kill the snake. If I had managed to kill him, I can just see me trying to sneak around and hide the body. Guess I'd put him out in the road and say that a car must have come by and just beat him to death. It's my

story and I'm sticking

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"ramblings"

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117,000 airlifted out of Afghanistan, besides the 5,700 Americans, were these former employees. The rest were those who were able to fight their

The rest were those who were able to fight their way onto our planes and allowed to by the Taliban. In other words, the Taliban chose who got to come to America.

The \$6.4 billion requested is to cover free lifetime welfare for those, unverified and unvetted evacuees, flown here to date, or those our President may choose to fly

It also provides for redefining an Afghan na-

months.

here over the next 13

tional to mean not only anyone living there now but anyone whoever lived there. Through the years, many Afghans settled in Pakistan. Those are now eligible to be flown here as refugees.

Other benefits these refugees will be treated to include: chain migration, whereby relatives of those already here are now eligible to also come here, possibly increasing the original 100K to as many as 500K. They are eligible for green cards which is a pathway to citizenship, voting rights, permanent welfare and there is a catchall waiver which means that the legal entry bar statute can be waived to allow in

people guilty of trafficking, human and sex trafficking, drug crimes, and the accompaniment of child brides. And, don't forget, they are not subject to the recent vaccine mandate.

All in all, a pretty cushy welcome to America, actually a lot more welcome then many of our homeless veterans received.

"Aces"

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ing rooms, we stood while it played.

We had to go to a building out back when nature called. No one would even consider having their own excrement inside their own house.

G.I. Joe was the most popular toy among boys and Barbie Dolls were among girls. In those days it was okay to recognize their was a difference in the two.

No one was asked if they owned a gun. They were asked what kind of gun they had. Everyone had at least one.

When we needed information, we went to our encyclopedia set.

When we needed food, we went to the kitchen and sat at the table with the family.

When we needed water, we hand-pumped it from a well out back into a metal bucket and drank it from a metal dipper.

We hiked the woods until we found the perfect Christmas tree. We cut it down and brought it home and mounted it on 2x4s and decorated it with popcorn, ribbons and bows.

No one worked on Sunday, the rest of the week, everyone worked.

I remember Walter Cronkite (the best of journalists in those days) asking people on his news program, "Please explain to us all what is this internet thing you are trying to start?"

Yes, life in my days would be unrecognizable to my children and my granddaughter.

The way we lived has changed immeasurably. I guess that's a good thing maybe? But I do not believe it is a good thing that attitudes and character has changed just as much.

It is odd to me that our lives got easier and our character and values got worse. Hmmm. I wonder if the two things are related?

"Memory"

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minutes, he walked out of his room.

As I walked toward him, he spotted my camera. He immediately raised his hand and said, "No photographs, please." When I explained that I was the local advisor for the high school yearbook and that I merely wanted to record the fact that he had been in our town, he replied, "Okay, you can take a shot or two for the yearbook only."

The rest is history. That photograph did appear in the Trojan Yearbook that year. And my brief brush-up with such a popular singer gained me a smidgeon of respect as a photographer. It may not be much of a story to tell, but it is still an experience with fame that few can tell.

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

"T.J.'S" (Continued from A2)

with it.

I think that we are ready for fall. We really like the beauty of it and the crisp fall air outside where it belongs. However, on the inside, I probably wouldn't notice as I'm used to a bedroom cold enough to hang meat with an air conditioner set on high and a ceiling fan on, too. It is like that in the car, as well. I have to wrap up in a throw and run the seat heater. I have to take the throw into stores and restaurants, as well. Maybe when winter comes, people will turn on some heat.

I think I'm ready for some fall food. I'm planning a big pot of chili for next weekend along with some real butter-grilled cheese sandwiches. You can't forget the bread and butter pickles with it. Then there are the apple and pumpkin pies. One of my favorites is the pop corn balls, the homemade ones with molasses. I'm going to make some this year for sure. Fall isn't just about the fall food. leaves and the weather. I just love the fall mums. especially the yellow and bronze ones.

Soon will be Thanksgiving and all that goes with that. I'm excited already. I sure hope our family will get to have a get-together this year for the holidays. We didn't do anything last year due to COVID. It was just too much of a risk for the elderly and those who are at high risk. I sure wish people would get their vaccinations, mask like they should, sanitize and social distance. If they would this whole thing could be put to an end and all would get back to normal in a few days. Did you ever stop to think about it is those of us who do all of these things that make it possible for the others who enjoy their

"freedoms" to run around without a mask, not vaccinated, stand shoulder to shoulder, go to social events like always, don't sanitize etc., to do so? Next time you are out, the "freedom" lovers should stop and thank those who make their "freedom" possible. If everybody had this sort of behavior. the whole nation would be dead in a matter of days. We just love to get injected with an unknown or extensively tested drug into our bodies (obviously, by now, you can see millions of us have survived the vaccination without any long tern side effects) lie sick two to five days in the bed afterward, wear very comfortable and cool masks everywhere we go, keep away from social events and our loved ones, try to remember to sanitize almost constantly and yet see the death toll and positivity rate go up every day, now including little children. Thank God there are a few stepping up to save this country, the world and humanity.

Frankfort Update

By: Josh Bray State Representative Lawmakers wrap up

COVID-related issues

Just a day after I finished writing my last update, the governor is-

special session on

sued a call for the legislature to convene a special session to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. We convened on Tuesday, September 7 and spent a whirlwind three days con-

We convened on Tuesday, September 7 and spent a whirlwind three days considering legislation, eventually overriding several vetoes issued by the governor before leaving Frankfort late Thursday night.

I will be frank; I do not

think a single member believes these bills are perfect. In fact, none accomplish what I know all Kentuckians really want - an end to this pandemic and all that it includes. However, I believe we passed several strong, responsible pieces of public policy that reflect our belief that government's role is to provide resources, rather than mandates. We provided flexibility to schools, businesses, health care providers, and individuals while ensuring that our state can take advantage of federal

Since this was the first test of legislation we approved earlier this year to provide a framework for states of emergency, we felt it was important to move as effectively and efficiently as possible. Instead of the traditional minimum of five days necessary for a special session, we used a longstanding rule that allows the House and Senate to pass identical bills through both chambers concurrently, giving each the required readings and committee hearings, and then substituting them for each other for final passage. Using this rule allows for full transparency and debate while allowing us to shave two days off - which means we had a faster response without sacrificing the quality of our work. Here is a summary of four of the five pieces of legislation we passed last week. I will include an update on the fifth in a future update.

HJR 1: One of our first orders of business was to ratify the most necessary policies our state needs to face this pandemic. We identified these by going through each emergency regulation and cabinet directive and included only

what we deemed good policy. We eliminated many because we felt they were

or harmful. We will revisit these policies before we convene in session in January, monitoring to see how our state's needs evolve between now and then.

SB 1 (HB 1): This mea-

sure requires local health departments to develop a model program that will allow students and staff to "test and stay" in school when they might otherwise be quarantined or isolated because of an exposure. We also provided districts more flexibility with up to 20 days of remote learning that can be used for individual schools, grades, classes or groups of students—an idea that came from stakeholders. Remote learning is no substitute for in-person learning, but it is a more appropriate solution than the non-traditional instruction days that are designed as an alternative to short term absences. The measure additionally recognizes that, instead of classroom days, districts can track instructional hours to make up lost time throughout the year. For example, instead of 170 days, they can split up the classroom hours by adding blocks of time to each day. This bill also eliminated the statewide mask mandate for children in kindergarten through 12th grade and the mask mandate for children two and older in licensed and regulated childcare facilities. We have seen time and again that these decisions are best left to local school boards who know better than anyone what their community needs. A final provision of the bill provides financial stability to districts by allowing the average daily attendance used to calculate the per pupil education funding to be based on pre-COVID attendance figures. The governor vetoed portions of this bill, but we quickly voted to override them to ensure it becomes law.

SB 2 (HB 2): We also adopted legislation aimed at the state's health care response. With this bill, we provided a mechanism to encourage awareness of COVID-19 testing, and the monoclonal antibody treatments that have been used successfully to treat the vi-

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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule Monday, Sept. 20th: Child Development, Seek 'n Learn, Lisa's Little People, Tic Toc Pre-School. Tuesday, Sept. 21st: Scaffold Cane, Clear Creek, Wildie.

Farm Bureau Annual Meeting

The Rockcastle County Farm Bureau will hold their Annual Meeting on Friday, September 17, beginning at 5 p.m. It will be held in the Rockcastle Co. Farm Bureau parking lot. there will be no food, gifts or door prizes. All are welcome to come out.

Kiwanis Club

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

Celebrate Sobriety Service

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

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post 5908

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

American Legion Post News

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

Recovery Meetings

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

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

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

Wednesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon. Crosspoint Church of God, 211 Industrial Park Rd., Mt. Vernon. Contact: John Burton 606-308-8226, Frankie Woodall 606-308-2382 or Joanie Woodall 606-308-3190. Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women

Only. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Katheryn, 606-308-3099 or Tammy 606-308-1614.

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

Call 606-308-8900. Friday-Celebrate Recovery-Livingston School Cafe, 9226 Main St., Livingston. 6 p.m. Contact: J.R. Cornelius, 859-314-7828.

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

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

DAR Meetings

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

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Stuaries

Jana (Barron) Robinson

Jana (Barron) Robinson, 34, fiancé of Tim Kanatzer, of Berea, died Friday, September 10, 2021, at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington.



She was born September 16, 1986, in Somerset. to Larry Barron and Anita (Adams) Barron. She worked at the Rockcastle County Detention Center, was a member of the Galilee Baptist Church, loved riding on the open road, listening to music, spending time with nieces and nephews, baking, and her animals. She was to be mar-

ried October 16, 2021.

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Those left to celebrate her life are: her fiancé, Tim Kanatzer of Berea,; her mother, Anita Barron and husband Jimmy of Mt. Vernon; her father, Larry Barron and wife Tabitha of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Robbie (Angel) Barron, and Bobby (Tammy) Barron, both of Brodhead; one step-brother, Devin Means; one sister Angel (Jason) Lowery of Danville; two step-sisters, Cadence Means and Crystal (Josh) Corbin; paternal grandmother, Margie Barron; maternal grandmother. Margy Adams; as well as nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by: paternal grandfather, Thurnie Barron; maternal grandfather, Robert Adams; and two infant children.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Jay Adkins officiating. Burial was in High Dry Cem-

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Luther Junior Bustle

Luther Junior Bustle, 91, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, September 3, 2021, at his residence. He was born March 9, 1930, in Hazel Patch, to the late Luther Walker and Zelda Ellen

(Nicely) Bustle.



He was a member of the Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church. He enjoyed boating, camping, horses, especially driving a team of horses pulling a wagon, and running around with his son-in-law, Mike Leger, X-M

Those left to celebrate his life are: four daughters,

Brenda (Robert) Adkins of Hamilton, OH, Sylvia Vance of Mt. Vernon, Sheila Neal-Leger and husband Mike of Brodhead, and Lisa Cummins of Mt. Vernon: 11 grandchildren, Candace, Renee, Angela, Lance, Amanda, BJ, Nikki Eric, Jennifer, Nathan, and Jessy; 23 great grandchildren, three brothers Virgil Bustle of Mt. Vernon, Lawrence (Shirley) Bustle of Livingston, and Robert (Barbara) Bustle Orlando; one sister, Sally Gray of Hamilton, OH; and two sistersin-law, Sally Nicely and Janie Bustle.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Cleo Sowder Bustle; two daughters, Linda Couch, and Deborah Bustle; one grandson, Luther Lovell; one brother, John Bustle; sister, Shirley McQueen; infant sisters, Lela Mae and Sylvia Bustle; two sons-in-law, Raymond Couch, and Greg Cummins; and one sister-in-law, Bessie Bustle.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bros. Jack Carpenter and Eugene Webb officiating. Burial was in Ball Cemetery.

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Gary Lee Wheeler

Gary Lee Wheeler, 71, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, died September 1, 2021. Gary was born in Cincinnati, Ohio to Jerry Wheeler and Imogene Coffey



Wheeler on July 14, 1950. He graduated from Mt. Vernon High School. He went on to serve honorably in the Marine Corps and then worked as a control dispatcher for New England Power/National Grid for 35 years. He enjoyed his time as a youth basketball coach and a volunteer firefighter for Swansea, Massachusetts. After re-

tirement, Gary cherished his years working and playing at Harwich Port Golf Club, his home away from home where friends became family.

He is survived by: his beloved wife, Nancy J. Wheeler; a son, Jason Wheeler; a daughter, Lisa Nunes; a sister, Jeanie Wheeler Cox-Mann; and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, and his brothers, Howard Wheeler and William Wheeler.

In addition to golf, Gary enjoyed socializing with friends, and traveling. He was a devoted husband, father, family man, and friend. He was a selfless man, best-known for his kind and generous spirit and his cheerful disposition. His memory will live forever in the hearts of the many lives he touched.

A Celebration of Life is planned for 2 p.m. on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at the Cape Codder Resort, 1225 Iyannough Road, Hyannis, MA.

Memorial donations can be made to: Dana Farber Cancer Institute PO Box 849168 Boston, MA 02284.

Donald Ray Barrett

Donald Ray Barrett, 62, of Brodhead, died Sunday, September 12, 2021, at his residence. He was born April 12, 1959, in Scottbury, IN, a son of the late

John Barrett and Rachel Ross. He was united in marriage to Rhonda Messer on October 7, 2005, and they enjoyed 15 years together. He was of the Baptist faith, and loved the outdoors; especially fishing, farming, horse riding, and animals, but most of all, he loved spending time with his family.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife, Rhonda Messer Barrett; children, Jonathan Messer, Kelda Messer (Kyle Barton), and Justin Messer (Amie Weddle); eight grandchildren, Dylan, Lucas, Jaelynn, Zachary, Hunter, Karlee, Noah and Gracelynn; one great grandchild, Trey; two brothers, Wayne (Kay) Barrett, and Wendall (Sarah) Barrett; and two sisters, Linda (Zack) Drake and Brenda (Paul) Luster.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Services will be held Thursday, September 16, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, beginning with the visitation at 11 a.m. until the time of the funeral at 2 p.m., with Claude Medlin officiating.

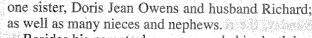
Condolences can be made to the family at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Clarence Saylor

Clarence Saylor, 78, of Corbin, died Monday, September 6, 2021, at Baptist Health Corbin. He was born August 18, 1943, in Brodhead, to the late Walter and

Verna Hopkins Saylor. He was a hard worker, working in feed mills, sawmills, and as a hod carrier. He loved his garden and his grandchildren.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his daughter, Angie Marler; two grandsons, Mikey and Dewayne Marler; great grandchildren, two brothers, Bo Saylor, and Glenn Saylor;



Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: the love of his life, Ann Marler, brothers, JW, Fred, Bob, Pete, Billy Joe, Albert, Charley, and Larry Saylor; and one sister, Goldie Mae Pittman.

A graveside service was held Thursday, September 9, 2021, at Good Hope Cemetery with Bro. Dan Gutenson officiating.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Sarah Wilma Cromer

Sarah Wilma Stephenson Cromer, of Goshen, Ohio, and formerly of Norwood, Ohio, went home to be with the Lord on July 27, 2021

at the age of 87. She was born April 27, 1934 in Monticello to Porter and Lola Parmley Stephenson.

Survivors include three daughters, Rhonda Cromer, Roberta (Mark) Dorger and Karen Cromer; a sister, Thelma Parmley and several neces, nephews, friends and loved ones.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by

her husband, George Carl Cromer, an evangelist who preached in several Rockcastle County churches; two sisters, Lucille Stringer and LeAnder Stephenson.

Both Sara and her husband were well-known and loved locally.

Services were held Tuesday, August 3rd at Tufts Schildmeyer Funeral Home, with Pastor Dave Phaneuf presiding. Entombment was at Rest Haven Memorial Park in Evendale, Ohio,

Rebecca "Becky" Powell Brandenburg

Rebecca "Becky" Powell Brandenburg, 71, of Berea, died at her residence Thursday, September 9, 2021. She was a life-long resident of the Berea area, born May 4, 1950, daughter of the late Leonard and

Blanche Garmon Powell, retired Bluegrass Army **Depot Military Recreation** employee after working at Parker Seal Company (Berea Plant) for 32 years. Becky loved music, dancing, candles, baskets and fast cars. She was a member of Conway Baptist



Survivors include: her husband, Bobby Jack Brandenburg; two children, Bethany Jo Brandenburg (Jon Grinage), and Brentley Jackson Brandenburg; three siblings, Linda Williams, Brenda Powell, and Randy Powell; and three grandchildren, Zieben, Jack, and Jon, Jr. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two siblings, Wanda Powell, and Nena Powell.

Funeral services were held Monday, September 13, 2021 at Reppert Funeral Home with Troy Williams officiating. In accordance with Becky's wishes she will be cremated following the funeral service.

Leave condolences for the family at www.reppertfuneralhome.com

Gary Barron

Gary Lee Barron, 64, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County on February 19,

1957, the son of Edward and Mary Evelyn Swinney Barron. He had been a farmer.

He is survived by two sisters, Mary Randolph of Somerset, and Bertie McFerron of Crab Orchard. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: three brothers, Russell, Carl, and Jay Barron; and three sisters,



Martha Evans, Lorene Barron, and Rosie Barron. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Septem-

ber 11, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Marvin Cromer. Burial was in High Dry Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Billy Barron, Bobby Barron, Benny Cromer, Benny McFerron, Dearl McFerron, Ronnie McFerron, Jordan Taylor, and Mark Teague.

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

Lydia (Wilson) Napier

Lydia (Wilson) Napier, 70, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, September 11, 2021, at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington. She was born April 2,



1951, in Oneida, to the late Robert Lee and Ollie (Spurlock) Wilson. She was a retired schoolteacher, was of the Baptist faith, and loved to spend time with her family.

Those left to celebrate her life are: her husband, Ira Napier; one daughter, Christy Olivia DeBorde; one granddaughter, Sophie Grace DeBorde; and one

sister, Linda Smith of Independence.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Dennis Wilder officiating. Burial was in Maretburg

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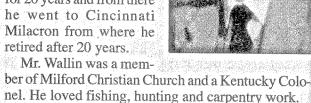
Harold Reece Wallin

Harold Reece Wallin, 87, of Goshen, Ohio, died August 27, 2021 at Brookdale Springdale.

Mr. Wallin was born September 19, 1933 in Brodhead, the son of Cecil and Mary Ann Wallin.

A graduate of Brodhead

High School, heol served honorably in the U.S. Navy from 1949 to 1956 as an Aviation Metal Smith. He was employed by Sohio/BP Oil Company for 20 years and from there



Survivors include a son, Harold Mark (Debra) Walli;, a granddaugher, Kimberly Michelle (Alex) Healey; one sister Barbara Jean Mummert; a brother, Troy (Mary) Wallin; a sister-in-law Linda Wallin and numerous nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Wandlene Ward Wallin and brothers, Roy and James Wallin.

Services were held at Evans Funeral Home in Goshen on Thursday, September 2nd with burial in Graceland Memorial Gardens.

Bessie Ann Hayes Parsons

Bessie Ann Hayes Parsons, 77, of Nicholasville, died Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at her residence. She was a Conway native (Rockcastle County), born



January 8, 1944, daughter of the late Oscar and Christine Hardix Hayes. She was a retired Piggly Wiggly employee and member of Calvary Baptist Church, She was a resident of the Berea area most of her life before moving to Nicholasville five years

Survivors include: four children, Kim Collier (Denzil), Lowell "Bubby" Parsons II, Chris Parsons (Melanie), and Beni Sue Parsons; six siblings, Bobby Hayes (Carol), Steve Hayes (Patricia), Cynthia Rose, Eva Hubble (Kirby), Sue Cole, and Chrissy Collier (Carlos); nine grandchildren, Troy, Tracy, Tabitha, Adam, Jordan, Dutch, Kindsey, Josh, and Kimmisue; 19 great grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, friends and church family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Lowell B. Parsons; granddaughter, Kyley; and siblings, Jimmy, Frankie, Jack, Thomas and Irene Hayes.

Funeral services were held Sunday, September 12, 2021 at Reppert Funeral Home with Bro. Wayne Miller officiating. Burial was in Parsons Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jordan Palmer, Dutch Palmer, Josh Palmer, Billy Roark, Troy Clark, and Andrew Hayes.

Leave condolences for the family, share a memory, light a memorial candle or plant a tree in Bessie's memory at www.reppertfuneralhome.com Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.



By Max Phelps

Fragrant Landscaping Scents and smells in and around our homes

can create profuse and diverse reactions among different people. The stimulus of smell may linger in memory way beyond other sensory experiences. A certain smell may remind us of a loved one, a fun experience (or one not so fun), or may grab our attention for myraids of other reasons. Today let's explore mostly the pleasing smells, with the thought of adding them to our homes by choosing plants with nice fragrances for our landscapes.

Landscaping in general helps define and establish our homes, with quality landscaping enhancing the appearance and value of them. Sometimes multiple benefits can be obtained when we choose landscaping plants. Looks, privacy, windbreaks, fall colors, fragrant blooms, aromas of the foliage as you brush against it, fruit, etc. So often, fragrant plants are bought on a whim or it smelled good as you walked past it on a shopping trip. I'd like for us to give more thought to fragrant landscaping than

Improving the appearance and adding value certainly are important considerations in landscaping. Appearances that make good first impressions are a significant part of why we landscape our yards. Lovely combinations of greenery in various sizes, colors, textures should be used to show our homes in a good light to others. Functions are also very important in trees, too. landscaping - wind flow. privacy, shade, ease of maintenance, the life expectancy of plants we select, and so on.

Value added landscaping should add some intangibles from our unique perspective, among them creating an agreeable ambiance for our abodes. At least some part of that is fragrance. Adding the things we like; such as pretty flowers, relaxing helps us enjoy our place in our own unique ways. Home is one's castle, and our landscapes can be like paradise painted not on canvas but in our yards.

Fragrance is the cardinal point of this column, so what are some plants with highly desirable fragrances we might wish to install? Consider the pros and cons of each plant choice. Certainly I cannot mention every fragrant plant in this short column, but let's look at some that might work for you.

Trees that have fragrant blooms, let's look there first for adding good smells to our yards. I think the Southern magnolia, magnolia grandiflora, is one of the first on any list of fragrant trees. A number of other magnolias are also fragrant. Citrus trees, Chinaberry, black locust, basswood, some apples are others with nice smells. I realize there may be messy leaves, big roots, seedlings and other issues with most any tree or plant we cover, so do your own additional research as you select fragrant trees for your place.

Then, how about trees with fragrant leaves, sap and so forth. It's hard not to want a fir tree! Firs are the #1 holiday tree and greenery for a reason. They smell so good. Even very popular in scented candles. Pine and hemlock trees have delightful smells if bruised (and lovely sounds as the wind whips through their branches). The Katsura tree give off a cinnamon smell as it's leaves separate from the twigs in autumn. I bet you can come up with other fragrant

Shrubs and vines that have neat smells are next. How about wisteriawhat an experience to walk on the down-wind side of a large vine in bloom on an arbor or pergola. Daphne, lilacs, roses, honeysuckle, jasmine, privet, gardenias, etc. One of my clients has three different cultivars of gardenia surrounding a table for two at the end of a curved stone path in the

Yards to Paradise

Clethra and itea are shrubs with good fragrance. Some viburnum. some forsythia, mock orange, lilacs, calicanthus or allspice, and arbutus or the strawberry tree are more examples of fragrant shrubbery.

Fragrant perennials, bulbs and annuals with pronounced fragrances include: hosta, (especially the old fashioned one of green leaves and white blooms), hyacinths, daffodils, peonies, some iris, most marigolds, lavender and thyme. Many a water lily is fragrant; if you're able to be near several blooms at once you may notice.

Not every fragrance is delightful, and not everyone's nose is alike in that way. Some of the viburnums almost seem to stink, some people think ginkgo fruits stink, and it's almost unanimous that a skunk stinks. Good or bad, not everyone will agree on the one that smells best (nor worst). Allow your pref-

erences, together with a little research, help you make your selections. Sometimes a visit to a park or arboretum can be eye-opening (or would it be "nose-opening") to some new plant you'd not thought of.

Pronounced scents among our modern landscape plants are not as common as you might think. Plant breeders are often selecting for dwarfs, extra blooms, hardiness, ease of care and such, pretty foliage, and other traits are bred out. Often this is true of smells. (Just like it is true of taste in modern tomatoes.)

Perhaps you will be inspired to select some plants based upon fragrance next time you are looking to do some landscaping. And as is the case with varigated plants, plant them close to your walk or sitting area or near the front door, for the maximum impact and enjoyment.

The author is a landscaper, Comments and ideas welcome. Website: rockcastles.net

Adopt-a-Highway Art **Contest for students**

The Kentucky Trans- card while second- and portation Cabinet (KYTC) announced entries are being accepted for the 2021-2022 edition of its popular Adopt-a-Highway art contest for Kentucky school students. The theme is Adopt-a-Highway: Keep Kentucky Clean.

Each year, KYTC invites Kentucky youth of Kentucky, in all grades, to put their creativity to work to promote the importance of keeping our communities and highways clean, said Gov. Andy Beshear. Everyone who takes part in the annual Adopt-a-Highway art contest is helping to build a Better Kentucky.

The KYTC Adopt-a-Highway art contest promotes the goal of keeping our roadsides and our commonwealth beautiful, KYTC Secretary Jim Gray said. Our youngest citizens, through their original artwork, send the message that Kentuckians of all ages can help Keep Kentucky Clean.

Entries must be postmarked no later than Sept. 30, 2021. Students enrolled in Kentucky public, private or home schools may enter. The entry form, evaluation criteria and other information for students, parents and teachers are available on the program website.

The contest is divided into four age groups: 5-8, 9-11, 12-14 and 15-18. Winners of each age di-

third-place finishers receive a \$50 gift card. Additionally, first-through third-place winners in all age groups will have their artwork featured on social media and prints will be displayed in the Transportation Cabinets Conference Center in Frankfort.

KYTC has held the

contest for over 20 years to increase environmental awareness among children, educate the public about the harmful effects of litter and encourage behaviors that promote a clean environment. Last year, despite the challenges of COVID-19 and schools having to resort to remote learning, some 300 students from across the commonwealth submitted artwork.

For additional information about the Adopta-Highway Program, including entry forms and evaluation criteria for the 2020-2021 Adopt-a-Highway Art Contest please feel free to visit transportation.ky.gov/ AdoptaHighway on the

Highest ever 'Ag tag' donations reach \$731,627

Kentucky farmers donated \$731,627.67 to the Ag Tag Program for 2021 - the highest ever in program history, Commissioner of Agriculture Dr. Ryan Quarles announced.

The amount donated this year is \$119,884.59 more than last year's amount, and more than the previous highest donated amount, which \$629,865.43 in 2017.

"I want to send a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who donated to the voluntary 'Ag Tag' program this year, surpassing all previous records and showing how much our agricultural community means to the state of Kentucky," Commissioner Quarles said. "Through the years, the Ag Tag Program has succeeded in providing muchneeded funding for promoting agriculture and educating & Kentucky's youth on the importance of agriculture in our everyday lives. Your generosity will help ensure Kentucky agriculture has a bright future."

The voluntary donations are divided equally among Kentucky 4-H, Kentucky FFA, and the Kentucky

Department of Agriculture (KDA). This year each group will receive \$243,875.89.

The KDA uses its share of the Ag Tag funds for various programs such as the Ag Athlete of the Year awards, the Kentucky Leopold Conservation Award, Kentucky Women in Agriculture, and the University of Kentucky Grain and Forage Center of Excellence.

"The Kentucky FFA Foundation is thrilled with the 2021 Ag Tag campaign. We give half of the funds given in each county back to the local chapters in that county, so this means a greater impact in each community," said Sheldon McKinney, executive director of the Kentucky FFA Foundation. "We also use Ag Tag donation to fund Ag Achievers grants, which offer much needed technology upgrades to agriculture classrooms across Kentucky, provide travel scholarships to our students competing at National FFA Convention, and provide a great experience for our students at the Kentucky State Fair.

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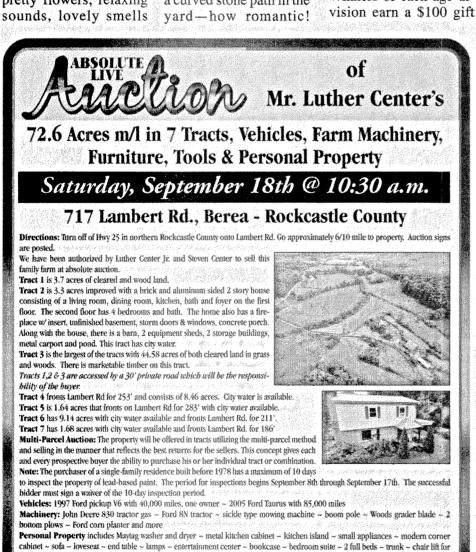
The Ag Tag program has become a vital part of accomplishing our vision of Growing Leaders, Building Communities & Strengthening Agricul-

"Farmer-supported Ag Tag dollars are instrumental in supporting 4-H programs in all 120 counties. Giving allows local 4-H programs to grow youth as leaders, build their communication skills, and develop them into active, engaged members of their community," said Melissa Miller, executive director of the Kentucky 4-H Foundation. "Thank you to everyone who chose to make the \$10 donation and making this the best year on record in support of Kentucky's youth."

Kentucky motorists who buy or renew farm vehicle license plates, or "ag tags," may make a voluntary donation of up to \$10 to the Ag Tag Fund at any time. Half of the 4-H and FFA funds go back to the county where the tag is purchased, where both organizations use the funds to support local programming, awards, and scholarships.

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Rock wins another close one, beats LaRue 22-20

By Chad Hensley

Long arduous drives and key defensive changes at halftime spurred the Rockcastle County Rockets football team to a 22-20 homeopening victory over LaRue County on Friday night.

Rockcastle (2-2 because of the COVID forfeit to Wayne County) fell behind early, thanks to a 34-yard touchdown pass by the Hawks with 3:02 remaining in the first quarter. But the Rockets responded on their next possession.

their own 22-yard line in

the first quarter would finish 16 plays later covering 78 yards and just over nine minutes of possession with Matthew Chasteen plunging one yard to tie the game at six all with 5:56 to go in the first half.

Cameron Wright's subsequent 2-point conversion run gave the Rockets their first lead of the game at 8-6.

All 16 plays on the scoring drive were run plays and Rockcastle was 3-for-3 on third down conversions.

The lead, however, A drive that began on was short lived thanks to the quick-strike passing game for the Hawks who scored on the first play of the following drive from 61-yards out to regain the lead at 14-8 after the conversion was successful.

Rockcastle went on to turn the ball over on downs just before the first half and LaRue County used another short, threeplay drive to take a 20-8 lead. The Rockets had time for a couple of plays at the end of the first half and almost pulled off an exciting play when senior Reese Coguer caught a thirty yard pass from Wright but was then knocked out of bounds at LaRue's five yard line by a Hawk defender.

Despite the Rockets having the ball for 18:46 to LaRue's 5:14 in the first half, there was room to improve on and adjustments to be made at halftime and that is just what Rockcastle was able to do. Of the state and and

"Coach (Josh) Martin tweaked a couple things about the coverage and mixed up the box and pressure to keep them on their heels," said Rockcastle head coach Scott Parkey. "The quarterback was having a hard time in the second half getting into a rhythm. The guys came out of the locker room the second half believing and were motivated to get a 'W' for the home crowd."

After the Rockets were forced to punt on their first possession of the second half, their defensive intensity picked up, causing LaRue County quarterback Cutter Boley to have far less time in the pocket.

Tyler Osborne was able to sack Boley in the backfield on the second play of the drive and a short loss on third down would put the Hawks in a punting situation.

A bad snap over the punter's head, for a loss of 21 yards gave the Rockets prime real estate to cut into the lead as they took over at the LaRue County nine-yard line.

After a short loss on first down and Landen Broaddus picking up seven yards on the next play, Chasteen converted on third down from fiveyards out and followed that up with the two-point conversion to make it 20-16 with 3:33 left in the third quarter.

The defensive pressure for the Rockets picked up even more, causing Boley to throw back-to-back incomplete passes and forcing a three-and-out.

The Rockets offense fed off the defense and the excitement from the Rocket Rowdies and used another gigantic play and time of possession drive to go on top for good.

Rockcastle took over possession on their own 32 with 1:51 left in the third quarter.

Twelve plays later, with an added pass interference call and crucial third down conversions, Chasteen notched his third touchdown of the night to tie the game at

20-20.

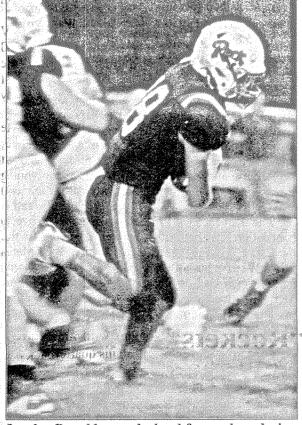
Chasteen's six-yard scoring play was his seventh carry of the drive for a total of 37 out of the 68 yards on the drive that covered 7:07 of possession and 12 total plays.

Wright was successful on his two-point conversion attempt to put the Rockets on top at 22-20.

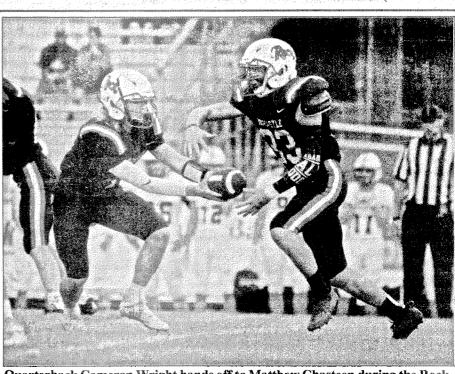
Broaddus then picked up a huge interception, deep inside Rockcastle territory, on the second play of the following drive.

The Rockets had to punt on their subsequent possession, giving the Hawks one final chance to regain the lead, but a seven-play drive only netted LaRue County 30 yards through the air on

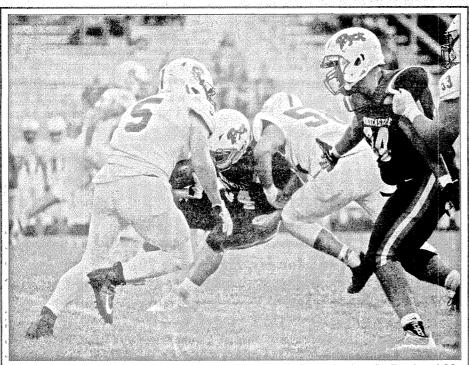
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Landen Broaddus works hard for yardage during the Rockets' win Friday, Broaddus had 17 for 73 yards.



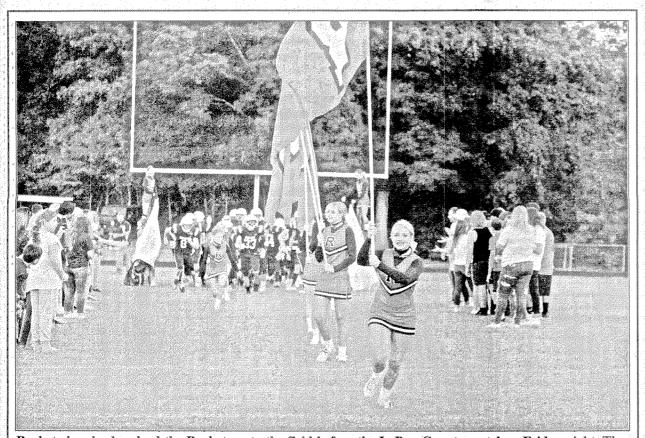
Ouarterback Cameron Wright hands off to Matthew Chasteen during the Rockets' 22-20 win over LaRue County Friday night. Chasteen had 30 carries for 136 yards and three touchdowns. Wright completed three out of five passes for 61 yards and had nine carries for 25 yards.



Isaiah Dehart and Jayvon Bowden work hard on defense during the Rockets' 22-20 win over LaRue County Friday night. The Rocket defense combined for three quarterback sacks on the night.



Reese Coguer came up a few yards short on the last play of the first half after a 30 yard reception.



Rocket cheerleaders lead the Rockets onto the field before the LaRue County matchup Friday night. The Rockets won another close one, 22-20.

RCMS football defeats Lincoln

Rockcastle The County Middle School football teams put up 30 points each in a domination sweep of Lincoln County Middle School on Saturday.

The "A" team took down LCMS 30-16 while the "B" team won 30-6, after falling behind 6-0

late in the first quarter. Isaiah Jackson got the day's scoring started in the first quarter of the "A" team game, when he converted a long third and 25 into a 46-yard touchdown run with 0:44 remaining in the quarter. Rex Parkey's 2-point conversion run was good to put the Rockets up 8-0.

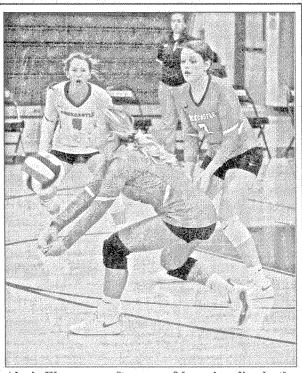
Parkey connected with Jackson on another third down opportunity late in the first half for a 12-yard touchdown pass to go up 14-0 heading into the locker room.

"Rex is a student of the game," stated RCMS head coach Jamie Todd. "He loves it. He's like having another coach on the field. Isaiah is an athlete. He makes plays. He may be the most athletic player I've ever had as a coach."

Parkey then put the Rockets up 22-0, thanks to a 50-yard scoring run and the subsequent 2-

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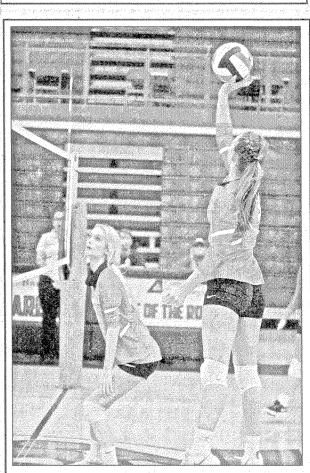
Keelee King prepares to set up a teammate during the Rockets' 3-2 win over Pulaski County Monday night. King had 34 assists in the win.



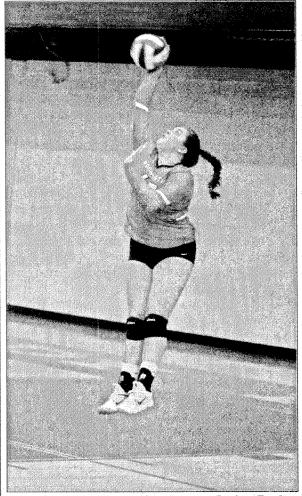
Alexis Elam goes after one of her nine digs in the Rockets' win over Pulaski Monday night.



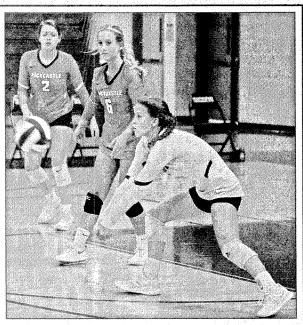
Karalinn Loudermilk and Keelee King go for a block during the Rockets' 3-2 win over Pulaski County.



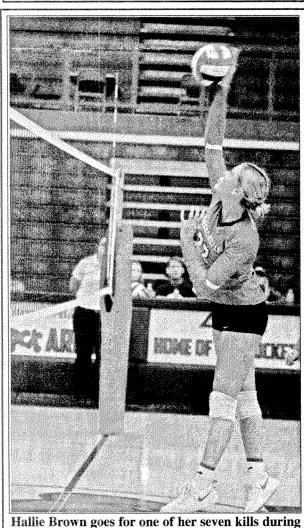
Leann Doan hits over the net during the Rockets' win Monday night. Doan had nine kills in the win. Also pictured is Karalinn Loudermilk.



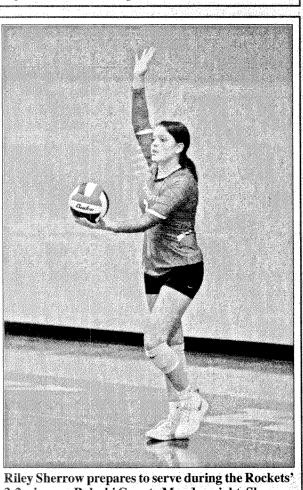
Kylee Burns puts up a jump serve during Rocket action Monday night. Burns had 22 kills and 15 digs for the Rockets.



Libero Sarah Barron led her team defensively Monday night with 36 digs during the Rockets' win over PC. Barron also had three kills, two assists and five service aces.



the Rockets' 3-2 win over Pulaski County Monday night. The Rockets improved to 6-1 on the season.



3-2 win over Pulaski County Monday night. Sherrow had two aces, seven digs and one assist.

RCHS volleyball extends to 6-1

After a 19-day layoff, due to COVID-related issues, the Rockcastle County High School volleyball team resumed their regular season on Tuesday, September 7 with a road loss to Corbin before closing out the week with a pair of district wins over Casey County

Head Coach Loren Maples' crew fell to an undefeated Lady Hounds squad in straight sets (25-20, 25-15) despite junior Sarah Barron picking up 11 digs from her Libero position.

Keelee King dished out eight assists to go along with seven digs and a service ace for the Lady Rockets.

Hallie Brown led the attack with four kills against Corbin.

Rockcastle County, which is listed as 6-3 on the KHSAA/Riherds scoreboard site due to COVID-related cancellations, bumped its on-court record to 6-1 overall and 3-0 in district seeding action with a pair of 3-0 victories over Casey County and a 3-2 win over Pulaski Co. Monday night.

The Lady Rebels attempt to invade Rock Arena on Thursday, September 9, saw the Lady Rockets thwart any attempts of a Casey County victory by taking the match in straight sets 25-14, 26-24 and 25-11.

Rockcastle County then travelled to Liberty last Saturday morning, where they thoroughly dominated Casey County by the tune of 25-14, 25-12, 25-19.

Rockcastle picked up a district win this past Monday night with a 3-2 win over Pulaski County 25-18, 22-25, 25-19, 20-25 and 15-13.

Kylee Burns led the way for the Rockets with 22 kills, 15 digs and four service aces while Liberg Sarah Barron had three kills, 36 digs and five service aces. Keelee King got nine digs, one block, two service aces and 34 assists. Hallie Brown had seven kills, one block, three digs, one assist and two service aces. Karalinn Loudermilk was credited with four kills and two digs. Leann Doan had nine kills, six digs and one service ace. Alexis Elam got nine digs and Riley Sherrow had seven digs, two service aces and one assist.

In other volleyball action, the JV and freshman teams split a pair of contests each against Corbin and Casey County.

The Lady Rockets JV team won at Corbin 2-0 (21-10, 21-17) before dropping a 2-0 decision at home to Casey County 23-21, 21-18.

The freshmen were the victims of a 2-0 (21-19, 21-16) loss against Corbin before taking down Casey County 2-0 (22-20, 21-4).

At present, the Lady Rockets sit atop the District 47 standings with a 3-0 record in district ac-

"Rockets"

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two completions with the other five being incomplete passes, including four in-a-row to turn the ball over on downs.

The pressure from the defensive front that Rockcastle put on Boley, coupled with the tight coverage the corners and safeties had on the Hawks receiving corps, led to one of the most disparaging differences in plays and time of possession the Rockets fans have ever seen.

Rockcastle held possession for 35:23 on 61 plays to LaRue County's 30 plays and a mere 12:37 of game action.

"Ball control is something we take pride in," Parkey said. "When we can consistently get first downs, keep the clock running, then score to end the drive, we feel we are pretty good."

Keeping the clock running, as Parkey mentioned, was made possible by a stout thirddown presence as the Rockets were 11-for-16 overall compared to just 1-for-5 for the Hawks.

Rockcastle had 295 yards of total offense with 234 by way of the vaunted ground attack mainly from Chasteen and Broaddus.

Chasteen collected 136 yards on 30 carries while Broaddus added 17 touches for 73 yards.

"Matthew and Landen both had outstanding games running the ball,' Parkey exclaimed. "They had the bulk of the yards, but what is impressive, is they did a great job blocking for each other as well. Then they turned around and played well on defense. Those guys are special. They bring the heart."

Wright finished the night with nine carries from his quarterback position for 25 yards to go along with an efficient 3for-5 passing for 61 yards.

Wright spread the wealth to three different receivers with Broaddus picking up 12 yards, Osborne 19 yards and Reese Coguer leading the way with 30 yards.

Broaddus led the defensive unit with five tackles, one tackle for loss, a half sack and an interception.

Wright and Chasteen collected four tackles each with Wright adding a tackle for loss and a half sack.

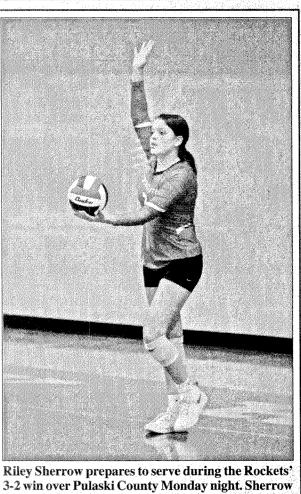
Osborne and Kaden Kidwell earned three tackles, a tackle for loss and a quarterback sack each.

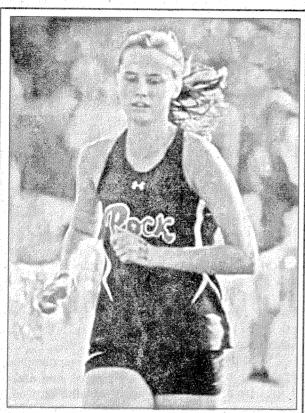
Jayvon Bowden, Conner Gibson and Caleb Moore rounded out the tackles with one each.

Marion Farthing picked up a fumble recovery from his defensive line position.

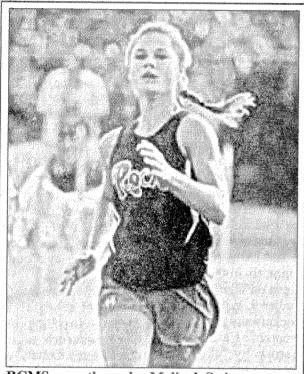
Next up for the Rockets will be a road trip down I-75 to take on the South Laurel Cardinals on Fri., Sept. 17 with the kickoff set for 7:30 p.m.

"We will be fine,' stated Parkey when asked about what the Rockets needed to do in order to improve the slow starts they've had in the last two games. "There is always an adjustment period when playing good teams. Early in the season, that's even more pronounced as teams are adding new offensive and defensive looks. We are looking to just continue to improve on what we do and who we are. South Laurel will be tough. There are some matchups that we'll need to work on to be sure we can be effective."

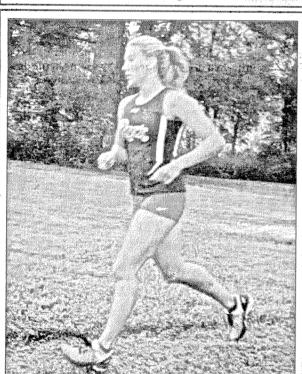




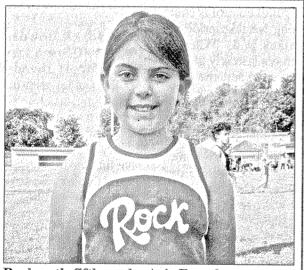
RCHS sophomore Lexi Dotson ran a great first 5,000-meter race of the season, placing 5th overall at the Southern Harrier Classic hosted by Southwestern High School on Saturday.



RCMS seventh grader Maliyah Swinney ran a great first 5,000-meter race of the season, which was also her first-ever varsity 5k race, placing 10th overall at the Southern Harrier Classic hosted by Southwestern High School.



RCHS junior Emma Watson ran a great first 5,000-meter race of the season, placing 21st overall at the Southern Harrier Classic hosted by Southwestern High School on Saturday.



Rockcastle fifth grader Aria French ran a great first 2,000-meter race of the season in the 4th to 6th grade division, placing 24th overall out of 64 runners at the Southern Harrier Classic.

• Church News •

Homecoming at First Christian

First Christian Church will hold their Fall Homecoming September 26-28. Bro. Larry Travis will be speaking on Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Sunday evening at 6 p.m. and Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m.

The church is located at 160 West Main St. Call 256-2786 for any questions.

Everyone is cordially in-

vited to attend these services.

Homecoming at Philadelphia Baptist

Homecoming, at Philadelphia Baptist Church, will be held Sunday, September 19th, beginning at 11 a.m.

The Praise Singers and Standing in the Gap will be the special singers.

Come out and be with us for some good singing, preaching and good food. Everyone welcome.

RCMS Football 6 lead.

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point conversion with 4:44 to go in the third quarter.

Rockcastle County's defensive presence stymied the Eagles on offense all game before Lincoln County was able to finally break through late in the third on a 7yard run and conversion attempt to cut the lead to 22-8.

"Rex is just a student of the game," Todd added. "He studied Lincoln and knew what they liked to do. He's a gamer...hates to lose. I thought Isaiah Jackson had his best defensive game of the season. He made plays all over the field.'

Jackson quickly answered back just 34 seconds later, thanks to a 34yard scamper with 7:49 to go in the game. Parkey's conversion run was good to put RCMS up 30-8.

"I was super proud of our line today," mentioned Todd. "I love those guys. I have them in class and they are such a tight group. They stay together 24/7 so they have each other's backs. It really creates a togetherness that great teams have."

Lincoln County would tack on a late touchdown pass and conversion for the final margin of 30-16.

Rockcastle's "B" team, which played six minute quarters, saw itself fall behind 6-0 with 1:44 left in the first quarter when LCMS took the game's opening kickoff and methodically drove down the field, capping the possession with an 8yard touchdown run.

The score by LCMS esd all that was needed to ignite the Rockets in all phases of the game and they ended up routing the Eagles 30-6.

Nick Reppert connected with Kaiden Lovell on a 26-yard pass with 1:17 left in the first half to get the Rockets on the scoreboard. Xavier Leger's conversion run was good to give RCMS an 8-6 lead it would not relinquish.

Leger notched his first touchdown of the afternoon when he took the handoff from Reppert and marched his way to a 45-yard touchdown run to give the Rockets a 14-

Key defensive stops in the fourth quarter led to a pair of touchdowns for Rockcastle.

After a fourth and short attempt by Lincoln County failed, Leger collected a 21-yard touchdown run on the next play. Jacob Camel's conversion run put the Rockets up 22-6 with 4:29 left.

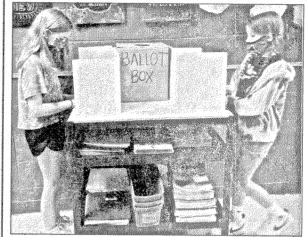
"Xavier Leger is an awesome football player," exclaimed Todd. "He's so shifty he's hard to tackle. Nick is a leader. He's tough. He's not the biggest guy or the fastest guy so he runs on his toughness. The B-team really stepped up after they got down 6-0. They're a really resilient bunch of guys that don't

go down easily."

Rockcastle's defense quickly got the offense back on the field thanks to a fumble recovery.

Camel next scored from 38 yards out for the game's final touchdown on the next play from scrimmage. Reppert's conversion pass to Lovell was good for the final margin of 30-6.

Rockcastle County will be back in action on Thurs., Sept. 16 when Knox County Middle comes to town. Kickoff for the night's first game is slated for 5:30 p.m.



MVES fifth graders Corey Messinger and Ava Deathwrage cast their votes for Class President in last week's election.



The MVES fifth grade classes elected a student council and Class President last week. Each homeroom elected two representatives from their class, and these student council members ran for Class President. Each student council member gave a speech in front of the entire fifth grade before the election. Members of the 2021-22 Student Council are pictured, front row from left: Karleigh Allen, Hailey Mize, Madison Hart and Eyan Bussell. Back row from left: Tyson Johnson, Lila Rigsby, Kevin Valle, and A.J. Martin. A.J Martin, from Mrs. Sara Coguer's class, was elected President and Madison Hasty, from Mrs. Marisa Albright's class, was elected Vice President.



Rockcastle County Farm Bureau Federation is proud supporter of our local Farmer's Market. On Tuesday, August 10th, at the regular monthly meeting, Rockcastle Co Farm Bureau Federation made a \$10,000 donation to the Rockcastle Co. Farmer's Market to help with the new building. Pictured from left are: Garry Hurst; Terry Lawson, Federation President; Brenda Parsons; Doug Brock; Howell Holbrook, Judge-Executive; Josh Bray, State Representative: and Roy Reynolds.



RES Food Drive

The RES Food Drive was a success. The Roundstone Elementary School collected 1,344 food items to help support the 2021 Hunger Walk sponsored by the Christian Appalachian Project. Food items were donated to RES Family Resource Center and to the Grateful Bread Food Pantry. RES wishes to thank everyone that supported students and community during this event.

Pictured above from left: John Luke Pingleton, Rebecca Dodson, Arianna French, Kendall Collins. Makenna McNally, Mia Scalf, Brantlee Bishop, Oaklie Burrin, Graceson Ward, and Rigoberto Zunun-Perez.

At right are kindergarteners Sarah Cromer and

Callen Robinson.



"City"

(Continued from front) the questions presented, by those who disagreed with the idea at a public hearing. In the past few months, there has been no more public disagreement on the matter and City Clerk Becky Bussell designed the ordinance.

The ordinance will require property owners in Brodhead to pay the water and sewer bill of any tenant who fails to pay such bills.

The ordinance further states that rental property shall not be transferred into any other name until all past due water and sewer bills are paid in

The second reading is expected at the October meeting and, if approved, the ordinance will be advertised and be adopted.

Ordinance 21-914 is related to the placement and replacement of mobile homes within the City of Brodhead.

According to Bullock, the idea of the ordinance would require any new mobile home that is placed on a lot in the City of Brodhead be not more than seven years old and will require a minimum of 11,000 square feet of land for each home.

The ordinance allows existing mobile homes to remain but applies to any newly-placed mobile home, even if an owner is replacing an existing

Any newly-placed mobile home must also have at least 720 square feet of floor space and be at least eight feet wide.

"I grew up in a trailer. I have nothing against trailers. I love them. Most of them are made as good or even better than some homes anymore," said Bullock. "What we are trying to avoid here is an influx of 1970s or 80s trailers moving in that were built before modern codes and can sometimes be a health hazard."

Bullock said some of his desire to avoid placement of antiquated mobile homes comes from his fire department background. "I don't want to be pulling some child from a burning mobile home that was not up to standard," he said.

The "Mobile Home Authorization Ordinance" is fashioned after similar ordinances in nearby cities and adopted to local standards and uses, according to Becky Bussell.

Commissioners are also expected to hold the second reading of this ordinance at the October meeting. If approved, after publication, it too shall become effective immediately.

"Test"

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around the seemingly never-ending loop of opening and closing schools.

The program is called the "Test-to-stay Program."

This program, according to Superintendent Carrie Ballinger, will allow both staff and students who have been identified as a "close contact" to stay in school and not be required to quar-

The voluntary program provides daily testing for any student who would have otherwise been quarantined as long as the student has no symptoms.

If parents or guardians give permission, a student who would have been quarantined will be tested each day for five consecutive days instead. As long as that rapid test is negative, the student will be allowed to remain in school.

"This is a voluntary program offered to students and staff in an attempt to reduce the number of quarantined students and staff," said Ballinger. "Students will only be tested with parent or guardian permission."

If interested in the program, parents or guardians must create an account and register your student by going to ethosbacktoschool.com.

The program and all tests are free and parents in the program must transport their student to the testing site at the Rockcastle County football field visitor's locker room at RCMS from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. each school day. The student will be tested there and, with a negative test, the student may then go to school that day.

Students will not be tested unless the parent or guardian has registered BEFORE they show up to be tested.

For more information or questions about the new program, call 606-256-2125.

"Calls"

(Continued from front) fore October of this year," said Chief Bales.

Calls have steadily risen over the years since the department's inception. Ten years ago in period, it is illegal to burn 2011, the department anything within 150 feet made only 269 calls all, of woodland or brushland year. In 2017 there were between 6 a.m. and 6 377, in 2018, 357, in 2019 p.m. According to the there were 358, up until Kentucky Energy and last year's 461. But in Environmental Cabinet, 2021, the record number it is illegal to burn any of calls for service will material except natural likely be broken with three plant matter or some months remaining in the

But the Brodhead Fire Department doesn't have to wait to break their all time record. According to Brian Bullock, Assistant Chief, the BFD broke the all time record number of calls for service weeks ago. In fact, as of this week, the Brodhead Fire Department has made 230 runs in 2021. The previous record number of call all year was 175, Bullock said. "We have already made 25% more calls than ever in history and there are still well over three months left in 2021.

Livingston Fire and Rescue is in the same situation, according to Chief Jeff Carpenter.

"The busiest year our department has ever had in the history of Livingston Fire and Rescue was 166 runs," said Carpenter, "This is September and we have made 264 runs in 2021."

"The biggest portion of our calls come from vehicle accidents and I-75 plays a big part in that," said Adam Bales.

Carpenter said there is also much more traffic than there used to be. "People are so busy anymore," said Carpenter. 'Day and night traffic is rolling on I-75."

All county fire departments, are always on the search for volunteers willing to give back to their community. The MVFD keeps between 22 and 30 firefighters on hand at all times. Training and equipment is provided by the department. Anyone willing to volunteer is urged to drop by the Mount Vernon Fire Department on the second Monday of any

month at 7 nm to volun

teer for service as one of the community's most respected citizens.

Carpenter and Bullock agree that local fire departments are in search of volunteers. "We definitely need anyone willing to give back to their community to contact us," said Carpenter. "Livingston Fire and Rescue would be happy to have anyone willing to help their community."

Adam Bales says the department's top priority is to provide the most efficient and reliable fire and rescue service possible with a never ending focus of the safety of the community and each fire fighter.

"We could not do what we do without the help and support of our community and all the other agencies in the county," said Adam Bales. "We all work together and we appreciate the support of the community so much."

Adam Bales says he, his fellow firefighters, have mixed emotions about breaking the record this year. "We are saddened that there have been so many emergencies that required our assistance," he said. "When we are called, it usually means someone is in distress. However, we are proud that we were able to continue to answer every call and lend a hand to those who needed help. That's why we are here."

All three chiefs would like to remind all citizens that the State Fall Burn Ban begins on October 1 and lasts through December 15. During this woody debris

"Hand"

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pitals across the state to help with non-clinical

"They will be helping transport patients from their car to their doctor's office or over to the x-ray section," said Bray. "They can help with cleaning and sanitizing as well as screening visitors and many other tasks while we are short handed."

Rockcastle Regional ioined countless other hospitals in requesting the assistance, due to staffing shortages across

the Commonwealth. "We don't want anyone to be alarmed when they see uniforms here at the hospital," said Bray. "These are just friendly faces that are here to help free up our staff to concentrate on each patient instead of being tied up with other required task."

According to Bray, the National Guard will be in Rockcastle County until October 16, Monday through Friday, to lend a helping hand in any way they can... "We are very thankful for their help so that we can focus more time on each patient," said Bray. "Our people really could use some relief and this is a big help

to everyone," According to reports, National Guard members will help with food services, supply chains, security and many other non-clinical tasks. freeing up hospital staff to

dividual patients. According to the Gov-

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ernor Andy Beshear's ffice, hospital patients are doubling every two weeks with COVID cases and hospital staff are working extra shifts

and handling more pa-

Beshear's office says COVID is growing faster now than ever before and hospitals across the state need help.

The National Guard will also be present in Corbin, Lexington and London, along with many other hospitals.

"Everyone is invited to go to our facebook page," said Bray. "We will post photos of those who are lending a hand in our community so that everyone may recognize them. They will provide some much needed relief to our staff and to the community."

"Flag"

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for decommission once it is "no longer a fitting emblem for display," according to the U.S. Flag Code.

Members of Woodsmen of the World and local officials took part in the ceremony which includes folding the flag and then gently placing the flag into a fire. Once on fire, those present should stand at attention and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The code requires that the flag be burned until only ashes remain.

The code also says anyone who wishes to decommission a flag at their home or place of business, may do so by following this procedure.

The moment of silence and saluting during the burning of the flag is a somber moment for those involved who generally reflect on the meaning of the flag, according to Kentucky State Repre-

sentative Josh Bray. "I can't think of a better way to spend the day after the 20th anniversary of 9/11, than watching a flag retirement ceremony," said Bray. "I remember how our country rallied around the flag on 9/12/01. This was a beautiful ceremony and I was glad to be able to observe. it."

"Shell"

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Warren Beeler will use his experience in the Governor's office of Agriculture Policy, to serve as Shell's campaign man-

Shell, who was the youngest member of the Kentucky General Assembly which he was first elected, served as Chairman of U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell's 2020 re-election campaign.

Shell has his roots in agriculture and says Ryan Quarles has done a tremendous job but he plans to build on that legacy.

Shell says he will strongly and aggressively support conservative values, including pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, pro-growth, and pro-

While in the General Assembly, Shell's colleagues elected him Kentucky's first-ever Republican House Majority Floor Leader.

Shell, and his wife, Brooke, have four children. They attend Pilot Knob Missionary Baptist Church in Berea where he serves as Sunday School Director.

Frankfort

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rus. Additionally, this bill allows paramedics to provide care in hospitals to help with health care provider shortages that have plagued this pandemic from the beginning. We also included a requirement that the state adopt a plan to allov essential compassionate care" visitors to those in Kentucky long-term care facilities. Parts of this bill were also vetoed, with legislators voting to override before adjourning the session. SB 3 (HB 3): This mea-

sure directs \$69.3 million of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds to aid critical healthcare needs related to COVID-19. The bill emphasizes that funding should be prioritized for COVID-19 testing, establishing monoclonal antibody treatment centers, and "test and stay" programs at schools. Schools that implement the "test and stay" program may receive funding for COVID-19 testing supplies costs. The "test and stay" program gives parents the option of letting their child be tested for COVID-19 every 24hours for several days after exposure. Since its implementation in August, 175 Green County students have been exposed to COVID-19, but only 15

worldly things

tested positive. In the coming weeks, many school districts plan to implement "test and stay," including districts in Fayette, Oldham, Kenton, and Campbell counties. The measure includes a safeguard to track where dollars are spent by requiring the state to submit

a report of expenditures to

the legislature.

Before I close, I want to address the misinformation I am hearing about from constituents. Because the session was so intensely busy, I am still replying to some that have emailed, called, and messaged me. I have read most of my messages, and I am extremely concerned at the outright lies people are seeing on social media and taking as the truth. If you see something that concerns you, please reach out to me and give me an opportunity to discuss it with you. I can promise you, you cannot believe everything you read on the internet.

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

The Sermon on the Mount

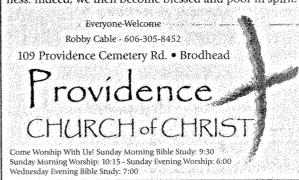
Christ teaching His Disciples for all generations!

Matthew Chapter 5 is often referred to as the Beatitudes, which means the supreme blessedness. This sermon by Jesus Christ was to teach His disciples, both then and now, the fundamentals of Christianity.

Some translations render the word blessed as happy. When we are satisfied in the Lord, we are blessed and happy in the Lord. Our Savior is establishing how one can be pleasing to Him and, by doing so, He is also telling us how we can be satisfied, blessed and happy in the Lord. Often we, as Christians, seek Godly satisfaction in

I want to talk about the first blessing which is, blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdom of God. Poor in spirit, what does that mean? Does it mean one has to be poverty stricken and destitute of daily needs? Although that may help keep one humble, that is not what Christ is referring to in this text. The message He is conveying is that one must come to the realization that we all are sinners and would be without hope if it wasn't for Jesus Christ, who paid our sin debt.

Romans 3:23 says that all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God. Blessed is the one who, when they come to the knowledge of their transgressions and they have a remorseful attitude, they want to repent of the sins they committed, not with a prideful or arrogant attitude that causes them to rebel against God and His righteousness. Indeed, we then become blessed and poor in spirit.



The Church

We find in Matthew 16:18 Jesus promised he would build a Church, it would be an institution like none, that had ever been built, it would have the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. Christ we find, would be the head of this church. Ephesians 5:23 For as the husband is the head of the wife even so Christ is the head of the church, and he is the savior of the body. The Church we read about in the Bible we find gets all its authority from Christ and the apostles, there are no opinions or guesses, but truth as it came from Heaven. 2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. God's truth is what the church is to be governed by 2000 years ago and still today, those truths the apostles taught are still just as true and needed to guide the church and also to guide our lives, in serving the Lord. Truth does not change. The church had a mission in the beginning was to preach the word, so men everywhere could be saved. Most religious bodies today have become a social thing, they are interested in entertainment, money making, it has become more of a social gathering of the community, than a gathering of those to worship the Lord and all mighty God. This is the kind of Church that God started

The church is to be glorious: Ephesians 5:27 That he might present to himself a glorious church not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing: but that it should be holy and without blemish. The word glorious, means to be held in honor, full of splendor. This describes the church that Jesus built. God's word out shines the ideas and opinions of men, just like the sun out shines the moon, folks there is no comparison, we need to search the scriptures daily to see if the institution we are a part of is that glorious institution that Jesus said he would build. The way we can know is to go back to the book we call the Bible. Because when we speak where the Bible speaks and we are silent where the Bible is silent and we call Bible things by Bible names and we do Bible things, Bible ways. When we find a church that follows these words, we have found the glorious institution the Lord said he would build.

The church is a saving institution. We find the main mission of the church is to be saving institution. Without the saving power of Jesus Christ man would be hopelessly lost in darkness. Matthew 1:21 Jesus came to seek and save lost. He gave this message to preach after he arose up from the grave, he sent his disciples into all the world with this message. Mark 16:16 He that believeth and

his baptized shall be saved. He that believeth not shall be condemned. Thank You for reading this article. I will continue next week, Lord Willing to study the idea, of THE CHURCH. This article has been submitted by THE CHESTNUT RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

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Brodhead deals with many issues during regular meeting

By: Mike French Editor

The agenda at the regular monthly meeting Monday night of the Brodhead City Commission, looked simple with only two items. But there were a lot of decisions to make about the city under

those two headings. Under the "Old Business" and the "New Business" headings, members of the Brodhead City Commission discussed sidewalks, the park shelters, city streets, playground equipment, FEMA money, retention bonuses, mitigation funds, potholes, two new ordinances, action on the nuisance ordinance, new police cruisers, four-way stops, a new dump truck, guard railing and the American Recovery Act.

Commissioner Brian Bullock and Emergency Management Director Brian Bussell pointed out that the Cumberland Valley Area Development District (CVADD) is holding up grant funds that should be available. "The Cumberland Valley ADD is holding everyone up and they need to get on the move," said Bussell.

However, Bussell said the city has now received \$35,551 from FEMA for flood damage to the city.

Commission members also heard City Clerk Becky Bussell also said she expects the city's insurance company to send a check for \$4,400 to replace a shelter that was destroyed by wind at the local City Park recently.

On a motion by Bullock, Sigmon Street between West Main and Silver Street, will no longer be a one way street. The motion passed unanimously.

Brian Bussell said there may be some retention bonus money available for police officers but, if received, the money is a onetime grant. The commission is looking into the matter. Brian Bussell also said he expects the potholes in the city to be repaired near the end of September. Repairing about 15 major potholes in city streets will cost about \$4,500.

Bussell and Bullock, and other commissioners, also discussed taking actions allowed by the city's nuisance ordinance. This would be the first time the city has served homeowners with letters notifying them to correct an issue. "We have to do something now. We will give them the required time to fix the dangerous problems or they can pay us to do it for them," said Bullock. "Some of this is causing a hazard to the people of Brodhead and that cannot be allowed." Police Officer Kirk Mays said he will serve the two notifications this week. Property owners have 60 days to resolve the issue. If unresolved, the City of Brodhead will correct the issue and bill the property owner for all expenses.

"We aren't talking about people who didn't mow their lawns recently," said Bullock. "We are talking about people who haven't mowed all year."

The commissioners also discussed two new, fully-equipped police cruisers now available to the Brodhead Police Department.

Bullock said there will be more revenue from the city's alcohol regulatory fee than expected. The city will be receiving more than original calculations showed, he said.. "It turns out the City will receive \$8,000 to \$9,000 per quarter in regulatory fees and that is not counting the Family Dollar, who only recently applied for a license."

The total revenue is not known at this time since those calculations only include one business, a very small portion of another business's sales and none of the new Family Dollar alcohol sales.

With this money, the city plans to lease two new police cruisers.

"By leasing, we are able to accurately budget our police department," said Bullock. "There are no new engines to buy and transmissions that we didn't expect. We know what our costs will be and can better plan and better equip our police. More importantly, we can better serve our citizens. We spent over \$10,000 just last year fixing cars. That is gone now and we have dependable, reliable patrols in our city."

There were also first readings on two important ordinances at the meeting. (See related story for details.)

Commissioners are also discussing sidewalks throughout the city and how to address repairs on existing sidewalks and where new sidewalks may be needed.

Commissioners also said that, after an exhaustive search, they found a dump truck. The \$14,000 truck will be part of the City Water and Sewer Department.

Bussell warned commissioners and Mayor Walter Cash about how funds from the American Recovery Act can be used, "Cities are spending money right and left and how that money must be used is pretty clearly identified," he said. "A lot of cities have spent some funds through the American Recovery Act that I am afraid they are going to have to pay back."

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 11 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Local man performs on Grand Ole Opry stage

By: Mike French Editor

For those who want to be an astronaut, NASA would be the place to go. For those who want to be a spy, the CIA would be a goal. But, for those who want to play country or Blue-

grass music, the pin-

nacle is The Grand Ole Opry.

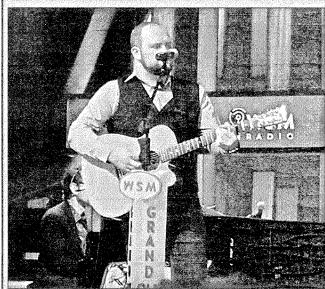
Rockcastle's own Jake Vanover reached that pinnacle in late August with what is arguably the biggest Bluegrass Band in the nation, Dailey and Vincent.

Vanover is a member of the Jimmy Fortune

band and travels the country playing music already. Fortune was the tenor singer for the Statler Brothers before forming his own band. But, when the chance to play the Opry came up, "I jumped at it," he said.

See "Opry" on B3)





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Jake Vanover stood
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and performed with
the top bluegrass
band in the nation,
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Vanover is part of
the Jimmy Fortune
country band but
had the chance to
fill in with the
bluegrass band as a
guest performer.

School tax hike approved

By: Mike French Editor

After the required two weeks of advertising, the Rockcastle County School Board held a special called meeting on Thursday, September 2 to allow the public an opportunity to comment on a proposed small tax hike. Only one member of the community attended the

neeting.

After reading the proposal to increase the real property and personal property from 46.8 cents to 46.9 cents each, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the increase.

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Chairman Angela
Mink said the increase is
expected to increase revenues from \$2,431,682

to \$2,477,451 That increased revenue will be allocated to the building fund with no increased revenue to instruction, maintenance, collections or transportation, Mink said.

According to law, a petition to recall the increase may be made through the Rockcastle County Clerk's office.

10th annual Hunger Walk feeds hope for the public

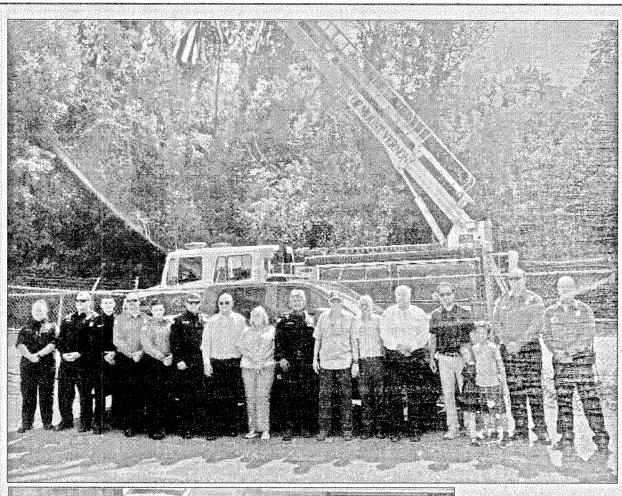
Rockcastle County Schools (RCS) partners with Christian Appalachian Project's (CAP) Grateful Bread Food Pantry to fight hunger and feed hope at the 10th Annual Hunger Walk, sponsored by Texas Roadhouse. The event is held each September to educate the public during Hunger Awareness Month.

"It was important to continue to bring awareness to hunger-related issues in Appalachia," said Sherri Barnett, manager of CAP's pantry. "We are grateful for our community partners that participated in this year's event that raised funds and collected food to help meet the needs of our neighbors. One in four children in Rockcastle struggle with food insecurity and our vulnerable seniors face challenges with having enough food. The Hunger Walk reminds us that we can all make a difference when we come together."

Community leadership showed their support by participating in a symbolic walk today. Each walker this year represented 100 walkers that would have attended the in-person event. Walkers included CAP President/ CEO Guy Adams, Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant, Rockcastle County Judge Executive Howell Holbrook, Pastor Dennis Wilder of First Baptist Church Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County School Superintendent Carrie Ballinger, Rockcastle County High School Principal J.D. Bussell, God's Pantry Food Bank CEO Mike Halligan, and Heather Spurlock, Texas Roadhouse.

Grateful Bread Food Pantry will continue to collect nonperishable food items throughout September which will provide thousands of pounds of food that will go in pantry boxes for families, commodity boxes for seniors, and weekend food backpacks for area schoolchildren. Items can be dropped off at Grateful Bread Food Pantry, 3095 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon. For more information, visit

chrisapp.org.





Flag Retiring ceremony

Local and state officials attended the flag retirement ceremonies held last week at the Mount Vernon Fire Department. The strict regulations for disposing of an American Flag was honored by all as each decommissioned flag was burned one at a time until only ashes remained.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Deeds Recorded

Kyle Dale Robinson, property on KY 70, to Kassandra Barnett. Tax

The Estate of Marian Kay Shelton, property in Brodhead, to David and Jennifer Whitt and Marvin E. and Judy Owens. Tax \$7

Patty A. Nicely, Brenda Lovell and Sandra Burke, Co-Executrixes, property in Rockcastle County, to Gary and Patty A. Nicely. Tax \$36

C.V. Rentals, property on US 25, to Rohitkumar Patel. Tax \$50

Mary Gregory and Luther Hundley, property on waters of Rockcastle River, to Jackie and Rhonda McClure. Tax \$2

Steve and Jamie Ponder and Martin K. Ponder, property off Wabd-Sand Springs Road, to Hallmark, Inc. Tax \$105

Shannon Griffith, property in Carter Heights Subdv., to Norma Jean Yaegel and Myron Griffith. Tax \$14

Frasier Berea Land LLC, property in Don Dees Project, to Rockcastle Recycling LLP. Tax \$225

Lavena and James Lewis, property on Scaffold Cane Rd., to Tony D. Walters. Tax \$92

Anita Wilson, Administratrix, property on Boone Cromer Road and Anthony Doan. Tax \$15

Debra Lambert and Joseph Sharpe, property on Doc Adams Road, to James W. and Judy C. Bowling. Tax \$465

Ky. Lodging and Development Co., Inc., property on US 25, to Dolgenver LLC. Tax \$1,759

Emma Clines, property on Rookwood Dr., to Noah J. ad Skyler Lee Combs. Tax \$93

Dale and Joyce Lark, property in Brodhead, to Katie C. Belville. Tax

Christian J. and Rebekah Welch, property on the waters of Todd Branch of Big Clear Creek, to Stephanie Enderle. Tax \$180

Joseph Lambert, property in Rockcastle County, to John and Jean Marion. Tax \$70

Patty A. Nicely, Brenda Lovell and Sandra Burke, Co-Executrixes, property in Rockcastle County, to Steve Graves. No tax

Creek Bottom Properties LLC, property on Lear Lane, to Woods & Waters with M&S LLP. Tax \$115

Woods and Waters with M&S LLP, property on Lear Lane, to Shannon Edmondson. Tax \$84

Isaac McClure, property in Cedar Hgts. Subv., to Tiffany Dobbs. Tax

Billy R. and Shirley Cummins, property in Owens Subdv., to Linda Rhodus. Tax \$152

Martha Epperson and Charles Smith, property in Rockcastle County, to Barbara Bustle. Tax \$80

Melvin L. Taylor, Sr. and Ginger R. Taylor, property on Old US 25, to James Russell Cornelius IV. No tax

Larry Phipps, property in Dusty Trails Subdy., to Adam James Walker, Tax

Wayne Lumber Co., Inc., property near headwaters of Little Clear Creek, to Ky. Hardwood Lumber Co., Inc. Tax \$460

Charles R. Rickels, property on Mt. Vernon/ Somerset Road, to Mark Boswell LLC. Tax \$25

Russell Paquette, property on Paul St., Mt. Vernon, to Robert David Sankey. Tax \$5

Jennifer DeBorde, property in Brodhead, to Steven Brown. No tax

Robert and Tressa Chesnut, Gilbert and Nola Chesnut and Marilyn Chesnut, property in Benton Bullock Subdy., to Lonnie and Jean McGuire, Tax \$25

Robert and Tressa Chesnut, Gilbert and Nola Chesnut and Marilyn Chesnut, property on Maple Grove Road, to Gilbert and Nola Chesnut. Tax \$2.50

John Randall and Edith Faye Barnett, property on Red Foley Road, to Allen Scott and Holly Johnson, Tax \$380

Joyce E. Sullivan and six others, property on Poplar Grove Road, to John Dingus and Anna Sue Sparkman. tax \$150

Curtis and Virginia Mink Cash, property in Rockcastle County, to Steve Albright. No tax

Steve Albright, property in Rockcastle County, to Curtis and Virginia Mink Cash. Tax

Joshua Lee Singleton, Merky Deaton Road, to property in Hunters Ridge Subdv., to Jonathan and Candice Scalf. Tax \$227

Cody and Rebecca Shuart, property on Lair Avenue, to Anthony Clark Hutchison. Tax

Robert and Tressa Chesnut, Gilbert and Nola Chesnut and Marilyn Chesnut, property on Maple Grove Road, to Robert and Tressa Chesnut. No tax

Rose Marie Phillips Revocable Trust, property on Climax Road, to Richard E. Jacobs. Tax

Angela Loudermilk and Bruce L. Kirby, property on Hwy. 2549, to Carissa Danielle Reynolds, Tax \$25

Barbara Pitman, property in Benton Bullock Subdv., to Larry Phipps. Tax \$4

John and Lanna Harris, property in Countryside Estates Subdv., to Daniel A. and Ashleigha D. Martin. Tax \$228.50

Marriage Licenses

Brooklyn Mackenzie Lane, 20, Mt. Vernon, student and Joshua Adam Clay Martin, 20, Mt. Vernon, Ky American Water. 9/7/21

Ainsley Brooke Bussell, 32, Mt. Vernon, teacher and Cecil Michael VanWinkle, 32, Mt. Vernon, framer. 9/7/

Sandra Lynn Hunter Brown, 52, Mt. Vernon, education and Mickey Lee McClure, 45, Mt. Vernon, carpenter. 9/8/21

Rain Savannah Patrick, 25, Lexington. recruiter and James Micah Ward, 27, Brodhead, system administrator. 9/9/21

Pamela Ann Miller. 21. Mt. Vernon. student and Eric Michael Paul Bullock, 23, Mt. Vernon, teacher. 9/9/21

District Civil Suits

Varsha Khatri v. Jamie Daniels, et al. tim Huff v. Claude

Tuttle, et al. Marvin Owens v. An-

drew L. Lovell. Community Trust

Bank v. Gary Savage. Midland Credit Management, Inc. v. Michael davidson.

Valley View Apartments LTD v. Srormi Oldridge.

Town Branch Apartments v. Lisa R. Coker Robinson. Midland Credit Man-

agement, Inc. v. Justin Chasteen. Midland Credit Man-

Roe. LVNV Funding LLC v. Jeremy Neff.

agement, Inc. v. Eldon

Crown Asset Management LLC v. Jerusha M. Robinson.

LVNV Funding LLC v. Jana Robinson. LVNV Funding LLC

v. Susan Vanwinkle. LVNV Funding LLC

v. Deanna Mullins. Capital One Bank (USA) N.A. v. Lauren R.

Gregory. C-00139

District Court

Sept. 8, 2021 Hon. Kathryn G. Slone

Samantha Lynn Key: failure of owner to maintain required insurance/ security, five days in jail/ concurrent/costs merged.

Derek McCown: no/ expired registration plates (three charges), \$50 fine, \$25 fine, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt three charges) \$50 fine, \$25 fine, \$25 fine; failure of owner to maintain req. insurance/security (three charges), 60 days in jail each charge; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$25 fine; obstructed vision and/or windshield, \$25 fine.

Melissa R. Elms: public intoxication, drug paraphernalia-buy/possess, illegal possession of legend drug and giving officer false identifying information, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).

John L. Fain: driving on DUI suspended license, 90 days/probated 24 m onths on condition plus costs.

Sandra Kay Fields: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/ drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, plus service fee and 30 days operator license suspension.

Dora Isaacs: hindering prosecution or apprehension, endangering the welfare of a minor (two counts) and falsely reporting an incident, bw issued for fta. Andrea Faye Lamb

Baker: public intoxication, criminal trespassing, bw issued for fta. Brian Pendery: posses-

sion of marijuana, \$100 fine plus costs.

Walter Terry: obstructed vision and/or windshield and five other charges, license suspended for fta.

Circuit Civil Suits

Randy A. Bishop v. Cammie L. Calder.

Claudine Thornton v. Hardeep Singh, et al. Kelly Denney v. April

Harrison. Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Jackson L. Coleman, III.

Rodney Smith v. Shirley Mink, et al.

[™] Morgan Adams v. Bruce Logan Chasteen. Oliphant Financial,

LLC v. Charles Shields. Shannon Dewayne Stamper v. Faith Nicole

Stamper. Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Michael D. Hiatt.

Kentucky Housing Corp. v. Sylvia Lynn Bullen Estate.

Natasha Shepherd v. Roy John Shepherd.

Christopher Scott Barnes v. Jamie Marie Parkey Barnes.

Neil Singleton v. Fred



Toll-free Treatment Help Line 1-866-90-UNITE

Paula Pierce v. Devon

Jesse Gabbard v. Guy

White, et al. Margaret McClure v. Franklin J. McClure. CI-00178

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RCIDA pleased with new Chapin expansion

A big part of the Rockcastle County industrial Development Authority (RCIDA) regular meeting this month included congratulations to those , who helped with the rereently announce Chapin expansion.

"This is a much bigger deal than some may realize," said Chairman Corey Craig. "Jeff (VanHook, Executive Director), Josh (Bray, Kentucky State Representative), and Howell (Holbrook, Rockcastle County Judge/Executive) have done really amazing work to make this happen."

An expansion announcement came last month from Chapin International which will bring an expected 100

"Opry" (Continu8ed from B1)

Vanover was approached by the bluegrass duo after a performance several weeks ago. "They asked me if I would be interested in playing the Grand Ole Opry with them." The 27-year-old said it didn't take him long to say "yes."

Vanover became a well known Bluegrass musician across the country when he joined Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver two years ago but he later joined Fortune and has been traveling and playing music and becoming even better known since.

While being a member of Fortune's road band is among the most sought-after positions in the music field, Vanover, like most, believes the Grand Ole Opry to be the most sought-after stage in the world.

"It was surreal to me while I was actually standing on stage playing," said Vanover. "You really can appreciate it more when you reflect on it."

Vanover is single which affords him more time on the road and he says this show will stand out in his memory. "Playing the Grand Ole Opry will be a memory that will never fade," he said. "It was an opportunity I am thankful for and will never forget."

new jobs to their Mount Vernon plant. Craig and VanHook said those responsible have made a large impact on the county's economic status.

"The entire community owes these people a big 'Thank You' for their ability to get this done. To have an out-of-state company add such an economic impact into Rockcastle County is a big deal."

In fact, as VanHook and other members of the board discussed, the expansion, Vanhook said, including the planned growth at Chapin, will add \$10 to \$12 million in salary. "When added to the Excela plant, who has another \$10 million or more, we are looking at about \$250,000 in totally new revenue into Rockcastle County in payroll alone," he said.

The Director also said he is still working with other out-of-state companies who he expects to locate here.

"For a town our size,

competing with much larger cities and drawing companies from New York to Rockeastle County, this is a huge economic impact," said Craig. "It needs to be noticed that these three, and others, worked through some very difficult things to get this done," said Craig. "There were times we all thought the deal was going to fall apart. But Jeff and Josh and Howell never gave up and worked everything out."

VanHook said with the natural gas line now coming to Rockcastle, "this is just the beginning." There was also discus-

sion concerning the new Farmers Market building under construction on Richmond Street. VanHook said the original contract did not include a security system but the board unanimously approved the request for an additional \$10,377 to install the sys-

VanHook said the high tech system will include eight cameras and a means by which a manager can communicate with anyone at the building remotely.

"If a UPS driver makes a delivery or anyone walks up to the building, we will be able to communicate with them," said VanHook.

Currently, construction has been held up slightly due to the special order windows for the building. However, VanHook says he expects delivery within a few weeks.

There was also discussion of a future proposal for a sound system and/ or drop-down screen for functions or advertising future events for Farmers Market shoppers. VanHook said he will put together a proposal for equipment that can be utilized by those who use the facility for conferences or teaching purposes when the Farmers Market is not on the premises.

The next regular meeting is planned for Tuesday, October 5 at 8:30 a.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

Celebrate the foundation of America DAR urges all to promote **US Constitution Week**

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution urges Americans to reflect on the United States Constitution during this month's annual observance in honor this foundational document of national governance.

"There are two documents of paramount importance to American history: the Declaration of Independence, which forged our national identity, and the United States Constitution, which set forth the framework for the federal government that functions to this day," said DAR President General Denise Doring VanBuren. "While Independence Day is a wellrecognized and beloved national holiday, fewer people know about Constitution Week, an annual commemoration of the living document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to our American way of life."

The DAR initiated the observance in 1955, when the service organization petitioned the U.S. Congress to dedicate September 17-23 of each year to the commemoration of Constitution Week. Congress adopted the resolution, and on August 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into Public Law #915. The celebration's goals are threefold: to encourage the study of the historical events that led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787; to remind the public that the Constitution is the basis of America's great heritage and the foundation for its way of life; and to emphasize U.S. citizens' responsibility to protect, defend and preserve the U.S. Constitu-

DAR has been the foremost advocate for the awareness, promotion, and celebration of Constitution Week. The annual observance provides innumerable opportunities for educational initiatives and community outreach, two mission areas of crucial importance to the National Society. By fostering knowledge of, and appreciation for, the Constitution and the inalienable rights it affords to all Americans, DAR helps to keep alive the memory of the men and women who secured our nation's foundational liberties.

communities "In across America, Daughters will erect hundreds of community displays, sponsor municipal proclamations, ring bells and stage programs to raise awareness of the

Constitution's tenets and importance. We invite everyone to join us in celebrating this powerful document, which has enabled our democracy within a republic for more than two centuries. We hope that all Americans will learn more about the Constitution and its immense impact on our nation," VanBuren said.

One of the largest patriotic women's organizations in the world, DAR has more than 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters across the country and several foreign countries. DAR members promote historic preservation, education and patriotism via a commemorative events, scholarships and educational initiatives, citizenship programs, service to veterans, meaningful community service and more. For additional information about DAR and its relevant mission, visit www.dar.org.

Graduates from Cumberlands

There are more than 1,500 reasons to celebrate as summer ends and the fall term begins - one for every summer graduate from University of the Cumberlands.

The following students completed a degree at Cumberlands this summer:

William Gentry of Brodhead, earned their Education Specialist in Principal.

Hannah Laswell of Mount Vernon, earned their Master of Arts Education in Special Education P-

Morgan Smith of Mount Vernon, earned their Master of Arts Education in Special Education P-

Ella Bradley of Mount Vernon, earned their Education Specialist in School Counseling.

Well done to these Cumberlands Patriots.

Commonwealth of Kentucky **28th Judicial Circuit** Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 21-CI-00118

Land Home Financial Services, Inc. **Plaintiff**

erote et al content partie v. Wilfred Joseph Pichette, Jr. Maria Pichette

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 22, 2021 for satisfying the judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY TWO DOLLARS AND 32/100 (\$183,282.00) 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 Thursday, September 23, 2021 Beginning at the Hour of 11:00 a.m.

Said real property being more particularly deboone Crome 4 and seven several se bedinas

11 4181 Scaffold Cane Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 at a CL value M Map ID# 055-00-038.20

Being the same property conveyed to Michael Joseph Pichette, a single person who acquired title by virtue of a deed from Evan Bradley Warrick, a single person and Lexie Elizabeth Warrick, a single person, dated February 27, 2020, recorded March 4, 2020, at Deed Book 272, Page 184, Rockcastle County, Kentucky records. Being the same property conveyed to Wilfred Joseph Pichette, Jr., no marital status shown, and Maria Pichette, no marital status shown who acquired title by virtue of an Affidavit of Descent from Michael Joseph Pichette, deceased, dated June 19, 2020, recorded June 20, 2020, at Deed Book 273, Page 126, Rockcastle County, Kentucky records.

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

8. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.

9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is". 10. All sales shall be conducted pursuant to the

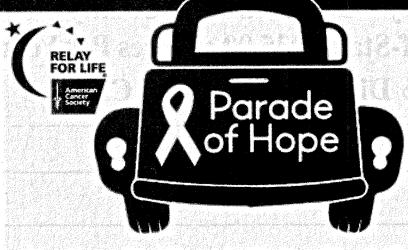
COVID19 safety regulations set out by the Governor and Kentucky Supreme Court, including but not limited to the following:

Only bidders or parties of the civil action or the party's representative shall be present at the auc-

· All persons present at the sale shall remain 6 feet · All persons present at the sale shall be required

to wear a mask. The sale shall occur outside on the Courthous steps (main street entrance).

> John D. Ford **Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court**



Rockcastle County Relay For Life 2021 **EVENT POSTPONED**

elay For Life has been a staple annual event in our community for decades. Each year, Rockcastle Countians have gathered together to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost to the disease, and to fight back against a disease that takes too much.

Each volunteer places our survivors' health, well-being, and safety as our number one priority. With that in mind, and with the surge in COVID-19 cases within our county, the Event Leadership Team has made the difficult decision to cancel this year's event plans, at this time. As the conditions within the county improve, we will re-evaluate and hope to reschedule the parade during a time that is safer for our survivors, volunteers, and community.

For more information, call Kapla Presilti at 256-1767 or Melitsa Brock at 256-7703.

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

Accepting Applications For 2 and 3 bedroom

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

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

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Miscellaneous For Sale

Double D Apple Orchard has apples for sale. Two miles up Scaffold Cane Road. Weekdays and weekends. Ph. 256-9096. 32x6p Branson 2810 3 cylinder diesel tractor. 357 hours, 4 wheel drive, comes with Buhler 7 ft. finisher mower. Garage kept. Asking \$10,500 for both. 606-256-0019.33x1

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

Notice is hereby given that Lola McBride, 4A Robinson Terrace, Richmond, Ky. 40475 has been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Flossie Lou Cain on the 24th day of August, 2021. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Lola McBride, on or before February 28, 2022 at 11 a.m.

Notice is hereby given that Lonnie McGuire and Jean McGuire have filed the Final Settlement of their accounts as co-executors of the Estate of Gladys Chesnut, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held October 11, 2021 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed

before that date. 33x1

Help Wanted

Experienced Maintenance Technician needed at leading apartment communities in Mt. Vernon, Brodhead, Hustonville and Manchester, KY. Applicant must have a working knowledge of residential plumbing and electric, HV/AC preferred but not required. Strong troubleshooting/diagnostic skills and be very self-motivated. Maintenance techs are responsible for various duties: completing work orders in a timely fashion, returning vacant apartments to a 'make ready' status, ordering necessary materials and parts to make repairs, grounds detail, scheduling, etc. If interested, please call 1-859-293-2175, 24xntf

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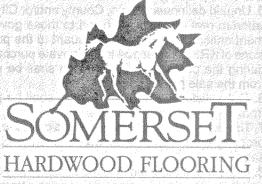
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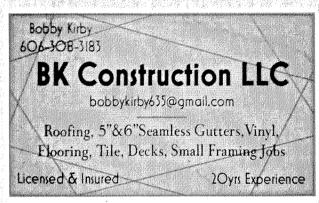
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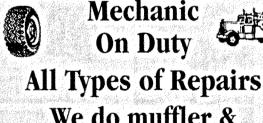
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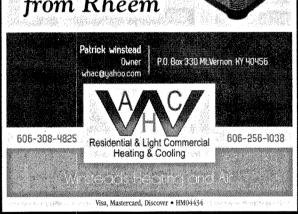
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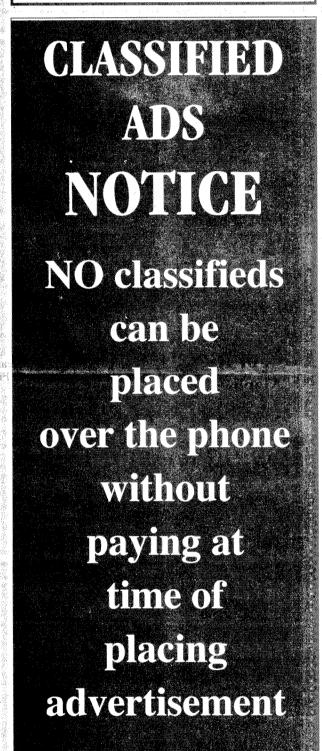
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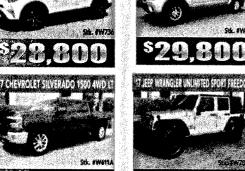
















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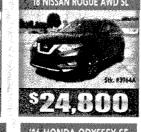






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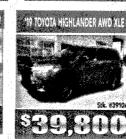
















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