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Retired KSP Sergeant is new SRO



Tom Atkin (left) was officially sworn-in by Mount Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant on Thursday, September 23 as the Rockcastle County School District SRO (School Resource Officer) and Mount Vernon Police officer. Atkin will serve in both roles. The City of Mount Vernon will provide Atkin's equipment and cruiser and he will serve as a police officer when school is not in session.

By: Mike French
Editor

One of the many changes in school systems, since COVID began, has been the creation of a School Resource Officer. Since the position would cause extra financial strain on the school system, and the City of Mount Vernon has been

hoping for an additional police officer, the two entities have joined hands to jointly hire an experienced police veteran for both jobs.

Retired Kentucky State Police Sergeant, Tom Atkin, has been named School Resource Officer (SRO) for Rockcastle County Schools and also the newest

Mount Vernon Police Officer.

Along with other experience, Atkin was an investigation sergeant with the Kentucky State Police, a member of the Kentucky State Police Special Response team a United State Army veteran and a member of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department.

The arrangement began last year when Rockcastle County Schools Superintendent Carrie Ballinger, Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant and the City of Mount Vernon decided to create one new position that could help with both needs.

Atkin had worked (See "SRO" on A6)

Attempted murder/suicide arrest made in Mount Vernon

By: Mike French
Editor

Derrick Mullins, 39, of Mount Vernon was arrested and charged with attempted murder and wanton endangerment Friday, September 24, according to a Kentucky State Police report.

The report says Kentucky State Trooper Corey Jones and Rockcastle County Sheriff's Deputy Tom Atkin were

at the scene on Tremont Drive, Mt. Vernon where the incident occurred where they spoke with Stacie Smith, who claimed she had attempted to end a relationship with Mullins, causing a two day argument between the two.

On the second day, according to Smith, Mullins said "If I can't have you,

(See "Suicide" on A6)

Local man charged with rape/sodomy of 11 year-old girl

By: Mike French
Editor

James D. Irvin, 52, of Brodhead, was arrested Monday, September 27 and charged with first degree rape and first degree sodomy with a minor under 12 years old, according to a uniform citation.

The citation goes on to give explicit details that cannot be published here but reports that Rockcastle Sheriff's Deputy Sam Brock was called to the Department for Community Based Services after an 11 year-old female had reported that Irvin had performed sexual acts against her.

The citation says the activity began when the victim was five years old and lasted until this week when she reported the situation to a school counselor.

The citation continued to list several separate incidents and mentions a camcorder that was allegedly used during some of the incidents.

According to the citation, the camcorder was

retrieved by police. Another item considered to be evidence was also retrieved by police.

Irvin was taken to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where his bond was set at \$250,000 cash.

COVID Update

Rockcastle County recorded no new deaths related to COVID-19 last week.

The Cumberland Valley District Health Department is still monitoring outbreaks at the local detention center and the rehab center. The county incident rate dropped to 109 with 54 confirmed and 74 probable new cases last week, a notable reduction from last week. COVID-19 is blamed for 29 deaths in the county.

Gospel singing

There will be a Gospel Singing held at the Livingston Depot on Friday, October 1 and the public is invited to attend the free event. The Singing Patriots will perform.

Trick or Treat still on Halloween on Main cancelled

Once again this year, the City of Mount Vernon has decided to cancel the annual Halloween on Main event for 2021. However, Trick-or-Treat will be observed from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 30. The Bittersweet Festival is planned for this weekend since it is an outdoor event.

2021 Bittersweet Festival

Starting today

By: Mike French
Editor

The 2021 Bittersweet Festival is starting tonight, Thursday, September 30,

Eight Indicted

Eight people were named in six indictments, handed down by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury on Friday, September 24th.

Indicted and their offenses were:

Alexis A. Chasteen, 26, of Joyce St., Mt. Vernon and James L. Hellard, 40, and Donna F. Hellard, 37, both of Richmond St., Mt. Vernon were named in a joint indictment

The three were all charged with kidnapping, assault, robbery and tampering with physical evidence.

Chasteen and James L. Hellard were also indicted as persistent felony offenders, first degree and Donna F. Hellard was indicted as a persistent felony offender, second degree.

Bond for all three was set at \$50,000 c/p each, and

Samantha Lynn Key, 40, of Hammonds Fork Road, Christopher D. Frederick, 37, of Berea, Darren Joe Bennett, 42, of Locust St., Mt. Vernon, Steven T. Halting, 36, of Maple Grove Road, Orlando and Matthew D. Spoonamore, 36, of Burnside were all indicted for the offense of bail jumping.

Their bond was set at \$5,000 c/p each.

ber 30, at 4:30 with what is typically one of the biggest car shows in the county.

On Friday, October 1, the festival will begin at 4 p.m. and last until 10:30. Visitors Friday will see Juggler Dave and Friends Circus along with David Lunsford, the

Straight Shot Band and the Johnny Holland Band. The music starts at 5 p.m. and will last until 10:30.

Saturday, October 3 will begin at 7:30 a.m. with the Virtual 5K run/walk. The petting zoo will be available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the annual Bittersweet Parade will

be at noon. Line up for the parade will begin at 11 a.m.

Juggler Dave and Friends Circus will also be on the grounds Saturday from 1 to 10 p.m.

USWF Wrestling will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

(See "2021" on A6)

King resigns as Livingston Mayor

By: Mike French
Editor

For the second time in two years, the Mayor of Livingston has resigned his post.

After Jason Medley resigned in August of 2020, popular local citizen Dwane King was nominated and appointed to fill Meldey's position at the September, 2020 meeting when Medley's resignation was approved.

During his reign King, 77, at the time, had two City Commissioners resign and had trouble filling the two open seats. In fact, only one resident openly vied for the job and the other remained empty long enough that the Governor appointed the other position.

But now, King, who celebrated his 78th birthday last week, has

resigned his post as well citing medical reasons. "His doctors basically advised him to get away

from the stress," said Melissa Hahn, King's daughter and City Commission member. "He has

had a pacemaker and several other health problems for years and (See "King" on A6)



Livingston Mayor Dwane King, second from right, announced the resignation of his office at a special called meeting last week, on the advice of his doctor, King said. Shown with King at the meeting are members of the city commission. They are, from left: Donna Durham, Melissa Hahn (also the mayor's daughter), Clyde Carpenter and Vice-Mayor Leroy Lamb. The commissioners are slated to officially accept King's resignation at their regular meeting in October.

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin

I have been accused, among other things, of being a conspiracy theorist and, that's fine, sticks and stones, etc.

However, I have been going over in my mind the outrageous actions of our government of late and I cannot help but think that it would take a pretty wild conspiracy theory to explain the disappearance, in one night of 12,000+ Haitians, and other illegal immigrants from under the international bridge at Del Rio, Texas.

When I first found out that overnight these thousands upon thousands had disappeared, I went over in my mind the theories that might explain it, you know, like an alien space ship came by and took them all wherever alien space ships take people they abduct. Or, maybe they all wandered into the Rio Grande and drowned but, when I found out within a few days what really happened to them, I was really upset with our government (I know you find that hard to believe).

It seems our government, attested to by Alejandro Mayorkas, Department of Homeland Security chief, admitted that they had been taken

to different places, into the interior of our country, and without being tested for the dreaded COVID 19 or vaccinated.

Evidently, with the present government push to get "everyone" (evidently just legal American citizens and taking their livelihood from them if they don't) vaccinated, our government feels that these illegals are not a threat to the health of our nation.

Why they have decided this, I can't tell you, or actually I can tell you my "conspiracy theory." I believe that anything that allows this government to further destroy our country's sovereignty fits their agenda to "fundamentally change" our Republic, our way of life and our heritage will be encouraged.

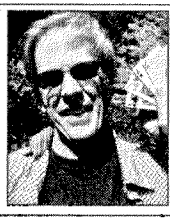
We presently have millions, some estimates are as high as 60 million, illegal immigrants in our country and there are reportedly thousands more ready to caravan into our country to again be magically transported from the border into our interior.

I say all this to say that

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Aces Over

By: Mike French



There are two separate groups of Americans now, thanks to politics.

One side will not listen to anything the other side says and vice-versa. No matter how much evidence, or even proof, one side can demonstrate, the other side blows it off as mere coincidence and a conspiracy theory or government trickery. The left (and apparently some conservatives now) has even resorted to calling anything they disagree with as "misinformation," even when their argument against it is the actual misinformation.

Neither side will listen to the other's complaints, ideas, suggestions or theories because their minds are made up. Both sides of the issue are the same. They consider the other side to be dead wrong and not worthy of an opinion. "Stop saying that view that I disagree with," seems to be the norm for the left. I call that Marxism. Anyone in their right mind would call it censorship.

That's a shame.

As for me, I am a long way from being a supporter of giving government any authority over my life. In fact, my biggest concern against the vaccination is that the government is trying so hard to get me to take it. I see that as an issue.

All the flu seasons I went through in my 60-plus years and the SARS and Mad Cow and countless other social threats, never has the government been so worried about my health. It is as if Andy Beshear was losing sleep at night because Mike French isn't vaccinated yet.

As a long-time fighter against ANY form of government control over my own personal decisions, I was one of the millions who didn't trust the vac-

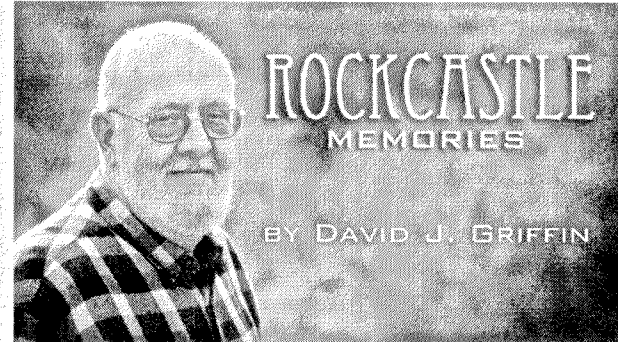
cine and I don't believe masks help anything at all.

I have never been shown a single piece of proof that wearing a mask keeps anyone from getting or from spreading COVID-19. Yet, I have seen a lot of evidence to the contrary.

But, who am I? Just a country boy from Waco.

So, on the off chance that government isn't up to more than they are admitting, I went and got my first COVID vaccine shot. Not for me. I was never worried about the flu. But, I am around some older people and the government assured me 400 times per day, that getting the shot will keep me from getting

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Sweet Sleep

There may be nothing more important than a good night's sleep. This has been affirmed to me by the fact that we have just purchased a new mattress.

When you are young, you can sleep anywhere and at virtually any time—morning, noon or night. I remember sleeping in my car when I was a teenager while waiting for one of my friends to get off work so that we could party. I also remember taking a nap on my grandmother's couch. I could go to sleep there anytime.

I recall having no dif-

ficulty sleeping in college. My bed at Hagan Hall was brand new, and I always slept like a newborn baby. I actually slept through my 7:30 am World Literature class on more than one occasion, which was actually not a real problem in my view. It was a boring lecture on a boring subject (to me) by a boring dinosaur of a professor. But I digress.

Like most teens, I spent the night with several of my friends when I was in high school. I had no difficulty sleeping at the homes of Lloyd Fain, Gary Coffey, Jim Barton Nunnelley, or Marion Whitehouse. Sleep generally came easily and naturally to teenagers of my youth.

When you get old, sleep becomes more precious as the years go by. When Kathy and I moved to Mt. Sterling, we did not anticipate the sounds of living in a city. We had to get used to the traffic, garbage trucks, and emergency sirens.

Even as an adult, getting a good night's rest was not a problem. My wife and I camped for years in a van. Its bed was so narrow that we had to turn in tandem while sleeping. We enjoyed it. Nowadays, we talk about those days with great fondness -- as the recollection of how well we slept in that rig.

But Age itself eventually catches up with us, bringing along many age-related health concerns, aches, and pains. During the past ten years, I have been slowed down by arthritis. "Uncle Arthur" makes it more difficult to sleep through the night. He sometimes stabs me in the knee as if

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Alternative diploma given special needs students....

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to let parents, caregivers, grandparents and everyone in the general public in on an interesting fact that just got brought to my attention.

If you have, or even know a child or children that is currently on an IEO (Individualized Education Program) or special needs that has special education, they might be just getting a certificate (alternative high school diploma) for all their years of school, instead of a regular high school diploma. That's a shocker,

right?

When I signed my children up, I have two that are special education, I was not told this because I would never have agreed to this. They (the school) just told me about the alternative assessment test. Special education kids can take this test all year, instead of taking it at the end of the year when other students take about a week. This is the result that helps fund our public schools, if they get high enough scores. It doesn't matter if our children pass or flunk the test. This is what makes a difference in a certificate (alternative high school diploma) and a regular

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



Mama's Hand

Dear Journal, I have heard it said that as we get older, in the case of women anyway, we become more like our mother. I would have never thought it was possible, but I 'm believing it more and more each day. My mom was a unique woman. She was ahead of her time, progressive in many ways. She attended Cumberland College like her mother and was very educated for her generation. To a certain degree, I suppose I'm the same way... although I'm rather old fashioned. "If it ain't broke, don't fix it", I usually say.

Mom was a talented painter and worked in oils. I have some of her work hanging in our home even now. I dabble in art but don't really have time for it. Maybe one day I will. I love painting and art. She could write some very lovely pieces of poetry and is credited with probably several hundred poems and has been published. In going through her stuff, I often find poems or works she hadn't completed. I write poetry as well, but don't have the time to devote to it as I should. Mom al-

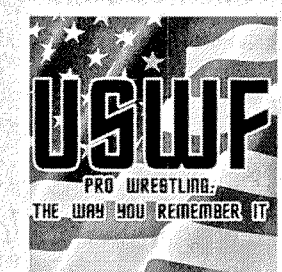
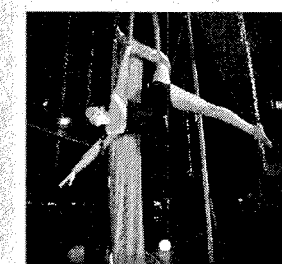
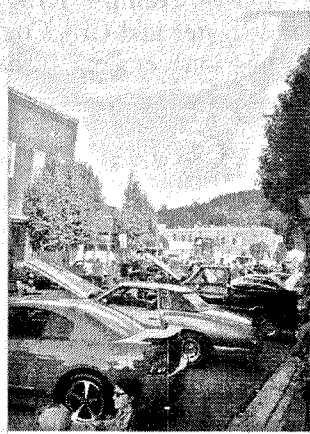
ways said that you have to be in a certain frame of mind to write anything or paint and not hurried with plenty of time. I'm afraid I don't usually have either. Mom had a beautiful singing voice. She could really hit those high notes when she wanted. Growing up back in the Big Band era with all those crooners like Doris Day and Bing Crosby left an impression on her. She could croon with the best of them. Me, I can't carry a tune in a bucket, and am rather tone deaf. It is a shame; I'd love to be able to sing. She was a wonderful cook and I've been told that I was, too.

We have inherited something that is called obsessive compulsive disorder. It is basically someone who "has to have a place for everything and everything in its place", so said my great grandma who passed it down to all of the other unsuspecting generations. It involves having to be in a germ-free situation, too. Poor old mom would have gone nuts with all of this COVID around. However, if she had total con-

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2021 BITTERSWEET FESTIVAL

Sept 30th, Oct 1st & 2nd



Thursday September 30th

Car Show 4:30-9:00

Friday October 1st

Festival Begins 4:00-10:30pm

Juggler Dave & Friends Circus

4:00pm-10:00pm

Music

5:00-6:00- David Lunsford
6:15-8:15- Straight Shot
8:30-10:30- Johnny Holland Band

Saturday October 2nd

Virtual 5k Run/Walk

7:30am

Petting Zoo

10:00am-4:00pm

Parade

11:00am Lineup
12:00 Parade Begins

Juggler Dave & Friends Circus

1:00pm-10:00pm

USWF Wrestling

4:00pm-6:00pm

Music

1:00-2:00- Jaclyn Bullock
2:30-4:30- Threex Enough
5:00-6:45- Silhouette
7:00-9:00- Wild River
9:15-10:30 Alex Miller

Festival Ends 10:30pm

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“Letters”

(Continued from A2) high school diploma. The school should just directly come out and tell you this information so we are aware of what we are signing up for exactly.

If you feel like I do, then you are highly upset with this. We, as adults, send all our kids to better their education and want them to receive their high school diploma. Even if they don't go to college, it is necessary to have a high school diploma in order to have a regular job one day. All kids should be challenged to see what their full potential actually is. I feel that my children have not been given this chance over the years. We need to do what is best for each child and, if you have been done this way or don't know how your child is placed for a regular diploma or an alternative diploma, you need to start asking questions and demanding some answers.

If you don't like what you get told then contact the Kentucky Board of Special Education in Frankfort. The information is given to you on your parent right papers. You get these every IEP meeting you have.

They say we have to stick together and let them know, the more they know, then we will get results to our problems. These people will listen and help you.

I just thought I would share my experience somewhat so other will not be in the dark about the situation. This is serious about our children's education and future. We have to be their advocates and stand up for their rights.

If you would like to contact me, call 606-687-1712 or write:

Rebecca Ordonez
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Enough with the opinion pieces...

Dear Editor,

Let me start by saying I am, and have been, a Republican all my life which should not have anything to do with COVID!

I am writing to say that I, and a lot of other people, am sick of the opinion pieces that keep appearing in your paper each week. Enough already!!

We know you are standing firmly against wearing or being required to wear masks. We know you are not taking the vaccine and feel that it should not be required at all of anybody.

It doesn't matter to us that you watch Fox News all day and night and are gullible enough to believe everything those agenda-driven talking heads say! We get what you think! It is just the influence your ranting may have on others who think you know what you are talking about.

If you are people of conscience, you must feel some responsibility for the fact that our county is one of the 10 counties in the nation with highest rate of Covid infection. You must surely feel some responsibility for at least some of the illnesses and deaths, as well as the dire situation our little local hospital is in right now.

If you have any degree of concern for your fellow citizens, I think you will stop. I don't really

expect a change of direction, but I can hope.

Barbara McKinney

(Ed's Note: You are right not to expect a change of direction, Ms. McKinney. As long as our government is hypocritical enough not to publish the list of side effects possible with these vaccines and to carve out huge swaths of our population, including all postal service employees, the judicial and legislative branches of our government and every illegal immigrant (1.5 million in 2021) coming across our wide open Southern border, then you are right, I will keep speaking out against their illegal mandates. I can only suggest you refrain from reading my personal opinion column if it upsets you this much. And, no, I do not feel any responsibility for the vaccination/Covid numbers in our county since I have confidence that people have the ability to make up their own mind about anything affecting their lives. pma

“ramblings”

(Continued from A2) unless every illegal is tested for COVID and, the vaccine at least offered to them, that the President should not be able to mandate that American citizens be forced to get vaccinated or lose their livelihood (especially when he has made special exemptions for, among others, all postal workers, what's with that?).

In other distressing news, Democrat Governor of California Gavin Newsome, riding on the strength of defeating the recall attempt, has solidified his hold on the electorate by signing into law a bill to make California a permanent vote-by-mail state. The governor also signed a bill that enables children to hide sex operations and abortions from their parents. What could go wrong with that?

And, I would like to hear from our Representative Hal Rogers who, along with John Yarmouth (D), Andy Barr (R) and Brett Guthrie (R), all voted for an amendment to the Defense Authorization bill which would allow a member of the military to be temporarily stripped of weapons under certain circumstances. It's called a Red Flag law. The provision is limited, allowing this for only up to 30 calendar days on an emergency basis.

The amendment gives police and citizens the ability to ask the court to remove firearms from an individual they believe show signs they could pose a danger to themselves or others.

Ky. Rep. Thomas Massie tweeted “Red Flag laws don't require a diagnosis or professional opinion,” adding “only 1 of 17 Red Flag laws on the books mentions mental illness.”

Very conservative Representative Madison Cawthorne also voted for it, along with 134 other Republicans, but immediately justified it by saying he's certain it won't pass in the Senate is the only reason he did.

Poppycrack!

Oh, yes, we finally got a name for youngest daughter Allison's new addition to her family. She checked in at 6 lbs., 10 ounces, 19 inches long and has been named Frances Perlina. They plan on calling her

Franny to distinguish her from her Aunt Fran and great grandmother Frances.

“Aces”

(Continued from A2) COVID and it is perfectly safe.

Of course, the day after I took that chemical concoction into my body, I saw the million cases of people who were vaccinated and still caught COVID. Then I had to listen to government officials pretending to be doctors telling me that they never said the shot would keep me from catching COVID.

Of course, I know better. I heard them with my own ears and saw them with my own eyes.

But, that's still okay. According to the numbers, the vaccine does indeed greatly reduce the chances of catching COVID and, if you do, the illness not as bad as if you are unvaccinated. So, okay, that will work.

Then, 28 days later, my feet and ankles have swollen to more than double their normal size and my ankles and feet are covered in deep red splotches. My feet feel as though my toes are going to shoot through my shoes like the bullet from a .38 and my legs are numb up to the knee.

In all my life, I have never had swollen feet or any “splotches” until 28 days after the shot.

Now I am hearing that heart trouble, kidney trouble, liver trouble, sugar and a hundred other causes for the swelling of my body. But no one seems to even hear me when I remind them that 28 days after the shot, the day I was supposed to have the second shot, this happened overnight.

I don't know that the two things are related. I am no doctor. But it would sure be nice if someone would acknowledge my concern, even if they are from that other side of the aisle and without a condescending snicker.

I don't know yet that the vaccine has anything to do with my health issue. All I know for sure is that I never, ever had swollen feet and numb calves before.

Apparently it could be caused by a lot of things. But I wish both sides of the issue would consider that they may not always be right about everything they think. It is amazing how often people are wrong about something that they were certain about.

I do know that some vaccines cause blood clots and I also know that was never mentioned by Andy or any other left-wing vaxer. As evident

by a Letter to the Editor, now, even some Republicans are beginning to believe everything they are told to believe and trying to silence those who disagree by calling one side's opinion “misinformation.” Facebook and Twitter already censor anything they don't agree with regardless of the facts. And now, “Republicans” are joining them.

Someone had better keep saying all this stuff. People sure aren't going to hear it from the left. When Conservatives join in this mass-censorship effort, the truth is all but gone.

I can't help but wonder if these so-called Republicans, who think we should stop saying what we think, believe we should have stopped talking about the virus coming from a lab in China. Twitter and Facebook stopped people from saying that “ridiculous conspiracy theory of misinformation.” But though we were told “enough already” and to stop talking, it was eventually proven true. I'm sure glad we never stopped.

“Memory”

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he were using an ice pick.

When we moved to Mt. Sterling, we purchased a new, relatively-expensive mattress that literally broke down in two years' time. Because of this, we decided to return to the Tempur-Pedic brand. We first invested in a Tempur-Pedic years and years ago, and we slept well on it for probably 15 years and continued to use it for several more. But with the purchase and repair of the new house having consumed a lot of our resources, we decided not to spend so much money. Now we could kick ourselves for not replacing the Tempur-Pedic with another more modern version.

It may not be possible to sleep like a baby in

your golden years, so I suppose the goal becomes getting a restful sleep. Although it may not be possible to stop the rampages of “Uncle Arthur,” having a reliable mattress sure makes a big difference.

My wish is sweet sleep for all of my readers.

(You can reach me at themtman1962@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) trol, she could wipe out COVID within two months world-wide forever. It has to do with having to have everything in a certain order, too. Do you know how miserable a person like this gets when these things are not up to par? I'm just about nuts half of the time just thinking about it all.

When I was just a little girl, I would look at Mom's hand when she wasn't noticing and think it was so big. As the years passed, our hands became the same size but her skin became thin and


more fragile as the years passed. You could see every vein in it on the top. This once vital and talented hand was now aged and frail. But it was the same hand that cooked my food, bathed me, diapered me, held me as I went to sleep, nursed me back to health, held my hand when taking my first steps, held a Bible to read to me to show me which way to go and spanked me when I was bad. It is the same hand that I placed a pink rose into just before she was buried. I looked down on my lap just the other day and there was mama's hand sticking out of my sleeve and there on my lap. It is the same hand I want to hold again one day in the future. Both of our hands will be the same size, young, vital, and talented.

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Public Forum No. 1

The Rockcastle County Local Planning Committee will conduct a PUBLIC FORUM on Monday, October 11, 2021 at the Rockcastle County Teaching and Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. and hold a Regular Local Planning Committee Meeting thereafter. The Local Planning Committee will convene a Public Forum to solicit public comment on the proposed District Facilities Plan.

The Local Planning Committee Meeting and Public Forum is scheduled in accordance with KRS 157.620 and regulated by 702 KAR 1:001.

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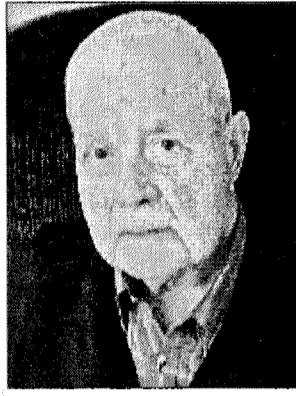


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Obituaries

Donald Crawford Bray

Donald "Don" Crawford Bray, 92, of Brodhead, died Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at his residence. He was born October 4, 1928, in Wabd, a son of the late Robert Lee Bray and Lola Hazel Brown. He was united in marriage to Loretta Owens, and they enjoyed 71 years together, prior to her passing in March of 2020. He was a dedicated owner and employee of Bray's Transmission for over 45 years. He was a member of Bible Baptist Church, and enjoyed fishing, gardening, and farming.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his children, Linda Lee (Jim) Ervin of West Chester, OH, Donna Sharon Pennix of Stanford, and Dennis Dale (Rhonda) Bray, Ricky Dean (Tammy) Bray, Michael Roy Bray, and Melissa Carol Deatherage, all of Brodhead; 15 grandchildren, Jamie Webb, Laura Beth Broermann, Natalie Huston, Leslie McFall, Zachary Pennix, Jackson Bray, Tanner Bray, Josh Bray, Matthew Bray, Haley Bray, Aliah Bray, Ben Bray, Shanlee Childress, Kaylee Deatherage, and Matt Peace; great grandchildren, Kayla Bosaw, Taylor Jarvi, Steven McFall, Abby McFall, Alex Childress, Henry Bray, Thea Childress, Alex McFall, Owen McFall, Auna Rose Pearson, Clara Bray, Trapper Bray, Isla Bray, Liam Carr, Lulu Bray, Hunter Bray, Hazel Bray, Hattie Bray, Presley Peace, Russell Peace, Mallory Webb, Braydon Webb, Eva Broermann, and Tyler Broermann; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents and his wife, Loretta Owens Bray, he was preceded in death by his siblings, John Edward Bray, Raymond Bartell Bray, Jimmy Bray, Charlie Baker Bray, and Anna Mae Hamm.

Services were held Sunday, September 26, 2021, at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Travis Gilbert and Darren Allen officiating. Burial was in Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Matthew, Josh, Jackson, Tanner, and Ben Bray, and Zach Pennix.

Aline Blackburn Cromer

Aline Blackburn Cromer, 56, of Livingston, died Thursday, September 23, 2021, at her residence. She was born October 13, 1964, in Mt. Vernon, to the late Glenn and Juanita Kirby Blackburn. She attended Calloway Holiness Church, loved her grandchildren, enjoyed cooking, painting, and flowers.



Those left to celebrate her life are: her daughter, Tammy (Ernest) Camel of Livingston; four grandchildren, Michael, Jacob, Kayden, and Zane; and two sisters, Mary Mason and Nell Cromer.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her sister, Linda Gibson; and an infant sister, Patsy Ann Blackburn.

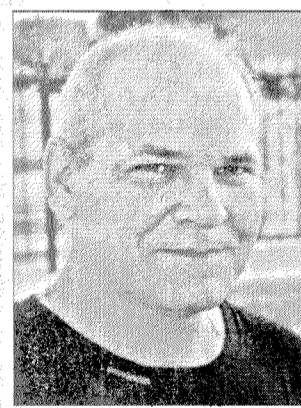
A graveside service was held Sunday, September 26, 2021 at Kirby Cemetery with Jason Medley officiating.

Casketbearers were: Michael, Jacob, and Ernest Camel, Robbie Gibson, Tyler Burke, and Josh Gilbert.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

David Lee Overbay

David Lee Overbay, 49, of Quail, died Friday, September 24, 2021 at Clark Regional Medical Center in Winchester. He was born in Madison County on October 7, 1971, the son of Edgar Junior and Willie Sue Carol Howard Overbay. He had been a truck driver and was of the Holiness Faith.



David was a man of many talents. He was a handyman; if anything needed done, he could do it. He was a wonderful husband and an amazing stepfather and grandfather.

Fly high, David. You will never be forgotten. He is survived by: his loving wife, Diana Overbay; a son, Brandon Lee Overbay; a step-son, Brandon Scott Cameron and wife Natasha Paige; two brothers, Earl Junior Overbay and Mark Anthony Overbay; and two sisters, Delphia Sue Baynes and husband Joseph Derek, and Angela Gail Riggsby. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar Junior and Willie Sue Carol Overbay.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Deron Cobb. Burial was in Pine Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Derek Bain, Melvin Baker, Gene Caldwell, Hank Kidwell, Daryl Smith, and Don Wiles.

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

William Kenneth Miller

William Kenneth Miller, 63, of London, husband of Emily Branhan Miller, died Thursday, September 23, 2021 at St. Joseph London Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete.

Brenda Sue Hines

Brenda Sue Hines, 67, of Calloway, died Thursday, September 23, 2021 at her home. She was born in Berea on August 16, 1954, the daughter of Delbert and Geneva Carpenter Newcomb. She was a homemaker, an avid quilter, and member of Calloway Holiness Church.



She is survived by: her husband, Denver Wayne Hines; her children, Delbert Hines and Melissa Hines both of Calloway; and two brothers, Tommy Hines of Mt. Vernon, and Ellis Bennett Hines of Calloway. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: a son, Michael Hines; a daughter, Sharon Hines; and a brother, Billy Floyd Hines.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church by Bro. Jack Carpenter. Burial was in Cresthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Billy Thomas Hines, Dustin Hines, Ellis Wayne Hines, Charlie Newcomb, Bucky Smith, and Shane Winkler.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Phillip Clay Falin

Phillip Clay Falin, 46, of Berea, died Thursday, September 23, 2021 at his home. He was born in Mt. Vernon on November 27, 1974. He had been a construction worker. He was a very spiritual man who enjoyed all things outdoors. He loved dirt bikes, gardening, dogs, and chickens, as well as tattooing and art.

He is survived by: his children, Savannah Falin of Richmond, and Hunter Rowland of Berea; his mother, Marilyn Kates of Berea; a sister, Amanda Kates of Berea; and a half-brother, Jason Kates of Nicholasville. Also surviving are: three nieces, Brittany Kelley of Mt. Vernon, and Shakeitha Kates and Brianna Kates, both of Mt. Vernon; and a nephew, Tristan Bullens of Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 27, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Steve Robinson.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Joe Boyd French

Joe Boyd French, 73, of Broughtontown and formerly of Simpsonville, died Sunday, September 26, 2021 at the University of Kentucky Hospital. He was born September 12, 1948 in Rockcastle County, to the late Robert and Pearl French. Joe spent his working years at Ford Motor Company's Kentucky Truck Plant in Louisville and retired after 30 years to farm back in Lincoln County on the farm where he was raised.

He was a member of First Church of Jesus Christ in Sand Springs, where he served as guitarist and shared the Holy word on Saturday nights. Joe was a great friend to many in his community and held the role of director over the Broughtontown Community Center for many years.

Joe loved people, loved to joke around, always looked for ways to help those that needed it, and was a great neighbor. He helped so many people through the dedication of his time and good will, and was loved by all who were fortunate enough to know him and his infectious laugh.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by: two sisters, Joyce French and Gladys Bryant; two brothers, Russell and Johnny; two brothers-in-law, Pete Bryant and Dennis Taylor; and a sister-in-law, Connie French.

He is survived by: three brothers, Burgess French (Andrea), Paul French, and Harold French (Freida); two sisters, Zelma Taylor and Lois French; one sister-in-law, Phyllis French; his chosen son, Dustin Brummett; 13 nieces and nephews; and several great nieces and nephews.

A private funeral service will be held for family only but will be livestreamed on McKnight Funeral Home Facebook Page at 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 30, 2021

Pallbearers will be Dustin Brummett, Ricky French, Rodney Terry, Mike French, David Taylor, and Tiffany French

Memorial Contributions can be made to the First Church of Jesus Christ c/o Wendell Martin at 3124 Three Links Road Mt. Vernon, Ky 40456 or the Broughtontown Community Center c/o Stephanie Gimpel at 1470 Harness Ridge Road, Crab Orchard, KY 40419.

Billy Milburn

Billy Milburn, 75, of Calloway, husband of Carrie Milburn, died Sunday, September 26, 2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 1 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Phillip Doan. Burial will follow in Sand Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home after 12 p.m. Thursday.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.

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

Vall Martin Franklin

Vall Martin Franklin, 62, of Brodhead, died Saturday, September 25, 2021, at his residence. He was born July 31, 1959, in Mt. Vernon, to the late Raymond Shannon and Wanda Wright Franklin. He was a believer in Jesus Christ, was a truck driver, and a mechanic who could fix anything. He loved deer hunting, motorcycles, gardening, and his family.



Those left to celebrate his life are: his "Aunt Jane" Audrey W. Hamm of Brodhead; one brother, Shannon (Jill) Franklin of Brodhead; one nephew, Jacob (Brooklyn) Franklin of Richmond Hill, GA; two nieces, Maggie Kate Franklin and Valerie Claire Franklin; girlfriend, Tammy Estep of Brodhead; three stepchildren; and seven step grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be Thursday, September 30, 2021, at 2 p.m. at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals. Burial will follow in Ottawa Cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Ronald Lee Hayes

Ronald Lee Hayes, 47, of Crab Orchard, died Saturday, September 25, 2021, at Ephraim McDowell Hospital in Danville. He was born November 29, 1973, in Ft. Hamilton, OH, a son of the late Cloyd B. Hayes and Anna Francis Hatton.



He was united in marriage to Amanda Holcomb on November 1, 2003. He attended Geneva Holiness Church in McKinney, and enjoyed fishing, golfing, and bowling.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his wife of 18 years, Amanda Holcomb of Crab Orchard; five children, Clayton, Natalie, Jaxon, Kaylee, and Oakley Hayes, all of Crab Orchard; two brothers, Donnie Hayes and Aleda of Sand Gap and Arnie Hayes and Patricia of Berea; a sister, Jane Carrier of Jackson; as well as a host of many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Marie Cook.

Services were held Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Pastor J.B. Alexander officiating. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery.

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

Linda Lou Craig

Linda Lou Craig, 72 of Orlando, died Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born in Rockcastle County, on March 1, 1949. She had been a health care provider.



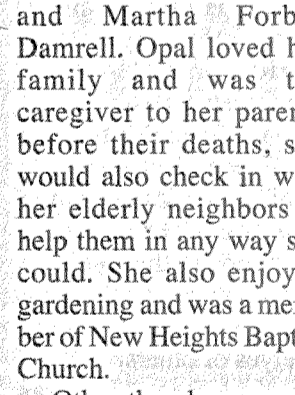
She is survived by: her son, Steven Blackwell of Orlando; her mother, Zelma Mullins of Roundstone; a brother, Buck Baker of Mt. Vernon; and a sister, Jo Cook of Roundstone.

Memorial services were held Friday, September 24, 2021 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel.

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

Opal Damrell Durham

Opal Damrell Durham, 78, wife of 53 years to James Durham, died Saturday, September 25, 2021, at her home. A native of Berea, she was born April 30, 1943, to the late John Floyd and Martha Forbes Damrell.



Opal loved her family and was the caregiver to her parents before their deaths, she would also check in with her elderly neighbors to help them in any way she could. She also enjoyed gardening and was a member of New Heights Baptist Church.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by: one daughter, Robin Gadd; four brothers, Robert (Bob), Elther, John, and Sherman Damrell; and one sister, Helen Peters.

She is survived by: her husband, James Durham of Berea; her children, Jennifer Hensley of Mount Vernon, Judy (Mike) Clemons of Berea, Paul Gadd of Berea, and Verna (Billy) Todd of Mount Vernon; two brothers, James and Junior Damrell, both of Berea; and two sisters, Irene Lozano of Berea and Ursaline Hensley of Byron, GA. Also surviving are: 13 grandchildren, Duane, Adam, Travis, Bobby, Tiffany, Rachel, Blake, Justin, Trenton, Tamron, Jamie, Trevor, and Allie; and 10 great grandchildren.

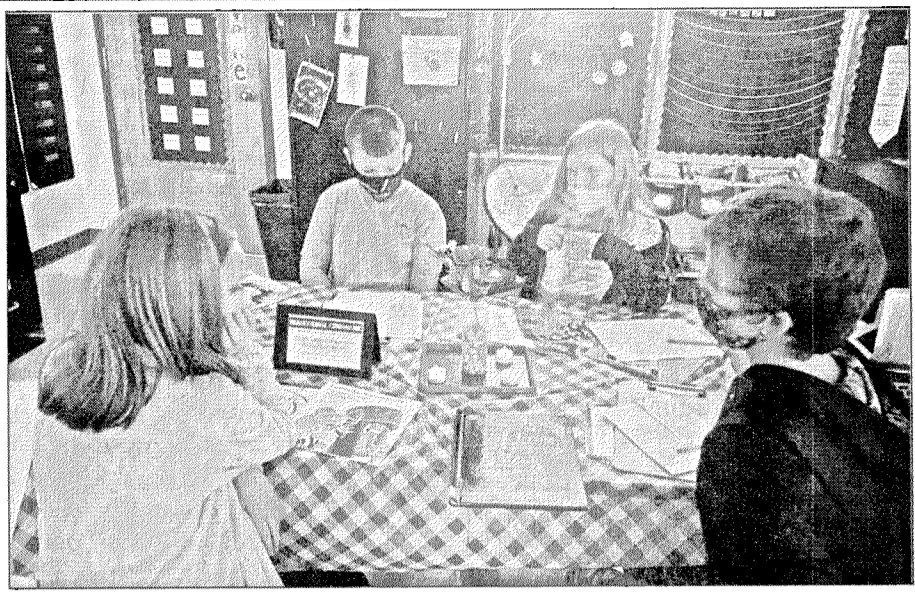
The family would like to offer a special thanks to her caregiver Lisa Houpp for her loving care throughout Opal's illness.

Graveside services were held Monday, September 27, 2021, at Flat Gap Cemetery on South Dogwood Drive with Bro. Vester Alexander officiating. Her grandchildren served as pallbearers.

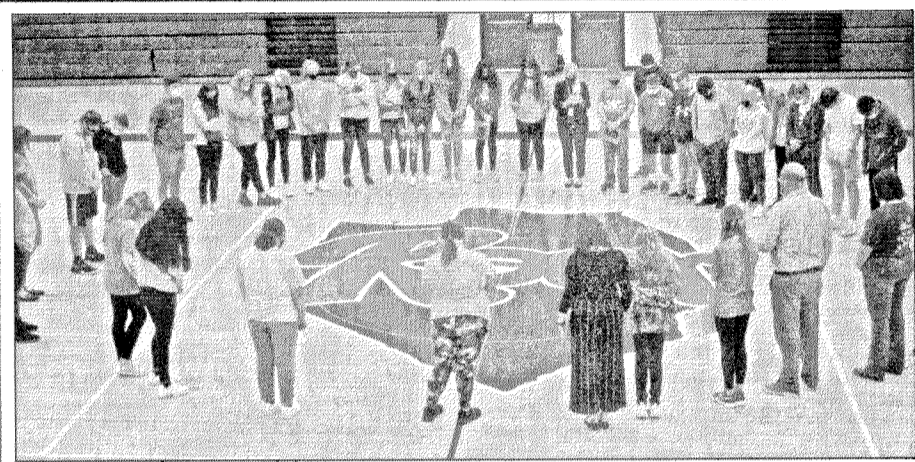
In lieu of flowers contributions suggested to Hospice Care Plus 208 Kidd Drive Berea, KY 40403

Davis & Powell Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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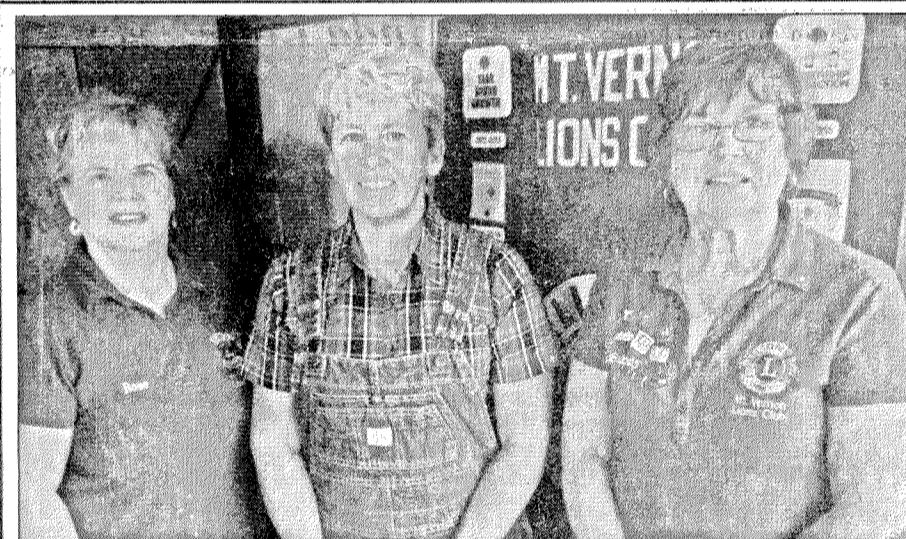
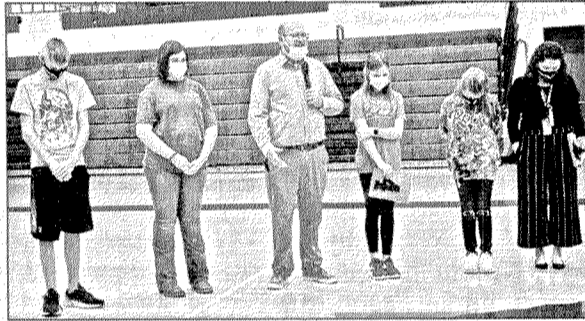


Fourth grade students in Mrs. Taylor's and Mrs. Shepherd's class at MVES recently visited The Book Cafe for a special book tasting. The tasting provided students with the opportunity to explore and discuss five different book genres. Students enjoyed the experience and have a list of new books to read.



See You at the Pole

On September 22, 2021, RCMS participated in See You at the Pole. It is a day where students come together and lead our school in praying for our local community and nation. We are proud of RCMS students for showing their commitment in leading our school with compassion.



Robyn Renner, Director of Disaster Relief and Housing Programs for Christian Appalachian Project (CAP), was guest speaker at the Sept. 21st meeting of Mt. Vernon Lions Club. Renner shared information about how the programs assist residents in Rockcastle County and throughout the Appalachian region.

Church News

Let the Bible Speak

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

Rockcastle County Recovery Meetings

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

Tuesday-Celebrate Recovery-Mt. Vernon - Northside Baptist Church, 777 Faith Mountain Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. Contact: J.R. 859-314-7828. •••Please call 256-5577 by 4 p.m. if you need a ride in the church van.

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

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

Thursday-Celebrate Recovery-Step Studies - Women Only. Community Outreach Center, 36 Castle Village Dr., Brodhead, Thursday, 6 p.m. Contact: Kathryn, 606-308-3099 or Tammy 606-308-1614.

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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.

Special Service at Cupps Chapel

There will be a Special Service at Cupps Chapel Holiness Church on Thursday night, September 23, beginning at 7 p.m. Bro. Claude Gilbert, Jr., from London, will be preaching.

Please come out and worship with us.

Also, Homecoming Services will be held Sunday, September 26th, starting at 12:30 p.m.

Bro. Marlow Napier of London will be preaching and there will be special singing by The Praise Singers from Irvine.

After church services will include a potluck dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Dwayne Carpenter and congregation welcomes everyone to come out and enjoy the day with us.

Cards of Thanks

Darrell McKinney

The Darrell McKinney Family would like to thank everyone for all the kindness shown us during his illness and his loss.

We appreciate all of the prayers, cards, calls, flowers and food.

Billy R. Sowder

We, the family of Billy Ray Sowder wish to thank everyone who showed us love and support during the sudden loss of our loved one.

We especially thank Rockcastle Regional Hospital, UK Medical Center, Bro. Jerry Owens, Bro. Randy McPherson, JoAnn and Josh Smith, the American Legion and VFW for the military services, Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home and the pallbearers.

Billy Ray's Family

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Rockcastle County Bookmobile Schedule
Monday, Oct. 4th: Spiro, Level Green, Willailla, Hwy. 3245 and Bryant Ridge. **Tuesday, Oct. 5th:** Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Farm Bureau Fruit & Nut Program

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

Farm Bureau Customer Appreciation

The Rockcastle County Farm Bureau will hold a Customer Appreciation Day on Friday, October 1st, beginning at 10 a.m. until we run out of gift bags and goodies! If you are a member of the rockcastle County Farm Bureau, come out and get a gift bag and chance to win a prize! (No food will be served).

Christmas Angel Tree Applications

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

Kiwanis Club

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

Celebrate Sobriety Service

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

Chamber of Commerce Meetings

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

VFW Post 5908

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

American Legion Post News

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

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“King”

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the stress involved in the office of Mayor was just too much pressure for anyone with those kinds of health problems.”

However, if things go as Hahn plans, King's ideas for the city will continue in minute detail. “I intend to do everything I can to fill the seat as Mayor of Livingston and continue the good work my father has begun,” she said.

But there is a lot to consider before Hahn makes her official run for the position of Mayor, she said. “We are going to cross every ‘T’ and dot every ‘I.’”

Hahn is in the process of gathering information about mayoral requirements. “Since we have a Vice Mayor (Commissioner Leroy Lamb) he will serve for 30 days and then I would have to be nominated and elected by the commissioners. But if it is possible, I want to serve the city of Livingston and continue my dad's work.” Commissioners can vote for themselves.

Hahn says she, and the rest of the commission, is in touch with the Kentucky League of Cities and the city's attorney John Hackley making certain everything is done according to statute and ordinance.

In the meantime, Hahn says she wants to assure the citizens of Livingston that “the city won't miss a beat,” and she and the rest of the commission is on duty. “The Commissioners and City Clerk are working hard every day to make sure business is taken care of until the new mayor is in place,” she said. “We are going to work together and handle everything by the book and leave no room for error. But if it turns out that I am eligible for the position, I will run for Mayor.”

Still, Hahn asks family and friends as well as the citizens of Livingston to continue to send well wishes to her father.

King's resignation came in a special called meeting Tuesday night of last week.

In announcing his resignation, King told the commissions, and those towns people gathered for the meeting that “It's been fun and I've en-

joyed it but because of the stress of the job it is no longer in my best interest to continue in this office.” King said his doctors had advised him to step down for medical reasons.

Several citizens spoke up to voice their appreciation for King's efforts. Commissioner Clyde Carpenter told King that he had “been a good mayor.” Livingston resident Nina Jones also commended King on his work in the city. “I never asked him to help me do anything that he didn't say, ‘Yes, Mam, I'll get to it as soon as I can.’” Jones also noted that she had seen some pretty hard work from King.

King's resignation will be officially accepted at the commission's regular meeting in October and the commissioners will then have 30 days to select his replacement. That replacement will serve until the general election in 2022.

All candidates must be 21 or older, be a qualified Livingston registered voter and have resided in Livingston for one year or more.

“2021”

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Music will last into the night Saturday, beginning at 1 p.m. with the very popular local Jaclyn Bullock and then at 2:30 with Threez Enough and the Silhouette band at 5 p.m. The well-known Wild River Band will play at 7 p.m. and music will close with Alex Miller beginning at 9:15.

As always, Main Street will be lined with food vendors and inflatables as well as specialty vendors. and many other events.

“As COVID continues to invade our community, it gives us all pause and concern,” said Mayor Mike Bryant. “I am acutely aware of the controversy surrounding masks and vaccines. We just ask that everyone please use common sense and good judgement regarding yourselves and your family.”

There is no mask or social distancing mandate at the Bittersweet Festival. “At the city, we do plan to have our Bittersweet Festival where folks have the option in that outdoor setting to social distance and wear masks if they so choose,” said Bryant in a social media post. “Being an outside event, this affords more COVID safety than having a large group of people inside.”

A large crowd is expected and everyone is invited to attend this year's event and enjoy the many activities as well as visit with old friends and neighbors..

“This is a wonderful opportunity for the City to give back to the community in a small way and a chance to promote fellowship while enjoying the small town atmosphere of Mount Vernon,” said Bryant. “The weather is expected to be beautiful and we hope everyone has a great time.”

“Suicide”

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no one can,” causing Smith to stand and say “then shoot me big boy.”

The report says Smith told police Mullins then raised a hand gun he had retrieved from the bedroom and fired a shot in Smith's direction. Then, according to the report, Mullins turned the gun on himself and shot himself in the head.

Mullins was airlifted to the University of Kentucky Medical Center

where police later interviewed him. The report says Mullins admits shooting himself but said he fired the first shot into the wall and was not shooting at Smith.

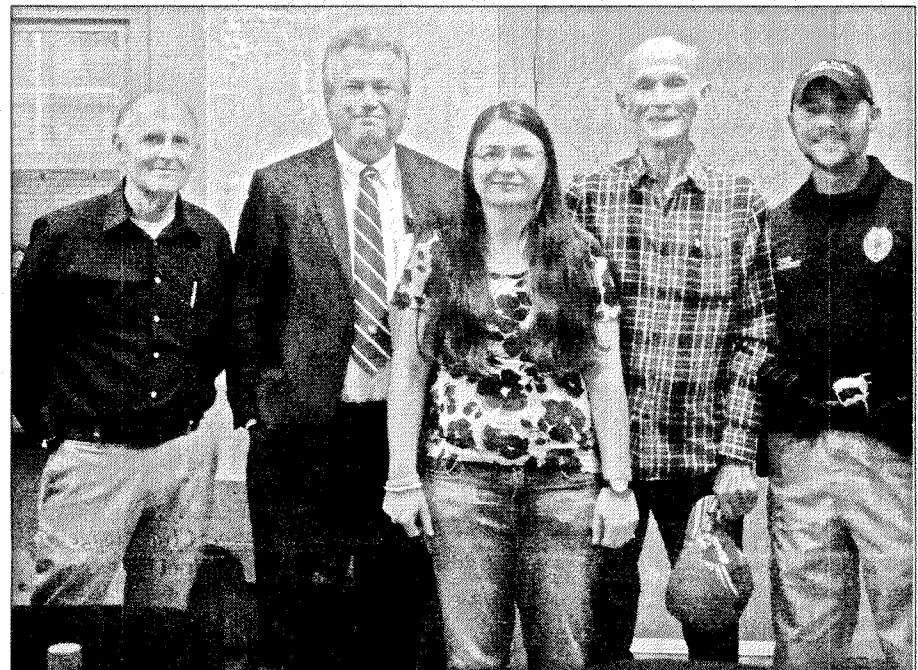
Mullins was released from the hospital Friday and County Attorney Jeremy Rowe immediately filed an arrest warrant.

Mullins was then transported to the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was charged and held on a \$250,000 cash bond. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for next week.

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Also shown with Mayor King at the meeting were, from left: County Judge Executive Hal Holbrook, City Attorney John Hackley, City Clerk Amanda Thomas, Mayor King and Chief of Police Mikey Ashurst.

“SRO”

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with the school district two years ago as a security consultant.

While school is in session, Atkin will serve as the Resource Officer, based at the Rockcastle County Middle School but he will be working at all six school buildings throughout the week.

Teachers and staff have had training in several possible emergency scenarios, but officials say having a dedicated officer trained in special detection techniques provides a much safer environment for teachers, staff and students. Atkin will also provide more training to teachers and staff.

While school is not in session, such as holidays or summer break, Atkin will serve as a Mount Vernon City Police officer. Mayor Bryant says the arrangement will be beneficial to everyone in the community. “The City of Mount Vernon has sorely needed an additional police officer and the school is required to have the resource officer,” he said. “This way neither entity is out the full expense of the position but both entities have the benefit of a very helpful safety officer.”

The City of Mount Vernon will provide basic equipment such as a police cruiser, uniforms and other equipment, Bryant said.

Currently, the arrangement is only for this

school year but Mayor Bryant says he and Ballinger are both committed to the effort to continue the position after the school year.

According to Kentucky Revised Statute 158.411, the SRO is defined as a “sworn law enforcement officer who has specialized training to work with youth at a school site.” The statute also requires the SRO will be employed through a contract between a local law enforcement agency and the school system.

In Kentucky, there are 456 SROs at 152 school districts.

Ballinger, and several school board members, expressed a desire for the SRO to be a positive role model for the students and may greatly help the general relationship between police and community.

Atkin's duties will range from traffic control to serving as a liaison between the district and law enforcement agencies.

Another of the many duties of an SRO is to complete a school safety development plan throughout the school system, working with all other agencies and conducting drills, including active shooter drills at the schools.

“It is a privilege to have a local officer with Mr. Atkin's experience to assist our efforts to make Rockcastle County Schools one of the best districts in the state,” said Ballinger.

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Dr. Sarah King
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Coordinator II

Risk Management/Facility/Vehicle Maintenance
Monday - Friday • 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Ensures accurate and timely administration of the Facility/Vehicle Maintenance program, by collecting, compiling and/or updating billing, insurance renewals, registrations, and other necessary paperwork. Ensures accurate and timely administration of the Risk Management program, by collecting, compiling and/or updating databases and other necessary paperwork. Prepares and conducts CAP-wide CPR/FA/BBP/AED Training and new CAP driver classroom training.

Schedules training and appointments. Provides general administrative support to the Facility/Vehicle Maintenance and Risk Management programs and Directors.

Requirements: High school diploma or equivalent in a related field is required. 18 months additional training in a related field is required.

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Pray with Purpose

Our prayers should have a purpose when we pray. One of the great hymns we ask God to give us more purpose in prayer. The poet has said, (My words fly up, my thoughts remain below, Words without thoughts never to Heaven go.) Matthew 6-7 We are not to use vain repetitions, but to have a definite purpose when we pray.

We should make a list of the people and things to pray for. The apostle Paul suggests, 1 Timothy 2:1-4 That we pray for those in high place that we may live a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

Partnership in prayer, is an aspect of prayer that sometimes we forget. First, Christians should realize they are partners with God. In the second-place prayer is a partnership with one another, if it is a public prayer. The language of prayer is the language of poetry. Since short words that are well known, are the strength of our language, these need to be the words that fill our prayer, so that everyone feels a part of that prayer.

Persistence in prayer cannot be stressed enough. Sometimes Christians, stop praying before God acts on their prayer, many of a prayer has gone unanswered, because the Christian just gave up and stopped praying. Luke 18:1 Men ought to always pray and not to faint. We need to remember the unfortunate widow who continued to present her case before the judge that she might be avenged of her adversary. Her continual coming impressed the judge who concluded in Luke 18:2-8 That God will avenge his elect that cry unto him day and night.

There are many benefits, high and holy, which we receive from prayer. We note first that it is pleasing to God, and every Christian should desire to please God. The apostle Paul said 1 Timothy 2:18 I desire those men pray in every place, lifting holy hands, without wrath and disputing, this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior.

Prayer likewise brings peace of mind, the apostle Paul writes, Phillipians 4:6-7 In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be known unto God, and the peace of God which passes all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

Hopefully these words from the Bible will help you to pray with purpose and you will be persistence in your prayer and remember if it is important to you, it is important to God.

Thank you for reading, let us all remember to count our blessings and name them one by one and see what the Lord has done. If you would like to call someone from the church, you can reach us at these numbers. 606-878-8104 or 859-582-4021.

• Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ •

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

Church is located 2 Miles South of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 25

ORDINANCE #21-09-22 SETTING 2021 CITY OF LIVINGSTON TAX RATES ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Livingston must set tax rate prior to September 8th 2021 for the 2021 tax year.

WHEREAS, the City of Livingston must ensure that it is able to meet the rising cost associated with the operation of the city.

WHEREAS, KRS 83A.060 states the procedure for the amendment and/or enactment of ordinances:
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LIVINGSTON MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1
The real property tax rate for the 2021 tax year shall be set at a rate of .25 (25 cents) per \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) of the assessed value of said real property with an anticipated revenue of \$10,972.81.

Section 2
The personal property tax rate for the 2021 tax year shall be set at the compensating rate of .45 (45 cents) per \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) of the assessed value of said real property with an anticipated revenue of \$7,061.90.

Section 3
A penalty for all taxes paid after December 31st 2021.

Section 4
That the tax rate from the preceding year for real property was set at .25 (25 cents) per \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) with an anticipated revenues of \$9,841.81.

Section 5
That the tax rate from the preceding year for personal property was set at .45 per \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) with an anticipated revenues of \$5,711.80.

This ordinance shall take effect on this 30th day of September, 2021.

Approved: /s/ Dwane A. King, Mayor
Attested: /s/ Amanda Thomas, City Clerk

Church Directory

Believers House of Prayer
156 Scenic View Lane
U.S. 25 N, left at 18 mile marker
Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhbp@ymail.com

Berea Gospel Tabernacle
231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Tuesday Night 7 p.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: Travis Gilbert
Music Director: Dan Dull

Blue Springs Church of Christ
7 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services:
Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Marcus Reppert
Phillip Permenter
Eric Bullock
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert 606-308-2794
223 E. Fork Skaggs Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday Youth Bible Study 5 p.m.
Wednesday Adult & Youth Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAs & GAs
Mission Friends and Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor
Brush Creek Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire, Pastor

Buffalo Baptist Church
Located 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Bill Mink, Pastor

Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd. (Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
George Kenner, Pastor
606-224-4641

Central Baptist Church
86 Maintenance Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
606-256-2988
centralbaptistky.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning 11 a.m.
Bus Sunday School 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
"Central Time" Radio
Broadcast
WRVK: M-F 11:15 a.m.
WOPW: M-F 9:15 a.m.
Transportation and Nursery provided for all services
Home of Well of Pure Water Radio - 93.3 FM

Church of Christ at Chestnut Ridge
2 miles south of Mt. Vernon
Turn left off US Hwy 25
Sundays 10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.
Bro. Ova Baker
Bro. Dale McNew
Bro. Philip Scott

Church of Christ on Fairground Hill
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Different speaker each Sunday
Clear Creek Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Climax Christian Church
Hwy. 1912
308-2806 - 256-4138 - 256-5977
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at 7 p.m.
Community Worship Church of God
758 Hwy. 3245 • Crab Orchard
Bro. Jeff Warren, Pastor
Worship Service
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
www.cwchurchhofgod.com

Conway Missionary Baptist
116 Meadow Lark Lane
Berea, KY 40403
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings: Sunday 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007

Crab Orchard Pentecostal Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

CrossPoint Church of God
211 Industrial Park Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday 2 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Matt Griggs
859-582-2553

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Ralph Reynolds, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd., Brodhead
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Dewayne Carpenter

Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Robert Miller, Pastor
Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAs and GAs 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Raser, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor
First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Dennis Wilder, Pastor
Jesse Wright, Assoc. Pastor/Youth
website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmtvemon@kynutwbc.com

First Christian Church
West Main St. Mt. Vernon
606-256-2876
Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
Bro. Josh Haines, Youth/Family Minister
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Flat Rock Missionary Baptist
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Fountain of Life United Pentecostal Church
80 Sally J Rd., Mt. Vernon
Sunday 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome
Pastor: James Blanton

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Barry Hurst
859-200-6331

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.
Higher Praise Ministries
4896 Lake Cumberland Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Chris Davidson, Pastor
Sunday 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Bus Ministry call 606-392-8777

Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.
Little Country Church
Jarber Rd.
Turn left off Rev. Green Loop onto Jarber Rd.
Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Livingston Baptist Church
Pastor: Josh Hasty
606-392-3809
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Livingston Christian Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister
Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
606-256-1709
Living Word Community Church
"About our Father's Business"
246 Scamore St. • Brodhead
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Sunday Worship Noon
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Bussell, Jr., Pastor
606-308-4312

Macedonia Baptist Church
6567 Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bro. Jim Craig, Pastor
Maple Grove Baptist
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. • 606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Mareburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sun. Discipleship Training/ Sunday Youth Missions 6 p.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
www.mareburgbaptist.org
mareburgchurch@yahoo.com
McNew Chapel Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
John Vanwinkle, Pastor

Mt. Vernon Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317
Mt. Zion Baptist Church
606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
New Heights Church
316 Mini Mall Dr. (off Richmond Rd., US 25 N)
Berea, Ky.
www.newheightsky.net
Sundays 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Worship & Children's Church Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Midweek Gathering for all ages; prayer & Bible study, youth worship, and Children in Action
Pastor: Bro. Chad Burdette
New Hope Baptist
Jct. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd.
Orlando
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Philip "Worm" Johnson Pastor

Northside Baptist
777 Faith Mountain Rd. (Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
Kenny Allen, Pastor
Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Tuesday
Celebrate Recovery 7 to 9
Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
Time Warner Cable
Tues., Thurs., Sun.
9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Ottawa Baptist Church
1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
Pastor: Bro. Michael Hail
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 5 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services Service 7 p.m.
758-8453
ottawabaptist@windstream.net

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church
525 Williams St (across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
Father Gary Simpson, Pastor
Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
Tom Darst, Maintenance

Philadelphia United Baptist
834 Bryant Ridge Rd. Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-308-5368

Pine Hill Holiness
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.
Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
81 Limeplant Hollow Road
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
859-986-1579
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every 2nd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

Rockcastle Baptist Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
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Pleasant Run Missionary
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
1st Sunday in Month Church at 2 p.m. at Rockcastle Respiratory Care
Bro. Chris Reynolds, Pastor
Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. Mike McFerron, Pastor

Providence church of Christ
1 mile off Hwy. 70 on Hwy. 618
758-8524
Robby Cable, Evangelist
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
www.WhatSaiithTheScriptures.com

Red Hill-Union Baptist
4308 Highway 1955
Livingston, KY
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Bill Hammond, Pastor
606-392-1826
Everyone invited to come and worship with us

Roundstone Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Sand Hill Baptist Church
Sand Hill Rd.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

Sand Springs Baptist
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go exactly 5 miles, church on right
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. Eugene Gentry

Scaffold Cane Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bro. James Hardin
Skaggs Creek Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Bro. Richard West
Everyone Welcome!

Tabernacle of Love
244 Old Somerset Rd.
Mt. Vernon
606-25605894
Sunday Worship 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Pastor: Clyde Hodge

Union Chapel Pentecostal
Pastor: Eugene Webb
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome!
United Gospel of Christ
4 miles off US 25 on Wildie Rd.
Church welcomes everyone
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Valley Baptist Church
4482 Copper Creek Rd.
Berea, Ky. 40403
Organized in December, 1908
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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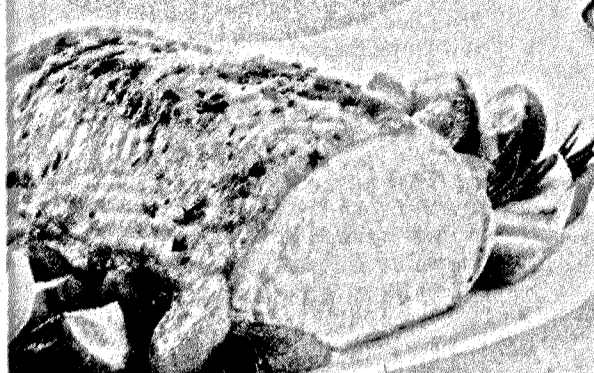
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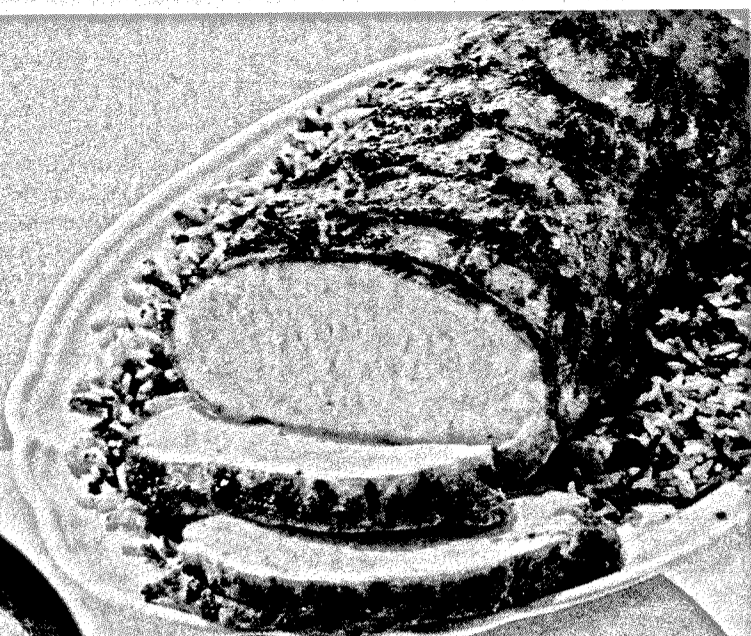
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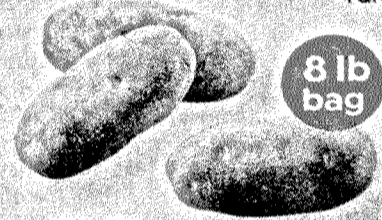
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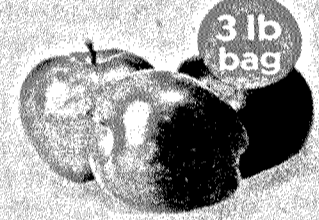
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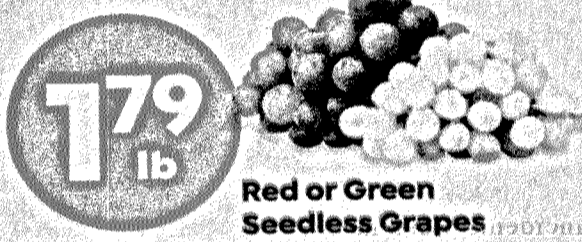
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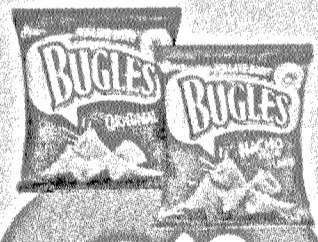


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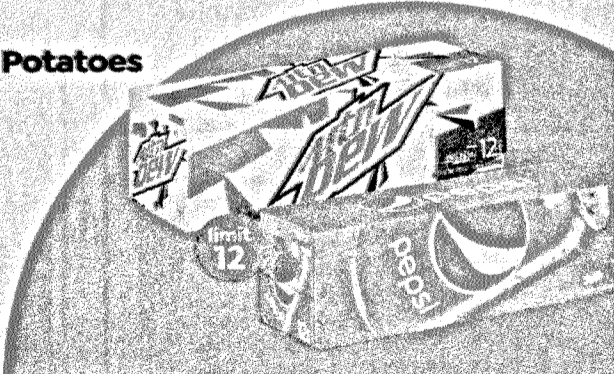
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Second Section

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Unofficial results

Census shows 1,019 less people in Rockcastle Co.

By: Mike French
Editor

According to the 2020 Census, the population in Rockcastle County has apparently fallen by over 1,000 residents, in the last ten years, which could affect local districts, magistrates and constables as well as over \$2,000,000 in unavailable federal grants, according to Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Howell Holbrook, Jr., "It equals out to about \$2,000 per person in federal grants available," he said.

For over a year, most Rockcastle County residents have heard officials encourage everyone to participate in the 2020 census. Participation is required by the United States Code Title 13, Chapter 7, subchapter II.

But local officials say the biggest reason to participate is that the census numbers determine how much grant funding Rockcastle County will receive from the federal government and a change in numbers can change district lines.

Holbrook has led the fight to encourage citizens to fill out the census but, according to the report released last week, 1,019 less people filled out the 2020 census than did in the 2010 census.

Many deadlines and planned methods of completing the census were postponed or cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic last year, causing some local officials to question the accuracy of the 2020 census results. Since Rockcastle's population is listed as smaller, some fear federal funding may be reduced but Holbrook is not blaming residents alone for the smaller numbers. "I was told census workers were going around to knock on doors throughout the county because not everyone has internet or would have found the proper site. But I never saw anyone from the census bureau knocking on anyone's door and I don't really know anyone who had anyone come to their door," said Holbrook.

The report says in 2019, the population of Rockcastle County was 17,056. In 2020 the population is listed at 16,037, which is 1,019 less. Of those, 5.4% is less than 5 years old, 21.2% is under 18 years old and 18.8% is over 65.

The census also noted that 50.9% of the local population is female and that 97.8% of the population is white. Only 0.5% is African American. Native Americans are listed at 0.4%.

Many other categories, including veterans, farmers and more, are

available in the census report but the 2020 numbers have not yet been reported and 2019 figures are still listed.

Still, Holbrook says even the numbers listed on the Census Bureau website may not be final. "We are supposed to receive official notification from the Census Bureau and we haven't received anything from them yet," he said. "I see the same updated numbers for 2020 on the site that everyone can see. The site lists the 2020 numbers but I have not received official notification."

Holbrook is hoping the website is incomplete. "Some of the numbers aren't complete yet so they may still change a little. But according to the official website, Rockcastle County has over 1,000 less residents," he said.

If the numbers are accurate, Holbrook, and other local officials, fear this could cause several changes in the county. "Each of our five districts in Rockcastle County must be within 10% population of each other," Holbrook said. "In 2010 we had to change the lines for districts to meet that requirements and we may have to change them again, if these numbers are final."

The number of people in a district must be within 10% population of any other district and it is possible that an elected constable would suddenly live in a different district, if the county has to adjust lines to accommodate that requirement. They would allow the constable to finish their term but then they would have to run in a different district," said Holbrook.

When a county begins moving district lines, it may also affect voting precincts, according to Holbrook. "It just has a far reaching effect when our population drops," he said.

Holbrook, and members of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, have several concerns about the apparent fall in population but Holbrook suspects the actual number of residents may not have dropped by 1,000. "I just think with COVID and people without internet and some who feel like it isn't the government's business, I just think a lot of people didn't get a chance to fill the census out this time," Holbrook said. "I doubt we are losing residents. I think circumstances just made it harder for some to fill out the census."

However, in some ways, that situation would cause even more problems for the county. For example, with less

funding and less residents to serve, some things stay the same. But if there is the same number or more people, but less funding, that is less dollars per citizen, Holbrook explained.

Holbrook and other officials are waiting for the official results of the census and says if the current numbers are correct, he will have until May to form the board that must oversee the redistricting process. "We will keep our eyes on the results and will inform the public as soon as everything is official," said Holbrook.

Halloween on Main cancelled for second consecutive year

By: Mike French
Editor

Once again the COVID-19 pandemic is blamed for the cancellation of a popular community event in Rockcastle County.

Halloween on Main has been cancelled again this year due to the rising incidents of the Delta variant of the COVID-19 Coronavirus.

Last October, COVID incidents were near a high point but this year the Delta variant incidents are nearly double last October's numbers. In fact, Rockcastle County is now listed as

one of the top ten fastest spreading counties in the nation out of 3,006 counties.

Mayor Mike Bryant says the Bittersweet Festival is still planned, since visitors are usually not as crowded together during

that event. Masks and social distancing are encouraged but not required at the Bittersweet event. Also, traditional Trick-or-Treat will be allowed from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 30. Those participating in

Trick-or-Treat are encouraged to wear a mask and wash hands often. It is suggested that children use hand sanitizer after each home visit if the child touches anything like a door bell or decorations.

Renfro Valley is ready to make music once again

By: Mike French
Editor

According to owners and staff at the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, the world famous

Renfro Valley Country Music Show is back.

A press release from the marketing department this week says through all the changes in America over the past year, the power of music has remained. And the music is ready once again at the Mount Vernon Renfro Valley complex.

"Confederate Railroad, with a fan-favorite opening performance by The Renegades, will kick open the newly renovated barn doors on Friday, November 5, 2021," according to the release. "On Saturday, November 6, we welcome the Roots and Boots Tour, featuring Sammy Kershaw, Aaron Tippin and Collin Raye. Ticket

sales for both events will begin Thursday, September 30 at 9 a.m."

Officials at the center say they have used this time to "get back to our roots with a focus on real country music and develop innovative ways to continue to shine as Kentucky's Country Music Capitol."

The center also has a newly developed website that offers a convenient online ticketing system that is easy to navigate but their top focus has been "on the music that has kept fans returning to our nationally-recognized event center since 1939."

All local residents are encouraged to visit the center.

For more information, visit RenfroValley.com

Livingston keeps 2021 tax rates the same as 2020

By: Mike French
Editor

The City of Livingston tax rates for 2021 will remain the same as the 2020 rates, according to City Clerk Amanda Thomas. However, due to additional local businesses, this tax rate will produce more revenue for the city.

The real property tax rate for 2021 shall be 0.25 or 25 cents per \$100 of assessed value. This rate is expected to provide \$10,972.81 for the city.

The personal property tax rate will be the same, 45 cents per \$100 of assessed value. This tax is expected to provide \$7,061.90 in revenue.

In 2020 the total tax revenue from the real and personal tax provided \$15,553.61 while the 2021 taxes are expected to provide \$18,034.71 for an increase in tax revenue of \$2,481.10.

According to Thomas, the cost of running the City of Livingston has

increased along with inflation. Therefore, the extra revenue is not expected to provide additional services but to simply keep up the current services.

"We were proud that we were able to keep our tax rate the same once again and avoid an extra burden to the residents of Livingston," said Thomas.

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Missing driver



The Mount Vernon Fire Department was called to this single vehicle crash Friday, September 24 near mile marker 66 in Mount Vernon. However, upon arrival at the scene, no passenger or driver was present. A search ensued around the area but police and fire fighters were unable to locate anyone. Officials called local hospitals but there had been no injury patients admitted. The interstate remained open and the vehicle was moved but the owners had not been found at press time. Assisting at the scene was the Rockcastle County Sheriff's office.

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SPORTS

Rockets begin district play with 24-14 win

By Chad Hensley
 RCHS football derailed the Estill County Engineers to open district play Friday night, at home, with a 24-14 win.

Rockcastle County (4-2, 1-0) could only muster 137 yards of total offense after Matthew Chasteen injured his shoulder on the second play of the game and the bulk of the carries had to be spread out among the rest of the backfield unit against the Engineers (4-1, 0-1).

Neither team was able to crack the scoreboard in the first quarter and it wasn't until the 5:54 mark in the second stanza that Rockcastle County was able to put the game's first points on the scoreboard.

Faced with a fourth-and-nine from the Estill County 10-yard line, Rockcastle quarterback

Cameron Wright found Landon Dillingham in the end zone.

The nine-play scoring drive was set up by an outstanding defensive stand from the Rockets on the previous series that was highlighted by Reese Coguer's interception on the Estill County 38-yard line.

It was another outstanding defensive play from the Rockets that set the offense up with a short distance to pay dirt when a punt attempt by Estill County on fourth-and-six from their own 46 turned into a blocked punt that the Rockets recovered and returned the ball to the six-yard line.

Chasteen was able to return in the second half from his first quarter injury, albeit in a limited capacity, to make his

presence felt when he took the handoff from Wright and scored from two-yards out with 6:19 left in the third quarter to give the Rockets a 12-0 lead.

Chasteen's touchdown was the first of four touchdowns scored by both teams in the third quarter.

Estill County answered with an eight-play, 67-yard drive that was capped off by a Ty Niece touchdown run from seven yards out. The extra point was good to cut the Rockcastle lead to 12-7 with 1:37 left in the quarter.

Caleb Moore gave the Rockets the spark they needed when he fielded the ensuing kickoff deep inside Rockcastle territory and weaved his way through the Engineers for a 92-yard kickoff return to

extend Rockcastle's advantage to 18-7 just 0:16 later.

Niece, Estill County's quarterback, went out of the game on the following series with an ankle injury, but Caleb Witt stepped up big for the Engineers in his backup quarterback role and led his team down the field on a scoring drive that was capped off by a 27-yard passing touchdown.

The score would remain 18-14 in favor of Rockcastle until the 6:40 mark of the fourth quarter when Chasteen appeared to pick up a fumble out of midair on a bang-bang play and was off to the races for an 80-yard scoop and score for the game's final score.

Offensively, Rockcastle's rushing attack was led by Wright's 45 yards on seven carries.

Landen Broaddus had the most rushes with 11 for 39 yards while Chasteen had eight carries for 21 yards and Ethan Medley totaled six yards on six attempts.

Wright was 4/8 passing for 26 yards with one touchdown and one interception, while Dillingham's only pass attempt on a wide receiver reverse pass attempt was dropped in the end zone in the second quarter.

Dillingham had three receptions for 23 yards and one touchdown and Coguer notched the other reception for the Rockets for three yards.

The defense for Rockcastle was outstanding, even without Chasteen who is the vocal leader on the field, for most of the game.

Neither Niece nor Witt were ever able to get comfortable in the pocket as the Rockets were constantly putting pressure on the offensive line earning a tackle for loss on 25 percent of the plays the Engineers ran; 10 tackles for loss in 40 plays.

Anthony Goodin once again led the defense with nine tackles with two being for negative yardage.

Dillingham tallied eight tackles and an interception from his defensive back position.

Isaiah Dehart and Jake Sanders both notched seven tackles and two tackles for loss each.

Marion Farthing, Ethan Tyree and Kaden Kidwell earned five tackles each with Farthing earning a tackle for loss.

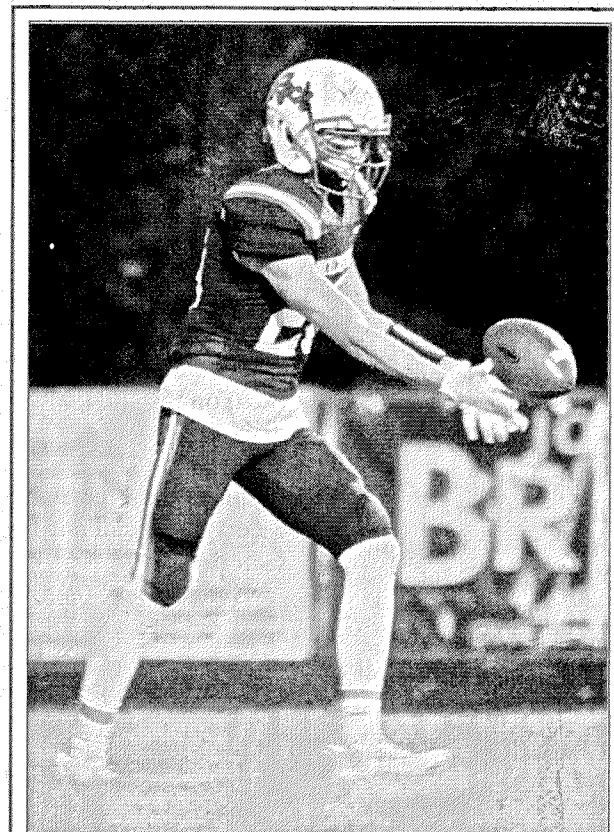
Coguer and Jayvon Bowden notched four tackles each with Coguer tallying an interception and a tackle for loss while Bowden had two tackles for loss.

Medley and Broaddus had three tackles each while Wright and Chasteen rounded out the tackling with one each.

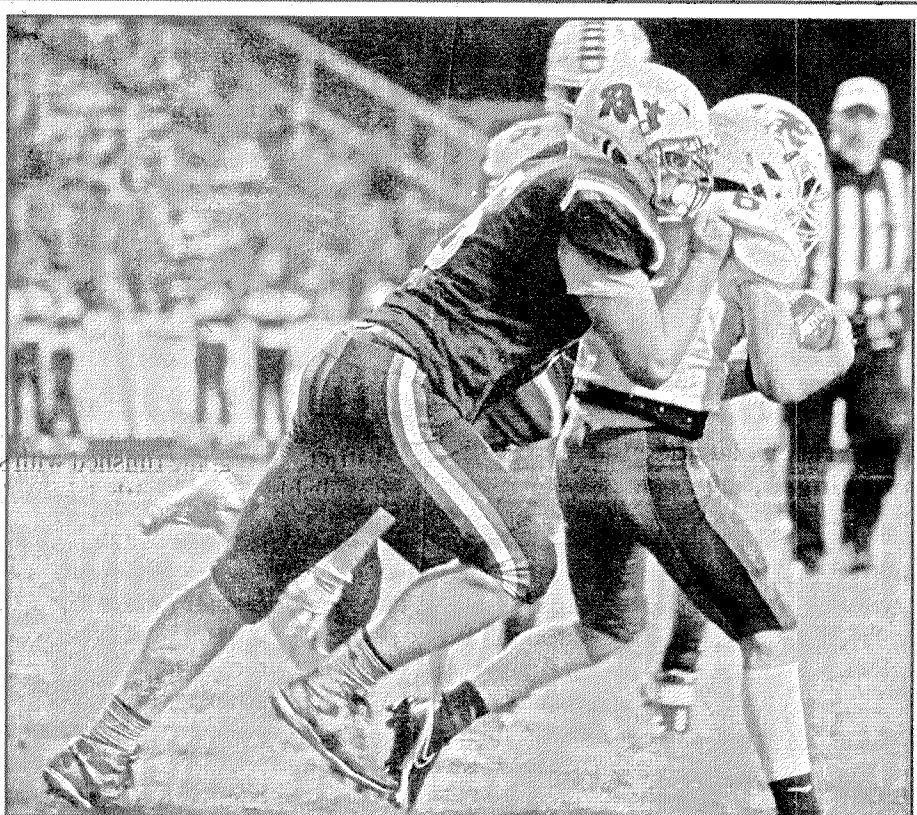
Next up for the Rockets will be a trip to long-time rival Bell County for what should prove to be for the top-seed in the Class 3A District 5 standings and the opportunity to potentially host the first two rounds of the playoffs.

Last season, Rockcastle won the regu-

lar-season contest before dropping a season-ending loss to the Bobcats in the playoffs.



Landon Dillingham prepares to punt for the Rockets' during their win over Estill Friday. Offensively, Dillingham had 23 yards receiving with one touchdown reception. Defensively, Dillingham had eight tackles and one interception with a 45 yard return.



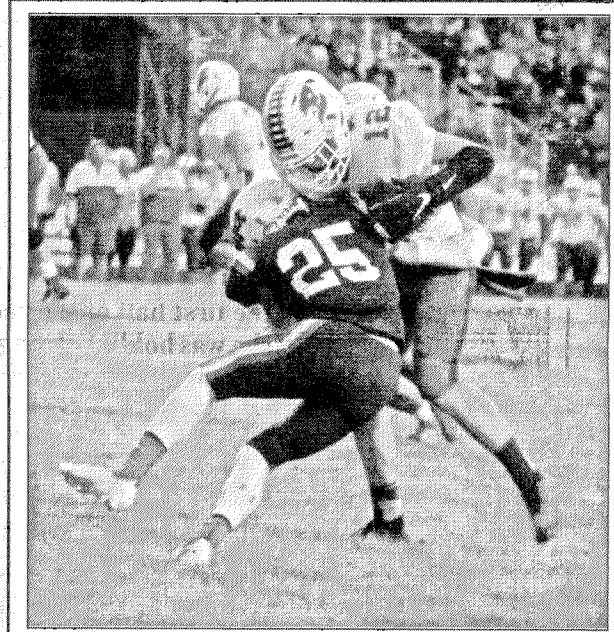
Jake Sanders stops an Engineer in his tracks during the Rockets' 24-14 win over Estill County Friday night. Sanders had seven tackles on the night, two for a loss.



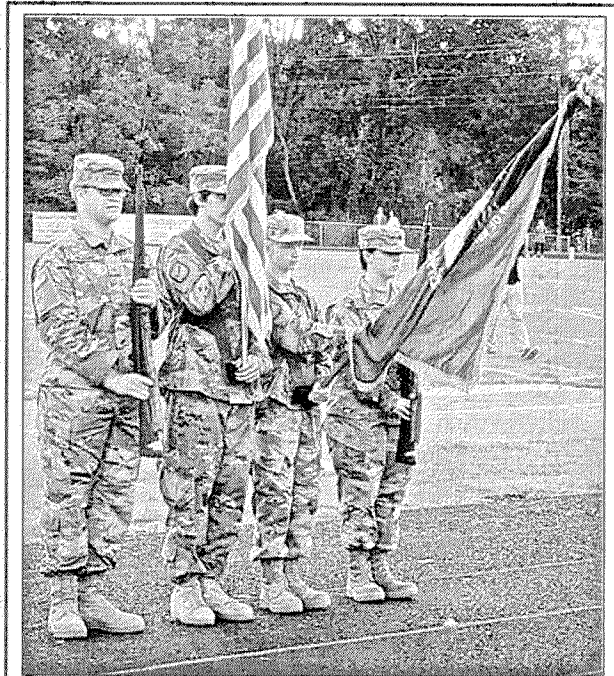
Ethan Medley and Landen Broaddus lead the blocking for a Matthew Chasteen touchdown during the Rockets' win Friday night. Chasteen had two touchdowns one the night, one a fumble recovery returned 80 yards.



M.J. Farthing works to bring down Estill's quarterback during the Rockets' 24-14 win over Estill County Friday night. This tackle led to an interception by Reese Coguer.



Reese Coguer makes a good open field tackle during the Rockets' win Friday night. Coguer had an interception, four tackles - one for a loss, in the win.



The JROTC Color Guard presented the colors before the Rockets' football game with Estill County Friday night. Members are shown from left: Dalton McGuire, Chase Gilliam, Gabriel Clouse and Emily Ashcraft.

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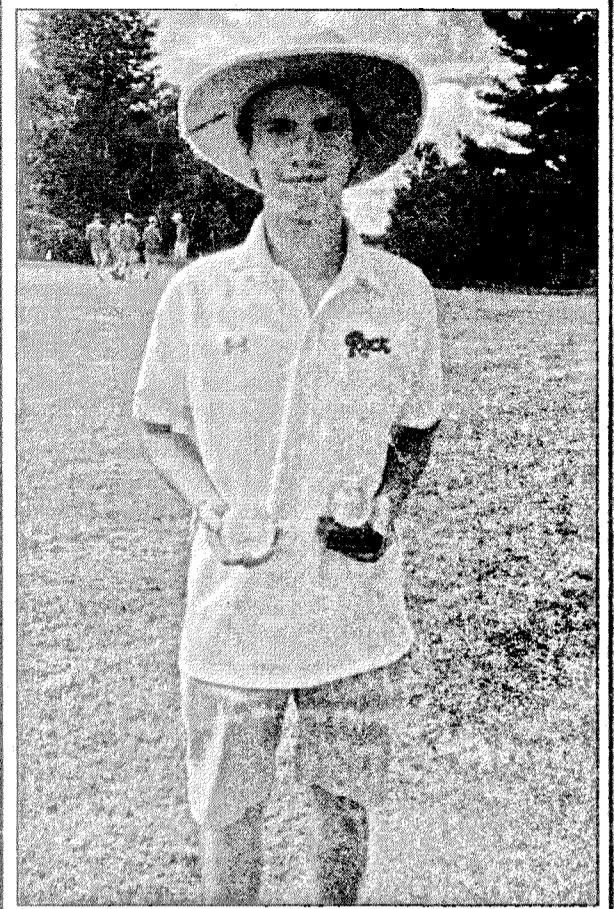
RCMS Golf Team finishes 4th in State Championship

On August 25th, the Kentucky State Middle School Golf Championship was held at the My Old Kentucky Home Golf Course in Bardstown. Rockcastle has a young team consisting of Conner Ford (6th grade),



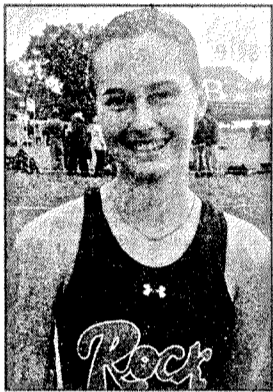
Zeke Fain (7th grade), Luke Ellis (7th grade), Nolan Bryant (7th grade) G. Isaacs (7th grade) and Dalton Deborde (8th) grade. There were 100 golfers in the championship. Conner Ford led the way shooting a 73 and placing 3rd overall in the individual competition, finishing first among all 6th and 7th graders. Zeke Fain shot an 81 with his best showing of the year coming at the right time. Dalton Deborde, the lone 8th grader and a rock for the team the past 3 years, shot the 3rd best score for the team. After combining all three scores, the team placed 4th overall. The top three teams were Crosby Middle School (Louisville), St. Patrick (Louisville) and Scott County. Next year the golf team keeps six of their top seven golfers with only five travelling to tournaments. Pictured above from left are: Cooper Ford, Nolan Bryant, Zeke Fain, Dalton Deborde, Conner Ford, Luke Ellis, G. Isaacs and Coach John Ford.

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RCMS golf took part in the Conference Tournament at The Woodford Club this past Saturday. Salton Gibbs finished in third place individually and was named to the all-conference team for the second straight year.

RCMS sophomore Lexi Dotson had an outstanding 5,000-meter race, placing 7th overall out of 84 competitors with an exceptional time of 21:12.05, despite the wet, muddy course conditions at the Berea Community Invitational on Saturday at Berea College. Lexi led all competitors with a great first mile and was still in the lead group approaching two miles when she slipped and fell pretty hard, losing her position in the race. She worked hard to recover, but fell again. Battered, bruised, and bloody, she sprinted the finish. She was easily headed for her best time of the season and should have a chance for a personal best time at the Louisville Classic next Saturday.



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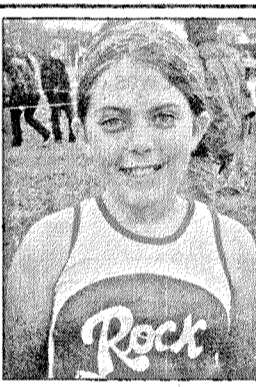
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RCMS sixth grader Chloe Burke had an outstanding first-ever 1,600-meter cross-country race at the Berea Community Invitational on Saturday at Berea College. Amazingly, she placed 18th overall out of 131 competitors with an awesome time of 8:01.42 and earned a medal for finishing in the top 20.



Rockcastle fifth grader Aria French had an outstanding 1,600-meter cross-country race at the Berea Community Invitational on Saturday at Berea College. Amazingly, she placed 30th overall out of 131 competitors with an awesome time of 8:23.99.



RCMS eighth grader Isaiah Phelps had a great first-ever 3000-meter cross-country race at the Berea Community Invitational on Saturday at Berea College. Isaiah only began practice recently but still managed a nice time of 17:25.65. With some practice under his belt, he will improve tremendously.

RCMS seventh grader Nevah Miller had an outstanding first 3,000-meter race at the Berea Community Invitational on Saturday at Berea College. She just recently started practicing with the team and hasn't had time to get in top physical condition. Impressively, through much of the first half of the race, she was holding strong in 5th place out of 78 girls that were entered in the competition. The first 30-40 girls took a wrong turn which made them run much farther than the others and made the final results nearly impossible to determine. Nevertheless, she ran a great first race and has a very bright future ahead of her on the track and cross-country team.



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Rocket volleyball moves to 5-0 in district play

Despite dropping their first two matches of the week, the Rockcastle County High School volleyball team bounced back to take an important district-seeding matchup against Pulaski County on Thurs., Sept. 23.

The victory over the Lady Maroons pushed the Lady Rockets out to an 8-3 overall record on the court, but also a 5-0 record in district play to wrap up the top spot in the 47th District tournament where they will play Casey County, who is winless in the district.

No stats were available at press time for the match against Pulaski County, but the Lady Rockets saw the first set go to the Lady Maroons before finally pulling things together to take the next three sets for the 3-1 (21-25, 25-6, 25-20, 25-

19) victory. Rockcastle opened the week with a 2-0 (25-19, 25-20) loss on Mon., Sept. 20 at home against Southwestern before a 3-1 (25-22, 21-25, 25-12, 25-13) defeat at Madison Central the next night.

Against Southwestern, Sarah Barron led the defensive game with 13 digs while Keelee King dished out 14 assists.

Kylee Burns finished the match with eight kills, five digs and a service ace.

Rockcastle's service game finished with seven aces with Laura Doan leading the way with three.

Burns and King each earned double-doubles on the road against Madison Central.

Burns smashed down

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Marching Rockets return to competition

After nearly two years since they last competed, the RCMS Marching Rockets debuted their 2021 Show "The Journey" at the North Laurel Rumble In The Jungle Marching Invitational. During the fall of 2020, KMEA cancelled all competitive events for the season due to Covid regulations so it was with much anticipation that bands are returning to competitive marching arts this fall. The Marching Rockets gave a strong first performance Saturday winning third place in class 2A competition. This year's show features flute soloist Julian Isaacs along with a saxophone ensemble that features alto saxophone players Ethan Cromer, Robert Rhodus, and Aaliyah Woodall and is under the direction of Senior Drum Major Allison Dunn. Pictured above is Senior Drum Major Allison Dunn leading the band onto the field as well as RCMS Colorguard members Moira Neely, Kilee Carpenter, and Kendra Barnes along with other members of the band. Below are Percussionists Kory Tompkins, Alexandra Burke, and Amber Horn.



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Eighth grade wins Rock Hard Bowl

The Rockcastle County Middle School football teams were in action twice each last week, earning a total of three wins in three days.

Both the seventh and eighth grade teams posted shutouts against Russell County on Thurs., Sept. 23 before splitting a pair of contests on Saturday in their annual Rock Hard Bowl against Southern Pulaski.

Head coach Jamie Todd's squads were firing on all cylinders on Thursday against an over-matched Russell County program, forcing a running clock in both contests.

The seventh-grade team won 30-0 while the eighth-grade team followed suit with a 40-0 decision in the nightcap.

In the seventh-grade game, Kaden Lovell got the Rockets on the board first with 32-yard touchdown scamper just over 1:30 into the game.

Jacob Camel scored the first of his two touchdowns in the contest when he entered the end zone from seven yards out with 6:03 left in the second quarter.

Camel's second touchdown was with just 0:14.4 remaining in the third quarter.

Sandwiched between Camel's pair of touchdowns was a 27-yard scoring run from Xavier Leger late in the second quarter.

Grady McGuire capped the scoring with a short run with just about 2:00 in the game.

The eighth-grade team didn't get their scoring started until the 6:12 mark of the second quarter on a Rex Parkey touchdown run and Jai Denny's conversion.

Isaiah Jackson scored the first of his three touchdowns on the night when he got into end zone with 1:03 before the end of the first half. Parkey connected with Ethan

Weaver on the conversion pass to put the Rockets up 16-0.

It only took two plays on offense in the second half for the Rockets to jump out to a 32-0 lead as Jackson scored on runs of 55 and 69 to put the game out of reach.

Parkey capped the scoring with about four minutes left in the game on a five yard scamper that was followed by McGuire's conversion run.

Action in the Rock Hard Bowl started out with an unfortunate 20-12 loss in the seventh-grade contest.

Rockcastle's Leger got the scoring started with a 3-yard touchdown run with 4:15 left in the first quarter, but it would be all the scoring the Rockets would do until the final play of the first half.

After falling behind 12-6 to the Warriors, Rockcastle marched its way down the field before the end of the half and was aided by a pass interference call with 0:02.2 remaining in the half.

The final play of the first half was a brilliant touchdown reception by Leger when he had to keep his composure when Nick Reppert's pass was tipped in the end zone, but Leger was able to corral the pass for the score.

Rockcastle would unfortunately not score again and would give up the game-winning score on a 59-yard run with 5:09 left in the third quarter.

After falling behind 8-0 to start the eighth-grade game against Southern Pulaski, the Rockets answered back just 12 seconds later when Jackson took the ball in from 49-yards out for the touchdown and then a conversion run to tie the game at 8-8 with 5:35 left in the first quarter.

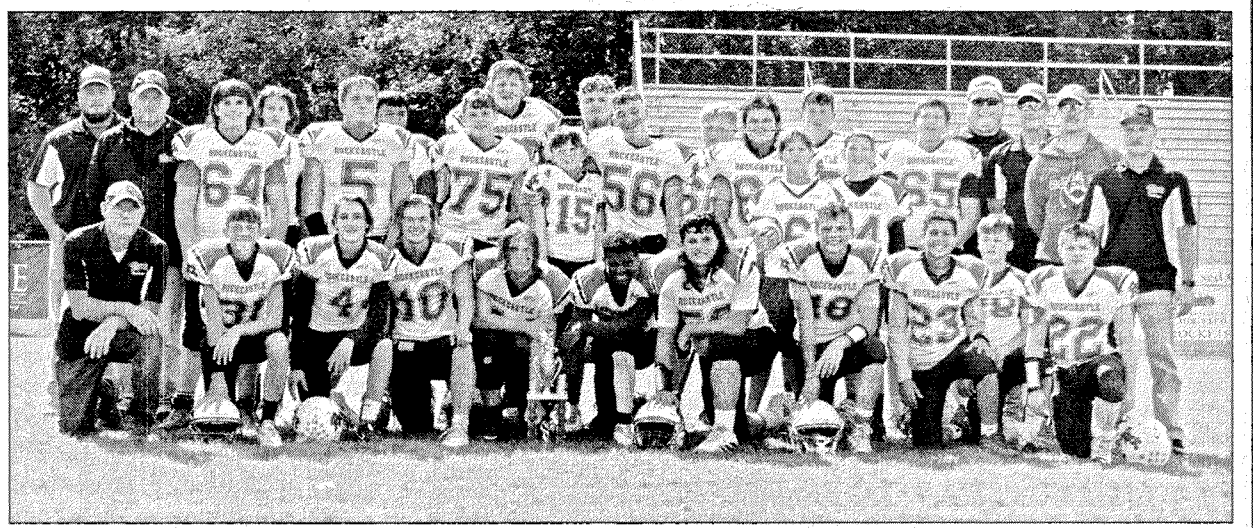
Jackson would later give the Rockets a lead when he plunged his way into the end zone from five yards out with 5:34 remaining in the opening half. Jackson's conversion run put the Rockets up 16-8.

Southern Pulaski scored with 1:21 to go in the first half, but Parkey's fumble recovery on the conversion attempt kept the score at 16-14.

Jackson and Parkey connected on a 26-yard touchdown pass with 0:06.9 to give the Rockets a 22-14 lead heading into the halftime break.

Neither team could muster points in the third quarter before Denny tallied Rockcastle's final score with 7:05 left in the game on a five yard scoring run.

Southern Pulaski would score again with a little over a minute remaining in the game, but the Rockets recovered the ensuing onside kick for the win and the opportunity to hoist the Rock Hard Bowl championship trophy.



The Rockcastle County Middle School eighth grade football team won the Rock Bowl this past Saturday, defeating Southern Pulaski, 28-20 at RCMS.

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"Volleyball"

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15 kills and scooped up 13 digs while King totaled 24 assists and 11 digs.

Barron was masterful from her libero position with 33 digs and inching herself closer to 1,000 digs in the last three seasons.

The Lady Rockets were scheduled to have three matches this week, but their contest on Mon., Sept. 27 at home with Garrard County was cancelled over the weekend due to COVID concerns within the Lady Lions program.

Other action this week for the Lady Rockets include their first match ever against upstart Somerset Christian School on Tuesday at home and a road contest to finish out district-seeding play on Thursday against Somerset.

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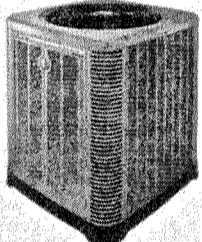
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