

Lady Rocket basketball bounces back with 74-43 victory

by Leighanne Seals and Christina Mahaffey

The Lady Rockets are back after a five-game losing streak with a 74-43 win over Monticello a week ago last Monday night.

After a big sigh of relief, the team is ready to win some more.

Whether it be beating Clay County or going all the way to state, the girls have some major goals, but wishing isn't all they are doing.

Ms. Dawn Quigley, assistant coach, said the girls are actually making it happen by practicing six days a week and working on weak points such as executing offense, shooting the ball and playing more as a team.

"Our goal is to have a winning season and to return to the region again this year. We are hoping to improve each game and be ready come tournament time," said Christi Noble, head coach.

Amanda Osborne, a junior, says, "We played a lot better at Monticello; we played more as a team."

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Nikki Bullock, the only senior on the team, says that coming out of the 10-7 losing streak has really put the girls back on track, and she thinks that more speed and effort could return the girls to the regionals and on to state.

According to Ms. Quigley, the girls have really taken their situation seriously and as a reward they are getting better and playing harder.

Coach Noble also said, "This year's team is a lot quicker, but they lack leadership. Their outside and freethrow shooting has improved."

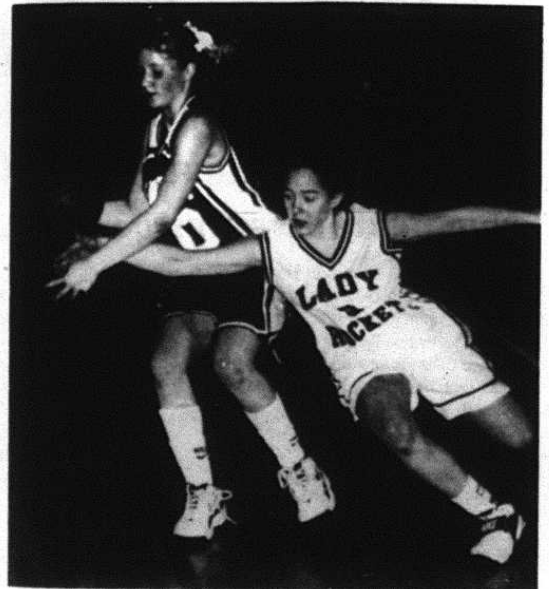
According to Coach Noble, the team has also improved their rebounding, execution of offense and they are taking better care of the ball.

"It takes more of a team effort because it takes everybody to accomplish goals and win any game," says Nikki. "All games are important because we can look back and see our mistakes."

Nikki thinks that constructive criticism is something that the team has learned to accept. "We don't take criticism to heart like we used to. We are more open to suggestions and if someone makes a comment, we don't get as upset over it as we did last year."

The game against Madison Southern started out looking like the Lady Rockets were going to loose again because in the first half, the offense was not executed very well.

They came back however, in the second half and played outstandingly well tossing in several three-pointers. The girls triumphed and won the exciting game 53-59 in overtime.

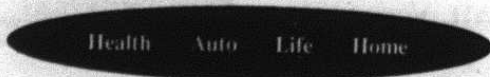


Freshman Jessica Rickels knocks the ball loose from a Lady Trojan during recent win in a game with Monticello. Jessica came off the bench to score two points in the game.



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20-year losing streak may end for boys' varsity

by Cory Bailey

Its been a few years since the boys' basketball team has sparked enthusiasm in the hearts of Rocket fans.

With the limelight being focused mainly on other teams, such as the girls' basketball and softball teams who both have advanced to the state level, the boys' basketball team has been left in the dark.

Year after year, the varsity has suffered embarrassing losses to surrounding teams especially to Clay County in regular season play and again in the tournament.

But this year, the Rockets have the attention of area teams including Clay.

Both times the teams have met this season, Clay came out on top by a comparatively slim margin; now Rocket fans are talking upset.

In all of the years since con-

solidation, Coach Clayton Cash says that he can't remember a game in which the Rockets have beaten Clay County. Neither can anyone else.

When referring to this season's 12-6 record Coach Cash says, "The players have been playing hard, but we still have some things to work on to get better before February."

Team members are excited about the turnaround.

"I am proud of the team because they have all put forth an effort into our winning season and hopefully it will be even more memorable," commented Billy Kirby senior forward.

"The difference between this year and my last three years is the attitude that the team has. We know we can win now," added, senior guard, Travis Anderkin.

Senior forward Blake Childress said, "I think this year's

team is closer than they have been in the past. We have fun and don't think of it as a job."

It has been over 20 years since RCHS has had a winning boys' basketball team. Not since the 1978-79 team of which Mr. David Riddle, driver's education instructor, was a member. His father, Mr. Billy Riddle was coach then.

Principal Ronnie Cash is pleased with the season so far.

"I am extremely proud of our team and our coaches. I know of no one who works harder than Coach Cash and it makes me happy for him. I also appreciate the parents and the community for the support they show the team. This is the first time in many years that we have had ten victories this early in the season," he said.

Mr. Cash added with a wry smile, that he especially thanks the team for giving him the victory over Somerset, indicating that they would know what he meant.

Optimism and excitement is also spreading throughout the

school.

Ms. Connie Riddle, business teacher, said of the two losses to Clay County, "It's hard to beat a team three times."

Boys' varsity cheerleading coach Ms. Julie Cruse commented, "I have no doubt that our two losses to Clay County will be

more than enough motivation for the Rockets to be victorious in their pursuit for the district title."

Dale Whitaker, RCHS guidance counselor and former Rocket team member said, "The winning season has created a lot of excitement. I can tell a difference at school. Basketball roots go back a long way in Rockcastle County."

This attitude is also evident in the community as shown by the the largest crowd at the last Clay County home game that has ever attended a regular season game in the Rocket gym.

1997-98 Season Record

Williamsburg	59-55	Win
Lincoln Co.	70-69	Win
Somerset	76-62	Win
Jackson Co.	67-63	Win
Oneida	80-43	Win
Clay Co.	77-87	Loss
Clinton Co.	77-81	Loss
Knott Co.	60-55	Win
Harrison Co.	60-63	Loss
Mayfield	80-75	Win
Knott Co.	55-59	Loss
McQuary C.	55-43	Win
Clay Co.	69-75	Loss
Garrard Co.	56-36	Win
SW Pulaski	61-58	Win
Bell Co.	59-60	Loss
Madison S.	66-52	Win
Oneida	83-61	Win

Upcoming Games

Jan. 27	Estill County	Away
Jan. 30	Whitley Co.	Home
Jan. 31	Cumberland	Home
Feb. 3	Knox Central	Home
Feb. 6	Jackson	Home
Feb. 10	North Laurel	Away
Feb. 13	Russell Co.	Home
Feb. 14	Corbin	Home
Feb. 17	Barbourville	Home



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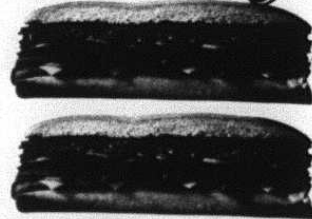
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ON THE EDGE

A monthly look into pop culture and some of the burning questions of life.
by Josh McKibben

- Ric Flair is old...real old.
- Phrase O' the Day: "Centrifical Kinetics"
- Do they have reserved parking for non-handicap people at the Special Olympics?
- Hot Product: Igi'a Facial Hair Removal System for Women
- Why do people drive on parkways and park on driveways?
- Health Tip: Don't say "This ain't the cheese line!" when the agenda girl comes around.
- If a fly has no wings, should it be called a "walk?"
- Contrary to ordinary belief, bologna isn't made out of racoon meat.
- Dougie Medley: Jim Carrey:: Mrs. Cruse: Jenny McCarthy
- How can the Academy Awards panel overlook a movie like "Mortal Kombat: Annihilation?"
- Bologna is made out of dog fat.
- Why does sour cream have an expiration date?
- "I got this Jooky Halibut! I got this Jooky Chainsaw!"

HOROSCOPES

Aries (Mar. 21-April 20) - The person you thought was the love of your life turns out to be unfaithful, but don't worry a new relationship is just over the horizon. Use your new - found time to study.

Taurus (April 21-May 21) - Home life may be tense at the moment, but much needed relief is headed your way. You might be surprised at how much a change of attitude will help. The new year brings financial luck.

Gemini (May 22-June 21) - Not only has your new year started with forgotten resolutions but with a new and exciting friendship as well. Believe in and take the advice given to you by an older sibling.

Cancer (June 22- July 23) - Let go of the past and don't dwell on bad memories. Concentrate on upcoming events that are sure to bring you happiness and luck in the new year.

Leo (July 24-Aug. 23) - Pull yourself out of the emotional roller coaster that you have been riding. A new activity will be just what you need to meet a special someone. Friends are very important this month.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) - Quit letting that significant other push you around. Be confident in yourself and trust what your instincts have been telling you. They will lead you success in grades and social life

Libra (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) - Your strength and patience will soon be rewarded with an opportunity of a lifetime. Don't let a conflict make you pass it by. Be careful of the advice you give to a friend.

Scorpio (Oct. 24- Nov. 22) - Try not to let pride stand in the way of apologizing to a family member. A strong friendship may be heading toward's lover's lane. A good time to read a book.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - A friendship that has been troubled will reconcile itself soon. Don't be to quick to judge the decision a parent made; they know something about your crush that you don't.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) - Don't get discouraged if your transportation is limited for a while. A lie someone told on you turns out great for you! What a surprise for them. Go see a movie.

Aquarius (Jan 21-Feb. 19) - An old birthday gift you thought was useless comes in handy to catch that new crush you have in your sights. Don't take advice given by a caring friend the wrong way.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) - A new job turns out to be a financial success and it also gains some much needed trust from the parents. Save your earnings for that nagging Christmas bill that just won't go away.

Dear Gabby

Dear Gabby,
Please don't laugh when I say this, but I actually feel that there are certain people in this school who think that I am gay. This upsets me because I'm NOT!!!!

I can't believe that people can be so judgmental, and that just because I don't think that typical male interests are the center of the universe, they label me as being gay.

This assumption may explain why people ignore and even avoid me in the halls.

You can not even imagine the pain and anger I feel when obvious inbreed hicks have the audacity to question my lifestyle and to make explicit and totally immature remarks concerning aspects of my life. This emotional battery used to be a daily occurrence, but now it has slowed somewhat.

Now I'm joked about fabricated encounters with a particular female friend of mine. (Like they have never heard of Platonic relationships? PLEASE!!!)

I am very tired of their accusations and annoyed at the fact that they don't even have the guts to confront me face to face. What should I do?
Cornered

Dear Concerned,
Although I know what others say hurts, do not worry so much about what others think of you. We cannot control others or what they think.

True fulfillment does not come from acceptance by others at the risk of giving up your own identity. To be truly happy, you must live for yourself, not others. You know the truth. Others will come to know it also; so try to be patient.
Gabby

Dear Gabby,
I'm only a freshman and not allowed to date until I'm sixteen. My senior boyfriend often suggests that I sneak out with him because we rarely get a chance to see one another.

Since I'm not going to go against my parents wishes, should I let him see other girls that can date or just break up with him?
Too Young

Dear Too Young,
I really admire you for sticking to the rules, even though it's really tough sometimes. I praise you for not compromising your parents' trust or your standards for a guy.

Obviously, your boyfriend is very selfish if he cannot accept the rules your parents set to protect you. You might suggest that he come to your house more often. If he is not satisfied with that, then he is not worthy of you.
Gabby







Dear Gabby,
Whenever I talk to a guy I like, I get extremely nervous. I turn really red and sweat profusely. Do guys think this is cute or totally gross?
Shaking Knees

Dear Shaking,
Oddly enough, most guys seem to think this is cute to a certain extent. Blushing is sweet and even seems flattering. It can show affection.

Perspiring, on the other hand, can be a bad thing. Don't worry though, as long as you're not dripping wet, you're okay.

Just remember, it's only a guy. He probably is just as nervous as you are, if not more so.
Gabby

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-  reveals logical thinking
-  reveals a tender-hearted doodler who enjoys helping others and protecting those in need
-  reveals a highly imaginative mind and even may suggest an interest in fiction writing
-  reveals a spiritual nature and optimism based on faith
-  reveals an optimist able to confront disappointments
-  reveals a sentimental, affectionate, loving, romantic



- News Flash: Michael Jackson is a freak.
- What's another word for "weasener"?
- Must See TV: Any Snickers commercial.
- How do they clean all that grime?
- Hawson makes me wanna puke.
- What was the best thing before sliced bread?
- Mama Joke O' the Day: Your mama's so nice she'd give me the hair off her back!
- Why is "abbreviation" such a long word?
- Inside Joke: I'm thinking Richmond.
- Irony is so ironic.
- If the funeral procession is at night, do folks drive with their lights off?
- Here's a no-brainer for movie night: "The Mighty Ducks" Trilogy or the "Star Wars" Trilogy.
- Annoying Tip: Ask the same person everyday for a week if they got a haircut.
- When you call a psychic, why do they have to ask for your name?
- Monty Python Classic Quote: "Ecky ecky ecky both-lang most swooo..."

At RCHS

Lady Rockets beat Eagles; lose to Cardinals



At RCMS

Bible Baptist Youth hold Super Bowl Bash



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Anonymous tip averts jail break

By: Richard Anderkin
An anonymous tip Sunday afternoon apparently helped stop a possible jail break.
Kentucky State Police Detective Gary Lane, who is investigating the incident, said that someone tipped off jail officials and the sheriff's office that prisoners had knocked a large hole in the wall in one of the cells.
When jail officials examined the cell they found a hole in the wall the size of one and one-half concrete blocks.
Lane said that prisoners had ap-

parently knocked the hole in the wall and covered it up with a mirror.
Rockcastle County Deputy Lister Otha Marcum said that four prisoners, in the jail when the hole was discovered, were transferred to another facility on Sunday. One of those prisoners has returned but the other three are still being held in Pulaski County.
"That was done so we could empty the cell so the repairs could take place and for security reasons," Marcum said.

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New law would make marrying harder for young Kentuckians.

By: Richard Anderkin
In times past in Kentucky many a wedding was held with a preacher and a shotgun.
But, a bill now in the Kentucky House of Representatives would greatly change the rules by which children under the age of 16 get their marriage license and would require a district judge's approval as well as the preacher.
House Bill No. 37, would require that a district judge approve the marriages of people under the age of 16.
However, there is another catch. No case could even come before the district judge if the girl involved was not pregnant.
A parent or guardians signature would be all that would be required, for those people wanting to get married between the ages of 16 and 18.
State Representative Barbara Collier of Manchester sponsored the bill in an effort to cut down on underage weddings in the state.

State Representative Danny Ford said Monday that he thought the bill, or something similar to the legislation, was needed as well.
Ford said that Kentucky's current law on marriages is not strict enough since anyone in the state can get married if they have the signature of their parent or legal guardian.
"Right now, if a parent signs the marriage license application an 8-year-old can get married and that is simply ridiculous," he said.
House Bill 37 has made its way out of committee and is awaiting a vote on the house floor.
Ford said he thinks the bill will pass.
Several marriages occur each year in the state between extremely young girls and boys.
Rockcastle is no exception. Last week Livingston preacher Bro. Billy Medley performed a ceremony.
"This is a trend that is increasing in message in Kentucky and the South," he said.
The local economy should receive a boost from the increased tourism that is expected. This project, if approved, should have an immediate impact in the form of construction jobs.
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James H. Lambert in race for office of County Judge/Executive

By: Richard Anderkin
After the dust had settled and the filing deadline had passed, a total of sixty candidates had filed for political office in the upcoming May Primary Election.
Among the most noted was former Rockcastle County Attorney James H. Lambert.
However Lambert is running for a different office in 1998.
On Tuesday, Lambert, 55, of Conway filed for the office of County Judge-Executive.
The three term county attorney

said Tuesday he is very concerned about the future of the county, which prompted him to seek the county's top office.
"I believe all Rockcastle countians are entitled to clean water, proper money management, good roads, emergency services, job opportunities and freedom from crime," Lambert said.
"I would also like to see more movement here. When I look to the north, I see a growing bustling Berea and Richmond; to the west Somerset is booming and London to the south

is a hub for people in southeastern Kentucky. You have to ask why not Rockcastle County," he said.
"We have the same Interstate 75 that three of those towns have, CSX provides us rail service as it does them and we have the same good natural resources as they do," he continued.
"We have as good a workforce as you will find in any of the other growing areas and I simply think we can do more to attract better, higher paying jobs to our county," he said.
Lambert, a Republican, said he would make every effort to discuss the needed growth in the county with as many people as possible in the coming weeks before the election.



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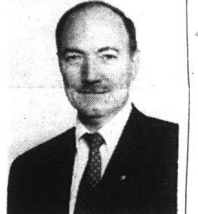
Only 60 file for May Primary Election

By: Richard Anderkin
There were few surprises after the deadline to file for county office had come and gone on Tuesday, with the biggest surprise probably being the fewer number of candidates than usual.
No one filed in one race and only one candidate filed in four of the eight county wide races.
Incumbent surveyor Jimmy Winstead, who had served as county surveyor for the past four years, did not seek re-election and no one else filed for the job.
Incumbent County Attorney Jeff Burdette, incumbent County Clerk Norma Houk, incumbent Property

Valuation Administrator Margaret Offutt and incumbent Coroner Bill Dowell will all return to office unopposed.
State Representative Danny Ford, Republican of Mt. Vernon and District Court Judges Walter McGuire and Mike Henry, both of Somerset will return to office unopposed.
However several magisterial candidates filed on the last day.
Mt. Vernon City Council woman Clarice R. Kirby, 46, of Fairground Hill, Republican, has filed for magistrate in the second district.
Mrs. Kirby is currently serving her fourth term on the Mt. Vernon

Cromer files for re-election

Mt. Vernon Mayor Gary R. Cromer announced Tuesday that he had filed for re-election to that office.
Cromer, 51, is seeking his third full term as Mayor.
Although candidates for city councils and school board have until August 11 to file, Cromer said he filed early to squelch speculation that he was going to run for Rockcastle County Judge/Executive.
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Divers unable to locate body

Divers from the Pulaski County Sheriff's Department searched Lake Linnville last week for over an hour but did not find what they were looking for.
Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Darrell Doan said that two divers from the neighboring sheriff's department had to call off their search because the water was too cold.
Doan said the two men would return to the lake to continue their search as soon as the temperature rises.
The divers are looking for the body of Charles "Toddy" Baker, 31, of Mt. Vernon who has been missing since last May.
An anonymous informant told police that Baker had been murdered and his body had been dumped in the lake. Baker was reported missing after he failed to show up for a May 14 court appearance.

Feds to pay for needed equipment

Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Buzz Carlotis announced during a special called meeting of the fiscal court on Monday, that the county has been provided federal funding for radio communications equipment that will enable all fire departments, city police departments, forest rangers, ambulance service and sheriff's department to communicate on a mutual aid channel.
Included in the first phase package are centralized communications consoles, 89 radios to be programmed and two repeaters installed in the county.
The Judge said the new equipment will allow county-wide coverage from hand-held radio, which has

Patty Lovelass, Loretta Lynn, Oaks return to Renfro Valley in 1998

A record number of visitors attended shows at historic Renfro Valley in 1997, partly because of the great line up of entertainers.
Doan said in 1998, that line up of entertainment has only gotten better.
Renfro Valley Vice-President and General Manger Jane Thome said Tuesday, that Renfro Valley was proud of the schedule they had been able to put together this season.
"It is the best line up in this part of the country," she said.
Mike Snider kicks things off on April 4, followed by the McKameys on April 11 and Neal McCoy on April 18.
The nation's funniest professor, Carl Hurley, finishes off April with performances on April 24 and 25.
Jerry Clower returns to the valley on May 2. The Isaacs are scheduled to appear on May 9 and Don Williams, T.G. Shepherd and Ray Price will follow on May 16, 23 and 30.
In June, Jerry Reed, Patty Lovelass and the Oak Ridge Boys will take center stage and July begins with the World Famous Old Joe-Clark Bluegrass Festival.
Aaron Tippin, Roy Clark and Diamond Rio, appear in the Valley on July 11, 18 and 25.
Brenda Lee, the Charlie Daniels Band, Charley Pride and Ronnie McDowell will perform in August with the Dukes of Hazard—John Schneider and Tom Wopat kicking things off in September.
Also performing in September will be John Anderson, Mike Snider, again, and Merle Haggard.
Gene Watson, Loretta Lynn and Ronnie Milsap bring their legendary voices to Renfro Valley in October with Ricky Van Shelton and Carl Hurley wrapping things up in November.
The annual gospel talent search and all night gospel singing along with the gospel music celebration are also on the calendar for 1998.



Patty Lovelass will perform at Renfro Valley June 13th.

\$2 million for Hall of Fame at Renfro Valley listed as state priority

After more than ten years of work, it appears a \$2 million project to promote tourism in Rockcastle County is closer to becoming a reality.
State Representative Danny Ford of Mt. Vernon, says the creation of a Country Music Hall of Fame in Renfro Valley is listed as a state priority in this year's proposed budget.
With an estimated \$500 million surplus in the state budget, a total of 139 projects have been proposed by Governor Paul Patton in the Executive Budget. The projects have been prioritized with the Kentucky Country Music Hall of Fame at Renfro Valley listed as one of the top priorities in this budget plan. "This project is listed at number 31, which should guarantee its funding," Ford said.
The local lawmaker has been working to establish Renfro Valley as one of the nation's top country music sites since 1987, when he filed legislation to name Renfro Valley as "Kentucky's Country Music Capital."
"This will be a great opportunity to promote tourism in our county, our region and our state," said Ford. "Renfro has been known for many years as a leading source of country music entertainment, and this proposed project will only further that

Points East

By:
Ike Adams

Just a few news items this week instead of a full-fledged sermon. It's tough to find inspiration in January. I had no sooner announced the existence of the Paint Lick beaver dam than it rained and rained and rained some more. It rained enough to put the beaver construction project under about eight feet of water. Needless to say there's not much to look at in the way of a dam now and my credibility has become nearly as suspect as the President's. However, a number of people did make it out before the flood and anybody hanging around Uncle Tom's grocery will vouch for its previous existence. About all that's left are a few branches on either side of the creek and numerous sapling stumps along the shore that contain heavier teeth-marks. Maybe they'll be back again next Fall. Flooding hasn't stopped them in the past and this makes four times they've been washed out of the same location.

In other news, I celebrated my 49th birthday earlier in the month. Well, actually I didn't do any celebrating. Let's just say that it came and went. My blood pressure is up near the panic mark so I can't eat salt

or anything with much fat in it. The larger portion of my diet these days consists of skim milk and celery. My eyesight is failing rapidly and if you don't speak pretty loudly when talking to me I get irritated and say "what?" a lot.

I've never been able to grow a beard or mustache that didn't come out in varying lengths and colors and I still can't but all of a sudden my eyebrows are coming in so thick they look like over-grown woolly worms. If I could get them to grow under my nose I'd be onto something.

I've never had any problem up till now with hair growing out of my ears so fast it requires a daily clipping. No wonder my hearing is going bad.

In other words, there's not much to celebrate. But speaking of woolly worms, I need to remind you that the National Association of Woolly Worm Winter Weather Watchers also known as NAWWWWW, predicted a milder winter than the normal and a White Christmas. The white Christmas was two days late.

They also called for wetter than normal and so far we've had almost twice as much rain as we'd normally get in January. If it had fallen as snow

instead of rain we would have had nearly 30 inches. So the next time you see a woolly worm, slap him on the back.

In the meantime, don't be selling off your extra firewood just yet. According to the woolies, the worst is yet to come. Sometime between late February and early April we're due a doozie of a snow.

The best week of a review of the Best Seed Catalogues for 1998. So stay tuned gardeners.

HERESAY

By:
John Norman Meadows

PRECIOUS SOULS, CHILDREN OF AN EVIL AGE, greetings and gratifications to you and yours from Nod's Little Acre, the modest abode that Nancy and I call "home," and for which we are most grateful, considering the fact that many a soul owns no home nor has a place to call home. No, not even the kind of home that Robert Frost described as "the place, where, when you go there, they have to take you in."

I apologize, dearly beloved, for not having a column last week, especially since one of my new year intentions was to write weekly, even when my maniacal lumber turns up its devilry, or when I'm out of Wab'd attending a conference or international symposium, or I'm on an investigative assignment for *The Lid*, the quarterly publication of the BADD (Brothers Against Dirty Designations), which was organized in '92 by a group of concerned citizens determined to do something substantive about the universally insulting practice of calling toilets "John."

And, indeed, I was out of town. I flew to New Delhi to cover the annual, international proceedings of RCA (Really Concerned Astronomers), who met to plot a course of action in light of their true but terrifying discovery that our sun will burn out in only six billion years. Presently, their plan is to move Earth's inhabitants to a hospitable planet orbiting the sun of another solar system in the constellation *Avurpo*, which is a few million light years northeast of the constellation *Digitalis*. "Ve haf genug

time to accomplish dis in've pool our national r't-resources in vun chigantuk effortz," said Herk Dotor Hermann Wissenschaft, the newly elected director of RCA. And, beloved, I assured him that I spoke for all Wab'donians in saying we will do our utmost to cooperate and contribute.

Upon my return to Wab'd, I quickly learned of the hubbub surrounding overtures on the part of a group of nudists who want to purchase land in Wab'donia and set up a nudist colony. A-mercy! How might I up some folks are. And, local officials are burning midnight oil to draft legislation that will prohibit such activity.

For a while, I thought our magistratum had an ulterior motive in composing "no nudist" legislation, viz., that it was actually the work of some jealous Wab'donians who want to keep Nancy and me from skinny-soaking in our hot tub. But further investigation changed my mind, although I'm sure some area fundys are inflamed over our nightly aquatically hot ablutions.

Once lived in a county in Arizona that had a nudist camp. The leaders of the camp were quite shrewd. Realizing that the officials could ban them with legislation, they came not as a "camp" or a "colony." No. No. They came as a "church." And the government was hard put to interfere.

They called themselves The Church of the Naked Truth and the sign outside their high walled enclosure invited the public to join the encampment "Where we bare one another's private burdens and hardships."

When the church set up, county officials realized that the legislative approach was not the way to deal with religious nudists. So, they reasoned among themselves: *We'll let them come in, and it won't be long before they'll break some law -- like throwing a drunken orgy -- and the law can rush right in, jail them, try them, and ban them. Sooner or later, we'll get 'em.*

Well, beloved, when my family and I moved to this county, the Church of the Naked Truth was in its fifth year of existence. One of my deacons, who was in on the plan to let them come in and then get some dirt on them, said, "Preacher, we've tried and tried, but, bless Bess, it's downright hard to pin anything on them."

The nudist church was still there when we moved away three years later. But I heard recently that they left, lock, stock, and barrel. The reason? It seems that El Niño had affected the weather so as to encourage the infestation of an inordinate masse of mosquitoes. It was as if every mosquito within a hundred miles converged on the Church of the Naked Truth. Measures to control them failed. And eventually the members were so frustrated and bitten that they moved out overnight. No one knows where they went.

Could they be the group that is seeking a presence here in Wab'dworld? Get ready for them, folks, if they constitute into a church. Five will get you ten that there will be a run on binoculars in area stores if they do move in. No, I won't buy such. I already have a pair. I'll keep an eye out for further developments and will let you know if anything comes up.

Say! Let the nudists come in even if they aren't a church. With the erection of a watchtower nearby, amply supplied with pay-as-you-peek telescopes, the county could raise money to help foot the bill for our coming 911 system -- or compensate other counties for incarcerating our wanton juveniles.

I personally wouldn't bare my out of shape body to a community, but there is something "right" about nudists meeting without shame and embarrassment, which was the way it was before the Tempter wiled the wits of the primal pair. And isn't it strangely interesting how guilt and nakedness got all entwined?

Oops! I must take leave of you and go buy a drain tile for Nancy to put in across the road at her home place. Until then, give a measure of moderation to the opinion of the late Strudler T. Deidinger, long-time

Wab'donian oenophile, and part-time connoisseur of wine, who said, "No decent, respectable person is in favor of nudity; but after paying taxes, some of us may have no other choice."

Lambert Files

(Cont. from front)

Jail Break

(Cont. from front)

"We appreciate the tip and are glad we were able to discover the hole before any of our prisoners escaped," he said.

Jailer Joe Howard, who is recovering from surgery, was unavailable for comment.

Rockcastle County Attorney Jeff Burdette wrote eight arrest warrants for prisoners believed to be involved in the attempted escape.

Charged with criminal mischief in the first degree for allegedly knocking out the concrete blocks and damaging water pipes were:

Gary Hasty, 36, Mt. Vernon, Clarence J. Jones, 34, Mt. Vernon, Donald Newcomb, 18, Mt. Vernon, Joel Simpson, 29, Mt. Vernon, Atvin Knuckles, 29, Mt. Vernon, William Baker, Jr., 18, Mt. Vernon, Troy Kirby, 31, Mt. Vernon and Raymond Miracle, 29, Mt. Vernon. Miracle was also charged with promoting contraband.

According to Burdette, Miracle reportedly had a cuff key and rolling papers in his possession on Sunday night.

Rockcastle County Judge/Executive Buzz Carlolifus said he was concerned about the problem at the jail when he was very concerned by the transfer of state prisoners to other facilities.

"The jail is already in bad financial shape and when you start transferring prisoners it only makes things worse," he said.

The Judge/Executive pointed out the fact that an empty eight bed cell, which is the size of the one now empty at the jail, will generate \$73,000 a year if all the prisoners being held in that cell are state prisoners.

New Bill

(Cont. from front)

emony for a 12-year-old girl and an 18-year-old boy.

Medley married Stephanie Sue Ann Newcomb, 12, of Orlando and Mark Alfred Carpenter, 18, of Mt. Vernon.

Stephanie Newcomb was allowed to marry after her mother, Edna Sue Newcomb, signed for her to get her marriage license on January 16.

Medley said he did not look at the marriage license before he married the couple, but it probably wouldn't have made any difference.

"Her mother asked me to marry them and everyone seemed happy about it, so I performed the ceremony," he said.

Rep. Ford said he thought after the bill was passed by the House it would also make its way through the Senate and to the Governor for signing.

New Equipment

(Cont. from front)

been a goal of local fire departments and other emergency agencies for over 20 years.

Carlolifus said the federal government had already pledged over \$100,000 for the new equipment.

The equipment, purchased in the first phase of the upgrade for emergency communications, will cost the federal government \$43,437. "Many federal and state projects usually require some local funding. This equipment is completely free to Rockcastle County and is something our fire departments and police have wanted for over 20 years," he said. "I appreciate the local emergency agencies and DES director, Gary Asher, working together with me on this much-needed project," the Judge said.

Hall of Fame

(Cont. from front)

The late John Lair opened Renfro Valley after constructing what is now

the Old Barn in November of 1939, along with the late red Foley. Renfro is home to the nation's second oldest national broadcast with the Sunday Mornin' Gatherin'.

The veteran politician pointed out the disturbing fact. In 1940, Rockcastle County had approximately 17,000 residents, more than lives in the county today.

"As a county we must do better for ourselves and for our children so they will not have to seek employment elsewhere, which will enable them to live and work where they want to -- at home," he said.

Lambert, a life-long native of Rockcastle County, was the 1995 Republican candidate for Kentucky State Treasurer. He received about 411,000 votes statewide and ran second to gubernatorial candidate Larry Forgy among all statewide Republican candidates.

Lambert is the only person in the history of the county to be nominated by a major party to run for state-wide office.

After Lambert's filing, incumbent County Judge/Executive Buzz Carlolifus said he thought his administration had accomplished a lot during his term and that work continued on several important projects.

"I simply am running on my record, it stands for itself," Carlolifus said.

Lambert and his wife, Brenda, a school teacher in Berea, live on a small farm in the northern section of the county.

Lambert and Carlolifus are the only two candidates for Judge/Executive.

Cromer files for re-election

(Cont. from front)

Cromer, a Democrat, who has served for ten years in the non-partisan job, owns and operates Appalachian Medical Equipment, which is based in Mt. Vernon. He and his wife Janie have two grown children and Cromer is very active in several local civic organizations.

Mr. Cromer and Mt. Vernon City Council member Wayne Bullock are the only two people to file for city offices in the county as of yet.

Anyone wishing to file for Mayor in Mt. Vernon, Brodhead or Livingston must be at least 25 years old, a registered voter and live within the city limits. Candidates for city council are required to be only 21 years of age.

Death Bulletin

Mattie Burton

Mrs. Mattie Hurst Burton, 82, of Burton Road, Somerset and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Tuesday at the Lake Cumberland Medical Center. She was the widow of the late Grover Burton. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at the Morris-Histope Funeral Home.

Accepting Applications

The 911 Board is receiving applications until February 15th for part-time and full-time dispatchers. Interested parties may apply at Rockcastle County Judge's office or contact 911 coordinator, Edwina Anglin, at 256-2673.

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Rockets easily beat Oneida and Estill Co.

The Rockets have had two easy games in their last two outings and Coach Clayton Cash has had the opportunity to give his bench some quality playing time. The Rockets beat Oneida last Friday night 83-61 and walloped Estill County Tuesday night 85-54.

At Oneida, the Rockets came out strong, jumping out to a 20-10 first quarter lead and getting ahead by as much as 29 points in the game.

Eleven Rockets scored with John Brown leading the scoring with 21 points. Andrew Cash got 13, Layne Nacely 9, Billy Kirby and Travis Anderkin 8 each, Steve Bradley 7, Blake Childress, Jacob Burdette and Christopher Parsons, 4 each, Dusty McClure, 3 and Matt Brown, 2.

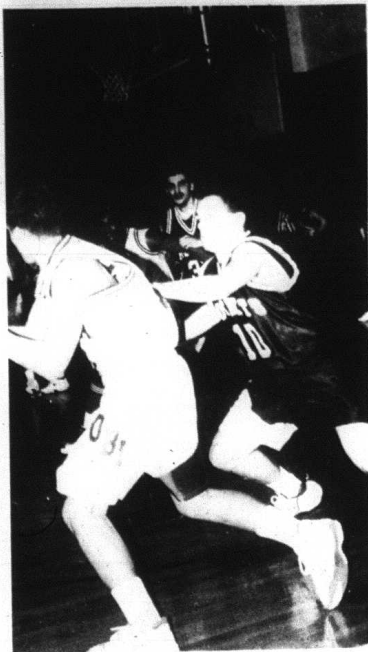
At Estill County Tuesday night, it

was the same story with eleven Rockets again getting into the scoring column, led by Layne Nicely with 21 points.

The Engineers jumped out to a first quarter 10-3 lead, calling for a time out by the Rockets. Following the time-out, the Rockets came back strong to put on a 16-3 run and take a 19-13 first quarter edge.

After that, it was all Rockets and Coach Cash again got to clear his

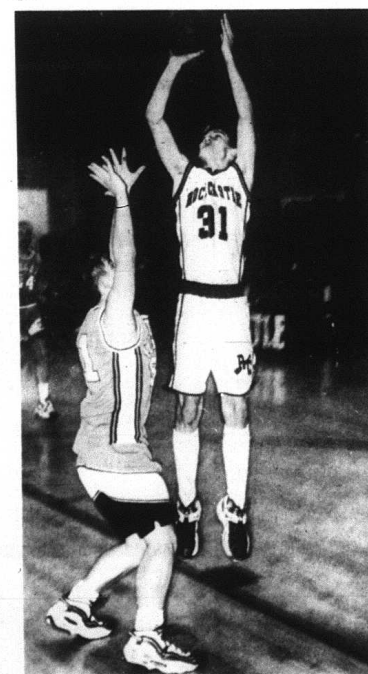
bench in the 85-54 rout. Besides Nicely's 21, John Brown got 14, Matt Brown, 11; Andrew Cash 10; Steve Bradley 8; Blake Childress 6; Billy Kirby 5; Dusty McClure and Matt Smith, 3 each and Travis Anderkin and Jacob Burdette, 2 each.



Senior Dusty McClure defends an Oneida Mountaineer in the Rockets 83-61 rout Friday night.



Steve Bradley drives the ball up the floor Friday night in the Rockets win over Oneida. The Rockets also easily defeated Estill County Tuesday night.



Andrew Hammond goes up for two of his 21 points in the eighth grade's 57-39 win over South Laurel.

Lady Rockets beat Eagles; lose to Wayne

It took an overtime and nine free throws for the Rockets in that period but the Rockcastle Co. Lady Rockets came away with a 59-53 victory against the Madison Southern Lady Eagles last Thursday night.

The girls trailed at the end of the first half 26-18 and at the end of the third period 37-28. But behind 11 "fourth quarter points by Tiffany McClure, the Rockets outscored the Eagles 19-10 to tie the score at 47 all in regulation.

McClure canned one three-point basket in overtime and three free throws and Brandy Reynolds was six for six from the free throw line to give the Lady Rockets the win 59-53.

McClure led the scoring with 19; Reynolds got 14; Amanda Osborne, 9; Brooke Roberts, 8 (six in the first quarter); Nikki Bullock, 4; Jennifer Cromer 3 and Jessie Rickels, 2.

At Wayne County Monday night, against the 10th ranked team in the state, the Lady Rockets looked for the upset and, for three quarters, it looked as though they had it. Suzanne Brown came through with a strong game, 13 points and 11 rebounds, and the Rockets led for three quarters. But, the Lady Cardinals "just took over in the fourth quarter," according to Coach Chrissy Noble, and wound up with the 58-47 win.

Besides Brown's 13, McClure got 11; Osborne 8; Reynolds 5; Bullock 4 and Roberts and Rickels, 2 each.

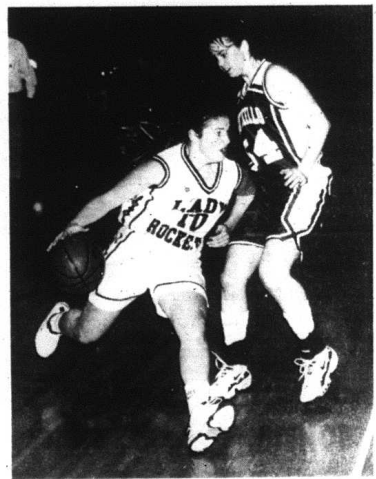
The Jayees also got a win against the Madison Southern Eagles 44-28 but, without a player in double figures, took the loss at Wayne County 51-34.

Against the Eagles, Brooke Roberts and Jennifer Cromer shared scoring honors with 11 each -- nine of Cromer's came in the third quarter; Amber Fain and Jessie Rickels got 6 each; Jessica Cobb scored 4; Rachelle Hammond and Angie Ford, 2 each and Angie Boring, 1.

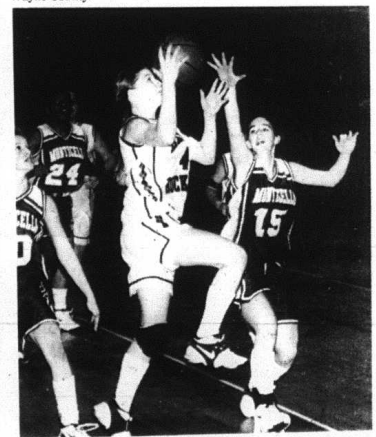
At Wayne, Amber Fain led the way with 8 points, in a game which saw the Jayees behind at all the quarter stops. Jennifer Cromer got 7 points in the game; Jessie Rickels scored 5; Angie Ford and Jessica Cobb, 4 each and Brooke Roberts, Rachelle Hammond and Britney Owens, 2 each.

The freshmen Lady Rockets took the measure of Pulaski Southwestern Saturday 32-23. The freshmen lost the first quarter 10-8 but came back strong in the second to take an 18-14 edge to the locker room. Neither team could find the range in the third quarter but the Rockets still added two to their lead and the fourth quarter was theirs also 10-7.

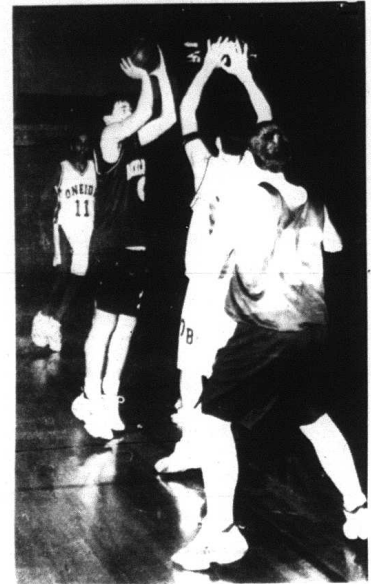
Jessie Rickels led the way with 12 points; Amber Fain got 9; Leslie Carpenter, 5; Rachelle Hammond, 4 and Ashley Lawson and Amber Denney, 1 each.



Tiffany McClure scored 19 points to help the Lady Rockets to a 59-53 win over Madison Southern and 11 points in the Lady Rockets 58-47 loss to Wayne County.



Amanda Osborne had nine points against Madison Southern and eight against Wayne County Monday night.



Blake Calhoun goes up for a short jumper in the Jayvee's loss to Oneida last Friday night. Calhoun had eight points in the 42-39 loss. Also in the Jayvees: Josh Rowland.

RCMS Basketball

The RCMS eighth grade team put two more in their win column in their last two outings -- beating up on both South Laurel 57-39 and on Northern Pulaski 58-31.

The seventh grade team split their games against the two schools -- losing 57-44 to South Laurel and winning easily against Northern Pulaski 63-47.

The sixth grade team played only Northern Pulaski, coming out on the long end of the 22-19 score.

The eighth graders came out slow against South Laurel, getting down 3-0 before William Blair got a bucket and Josh Hale cannot two to put the Rockets up 6-5. The Cougars got another bucket but, Andrew Hammond went to work and scored nine of the Rocket's final 11 points in the first quarter, one basket a crowd-pleasing dunk, to give his team a 17-13 first quarter edge. After an

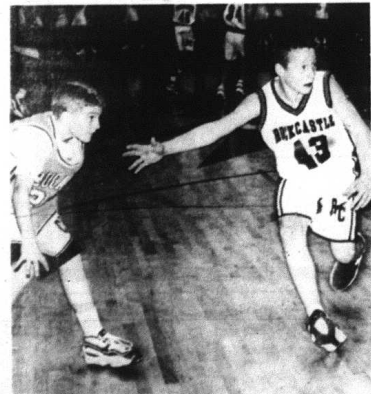
opening basket by Kris Linville in the second quarter, the Cougars pulled to within three at 19-16 and it was the closest the South Laurel team would get in the game as the Rockets went on to slowly build their lead to the final 57-39.

Hammond led the scoring with 21 points; Blair got 14; Josh Taylor came off the bench to score 8; Mikey Howard got six second half points; Hale, 4 and P.J. Rowe and Linville, 2 each.

Against the Northern Pulaski Knights, Coach David Perkins got to substitute early and often, playing his entire bench in the 58-31 rout.

Hammond again led the scoring with 19; Blair and Rowe got 10 each; Hale, 5; Brandon McIntosh and Kris Linville, 3 each and Josh Taylor, Mikey Howard, John Bray and Matt Bussell, 2 each.

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Marty Reagan applies the pressure in the seventh grade's three point loss to South Laurel last Thursday night. Reagan had seven points on the night.

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"RCMS Basketball"

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Sigh! Laurie's press got them several turnovers and the seventh grade team didn't rebound well, both contributing to the seventh grade's 57-54 loss.

The Rockets were down by one at the end of the first quarter, 15-16 and

the Cougars added to their lead in the second quarter for a 31-24 halftime edge. The Cougars also took the scoring edge in the third quarter, leading 44-35 at the end of that period. But, in the fourth quarter, the Rockets made a valiant comeback effort,

pulling to within two at 55-53 with :43 seconds left on the clock. However, crucial Rocket turnovers in the final seconds gave the Cougars the 57-54 win.

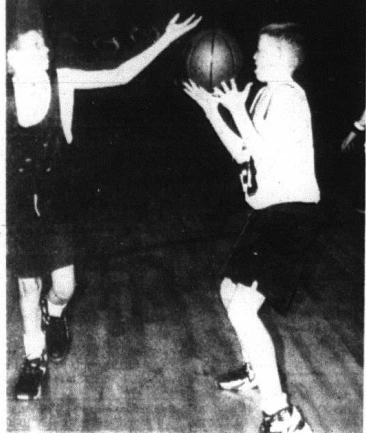
Aaron Anderkin led the scoring with 20 points; Austin Miller came off the bench to add three three-point baskets and a free throw for 10 points; Stephen Boring got 9; Marty Reagan 7; Chris Setles 4 and Jason Reynolds and Dustin Robinson, 2 each.

Against Northern Pulaski, after the first few minutes of the first quarter, it was just a matter of the final

margin, 55-43. The Rockets were ahead 14-5 at the end of that period; up 29-14 at half-time and by 48-30 at the third quarter stop.

Anderkin again led the scoring with 20; Reagan got 14; Miller, 9; Reynolds, 8; Stephen Boring 3 and Dustin Robinson and Larry Newberry, 2 each.

The sixth grade team narrowly escaped with a win over the Northern Pulaski Knights, winning 22-19 behind 10 game high points by Timothy McInosh. Steven Coffey got 7; Devin Taylor and Jarrell Burdette, 2 each and Luke McCauley 1.



Steven Coffey scored seven points in the sixth grade's 22-19 win over Northern Pulaski.

Rockcastle Little League Sign-up Schedule

Fees:
 1st Child - \$30 - 2nd - \$20
 3rd - \$15 - 4th - \$15

Players must pay fee at sign-up. New players must bring a birth certificate.

COACHES NOTE:
 Anyone interested in coaching a team for Little League needs to come to next meeting, February 4, 1998 at RCHS at 7 p.m. If you can't make meeting date please contact James Bradley at 256-4865 or John B. Saylor at 256-5224.

Saturday, January 31
 Brodhead Elementary
 9:30 to 3:30

Saturday, February 7th
 Thacker Field
 Noon to 4 p.m.

Saturday, February 14th
 Thacker Field
 Noon to 4 p.m.

From Our Files

10 years ago this week...

Bank of Mt. Vernon president Jess Bullock presented Sam Ford, vice president of Forward In The Fifth with a check for \$600. The money was matched by the district Forward In The Fifth and Lexington's Mayor Scotty Baesler's Academic Showcase. The \$1800 was used to take every 5th grader in the county on a field trip. Sites visited included Shakerstown, Fort Harrod, Henry Clay's Home, Kentucky Horse Park and the Lexington Herald-Leader.

Margie Malone, received a plaque from plant manager, Clark Mullins, during a dinner in her honor. Margie retired after 29 1/2 years of valuable service to Parker Seal County in Berea.

The local chapter of the Oleika Shrine Temple reorganized and elected officers for the coming year. The reorganizational meeting was held at the Kastle Inn Restaurant with help from members of the Lexington Temple. Those elected to serve for one year were Floyd Baker, executive committee; Bob Randolph, vice president; Lin Noble, Potentiate from the Lexington Temple; Monroe Baker, president; Sherman Mirz, executive committee; Jim Bullock, executive committee and Joe C. Bullen, secretary and treasurer.

Candidates for Basketball Queen at Rockcastle County High School were Tracey Jones, Jamie Cox, Leigha Jones, Jennifer Masters, Tina Taylor, Michelle Cromer, Beth Baker, Marlene Holbrook, Jamie Payne, Stacy McKinney, Debbie Bowman, Felicia Philbeck and Penny Mullins.

W.E. (Ed) Hunt and Verla Scott were named Rockcastle County Co-Chairmen in the campaign of Harvey Stone for governor.

Ninety-seven Mt. Vernon Elementary School students in grades 4-8 participated in a Joe Hall Easter Seal Shootout and collected \$2,558 for the charity.

20 years ago this week...

Marine Private Barbara J. Bullen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Bullen, of Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Sherri L. Burdette, daughter of Glynn and Jerri Burdette of Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Somerset Community College.

Rockcastle County received an additional 8.5 inches of snow on top of 17.5 inches received the week before.

30 years ago this week...

Opp Bullock, Jr., of Mt. Vernon, was honored by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts when Governor John A. Volpe commissioned him into the Order of Paul Revere Patriots.

Billy J. Rash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Rash of Mt. Vernon, was assigned to Company C, 11th Battalion, 3rd Brigade at Fort Knox.

35 years ago this week...

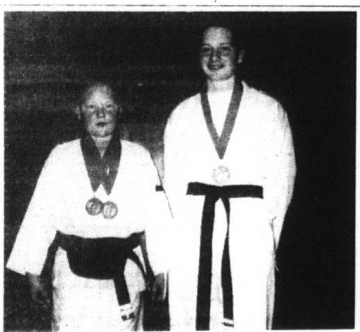
W.O. Nelson, manager of Kentucky Utilities of Mt. Vernon, was elected president of the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce at their regular meeting.

Officers chosen for the newly organized Future Homemakers of America Club at Brodhead High School were installed. They were: Elizabeth Thompson, secretary; Diane Burton, first vice-president; Joan Burke, song leader; Sue Cummins, second vice-president; Betty Rae Adams, parliamentarian; Joann Adams, treasurer; Martha Bullock, historian; Linda Chandler, reporter; Charlotte Robbins, president; Wanda Jean Bullock, recreational leader and Mrs. Carol VanHook as their advisor.

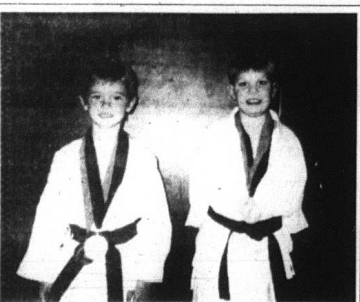
A loan of \$421,000 for new telephone line construction was awarded to the Kentucky Telephone Company in London, which also served Rockcastle County.



Shinko-Upokasu Yama Shotokan Karate-Do won 11 medals in the Bluegrass Winter Games recently. Above, from left: Frank Clements won a silver medal in beginner 37-40 kumite and a silver in beginner 37-40 kumite and Scotty McFerron won two golds—one in beginner 18-23 kumite and one in beginner 18-23 kumite. Instructor Chris Frith is on the right.



From left, Jared Taulbee won two bronze medals—one in advanced 11-12 weapons kata and advanced 11-12 kumite. Kacee Taulbee won a bronze medal in advanced 15-16 kumite.



From left, Andrew Mills, of Berea, won a gold in intermediate 6 and under kata and a bronze medal in intermediate 6 and under kumite (sparring). Dakota Mahaffey won a gold medal in intermediate 6 and under kumite and a bronze medal in intermediate 6 and under kata.

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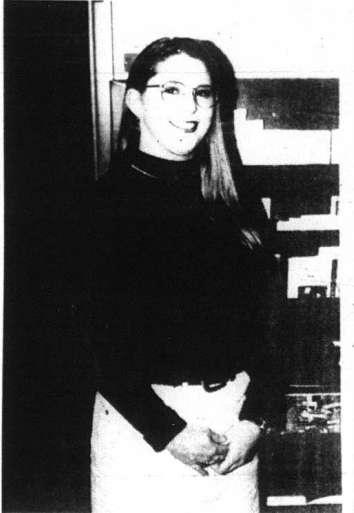
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Tara Mink, daughter of Den and Barbara Mink of Pongo, has a 3.88 GPA at RCHS. She plans on attending Ky. Tech and possibly majoring in Accounting. She is involved in FCA, secretary of FBLA, and a member of the National Honor Society. Her hobbies include shopping and swimming and she is a co-op student at Farm Bureau.

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Council.
"I've thought long and hard about filing for magistrate and I think it's time a woman set on the fiscal court," she said.
"I definitely need this job and think the county needs me because I will represent all of the people of the second district to the best of my ability," Kirby said.

Kirby and her husband Paul, have three grown sons.
Also filing for magistrate in the second district was Gary Wade Mink, of Mt. Vernon.

Mink, 48, is seeking political office for the first time and said Tuesday that, if elected, he will donate his salary to churches and to the upkeep of cemeteries in his district. "I simply want to represent the people of our district," he said.

Mink, who is a decorated Vietnam veteran, is an employee of Sherwin-Williams in Richmond. He had his wife, Gertha, and also local home builders and own and operate an apartment complex in Mt. Vernon. This and her own grown son.

Both Mink and Kirby are Republicans.

A Democrat has also filed for magistrate in the third district.
James E. "Bear" Bradley, 55, of Wabb Jones Road filed his papers Tuesday.

Bradley served in the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1964 and is retired from state government where he spent 33 years working for the Transportation Cabinet and most recently with the Cabinet for Natural Resources.

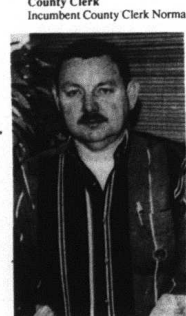
He and his wife Brenda have two grown children, James Allen and Stephanie.
Bradley will be unopposed in the primary and will face the winner between incumbent third district magistrate Bill McKinney or his only challenger in the primary, Bentley Durham.

All candidate filings include:
County Judge/Executive- Incumbent County Judge-Executive Buzz Carlifus, 46, of Livingston.
James H. Lambert, 55, of Conway.

Sheriff- Incumbent Sheriff Shirley Smith, 59, of Wildie.
David Abney, 58, of Mt. Vernon.
Tim King, 47, of Mt. Vernon.
Bill M. Hammons, 63, of Brodhead.

Phillip Chestnut, 40, of Mt. Vernon.
Barry L. Adams, 34, of Brodhead.
Henry "Hank" Coates, 47, of Mt. Vernon.
John H. Kemper, Jr., 55, Mt. Vernon.
Barbara Fetters, 40, Maple Grove Road.

County Attorney- Incumbent County Attorney Jeff Burdette, 35, of Mt. Vernon.
County Clerk- Incumbent County Clerk Norma



Gary Mink has filed for District Two Magistrate.



James "Bear" Bradley, Democrat, is a candidate for Third District Magistrate.

Houk, 50, of Brodhead.
Property Valuation Adm.- Incumbent Property Valuation Administrator, Margaret Offutt, 56, of Mt. Vernon.
Jailer - Republicans- Incumbent Jailer Joe Howard, 47, of Mt. Vernon.
James E. Miller, 40, of Mt. Vernon.
Thomas J. Wagner, 38, of Mt. Vernon.
Doug Bullock, 43, of Mt. Vernon.
Harlan "Buck" Farthing, 58, Mt. Vernon.
Jailer - Democrat- Dale C. Johnson, 41, Copper Creek.

Coroner- Incumbent County Coroner Bill Dowell, 60, of Mt. Vernon.
Magistrate - Democrat District One- Incumbent John Holbrook, 62, of Renton Valley for magistrate.

Magistrate - Republican District One- Chad Burdette, 26, of Brodhead, for magistrate in district one.
Shannon Bishop, 30, of Brodhead.
Arnold Pingleton, 65, of Copper Creek.

Proctor Brock, 67, Copper Creek.
Joseph E. Cummins, 39, Mt. Vernon.
Paul "Buster" Rowe, 31, Mt. Vernon.

Magistrate - Republicans District Two- Incumbent Jack Bradley, 52, of Mt. Vernon.
Keith Sowder, 65, of Mt. Vernon for magistrate district two.
William Denny, 32, of Mt. Vernon.

Arthur "Ott" Bond, 57, of Mt. Vernon.
Gary Wade Mink, 48, of Mt. Vernon.
Clarice R. Kirby, 46, of Mt. Vernon.

Magistrate - Democrat District Three- James "Bear" Bradley, 55, Rt. 1, Mt. Vernon.
Magistrate - Republicans District Three- Incumbent Magistrate Bill McKinney, 52, of Brodhead.
Bentley Durham, 57, of Brodhead.

Magistrate - Democrat District Four- Shaun Tracy Poynter, 36, of Mt.

Vernon.
Magistrate - Republicans District Four- Larry McKnight, 45, of Mt. Vernon.
Byron Baker, 72, of Mt. Vernon.
Donnie Coffey, 30, of Mt. Vernon.
Billy L. Cameron, Jr., 35, Mt. Vernon.
Bobby Thacker, 52, Mt. Vernon Road.
Fred Mullins, Jr., 68, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon.
Roger Rucker, 46, Lambert Road.
Ronald Stokes, 60, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon.

Magistrate - Republicans District Five- Former magistrate Joe Clark, 85, of Livingston.
Incumbent Donald Bullock 59, of Orlando.
Larry W. Hensley, 36, of Orlando.
Constable Republicans District One- Randall Stevens, 48, of Brodhead.
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Roger Dale Alcom, 31, of Mt. Vernon.
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No problem with flu in local school system

School students all across Kentucky have been hit hard by the flu bug but so far the majority of Rockcastle County students have not been affected.

"We would not call school off unless attendance dropped below 85 percent and I don't see that happening at all," Hammond said.
In neighboring Lincoln County, school was called off for the rest of the week because over 600 students were absent on Tuesday.
The 600 students represents 16 percent of 3,800 students in the Lincoln County system.

Although attendance had dropped to around 92 percent last week, Rockcastle County School Superintendent Larry Hammond said attendance was back to 94.4 percent on Wednesday.
"Things look good here and we

Revival
Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church starting February 1st at 7 p.m. nightly with Billy Conn from Whitesburg. Pastor James Miller and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

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Gospel Singing
There will be a Gospel Singing Saturday, January 31st at 7 p.m. at the Pleasant Run Baptist Church at Lamerco. Pastor Steve Weaver and the congregation welcome everyone to attend.

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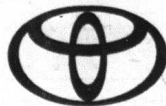
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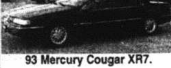
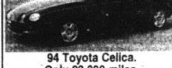


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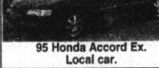
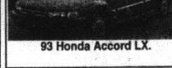
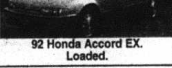
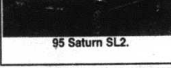
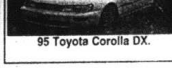
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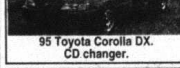
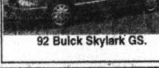

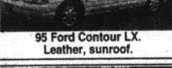
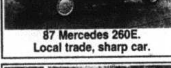

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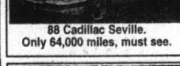
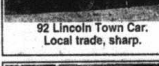
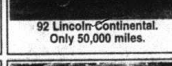
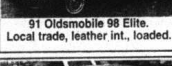
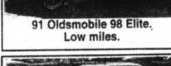
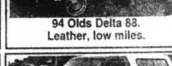
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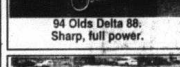
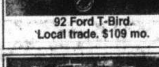
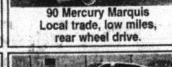
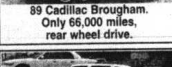
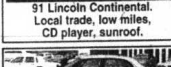

 95 Ford Windstar. Local trade, one owner.	 95 Ford Escort LX. Automatic, air.	 90 Toyota Corolla GTS. One owner.	 93 Chrysler LeBaron. Low, low payment.	 93 Mercury Cougar XR7.	 94 Toyota Celica. Only 23,000 miles.
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 96 Chevy Monte Carlo LS. 28,000 miles.	 96 Pontiac Sunfire GT. Automatic, loaded.	 95 Chevy Camaro Z28. It's red.	 96 Pontiac Trans Am. Only 8,000 miles.	 95 Pontiac Formula. Local trade.	 95 Nissan Maxima. Leather, roof, spoiler.
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 92 Nissan Maxima. Leather.	 95 Honda Accord Ex. Local car.	 93 Honda Accord LX.	 92 Honda Accord EX. Loaded.	 95 Saturn SL2.	 95 Toyota Corolla DX.
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 95 Toyota Corolla DX. CD changer.	 92 Buick Skylark GS.	 91 Cadillac Seville STS.	 95 Ford Contour LX. Leather, sunroof.	 87 Mercedes 250E. Local trade, sharp car.	 TOYOTA everyday
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 88 Cadillac Seville. Only 64,000 miles, must see.	 92 Lincoln Town Car. Local trade, sharp.	 92 Lincoln Continental. Only 50,000 miles.	 91 Oldsmobile 98 Elite. Local trade, leather int., loaded.	 91 Oldsmobile 98 Elite. Low miles.	 94 Olds Delta 88. Leather, low miles.
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 94 Olds Delta 88. Sharp, full power.	 92 Ford T-Bird. Local trade, \$109 mo.	 90 Mercury Marquis. Local trade, low miles, rear wheel drive.	 89 Cadillac Brougham. Only 66,000 miles, rear wheel drive.	 91 Lincoln Continental. Local trade, low miles, CD player, sunroof.	 94 GMC K1500 4x4. 350 engine, loaded, like new.
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 95 Lincoln Town Car. 20,000 miles, factory warranty, designer interior.	 91 Cadillac Deville. Only 45,000 miles, cloth interior.	 95 Mercury Marquis LS. Low miles, factory warranty.	 94 Lincoln Town Car. Only 33,000 miles, cloth int., like new.	 94 Buick LeSabre Limited. Leather, like new.	 94 Buick Park Avenue Ultra. Leather, loaded, X-sharp car.
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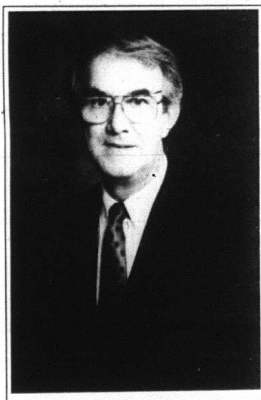
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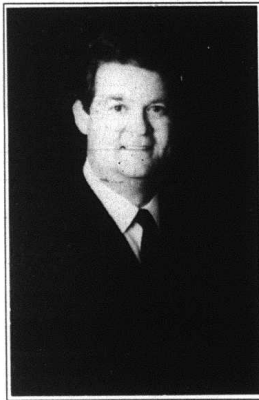
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Obituaries

Edward Jones

Edward Jones, 100, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, January 22, 1998 at Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital in Somerset. He was born May 28, 1897 in Rockcastle County the son of John and Male Melbourn Jones, and was a retired railroad worker and a member of the Holiness Church. Survivors are one son, Johnny Eugene Jones and his wife, Abbie of Indianapolis, Indiana; one daughter, Martha Manning and her husband, Robert of Mt. Vernon; eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gracie Princes Jones; two sons, Homer and Harold Jones; three daughters, Dorothy Jones, Mary Susan Simpson and Ima Jean Wilson; four brothers, Jim, Fred, Rollie and Walker Jones and six half sisters, Nellie King, Ida Overbey, "Tope" Mason, Alice Jones, George Sturgill and Martha Mason.

Services were Monday, January 26, at Dowell and Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Raymond Officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jr. Moore, Darrell Doan, Jr., Stewart, Eddie Elam, J.B. Stevens, David Madison and J.B. Turner.

Ted Jackson

William L. "Ted" Jackson, age 83, of Lovell Lane in Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, January 24, 1998 at the Jewish Hospital in Lexington. He was born in Rockcastle County on April 2, 1914 the son of the late Charlie Jackson and Nellie Arnold, and was a carpenter and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Anna Mae Griffin Jackson; one son, Bill Jackson of Lockport; one daughter, Joyce Jackson of Corbin and six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

There were no services. The body was cremated. Arrangements were made by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Opal Sparks

Opal Cates Sparks, 79, of McKee, died Friday, January 23, 1998 in Jackson County. She was born in Madison County, the daughter of Grover and Eliza Johnson Cates. She was a member of the Clover Bottom Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband, Lewis Sparks, Sr., of Sand Gap; three sons, Lewis Sparks, Jr. of McKee, Frank G. Sparks of Berea and Charles Gary Sparks of Paint Lick; four daughters, Lois Lanigan of Bethel, Ohio, Jean Rose of Sand Gap, Nadine Renfro of Richmond and Beverly Miller of Sand Gap; three sisters, Emma Gadd of Berea, Valerie Kilburn of Franklin, Ohio and Edna VanWinkle of McKee; two brothers, Edgar Cates and Kit Cates, both of Berea and 11 grandchildren, five great grandchildren and three step grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two grandchildren.

Services were Monday, January 26, at Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Keith Carr and Rev. Bill Long officiating.

Pallbearers were Chad Sparks, Jeffrey Scott Sparks, Neil Sparks, Steve Sparks, Brian Miller, Jim VanWinkle and Dwayne VanWinkle.

Honorary bearers were Adult Women Sunday School Class at Clover Bottom Baptist Church.

Mabel D. Roe

Mabel Dixon Roe, 67, of Conway, died Saturday, January 24, 1998 at the home of her daughter in Nicholasville. She was born in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Arthur and Fannie Emmet Dixon. Survivors are two sons, William DeBord and wife, Rebecca of Brodhead and Elja DeBord of Conway; two daughters, Hazel Martin and husband, Charles of Crab Orchard and Bonnie Miller and husband, Daniel of Nicholasville; three brothers, Joe Dixon of Somerset,

George Dixon of Southfield, Michigan and Henry Dixon of Conway; three sisters, Julie Martin, Martha Bullock and Grace Evans, all of Conway and nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren and one step son, Deniz Lee Roe of Lexington.

Services were Tuesday, January 27, at Dowell and Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Denton Sears officiating. Burial was in the Dixon Family Cemetery in Conway.

Pallbearers were Arthur Dixon, David Osborne, William DeBord, Jr., Daniel Miller, Shannon Martin, Donnie Bullock and Gregory Dixon.

Dora Fish

Dora F. Griffith Fish, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died Tuesday, January 20, 1998. She was a resident of Maple Knoll Village and a member of Springfield Baptist Church.

Survivors are three sons, James (Clara) Fish, Donald (Jean) Fish and Marshall (Jean) Fish; one daughter, Nellie (Milton) Meeks; two brothers, Marshall and Clarence Griffith; one sister, Christine Moore and 17 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Albert Fish; one son, Kelly Fish and one brother, Lee Griffith.

Services were Friday, January 23, at Vorhis Funeral Home in Springfield.

This obituary submitted by Marshall Fish.

Charles McClure

Charles W. McClure, 69, of Salem, Indiana, died Friday, January 23, 1998 at Nortons Hospital in Louisville. He was born June 22, 1928 in Mt. Vernon, the son of Charles R. McClure and Lala Norton McClure. He was a farmer.

Survivors are his wife, Gertrude Hasty McClure; one daughter, Charlene Richardson of Salem, Indiana; three brothers, D. Jack McClure of North Vernon, Indiana and Arles McClure and Jesse W. McClure, both of Salem, Indiana; two sisters, Nettie Embury of Caneyville and Bonnie Horton of Sonora and two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He is also survived by Barbara L. Hobson of Salem and Clarence "Jit" Hasty of Mt. Vernon, whom he raised. He was preceded in death by one daughter, one sister and one brother.

Services were Monday, January 26, at Dawalt Funeral Home with Bro. Alex McClintock officiating. Burial was in the Crown Hill Cemetery in Salem.

Jesse Childress

Jesse "Tub" Childress, 79, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, January 27, 1998 at the Rockcastle Hospital after an illness of several weeks.

He was born on August 2, 1918 in Rockcastle County, the son of the late Ben and Lillie Reynolds Childress. He was retired from the Bluegrass Army Depot, a Veteran of World War II, and a member of the VFW. Survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Rissie Hansel Childress of Mt. Vernon; eight sons, Jesse, Benny, and Kenny, all of Mt. Vernon, Rickie, Jerry Donnie, and Danny, all of Brodhead, and Terry of Palmyra, Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Kaye Neal of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Buddy Childress of Stockton, Calif.; six sisters, Mrs. Ida McKinney of Frankfort, Ind., Mrs. Corrine Lunder of Largo, Fla., Mrs. Mamie Ballard of Fairdale, Ky., Mrs. Glenna Kimbrell and Mrs. Jean Rose, both of West Branch, Mich., nineteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Services will be held Thursday, January 28, 1998 at 2 p.m. at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Harvey Pensol officiating. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You

Frances and I would like to thank

everyone for all you have done for us while I was in the hospital and as I continue to recover at home. The food, visits, cards, and calls have meant so much to us. Most of all, we would like to thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our friends are praying for us, and we know that there are many churches praying for my recovery, too. I am feeling better and will begin radiation therapy soon. Continue to remember us in your prayers.

God bless you,

Neal and Frances Riggsby

Dora Francis Fish

The Fish family would like to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers, the cards and phone calls from her many friends. We thank Bro. Dallas Eubank for his kind words and for sharing our sorrow and for all who made her last days more comfortable.

Preston, Don, Marshall & Nellie

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Lewis Mullins

The family of Lewis Mullins wishes to express our humble appreciation for the love and support shown to us during the sickness and death of our loved one. To Dr. Bill Stewart and staff, Berea Hospital staff, Extended Care staff, Bro. Lester Caldwell, Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, to all who visited the hospital and funeral home, those who sent flowers, food, cards and to those who kept us in your prayers. We will remember you with gratitude—

have each in your own way helped ease our pain.

Ophia Reynolds

The family of Ophia Reynolds would like to thank everyone for the kindnesses expressed during our time of sorrow. The cards, visits, flowers, food, and prayers will always be very much appreciated. We would like to extend special thanks to the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals for their comfort, helpfulness, and outstanding service; to Bro. Harold Carter for his words of comfort, and to the pallbearers. Sincere gratitude is also offered to the friends and neighbors who remembered our loved one during her stay at Sowder Nursing Home, as well as to the staff there who cared for her so devotedly. Once again, your thoughtfulness will always be deeply appreciated and lovingly remembered.

The family of Ophia Reynolds

Thank You

The family of Willard Whittaker would like to thank the many, many people who called us, prayed for us, and visited Willard during his heart by-pass surgery. The ministers who

were in prayer for him—Hubert Roark, Eddie Hammond, Buford Parkerson, Maynard Head, Harvey Pensol. We could never thank them enough. Also to Coy Kirby and Perry Arnold for taking care of our home while we were away. The cards and flowers sent to the hospital and home were so special to us. A big thanks to the Livingstone Lions Club.

We love you all,

Olive, Dale, Sandy, Jordan, Hannah


Toy Jane Owens

The family of Toy Jane Owens wishes to thank each and everyone who visited our home and funeral home and attended the funeral, brought food, sent flowers and offered prayers in our behalf. Thank you for all the beautiful cards and special thanks to the staff of Sowder Nursing Home for her stay there and also to Dr. Griffith and Dr. Saylor for their care. Thanks to Bro. VanWinkle and Bro. Collins for their comforting words and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Himes for the beautiful songs. Thank you to all the pallbearers and Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, the kindness shown us will always be remembered.

The family of Toy Jane Owens


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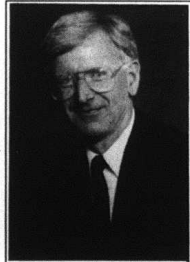


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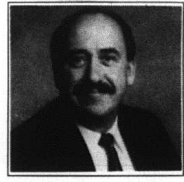
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Capitol Report from State Representative Danny Ford

This week one of the bills introduced by Representative Danny Ford (R. Mt. Vernon) was successfully carried through Committee. House Bill 208 would amend Kentucky law to allow voters to wear campaign buttons and related paraphernalia to the polls. Precinct workers would still be prohibited from displaying support for or opposition to candidates, parties or issues. Currently, Kentucky law forbids the displaying of campaign regalia within 500 feet

of the polling place. The bill seeks to ensure that voters are able to exercise their full freedom of speech. This legislation further protects voters from undue influence by maintaining the limitations on election officials working the polls.

Rep. Ford has also focused on another voter issue by filing an amendment to House Bill 62. This bill addresses the subject of changing political parties. Ford's amendment would set the cutoff date for a voter to

change parties and still be able to vote in that party's primary at 28 days before the primary. HB 62 is scheduled to be heard on the House floor this week.

The groundswell of support for prayer and discipline was reflected in third week action as both the House and the Senate passed bills allowing prayer in school. The discussion will continue, however, since the House version states only that school officials must allow voluntary student

initiated prayer in school. The Senate legislation qualifies the kind of prayer activities and literature allowed. Student behavior was also addressed in a House bill that would give schools the authority to ban students from extracurricular activities if court records indicate that a student has violated a school's behavior standards. A new program, the Parent and Child Education for Family Independence Program, would provide

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- Bookmobile Schedule**
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 Tues., Feb. 3rd: Green Hill, Conway, Boone, Fairview, Lambert Rd.
 Wed., Feb. 4th: Mt. Vernon Manor, Brindle Ridge, Ramsey Trailer Ct., Rockcastle Villa.
- Fish Fry**
 Fish Fry, Saturday, January 31st, 5 p.m. Livingston Fire Station. \$5 all you can eat.
- TOPS**
 TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the First Church of God on Main St. in Brodhead. Phone 1-800-932-TOPS for more info.
- 1977 Class Reunion**
 RCHS Class of 1977 Reunion Committee is planning a 20-year reunion. We need current addresses of class members. Please send your address or any known address of 77 class members living out-of-town to Phyllis Deatherage, Rt. 1 Box 184, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.
- VA Rep**
 VA Rep. will be at VFW Building at Lake Lanville on Monday, February 2nd from 9 to 2.
- Sweater Drive**
 The Rockcastle County Library in conjunction with KET and Mister Roger's Neighborhood is sponsoring a SWEATER DRIVE to help neighbors in need. For more information call 256-2388.
- Extension Homemaker Tote Bags**
 The Rockcastle County Extension Office has a limited supply of Extension Homemaker Tote Bags at cost price - \$10.00. Call 256-2403 or stop by our office on Richmond Street.

- Library Hours**
 The Rockcastle County Library will be closing at 6 p.m. on Thursdays during the months of January and February. Regular hours will resume in March for Thursday evenings. Other hours remain the same.
- Beef Producer Meetings**
 Beef Producers are invited to the first and second meetings of a Beef Production Series on Tuesday, January 27th and Thursday, January 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the Extension Office Basement Meeting Room. The series will look at what breeds or cross breedings program will work best during this phase of the cattle cycle.
- Depression Lesson**
 On February 2nd at 10:00 a.m. a lesson will be taught at the Extension Office. The lesson is entitled "Out of the Blue: Depression". It is free to anyone, call 256-2403 for details.
- Kiwanis Club**
 Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club meets at noon every Thursday at Kastle Inn Restaurant. The guest speaker this Thursday will be Coach Tom Larkey. Visitors are welcome! Listen for the Annual Radio Auction January 30 from 2 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, January 31 from 9 a.m. to Noon on WRVK 1460 AM. All funds raised will go toward community service programs. Help us help!



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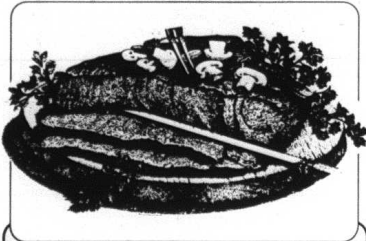
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Mary earned the award by producing more insurance than any other

agent in the state, even those agents located in Lexington and Louisville. Paul Fuqua, Kentucky Sales Manager stated, "Mary continues to prove that insurance is purchased by clients who trust their local agent and that personal service continues to make a difference in the insurance business. In just over two years, Mary has built the largest Cotton States agency in Kentucky."

Harry Scott, Vice President of Marketing, presents Mary Bailey, of Cotton States Insurance, the Top Producer Award for auto and homeowner production in Kentucky for 1997.



yourself be influenced by other people's choices.

- Do not order without knowing exactly what you are getting.
- How many times have you made a seemingly healthful selection and then been surprised by what arrives at the table? Ask for a clear explanation of ingredients and preparation methods.
- Double check choices advertised as "healthy". Vegetarian dishes, for example, can still be high in fat from oils, nuts, cheese, etc.
- Ask about words you do not understand, especially in ethnic restaurants. For instance, find out what Pollo Asado (roast chicken means, or Florentine (with spinach), or melange (mixture).
- Do not forget to check if certain items can be served in a healthier manner. Does the broccoli already have butter on it, or can it be served plain? Is skim milk available for the coffee instead of cream? Can the bread be brought with the meal? If it will keep

you from eating too much" before the entree, ask!

- Say Good-Bye to Guilt. Remember that "splurging" once in a while on a higher-fat item is not a problem for most people. Just get back to your usual balanced eating habits and be sure to keep up with your regular exercise.
- Enjoy Eating Out! Eating out... it is a way to enjoy dishes you would not generally prepare at home, a means of relaxation or entertainment, a chance to experience the foods and flavors of different cultures, an opportunity to get a break from the kids, the dirty dishes, the office... Most important, it is a wonderful way to mix the joy of eating with the company of family and friends. So enjoy the company, the atmosphere and healthful, flavorful food. Making smart food choices no matter where you are is an important step to improving your health and reducing your risk of chronic diseases such as cancer.

a choice. Clover, being more abundant and preferred by animals, will then become a larger part of their diet.

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Capitol Report

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instruction in life skills, parenting, job training, academic fields, and developmental activities. The program will operate by grants awarded on the basis of a county's level of literacy, unemployment and poverty.

With the passage of almost thirty bills this week, legislation addressed a variety of issues. Included in passed legislation are bills that would make comprehensive revisions to state securities laws, regulate investment advisers, add a member to local airport boards, address legal restrictions in tobacco cases, and allow interim school superintendents to be named superintendents.

Conflicting views prompted lengthy debate when two measures were considered on Thursday. A training Pay Incentive Fund for law enforcement personnel and voluntary fire departments was well supported, but many members believe more funds and faster distribution are nec-

essary. A bill that would further define the use of the state building a code in communities with established inspection ordinances provoked comments on the amount of regulation wanted or needed from state government. Both bills passed the House.

Issues under review in committees this week will likely be considered in the House next week and again will provide a variety of concerns. Better training for special education students, control of cell tower placements, age restrictions on operators of jet skis, changes in probate law and wage laws, off-road vehicles, minimum age marriage restrictions, and small business incentives are among the topics passed out of committees this week. One of the more complex issues, health care insurance, was introduced into committee discussion this week as two bills were rolled together. At least one more bill on the subject is expected to be introduced next week.

Please continue to share your comments with me on legislation being considered during this Session of the General Assembly. You may leave a message toll free by calling 1-800-372-7181. The Bill Status Line at 1-800-776-9158 will give you information on bills as they travel from committees through the House and Senate.



Farm News

By: Tom Mills
County Extension Agent
for Agriculture
Renovating Grass Pastures
With Red Clover

Is it cost effective to seed red clover into pasture and hay land? For years farmers have used the dark of February's moon as a time to overseed clover into fescue. By

adding clover through the renovation process, pastures are improved in three ways.

Clover will add nitrogen to the soil and benefit surrounding grass. As much as 180 pounds of nitrogen may be added. With current nitrogen cost this year, clover renovation may be worth as much as 400# of Urea or just over \$35 per acre.

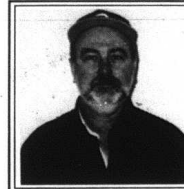
The second benefit to adding clover is the improved quality of feed. Clover is a higher protein feed that animals prefer over grasses such as fescue and orchardgrass. Clover will also grow best during mid-summer when other grass has stopped. Not only will clover spread out the grazing season, clover will also increase the total yield.

The third benefit to adding clover is that fescue pastures infected with the endophyte fungus is diluted. The endophyte fungus has silently lowered cattle production through its detrimental effects during summer months. Adding clover dilutes the amount of forage available and gives animals



Reppert receives Masters Degree

Lannie Reppert, owner of Reppert Funeral Home, completed the requirements for a Masters of Public Administration, Health Care Option in December, 1997 at Eastern Kentucky University. The degree requires the completion of 42 credit hours with emphasis on public administration and community health administration. The health administration option is designed to enable individuals interested in the administration of health and health-related programs sharpen their administrative skills in planning and directing a health program.



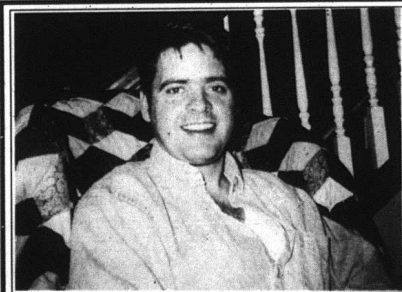
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Cattle: 1660
For The Week: 1810
Compared to Last Week: Slaughter Cows 1.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter Bulls steady; Feeder Steers 3.00-5.00 higher; Feeder Heifers 2.00-3.00 higher.
Slaughter Cows: Breaking Utility and Commercial #3-538-41.75, low dressing individuals 31-35; High Cutter and Boning Utility #1-341.75-45; Cutters #1-2-34-37.75; Canners 29.50-33.
Heifers: 950-1100 lbs. 60-65.50.
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1 1010-1885 lbs. indicating 79-81 carcass boning percent 47.75-51.50; Yield Grade #2 1225-2015 lbs. indicating 77-78 carcass boning percent 43.75-46.25; Yield Grade #2-3 1625-1805 lbs. indicating 74-76 carcass boning percent 36.50-42.75.
Feeder Steers: Medium and Large Frame #1 200-300 lbs. 108-114; 300-400 lbs. 103-118; 400-500 lbs. 97-105; 500-600 lbs. 86-95; 600-700 lbs. 71-85; 700-800 lbs. 70-76.
Small Frame: #1 300-500 lbs. 84-93; 500-700 lbs. 68-75.
Medium Frame: #2 300-500 lbs. 74-77; 500-700 lbs. 68-73.
Large Frame: #2 (Holsteins) 400-600 lbs. 55-62.
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Estate Road, Paint Lick, Kentucky 40461-9712, has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Lillian W. Collett on this the 13th, day of January, 1998. Any persons having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Richard L. Collett or to Hon. James W. Lambert, P.O. Box 736, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 on or before July 13th, 1998, 16x3
Notice: Is hereby given that Cameron Coldiron, Rt. 4 Box 386, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 has been appointed Executor of the Estate of Edison Coldiron, on the 20th, day of January, 1998. Any person having claims against said Estate shall present them according to law, to the said Cameron Coldiron or to Hon. Debra H. Lambert, P.O. Box 1094, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 on or before July 10, 1998, 17x3
Notice: Rockcastle Fiscal Court will accept sealed bids for the purchase of a complete county-wide two-way radio service with 911 dispatch consoles and tower site locations. Specifications for aforementioned equipment may be picked up at Rockcastle County Hospital. Contact person: Gary Asher, Local Disaster & Emergency Services Coordinator. Sealed bids must be turned in by Wednesday, February 4, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Judge/Executive's Office, Rockcastle County Court House, Mt. Vernon, Ky. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 17x1

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Wanted: Barnett's Auto Salvage located on Cove Branch Road buys junk cars and trucks and has used auto parts for sale. Call 256-9018, 37mf
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School Menus

Rockcastle County Elementary Schools Menu February 2 - 6, 1998

Breakfast:
Monday: Danish or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Tuesday: Scrambled egg or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Wednesday: Sausage biscuit or cereal, pop tart, juice and milk.
Thursday: Peanut butter/jelly sandwich or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Friday: French toast sticks with syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Lunch:
Monday: Pizza or sandwich, corn, applesauce, milk and cookie.
Tuesday: Chicken fryz or hot dog on bun, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, milk and cheddar sauce with strawberry glaze.
Wednesday: Chili and sandwich, crackers, vegetable sticks with dip, milk and apple wedges with dip.
Thursday: Substitute sandwich or hamburger on bun, french fries, lettuce/pickles, milk and chocolate

nutmeal square.
 Friday: Taco salad or sloppy juice on bun, potato rounds, milk and honey bun.
Rockcastle County Middle & High School Menu February 2 - 6, 1998
 *Breakfast will be served each day.
Monday: Chef salad or pizza or sandwich, corn, applesauce, milk and choice of desserts.
Tuesday: Chef salad or chicken fryz or hot dog on bun, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, milk and choice of desserts.
Wednesday: Chef salad or chili and sandwich, crackers, vegetable sticks with dip, milk and choice of desserts.
Thursday: Chef salad or submarine sandwich or hamburger on bun, french fries, lettuce/pickles, milk and choice of desserts.
Friday: Chef salad or taco salad or sloppy juice on bun, potato rounds, milk and choice of desserts.

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Super-Sized Super Bowl party held

It's been said there's no better way to enjoy a Super Bowl than with a few of your good friends. But how about almost 200 of your closest friends???

The Bible Baptist Youth Group found out what that was like Sunday night at their fourth annual Super Bowl Bash. More than 180 people gathered at the Rockcastle County Middle School for Super Bowl Party IV, a youth outreach event that involves a big-screen showing of the game, lots of pizza and snacks, crowd contests and prize giveaways during commercial breaks, and a special half-time presentation from the youth of the N.F.L.'s best.

Scott Stayton is the Young Pastor at Bible Baptist. He says the event began four years ago as an experiment at having a positive impact on local high school and middle school students.

"When we first mentioned the idea of having a Super Bowl Party, you can imagine some of the comments we got. It was like, 'What? Skip church for the Super Bowl!'" But once our church members realized what we were doing, they got behind it more and more each year. "The party includes a half-time video that features several members of the Green Bay Packers who are Christians. Players like All-Pro Reggie White, Eugene Robinson and even Packers Coach Mike Holmgren, share their testimonies about Christ's impact in their life.

Stayton pointed to the fact that even though local kids are drawn to this event because of what he terms a "fun factor," the dividends are actu-

ally in the spiritual category.

"Through this, we are able to get kids into an atmosphere they enjoy with a message they need. A lot of people won't come to church, but they will come to a party. We want kids to know they can have fun in a non-damaging way, and they see they can do it at this party. Plus, we are able to counsel kids who need help, and expose them to a God who doesn't just show up at church."

Stayton said a number of teenagers made decisions for Christ at the event. And he added, "Even if everyone who came to this event was a Christian, it still has the positive of keeping kids in a safe atmosphere where parents won't worry about their kids getting into trouble."

Stayton says about twenty-five adults actually chaperone the event, but another thirty or forty provide most of the snacks.

You can imagine what kind of food preparation goes into a party this large. Stayton said this year's total food intake included 45 pizzas, more than 50 bags of chips and more than 100 liters of soda.

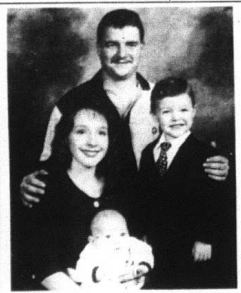
"That's over 500 slices of pizza gone in about thirty minutes," said Stayton. "We absolutely could not stall this off without lots of donations from our church members and participation by local businesses like Pizza Hut and the local school system. They just keep giving and giving, and it pays off with successful events like this."



Almost 200 attended the Super Bowl Party



Kevin Childress, John Renner and Adam Childress help bring in some of the many snacks for the Super Bowl party.



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Farmers planning to seed clover

should contact their farm supply store 10 to 14 days before you need seed. This allows store owners to be sure they have certified seed of the variety and amount you desire.

For additional information on variety performance and selection, contact the County Extension Office for the 1996 Clover Variety Trial Report.

Farmers are also invited to the 2nd of a 3-part Beef Meeting Series to be held Thursday, January 29th, (tomorrow) at 6:30 p.m. in the Extension Office Basement Meeting Room. This weeks topic will discuss the Pro's and Con's for Beef Breeds or Crossbreeding Programs for this Cattle Cycle.

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Gray, auto, pst, cassette, warranty, 58K miles

95 Nissan Pickup \$12,995
Green, 4 cyl., 5 sp., air, bag, warranty, 45K miles

94 Toyota Pickup \$13,995
Blue, 4 cyl., 5 spd, new tires/wheels, cass, air, 49K mi

94 Toyota Pickup \$13,995
Blue, V6, 5 speed, air bag, pst, cass, local trade

93 Toyota X/Cab \$13,995
Black, V6, 5 speed, air bag, am/fm stereo, cruise

97 Chevy Silverado X/Cab - 3 Dr. \$24,995
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93 Plymouth Grand Voyager SE \$6,995
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40th Wedding Anniversary

Forty years ago on January 11, 1958, Keith J. Kincer and Patricia R. Phillips were united in marriage in Dayton, Ohio. Their children and grandchildren, Craig and Joanne Kincer with children Kyle and Abby of Springboro, Ohio, Paulita Kincer and Earl Rinehart with children Grace, Spencer, and Tucker of Jackson, Michigan, Kevin and Dawn Kincer with children Michael and Caroline of Springboro, Ohio honored them with a brunch on December 27, 1997 at the home of Craig and Joanne Kincer. Many friends and relatives joined in the celebration of their life together.

day night with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Rogers and Jeffrey's aunt and uncle.
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Reynolds were here to attend the funeral of their aunt, Beatrice Reynolds Major. She was laid to rest in the Providence Church of Christ Cemetery on Saturday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brown, Mrs. Willard Nicely and Dawn Brock went to Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington on Sunday. They visited some of their friends who were patients there. Then they visited Mr.

and Mrs. P.D. Albright of Paris.
Mrs. Paul McCulley of Stanford and Lewis Whitaker visited their sister, Mrs. Zelma Hayes one day last week.
Gurvis Scoggins and Mrs. Norma Crank visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ping by all. Second: Loyd Jordan was the speaker for the worship service. Third: A baptismal service was held with one for Baptism. Also two
were welcomed into our church by baptism and one by statement January 18th.
Twenty-four members received pins for perfect attendance for 1997. One year, Tara Brock; two years, Virginia Case and Jennifer Case; three years, Fran Gabbard; four years, Tiffany Gabbard and Nancy Isaacs; six years, Jeffrey Linville and Deliah Blair; seven years, Britney Blair; nine years, Glenn Ponder and Joann Croucher; 10 years, Kelly Crouch; 11 years, Chad Croucher and Carol Cain; 12 years, Roy Lee Croucher; 14 years, Joyce Cain; 16 years, Jamaica Cummins; 17 years, Jill Cummins; 19 years, Doris Gabbard; 21 years, Dreama Cummins and Gail Lee Gabbard; 26 years, Jimmy Cummins; 27 years, Judy Cummins and 29 years, Buddy Gabbard. Congratulations to all these faithful attenders for a job well done. We are proud of you.
Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to all those who have lost loved ones

recently, and to all those who are sick or troubled in any way. You have our love and prayers. God bless you.
Bro. and Mrs. Jack Bruce recently attended church at Fairview. We are always glad to have them.
Visiting at the home of Mrs. Hallie Alexander recently have been Mr. and Mrs. William Dooley and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Phillips of Berea. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Davidson and family visited his uncle, Mr. Shade Davidson on Sunday, January 18th in Kirksville.
Some of our visitors recently have been Mr. Lewis Church of Mississippi; Rickie Adams, Wayne and Carolyn Chaston of Berea and James, Joyce and Jim Chaston of Paink Lake.
Mrs. Hallie Alexander spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Croucher and had supper with her aunt, Mrs. Geneva Gabbard of Berea.
Please remember church and Sunday School and pray much for one another. We are having a lot of sickness and deaths in our county. The happenings going on in Washington are now a shame and a disgrace, but we have to go on and do the best we can. There is still some good decent, honest, truthful people in the world. We should always remember that we only answer to God for our actions and deeds and not for the deeds of others, and I am so thankful for that. God bless you is my prayer.

Livingston News

By Frances Dickerson

Mr. C.F. Mullins, Sr. and Mr. C.F. Mullins, Jr., both of Louisville visited in Livingston one day last week.
Mrs. Carrie Loudermik spent last week with her son and his family in Erlanger.
Mrs. Lelia Jones is home from the hospital, but remains very ill.
Mrs. Margaret Burdine's family were all home for dinner Sunday.
The Modley family was in Ohio Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. John Sizemore a brother of Mr. Medley's.
Mr. and Mrs. John Mullins of Frankfort visited Mr. Mullins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mullins on Sunday.
Sympathy is extended to the Mullins family in the death of Mrs. Denver Mullins. Those from out

town who attended the funeral or were with the family were: Norman and Kent Mullins of Spokane, Washington; Shirley Grote of Shepherdsville; Mrs. Janet Wilson of Cincinnati; Mrs. Mildred Ringstein, Mrs. Margaret Perkins, both of Covington; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alford, two sons and a daughter, of Camp Dixon, Ohio; Mrs. Sarah Ramsey of Frankfort; Cindy Chapman, her two daughters, of Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Springer, two sons and a daughter of Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Grote and two daughters of Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Grote and a son of Shepherdsville and C.F. Mullins, Sr. and C.F. Mullins, Jr., of Louisville.
Connie Hamilton and daughters and Lois Mullins were in London shopping one day during the week.

Quail News

By Vivian Owens

Mr. and Mrs. Rola Gabbard and Tommy of Independence spent Sunday night with her mother, Mrs. Zelma Hayes and Tommy. Mrs. Jimmy Kersey and son Zachary and Jeffrey Todd spent Sun-

Fairview News

By Mrs. Hubert Chasteen

Hello everyone.
We are still having dark days and rainy drizzly weather. But thank the Lord we are not suffering from

floods and ice storms like thousands of people are. Bless their hearts I feel so sorry for them.
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Surrender to Comfort! Move into a lifetime of comfortable living! This like-new brick home offers 1,387 sq. ft. with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, utility room, living, kitchen and dining room plus Kool-fire heating and cooling, lots of cabinets and a dishwasher. There's also an attached garage, storage building and garden spot. Immaculate condition located in Mountain View Subdivision, Brodhead. Now priced at \$77,000. M1020
Some of the Best Things in Life Are What You'll Find in This Lovely Ranch Brick Home! Located on Hunter Street, Mt. Vernon, this home offers living room, dining room/kitchen combo., 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths and utility room. Added features include new heat pump, carpet and painting throughout plus carport and concrete drive. This property is situated on a nice level lot with city water and sewer. Priced at \$68,900. M1055
In A Class By Itself! For the buyer with an eye for beauty and an air of elegance. This prestigious home features living/family room with cut stone fireplace, wormy Chestnut throughout, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, modern kitchen and formal dining room. Situated on 4 beautiful acres with in-ground pool and 3 car garage. Priced at \$159,900. M984
Just A Wee Farm with 8 1/2 acres, 2 story home and 2 car garage with storage. This mansard style roofed home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den, living room, dining and kitchen. In addition, there's a 2 car garage with storage. Enjoy private country living in the Popular Grove section for only \$63,500. M1038
Take A Deep Breath of Fresh Country Air! Brick house and approximately 2 acres located on Red Brown Road near Spiro. This home features living, dining, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and one bath plus a full basement with a bar. Other amenities include: carport, storm windows, ceiling electric heat and washer/dryer hook-up. M1014

Mobile Homes

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Commercial Property

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Commercial Building, High Street, Mt. Vernon. 3 bay garage-type building containing approximately 2,600 sq. ft. The building has 3 overhead doors, city water and sewer and is situated on a dandy lot measuring approximately 150x150. Priced at \$52,900. M1060
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4 Large Building Lots - Located on Hwy. 70 in Pulaski County near Nancy - city water - Garden Space - Priced at \$5,250.00 each M880
Laswell Entry Road! Building or mobile home lots ranging in size from 49/100 of an acre to 78/100 of an acre. City water available. Some restrictions apply. Priced from \$5,500 to \$6,500 each. M1001.
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Rolling Hills Subdivision! Restricted building lot located just off Highway 461 with city water available and a blacktopped street. This lot contains 2.965 acres! Start building your dreams tomorrow! Priced at \$7,900. M730b
Brindle Ridge - 3.11 acres with an excellent barn! This tract could be divided into lots! City water - all of this priced at \$32,900. M1023.

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County Statistics

Deeds Recorded

Wayne and Christine McClure, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Wayne and Christine McClure. No tax.

Clary W. Allen, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Charles W. Jr. and Anita M. Hawn. Tax .08.00.

Roy Isaacs, real property located on waters of Clear Creek, to Donnie and Sandra Pigg. Tax 6.50.

Clarence and Louise Carter, lots located in Elmwood Cemetery, to Lisa Wilson. Tax 1.00.

Glenda Kay and Richard W. Martin, real property located on waters of Pines Branch, to Carolyn Collins and Scott Gelfoth. Tax 5.00.

Michael and Melinda McGuire, real property located in Chestnut Ridge, to Charles K. II and Angela J. Cornelius. Tax 62.00.

Tim R. and Onida F. Wolfe, real property located in Countryside Estates Subdivision, to Shane and Crystal Noble. Tax 80.00.

William B. Bailey, Jr., real property located in town of Mt. Vernon, to Mary Alice Bailey. Tax 14.00.

Bessie Cromer, real property located on waters of Skaggs Creek, to Gary Wayne Cromer and Anthony Lamar Cromer. No tax.

Marriage Licenses

Katherine Mary Evenson, 18, Mt. Vernon, housewife, to David Henry Hammond, Jr., 19, Mt. Vernon.

Circuit Civil Suits

First National Bank and Trust vs. Melvin Taylor, Jr., Et al. \$124,287.50 claimed due on note. 98-CI-00011.

Barbara French vs. Roger French, petition for dissolution of marriage. 98-CI-00012.

William B. Bailey, Jr. vs. Mary Alice Bailey, petition for dissolution of marriage. 98-CI-00013.

Harlan National Bank vs. Edward L. Jones, \$7,163.26, claimed due on note. 98-CI-00014.

District Civil Suits

State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Co., Et al. vs. Muniz Rangel, \$2,018.92, claimed due as result of auto accident. 98-CI-00003.

Summer Cherie Kemper, driving privileges reinstated. 98-CI-00004.

Peoples Security Finance Company, Inc. vs. Billie Jean Lunsford, \$3,296.72, claimed due on note. 98-CI-00005.

Peoples Security Finance Company, Inc. vs. David Lunsford, Et al, \$1,118.59, claimed due on note. 98-CI-00006.

Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Co. vs. Joyce Brewer, Et al, damages claimed due as result of auto accident. 98-CI-00007.

Classified deadline is NOON Tuesday

Small Claims

Rockcastle Ready Mix, Inc. vs. Orba Russell Allen, \$1,053.56 claimed due for materials. 98-S-0003.

District Court News

January 14, 1998
Hon. Michael Henry

Carole Anderson: operating motor vehicle under influence drugs, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.

Joy C. Calico: operating contrary to law, \$25 and costs.

Melinda J. Cummins: possession of marijuana, \$25 and costs.

Timothy G. Elam: Fines due (\$156.50), guilty of contempt for failure to pay, 10 days in jail, suspended until 3/2/98.

Zernon C. Gray: Public intoxication, \$25 and costs; drug paraphernalia use/possession, \$25 fine.

Roland Hammond: Alcohol intoxication, \$25 and costs, suspend fine on commonwealth motion.

Delphia S. Hansel: Operating contrary to law, \$25 and costs.

Linda M. Horn: Fines due (\$291.50), found guilty of contempt in absentia, 25 days in jail.

Walter H. Jones, Jr.: No Ky. Registration Plates, \$25 and costs.

James Frederick Luginbelter: Operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.

Chris Murphy: Criminal mischief, \$100 restitution and \$100 fine and costs, suspend fine.

Billy Jack Rayburn: Promoting Contraband, 6 months in jail, conditionally discharged two years on con-

dition and payment of costs.

Mark Lynn Robins: Public Intoxication, \$25 and costs.

Jerome Rucker: Fines due (\$119.00), suspend license for failure to appear.

Abra D. Sponamore: Fines due (\$471.50), convert to 90 hours community service work.

Danny R. Sponamore: Public intoxication, \$25 and costs.

Glenn Sponamore: Public intoxication, \$25 and costs.

Ronnie W. Vanzant: Operating contrary to law, \$50 fine and costs.

James G. Watson: Defective equipment, fine and costs paid.

Kelly D. Whitaker: Alcohol intoxication, \$25 and costs; Possession of marijuana, \$50 fine and 1 days in

jail/credit 1 day time served.

William A. Price: Possession of marijuana, \$250 fine.

Robert P. Turner: Disregarding stop sign, dismissed on payment of costs.

January 21, 1998

Brenda Hillard: Theft by deception, 60 days in jail, to serve 3 days/credit 2 days time served, pay restitution and costs, balance of jail conditional discharged one year on condition of good behavior.

Jason K. Kaes: Alcohol intoxication, paid prepayable.

John D. Poynter: Contempt of court, 5 days in lieu of community service work, all days concurrent.

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Our Readers Write

Dear Editor,
I am writing this letter because of what happens on my way home through Mt. Vernon on M-1 drive through work. I work in Berea and I work the night shift so I come through the bypass off I-75 to Highway 461. I drive through about 2:30 a.m. There are always Mt. Vernon city police parked at the BP or Shell gas stations, watching the stop sign at the off ramp off-75. I am 41 years old, I work 10 hour shifts. I have a perfect driving record. I do not drink and drive. I do not steal. I mind my own business.

The reason for this letter is I have been pulled over six times in the last two years and every time, they ask me what I am doing. I reply I am going home from work. They say the reason I was pulled over was because I was driving a bit slow or I weave a bit. One time I was pulled over because I turned around in Hardee's parking lot. They had left their sign light on and I thought I would get something to eat. I got pulled over instead. The last time was Thursday, Jan. 15. I passed by a gas station and then realized I needed gas. I pulled into an off road and came back to the Shell station. The police pulled in and told me to step back to the front

their car. They then asked me what I was doing. I told them that I needed gas but had passed up the station before I realized it. He checked my license and proof of insurance and told me that I had made a U turn in the road. I told him that I didn't make a U turn that I pulled into an off road and turned around. He told me to pump my gas and go home.

This is very embarrassing to me and it makes me nervous driving through Mt. Vernon. If I had another way to go, I would not go through Mt. Vernon. I have decided to buy any more gas or anything else in Mt. Vernon, or Rockcastle County, because of this situation. If this letter is published, people will probably say who cares, it doesn't matter if he spends his money here or not. How many more people out there are being made to feel the same way? I know the person that rides to work he feels the same way because he has been stopped three times.

I would think that there would be other places that would need patrolling other than the small stretch of road between I-75 and McDonald's especially at 2:30 in the morning.

"It is Written"

Today we would like to begin a study of Paul's sermon on Mars Hill, in Athens, as recorded in Ac. 17:22-34. In this great text, Paul answers the 3 great questions of life, that rational, thinking men and women have, and will continue to ponder about our existence. Where did we come from? Why are we here? Where are we going?

Paul addresses the first question about origins: where did we come from? In vs. 24-26, "God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation." So where did we come from? God made us! We were created by an intelligent God, who made not only us, but heaven and earth also. Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." We did NOT come from some slime pit, evolving from a amoebae, by blind chance and dumb luck; as evolution teaches. This theory does not fit the scientific facts that are known, and that can be demonstrated. God created and designed man, and this is so much more reasonable to believe. If we err in answer to the first question, it will warp and twist our thinking on the next 2 great questions of life. May we ponder and meditate upon our divine origin, for God's great creative power; for as David said, Psalms 139:14, "I will praise thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

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James Chaney
Somerset, Ky.

Dear Editor,

In all due respect, and with your kind permission, I should like to discuss the latest article by Bro. Dan McKibben, in which he cites Matt. 7:21-23 as proof(?) that instrumental music in worship service is "iniquity," a word which, according to Webster, means lack of righteousness, wicked, and sinful. I would like to thank Mr. McKibben for the explanation, as I had often wondered about the basis of such an unreasonable argument, having found nothing in King James to substantiate it.

So this is it? Quite a stretch, if you don't mind my saying so. As usual, the good preacher must be reading between the lines, seeing all to look up the quotation. But don't stop there, read the chapter, even the entire Book of Matthew. Shucks, why not just go ahead and read the whole Bible. If you find any condemnation of church music, or anything that can be construed as such, you must tell us where. Certainly it cannot be in the Old Testament, nor can it be in the words of Jesus, else he must now be reading between the lines, seeing all to the right hand of the Father listening to all the joyful music being played around him.

Like it or not, there will be music in Heaven. God would not subject his children to an eternity without music. Particularly miserable would be those with God-given talent who played and loved it here on Earth. When you come right down to it, there might be some who would feel no compelling urge to go to McKibben's views prevail! Well, not to worry folks, your place in the band is reserved and waiting alongside those harpers in Heaven whom John heard harping on their harps. Read Revelation 14:2.

Just thumbing through the scriptures, I find many references to those great men of God who praised him with stringed instruments, organs, trumpets, etc., playing "skilfully with a loud noise." In I Chronicles 15:16, we read "And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren to be the singers with instruments of music; psalteries, and harps and cymbals, lifting up the voice with joy." David, a man after God's own heart, tells us he personally made some of the instruments of music "to praise the Lord, therewith." This is found in I Chron. 23:6. In I Chron. 15:24 and 28 "... the priests did blow the trumpets before the ark of God..." In verse 28; "Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the Lord with shouting and with the sound

of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps."

At least two other areas in I Chronicles describe the joyful noises of instrumental music to the Lord. In Chapter 16: verses 5 and 6, there is rejoicing and praise expressed with the sounding of harps, cymbals and trumpets. Verse 42 also speaks of musical instruments of God. Again, in I Chron. 25:1-7, we find "... prophesy with harps, psalteries and with cymbals..." "The sons of Jeduthun, under the hands of their father, who prophesied with a harp to give thanks and praise to the Lord. All these were under the hands of their father for song in the house of the Lord, with cymbals, psalteries and harps for the service of the house of God."

Please read the Book of Psalms. It is jam-packed with accounts of musical instruments being used in worshipping the Lord. Just a few examples: Psalms 33:2-4, "Praise the Lord with harp; sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise. For the word of the Lord is right and all his works are done in truth." Psalm 49:4 speaks of praising the Lord with harp. Psalm 92:3, "Upon

an instrument of ten strings and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound..." In Psalm 98:5-6, Sing unto the Lord with the harp and the voice of a psalm, with trumpets and the sound of cornet, make a joyful noise before the Lord, the King. In Psalm 144:9, David says, I will sing a new song unto thee, O God; upon a psaltery and instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee." Psalm 147:7, "Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God."

Psalm 149:3, "... let them sing praise unto his name in the dance; let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. Psalm 150:3-6, "Praise him with the sound of the trumpet; praise him with the psaltery and the harp; praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Praise him upon the loud cymbals; praise him upon the high sounding cymbals." These are but few among many such incidents found in God's holy word. Now granted, I'm no authority on musical instruments nor a scholar of the Bible, but I can read. The above is my interpretation. Obviously, there are a lot of people and churches who have similar views. If we're wrong,

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God is going to have some explaining to do.
And thanks to President Clinton being interested in the good idea.

I have 2000+ pounds of tobacco on my farm in Casey County, and wish to make these suggestions:
(1) If tobacco is to be outlawed or -smoking rates to be reduced, how about trading our tobacco bases for hemp bases? Hemp has no chemicals (you could smoke a telephone pole and not get high), and can be used for ropes, paper, clothing, etc. Hiding marijuana plants among a hemp crop is not really a problem. Marijuana is being hid all over every where anyway.

(2) Tobacco can be dried and pulverized into two powders, brown and white. Both are odorless and tasteless. Brown powder can be fed to animals, while white powder is good for humans. The protein is almost as good as meal, milk and eggs. Ask the FDA for details.

(3) If hemp paper means fewer trees cut, would it then be necessary to offer some compensation to tree farmers?

(Cont. to C4)

Dear Editor,

I want to tell all those who were involved with or upheld James and Joyce Jones in damaging my property to stay off my property.

The ditch, which was dug in front of my house, has damaged my property, including destroying my porch and foundation.

This has been going on for several years and I want everyone to stay off my property, especially politicians.

Minnie Kirby
Rt. 2, Box 89
Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Letter To The Editor,

Thanks to Karen Armstrong-Cummins for suggesting a summit meeting in Kentucky on tobacco (Lexington Herald-Leader, December 20, 1997, Page B-1).

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The Family Room

By Dr. Don Whitthead

Why Do Men Cheat On Their Wives?

George had a problem. (All characters are fictitious.) His wife had kicked him out of the house (almost literally), and he was living in a dingy, one-bedroom apartment. His wife told him he could not come home until he got help, so he reluctantly came for counseling.

"I don't think I'm such a bad guy, and I don't think I need counseling," he told me. "I don't have any more problems than anybody else."

It took George a long time to tell me why his wife had asked him to leave. He had trouble admitting that he had done something wrong. Finally, he said, "I got friendly with this lady at work, and my wife got jealous. We were just friends, but my wife thought it was more than that."

It took another two or three sessions for George to begin to tell the truth about his relationship to the woman at work. "We did have sex," he confessed, "but only once. I was trying to break up with her when my wife found out."

After several more sessions George gave up his denial and was willing to level with me. He confessed to four affairs over the last ten years. He began his first affair two months after his wedding!

George still tried to minimize the problem by saying, "I guess I'm just like other men, huh? Every guy messes around on his wife once-in-awhile."

"That's not true, George," I told him. "Not every husband has had an affair. You have a problem with your sexual behavior. You may have a sexual addiction. It is possible to be addicted to sex just as one can be addicted to alcohol or nicotine."

Peter Carnes in his book *Out Of The Shadows* identifies three levels of sexual addiction. Level three, the deepest, involves child molestation, incest or rape. Level two means exhibitionism, indecent phone calls and voyeurism (peeping Toms). Level one involves using pornography, visiting prostitutes or having affairs.

Carnes also points out the effects of childhood on the development of addictions. George's father had been an alcoholic who was seldom at home. George grew up in the company of his mother and two sisters. The addictive behavior of his father probably contributed to George's development of his own addiction.

"But I work hard and support my family," George explained. "I'm entitled to some good times if I want them." George used his work as a justification for the affairs. "I've worked hard and I'm entitled to this," was his motto.

As with many addicts, George had a difficult time acknowledging that he had a problem. He denied and denied until he finally attended a few meetings of Sex Addicts Anonymous, a self-help group modeled on Alcoholics Anonymous. The men in that group confronted George about his behavior. "If you've had four affairs," they told him, "then you have a problem."

Addicts will risk almost anything to feed their addictions. Men and women who were addicted to sex will risk family, job and reputation in seeking to satisfy their drive for sex.

Our Readers Write

(Cont. From C3)

More trees mean more homes for birds. More birds means fewer bugs. Fewer bugs means less crop damage, fewer diseases, and less pesticides to poison the environment.

Utilization of my proposals. Would be a win-win situation for everybody. Thank you for reading this letter and considering these ideas.

William Ingram
Dayton, Ohio

District Court News

(Cont. From C2)

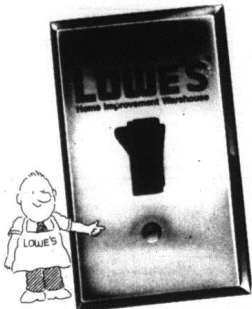
of costs only.
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in possession and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.
Jason W. Nelson: Operating on suspended license, \$100 and costs.
Stacy J. Niceley: Operating motor vehicle under influence of intoxicants, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.

Kenneth R. Oterson: Failure to dim headlights, \$25 and costs, suspended fine.
Steven P. Pevely: Fines due (\$717.50), guilty of contempt in absentia, 60 days in jail.

James Ellis Renner: Possession of marijuana, \$25 and costs.
James Scaif: Fines due (\$97.50), guilty of contempt in absentia, 10 days in jail.
Edward Earl Sturgill: Public intoxication, \$25 and costs; Possession of marijuana, \$25 fine; Possession of controlled substance, 6 months in jail, to serve 2 days credit 2 days time served, \$25 fine/balance of 2 days conditionally discharged one year.
Joseph B. Tucker: Operating motor vehicle under influence of intoxicants, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.

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Pursuant to Section 251 of the Job Training Partnership Act, known as Public Law 102-367, the Cumberland Service Delivery Area, acting under the authority of the Cumberland Workforce Development Board (CWDB), will be accepting Request for Proposals starting at 8:00 a.m. Central Time on February 2, 1998 until 4:00 p.m. Central Time on April 10, 1998 for funds to be utilized by public and private organizations to provide Academic Enrichment Services to approximately 140 disadvantaged youth ages 16-21.

The Academic Enrichment component will consist of Basic Skills Remediation which will include but not be limited to Math, English, Reading, Vocabulary, and will begin approximately June 15, 1998 and end approximately July 31, 1998. These services will be a component of the Title II-B Summer Youth Program.

Academic Enrichment will be offered to thirteen (13) counties of the Cumberland Service Delivery Area which include Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, McCreey, Letcher, Putnam, Rockcastle, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, and Whitley Counties, if possible. Those agencies not currently on the bidders list for the Cumberland Service Delivery Area may request application packets and those agencies requesting additional information shall submit all inquiries to Mr. Nick Hazel, Contract Specialist of the Lake Cumberland Area Development District, PO Box 1570, Russell Springs, Kentucky 42642 or call (502) 856-4200.

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of costs.
 Lynthia E. Dowdy: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Dacey Franklin: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Mark A. Graves: Defective equipment, \$20 and costs.
 Philip Grayson: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Susan L. Hodges: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Chung K. Lee: Speeding, \$30 and costs.
 Ryan G. Mercer: speeding, state traffic school authorized on payment of costs.
 Daniel Scott Nether: Speeding,

\$30 and costs.
 Amanda Leigh Newberry: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Shirley B. Strickland: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 David A. Stumbo: Faulty equipment, \$20 and costs.
 Robert F. Snow: Speeding and Violation Part 3951 FSR Hrs. Service, Fines paid.
 Kenneth W. Edgington: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Chris L. Mackey: Operating motor vehicle under influence drugs, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10

victim crime fund; Possession of marijuana, \$25 fine.
 Glen D. Brown: Fines due (\$311.50), convert to 62 hours community service work.
 Richard J. Caudill: Fines due (\$471.50), found guilty of contempt in absentia, 15 days in jail.
 Charles A. Cunagin: Operating motor vehicle under influence drugs, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.
 Bradford S. Durham: Speeding, all charges dismissed on payment of costs only.
 Kolan P. Durham: Operating motor vehicle under influence of intoxicants, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund.

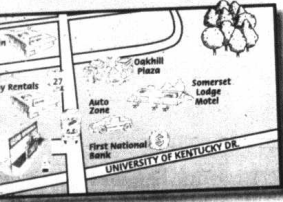
Robert D. Eversole: No Ky. Registration Plates, \$25 and costs.
 Sylvia Sonia Forster: Speeding, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Kevin L. Goff: No Ky. Registration Plates, \$25 and costs; No insurance, \$500 fine; Operating on suspended license, \$100 fine.
 Denis W. Graves: Operating motor vehicle under influence of intoxicants, \$200 and costs, \$200 service fee, \$10 victim crime fund, time served.
 Wanda D. Hart: No Ky. Registration Plates, \$25 and costs.

Virgil W. Hensley: Public intoxication, \$25 and costs; Possession of marijuana, \$25 fine and 10 days in jail/credit 2 days time served/balance conditionally discharged.
 Stanley Howard: Operating on suspended license and failure to wear seatbelts, suspend license for failure to appear.
 Kevin R. Jones: Defective equipment, \$20 and costs.
 Nola L. Justice: Speeding, \$20 and costs.
 Douglas E. Lewis: License to be in possession, \$25 and costs.
 Lena Loudermilk: Speeding, state traffic school authorized on payment.

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Library News

By Geraldine Robbins



This past Saturday was a very interesting day for me. This was my Saturday off from the library and my son and daughter-in-law invited me to go to Louisville with them to the Kentucky Crafted-The Market. I have been to the Indiana Fort Theater for the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen but this was by far much better than the one in Berea. There were one hundred and ninety-seven exhibitors with a great number of different crafts. Some of these were baskets of all shapes and sizes, handcrafted dolls and animals, pottery, jewelry, all types of woodcrafts, aluminum can art, stained glass, painted rocks, handpainted gourds and some done with woodburning tools. These are just a few of the many exhibits. I found out this is really a small world. One of the exhibitors was Tom Broadhead and of course I had to find out who this lady was. After talking to her, I found she was a neighbor of mine living just about one mile from me. They had only lived in the community for a short time so I didn't feel too bad not knowing her. Her name is Tami Himes and she does soft-sculptured teddy bears and paints in her spare time.

Also, there was a food court with all types of foods and condiments made from Kentucky products. Some of these were sauces, pickles, dips, candies, fruitcakes, honey, jams and preserves and popcorn, just to name a few.

In one room, guess what, BOOKS published by Kentucky Publishing Companies and of course I enjoyed looking at these as much as anything. I purchased four books from The University Press of Kentucky. Some of these were reprints of Jesse Stuart's

books and one title was The Hatfields & the McCoy's by Ous K. Rice. I bought an excellent cookbook from The McClanahan Publishing House, Kentucky Keescakes, a book of classic southern recipes by Elizabeth Ross.

In other news, there has been an excellent response to the sweater event. Approximately 200 sweaters have been donated to this program already and the drive will continue until the middle of February. Other items of clothing will also be accepted if they are in good condition. The exhibit on Kentucky authors will be leaving after this week. If you haven't been in to view the exhibit, please do so before February 1st. We have had several good comments on the display. We have also had books by these authors displayed near the exhibit.

Some new fiction books for your reading pleasure are... 1. THE SENATOR'S WIFE by Karen Robards... 2. BAD CHEMISTRY by Gary Krist... 3. Kate Theodorus used to be a cop in Chicago. Eager to escape the ugliness and violence of police work, she moves to Washington, D.C., to create a new life for herself. This

she marries Joel Baker. Three years later, Joel leaves the house to pick up some groceries and he never returns. Kate finds herself thrust back into the familiar world of class, surveillance, and guns that she thought she had left behind. In Bad Chemistry, Mr. Krist has created a taut story of suspense, a charged tale of a woman's struggle to resolve conflicts within her marriage and within herself.

3. CLUB A LIBRE by Elmore Leonard... Set on the eve of the Spanish-American War, this electrifying novel takes off like a shot. A spellbinding journey into the heart and soul of the Cuban revolution of a hundred years ago, Club Libre is an explosive mix of high adventure, history brought to life and a honey of a love story.

Just three days after the sinking of the battleship Maine in the Havana harbor, Ben Taylor arrives with a string of horses to sell, a cover for a boatload of guns he's running to Cuba. This cowboy's first day ashore sets the pace for a wild ride to come.

I now have about fifty of the new books from The LIBRA Foundation ready for our young readers. This is a good selection of books for the preschoolers as well as the older children.

Now that we are in the midst of the winter months, why not visit the library and find out the most interesting things that are available here. There is a good selection of gardening books to help plan your spring garden or books on bird feeders or bird houses.

Spend some time on the computers and learn many interesting things or borrow some good videos to watch these cold evenings. The library is the place for entertainment and information.

Agricultural News

By Warden Alexander, Director
The 1998 Burley Tobacco Referendum will be held in February. All eligible producers are encouraged to vote.

Eligible voters include: owners, operators, tenants and sharecroppers engaged in the production of burley tobacco; owners whose tobacco is under the CRP program; and owners who lease out their tobacco quota.

Burley tobacco producers are reminded to promptly return their marketing cards to the office as soon as all sales are final.

The Burley tobacco penalty rate for 1997 is \$1.44/lb.

As a condition for approving a burley tobacco disaster lease, an application for disaster credit must be filed by the producer before the crop is harvested. Due to weather related conditions, an exception has been made for the 1997 crop year to also accept disaster credit applications after the crop has been harvested. The following conditions must be

met: Crop must have been affected by a natural disaster or disease and suffered at least a 20% loss, sufficient acreage planted to produce the effective quota, COC approves the application. Producers who have a loss, and think they may want to disaster lease, should contact the office. Deadline for disaster leasing is February 17th.

Sign up for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) which began January 20, 1998 and ends on February 20, 1998. Producers with eligible losses of livestock which were the result of damaging weather or related conditions may file an application for benefits anytime during this sign-up period. A specific amount of money is available and, therefore, a factor must be determined. Producer shall file applications for benefits in the county where the loss occurred. LIP is in effect only for counties that had losses from March 1, 1997 through November 26, 1997, that requested a Presidential or Secretarial disaster declaration. (Rockcastle IS eligible).

Youth who are involved in 4-H,

FFA or other similar activities may be eligible to receive needed funding to develop income producing projects through FSA's Farm Loan Program. Loans up to \$5000 are available to

assist youth in financing the items which are necessary to establish their project. Loan repayments will be scheduled to coincide with the project's income schedule.

To The Citizens of Rockcastle County I am a candidate for Sheriff of Rockcastle County.

I have 17 years experience and I have formal training and experience in accident investigation, criminal investigation, interrogation, finger printing, all granted as a Ky. State Police trooper in Eastern Kentucky. I will have all officers formally trained and have someone on call to meet your needs. My promise to you is this... I will do what is right. I will put my training and experience to work to change the image of Rockcastle County. Paul Harvey stated on national news, "Rockcastle County is the place to commit murder." With your support we can change this image, with the help of other elected officials. I promise to work hard. I will get good men as deputies in each end of the county. My No. 1 priority is the folks and reason for these folks and to make the county a place that is safer for all. I ask for your vote. I promise your needs will be listened to. Any questions, feel free to call me at 758-0205.



Sincerely, Billy M. Hammons

Photo by Billy M. Hammons

We'd like your two cents worth

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center (RHRC) is developing its mission and vision statements. We will use these as constant reminders of our purpose and vision of how we should serve the community in the future.

As a community member, your input is important to us. Please write us a letter concerning your perceptions of Rockcastle Hospital's mission and your ideas about its future role in the community. Both signed and unsigned letters will be welcomed by our Mission Statement Committee.

Please mail your letter by Feb. 18 to:

Linda Gregory
RHRC
145 Newcomb Avenue
P.O. Box 1310
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

ROCKCASTLE HOSPITAL AND RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER

Thank you for your participation in this important process.

Conservation District Cost-Share Program Announced

The Rockcastle County Conservation District will be accepting requests for cost-share funding under the Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost-Share Program beginning February 2, 1998 and extending through February 27, 1998.

The Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost-Share Program was created to help agricultural operations protect the soil and water resources of Rockcastle County. This program is a result of House Bill 377 which was passed in the 1994 General Assembly. This bill established annual cost-share funds to be administered by Conservation Districts, with priority given to animal waste related problems and Agricultural District participants where pollution problems have been identified. Initial funding for the program will be provided by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture.

Funding for practices will be approved by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission at the Kentucky Division of Conservation, located in Frankfort, as funds are available.

For more information stop by the Conservation District office located at USDA Service Center, on Hwy. 150, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The office can be reached by phone at 256-2541.



Happy Birthday to Delilah and Faye Jane. 30th & Feb. 17th We love you very much. Your family



Bethany Lauren Denny celebrated her third birthday on December 31, with a Barney party. Lauren is the daughter of William and Kim Denny of Chestnut Ridge. Maternal grandparents are Sherman and Sadie Denny. Lauren would like to thank everyone for the nice gifts.

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HealthNotes

HealthNotes is a health awareness publication provided by Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center.

FIBROMYALGIA: THE MYSTERIOUS PAIN

Waking up exhausted with your body aching all over is something everyone has experienced at one time or another. But what if you woke up tired with muscular pain every single day? Seven to 10 million Americans do. They suffer from fibromyalgia.

Fibromyalgia is a syndrome that affects muscles, bones and joints. Problems tend to begin during sufferers' 20s or 30s. However, fibromyalgia has been diagnosed in all age groups and seems to affect more women than men.

Sufferers describe it as aches, pains and stiffness that attack their entire bodies. However, it also can be associated with a host of other conditions, such as fatigue, insomnia, headaches, numbness and tingling, depression, anxiety, irritable bowel syndrome, joint pains, impaired memory, and pains in the jaw, known as temporomandibular joint pains (TMJ).

The majority of sufferers complain of muscle and joint pain, chronic fatigue and the inability to sleep well. People with fibromyalgia may endure different combinations of symptoms. However, most patients have two things in common—a lower than normal threshold for pain and a mitral valve prolapse, which is a weakness in the mitral valve of the heart that can result in a heart murmur.

"The mitral valve mainly consists of fibrous connective tissue," said Dr. Kimberly Cornelius of Rockcastle Hospital

and Respiratory Care Center. "And because fibromyalgia mainly affects other connective tissues in your body, it has been proposed that the syndrome affects the mitral valve as well. However, it has not been proven."



The sufferer also must battle the fact that the syndrome is extremely difficult to diagnose. No abnormalities can be found when testing for fibromyalgia. Blood tests, x-rays and biopsies reveal no evidence of the syndrome.

Initially, many physicians and researchers believed it was a mental illness until psychological tests of sufferers proved this theory wrong. Today, fibromyalgia is diagnosed based on a careful examination of the sufferer's history, complaints of widespread aches and pains for at least three months, and the finding of muscle "tender points" in at least 11 of 18 designated areas.

"There is no known cause for fibromyalgia," said Dr. Cornelius. "However, recent research has associated chemical and hormonal imbalances with the syndrome. This would explain the reason why many sufferers exhibit more intense pain when they are under extreme stress. Some even believe the entire syndrome is caused by stress."

There is no widely accepted treatment for fibromyalgia. Most physicians recommend 20 minutes of vigorous physical

activity three times a week. For most patients, the pain during exercise can be unbearable. Those who do exercise report the end result makes it worthwhile. Other treatments include stress management, dietary changes, trigger point anesthetic injections and anti-depressant drugs.

"While there is no known cure for fibromyalgia, education of the condition is a must," said Dr. Cornelius. "It is important for the patient to realize what results can and cannot be achieved."

Due to the increasing problem of fibromyalgia, the National Institute of Health has set aside specific funding to research the syndrome.

ITCHING FOR A DRY SKIN TREATMENT?

The cold, winter wind brushing up against your face not only sends a chill down your body, but it hints of the dry, rough and itchy skin that is about to come.

Take these steps to avoid dry skin during the winter months.

- Use a humidifier in a central location in your home to reduce the amount of dry air by increasing the relative humidity.
- Avoid excessively hot or cold conditions.
- Minimize your bathing time to 10 minutes, and use lukewarm water.
- Use mild, unscented soap.
- After bathing, pat your skin until it is halfway dry. Do not completely dry. Immediately apply lotion to your skin after bathing. It is best to have your skin partially wet when applying lotion.
- Apply lotion between baths, at least one time per day during extreme winter months. Hydrate extremely dry skin with warm water before applying lotion.
- If cracked skin is irritated by some lotions, substitute the lotion with an emollient, such as a petroleum jelly.
- Use unscented laundry detergents.
- Avoid rough or tight clothing.
- Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables. This will allow your body to receive enough vitamin A and C.

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY

American Heart Month

National Children's Dental Health Month

National Cardiac Rehabilitation Week
Feb. 8-14

National Eating Disorder Screening Program
Feb. 23-28

National Girls and Women in Sports Day
Feb. 5

STATE OF THE HEART: ASPIRIN AND HEART

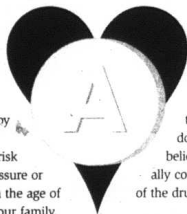
Does the ancient medication we call aspirin have life-saving potential? Some medical studies show aspirin reduces the chances of having a heart attack in some people by as much as 30 percent.

If you exhibit heart attack risk factors, such as high blood pressure or high cholesterol, are older than the age of 50 or if heart disease runs in your family, aspirin may help you prevent a future heart attack. Although additional research must be done, some studies also show aspirin may reduce the risk of heart attacks for lower-risk people.

A heart attack results when a coronary artery is blocked by a blood clot. A blood clot is formed by the clumping of platelets in the bloodstream. Aspirin reduces the clumping of platelets which, in effect, may reduce the chances of a heart attack.

Is taking aspirin other than to relieve pain, lower fever and reduce inflammation a good idea for you? The only safe way to determine if taking aspirin will help you prevent a heart attack is to discuss it with your doctor first. Aspirin is powerful and has several side effects including internal bleeding, nausea, allergic reactions and may increase your chances of having a stroke. Only a doctor who knows your complete medical history can determine whether or not a daily dose of aspirin would be beneficial to you.

"Every person should check with his or her doctor before they begin taking aspirin on a regular basis, especially if they have a history of stomach trouble or asthma," said Dr. Michael Hamilton of



Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center.

If you and your doctor decide regular use of aspirin is right for your health condition, consider taking a small dose each day. Researchers believe larger doses of aspirin actually counteract the beneficial effects of the drug. Smaller doses, even

one "baby" aspirin, can effectively reduce clotting activity. The decision to take aspirin regularly should be made by your doctor.

Taking aspirin is not the only way to care for your heart. Other preventive measures, such as maintaining a low cholesterol level, eating a well-balanced diet, having a regular exercise program and keeping a smoke-free lifestyle, help sustain a healthy heart.

HOUSECALLS



PROFILE
Gary Asher, Material Management/Plant Operations
Education: Mt. Vernon High School
Family: Daughters; Brittany (12) and Jessica (9)
Community Leadership:
 Coordinator for Rockcastle County Disaster and Emergency Services (DES)
 Coordinator for Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP)

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center has been dedicated to high-quality service for Rockcastle County for 42 years. Gary Asher has been a part of the hospital and its dedication for 24 of those years. "I've seen a lot of good changes since I've been here," said Asher. He witnessed the hospital's addition of a skilled nurse program in 1979, the ventilator

program in the mid-1980s and the addition of 28 more ventilator beds in 1991.

Asher served as the construction manager when the hospital built its professional arts building in 1996 and 1997 while maintaining his daily duties at the hospital.

"I enjoy the day-to-day challenges," said Asher. "The different responsibilities of my job keeps it a constant challenge."

Asher has played an important role in the growth of Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center. He continues to maintain the hospital from the utilities of the building to the purchase of medical equipment. Many hospital staff members wonder how the hospital would run without him. "I'm just proud to be part of the hospital and its growth," said Asher.

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Bell issue currently hot topic for teachers

by Angela Owens

The hottest controversy to hit the RCHS faculty in recent years is whether or not to signal the beginning and ending of classes with a bell (or tone).

With the move a few years ago to the new school with digital clocks in classrooms and halls, teachers voted to eliminate bells.

The return of the bell, however, was proposed by freshman science teacher Mr. Otis Prater at a faculty meeting last fall. He said students were having a problem being on time for his class and were standing at the door and watching the clock for dismissal time.

Several teachers at the meeting in favor of this proposal, basically for the same reasons as Mr. Prater.

The faculty vote at this meeting showed that teachers wanted the bell. However, apparently not all teachers were present, and later, according to Mr. Ronnie Cash, principal, someone asked for a re-count. Teachers were asked to vote again in early January. The second voting reflected that more teachers did not want the bell.

Possibly the difference in the voting results could have been that teachers who did not really have strong feelings about the signals voted yes in one instance and no in another.

Some teachers, including Ms.

Cathy Short, want the bell. "I would like to have bells because I don't have a clock in my room, and we have to watch the hall to tell when class should be dismissed."

Mr. Clayton Cash, physical education teacher, thinks one reason he is for bells may be that he is just a little "old fashioned."

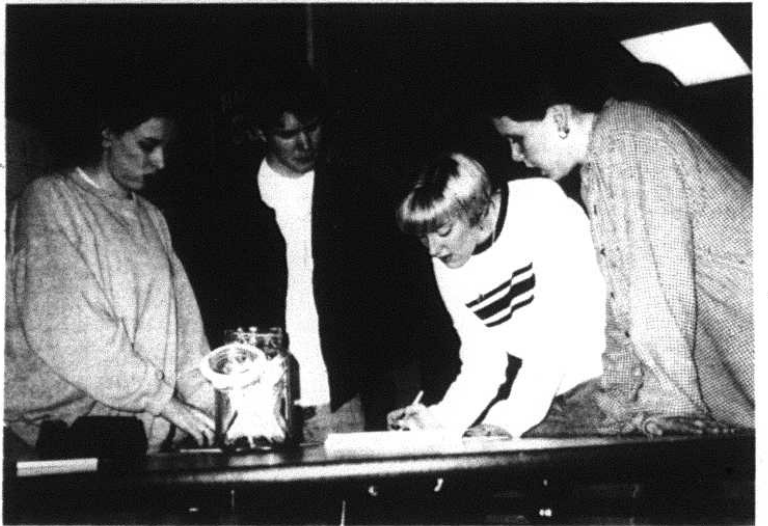
"That's what I'm used to," he said. "There would be no controversy over time. In the gym I don't have a clock that can be seen easily. It's at the other end of the gym."

Mr. Ronnie Cash, who said he had a technician scheduled for February to come and set the bell, thinks not having bells teaches responsibility to students. He also said he feels that if bells were to be re-instated, it would be better to start them at the beginning of next school year.

Ms. Dawn Quigley, math teacher, is one of the several teachers to whom the issue is not really that important. She said, "Since I am a new teacher, and I haven't taught with bells, I really don't know what the difference would be."

Ms. Tammy Reynolds, chorus teacher, said, "Why change a good thing? We are successful without bell."

Coach Tony Saylor thinks the bells are unnecessary. "You have a deadline regardless."



Y-Club Registers Students to Vote

Pictured above is Junior Y-Club secretary, Stephanie Dobbs (left) assisting (from left to right) Nathaniel Bullock, Terri Abney, and Courtney Hansel to register to vote during the recent voter registration drive. The club's goal was to register at least 100 students and staff members, which they exceeded. The drive is part of the program initiated by Secretary of State, John Y. Brown Jr. to encourage high school students to vote. Since the program was started in 1995, over 20,000 Kentucky high school students and staff members have been registered. About 80% of those who registered last week affiliated with the Republican Party.

Project Graduation plans underway

by Christina Mahaffey

It's time again to start planning Project Graduation! The planning committee will be meeting in the high school library every Monday at 7 p.m.

Ms. Joyce Machal is in charge of the annual fund-raising event for seniors this year.

Project Graduation is an annual drug and alcohol free, all night party that takes place at

the high school. It is held on graduation night, and door prizes, games, and other activities are planned.

Some fund raising plans that have already been made include a golf scramble, games, and a Homecoming Dance. Mrs. Machal says the committee is hoping that each student will leave Project Graduation with a valuable gift.

Students who miss too much must pass exit exams

by Aatish Patel and Chuck Bullock

WARNING: If you thought that you weren't accountable for the days you miss, think again. You are.

Exit exams. You know what they are, right? The newest policy at the Rock requires exit exams, tests given to students who miss more than four days in a 9-week period.

From now on, students missing five days will more than likely have to take exit exams.

According to the policy, those who have missed more than four days without a doctor's excuse will be tested at the end of the grading

period before they can get credit for the class.

"We only excuse the days listed by the doctor as those to be excused," said Mr. Barry Noble, administrative assistant.

"We have had some problems with students missing an entire day for an appointment that occurs either early in the morning or late in the afternoon."

He said calls to verify many of these excuses are being made.

"The doctors," he said, "sometimes are shocked that the students are missing the entire day for some appointments. When we discover this we change excused absences to unexcused," added Mr. Noble.

The attendance committee, made up of Mr. Chuck Cash, Mr. David Hansel, Ms. Debbie Cash, Mr. David Riddle, and the administration, make the final decisions on cases in question.

According to Mr. Noble, there were 48 students scheduled to take the exams at the end of last nine weeks; however, only 40 students showed up to take the exams.

Of the tests given, 57.4 percent of the tests were failed. Most students had to take tests in more than one class, and students who didn't show up to take the exams automatically failed, because, according to Mr. Noble, they had been notified three weeks in advance.

Mr. Noble says, "We are trying to keep attendance up, because in order for a school and students to do well students have to attend."

These exams were scheduled to be given after the first 9-weeks, but were cancelled, according to Mr. Noble, because students had not been warned beforehand and there was some confusion over numbers of days missed by some students.

Reaction from most students, even those required to take the exams, has been positive.

Chad Silvers, senior- "It's not something I have to deal with, but I think it's a good thing."

Leah Depew, senior- "I think the

exams are beneficial to both the students and the teachers."

Stephanie Dobbs, junior- "I totally agree with the exit exams because there is no reason for people not to come to class."

Tommy Bullens, junior- "I thought it was fair, because it gave me a chance to make a good grade."

We also took time to ask the teachers on how they feel about the exit exams.

Ms. Debbie Coleman, social studies teacher- "I like the idea of having an attendance policy and a exit exams because if they if

Please see EXIT EXAMS page 10

LETTERS FROM READERS

Dear Editor:

Feel free to use the enclosed column in the next issue of *The Rocket*. I found it very timely.

The Internet has become a valuable resource for many Kentuckians in the past few years. It gives users the opportunity to play games, research information, order products, or just keep in touch with friends and relatives.

But in addition to all of these benefits, there are an increasing number of issues to be wary of when on-line--including Internet fraud. Because of the escalating use of personal computers, desktop publishing software and affordable video equipment, bogus sales pitches have a legitimate appearance.

There are a multitude of creative ploys currently on the Internet. The following are some of the phony schemes recently detected on-line:

- * Five companies were charged with advertising the ability to clean up a person's credit record. Customers paid anywhere from \$19.95 to \$750 to receive information about how to "remove judgments, including bankruptcy, from your credit file."
- * Other groups made false claims about work-at-home opportunities. These companies promised earnings of \$4,000 each month. Those claims were found to be unsubstantiated.
- * Another Internet advertiser claimed to give away "free cash grants by mail." The advertisement promised to match consumers with private foundations that had "billions of dollars" to give away.
- * One Internet advertiser promised to ship computer chips from an overseas supplier as soon as the consumer's check cleared. The company failed to deliver the chips.

Internet fraud has become a million dollar business. There are several organizations who are looking out for the consumer:

- * The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has been instrumental in capturing many on-line frauds as well as creating awareness of dishonest on-line advertising claims.
- * The Council of Better Business Bureaus (BBB) recently started an on-line seal of approval program. The companies that participate agree to abide by the BBB truth-in-advertising initiative.
- * A subsidiary of the Better Business Bureau, called the Children's Advertising Board (CARU), issues self-regulatory guidelines for advertising to children on the Internet.
- * The National Advertising Division (NAD) deals with formal complaints from competitors or consumers concerning false or misleading claims.

In addition, there are computer programs on the market that can help guard against Internet fraud. One such program allows consumers to pre-select their own privacy preferences. The net browser will limit their access to the sites that agree with their demands.

When in doubt about the accuracy of on-line advertising claims, some basic guidelines should be followed:

Request written information in detail from the advertiser
Contact the consumer protection organizations: and

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Stress levels are lower without bells

"Bells, bells, bells....." This excerpt from Edgar Allen Poe's *The Bells* may take on a new meaning if some faculty members and staff have their way.

A recent controversy has centered around the idea of bringing back a bell (or tone) to signal the beginning and ending of classes.

The student voice should perhaps also be heard concerning this matter. As high school students we should be able to recognize when a digital clock changes from 8:09 to 8:10 and be in class by that time. We don't need a ringing bell or a digital facsimile. The sound pollution is bad enough as it is. With over 800 students crowding into the halls between classes and at break, we don't need excess decibels added. The calmer atmosphere would be

broken by the harsh, irritating effects of a bell.

Reinstating bells is insulting to our intelligence. Bells were the norm of the elementary school years, but high school has added a new level of

maturity to the mindset of students.

Colleges do not utilize the bell cycle. They probably do this so students can develop responsibility and pre-

pare them for whatever vocation they choose.

Bells are not used in the workplace, and they will not organize our schedules for the rest of our lives. A bell-less school is just the first step to creating responsible young adults and good time management skills. Some think that the bell will cut down on tardies, but will it actually. If students don't care enough to get to class on time now, the tone will probably not motivate them.



From the Principal's Pen

Students,

Time continues to pass so quickly, and we have so many events upcoming, it is difficult to comprehend exactly what all is happening and when.

I am extremely proud of the basketball teams as they continue to improve and roll up the victories and represent our high school so well.

Our academic teams have improved and continue to represent us in competition; we are talking Governor's Scholars Program and college scholarships. It has a tendency to all run together, but we cannot forget the big event, "KIRIS" and what it means to our total school.

As we recently met with the different classes, I was proud of each class and especially the junior class as they will establish the accountability levels for the entire school. I have said many times, I could not be more proud of the student body here at Rockcastle County High School. You are the best.

Mr. Cash

Down the Hall

Do you feel that RCHS should start using a system of bells?

"I'm against them because they make students feel like they are less free. They will make students rebel."

--Dana Thacker



"I am against bells because it interrupts the learning environment."

--LeeAnn Frith



"No, I don't think that we should be run into class like kindergardeners."

--Brooke Roberts



"I'm for bells because I'm tired of guessing when to go to class. Plus it wakes me up."

--Billy Kirby



Should Walls Divide?

Whoever thought people with their whole life ahead of them would worry about a petty thing such as "seniority."

It seems to me that being a senior in high school should be worrying about colleges, tests, and the future. Unfortunately, some seniors have taken upon themselves to worry about who leans up against a pile of bricks, aka "the senior wall."

I guess it irks them to know that a person other



Column
by
Christina Mahaffey

than a senior has assumed the right to lean against that beloved wall.

If it were me, I would say, "Come one, come all. The more the merrier."

However, being a lowly sophomore, that is not my "right." Still, worrying about stupid things like that is not what I call an interesting pastime. It takes someone with no life, no brain; and too much free time to worry about something like that.

Most people know who seniors are anyway, so why the need to advertise? Maybe the next senior class will show more respect and

Quit cleaving and start leaving

For any curious students, I don't think there is a grade 13.

I've always been a firm believer that after graduation, students were supposed to leave.

After four years of hard work (which is supposed to prepare one for a new life), I thought graduating meant a time to cut the apron strings with high school.

Coming back would only seem reasonable to renew old acquaintances or reminisce a little bit; even that should only occur once or twice during the first year.

So why do I see recent high school graduates roaming the halls of RCHS as if they were still students here?

It's not just once every week or so, but it's a recurring theme every day. Haven't they cut the umbilical cord with their alma mater?

These people aren't working up for their teacher internship or some thing school-related; they're just here because they obviously have nowhere else to go or don't know what else to do.

Here's a thought if you've been bored ever since you've graduated high school: Go to college or get a job!

I'm not one to spoil reunions between friends and teachers, but come on. These people seem to think they're still RCHS students, minus the classes.

This school's crowded enough as it is, with nearly a thousand people occupying the hallways



The Bottom Line
a monthly column
by
Josh McKibben

each day.

To coin a phrase from a certain social studies teacher (who shall remain nameless), which can aptly apply here, they're "oxygen thieves."

They're not accomplishing anything towards the betterment

of themselves, the school, or humanity, but instead, are stealing valuable oxygen from students left behind who are trying to prepare themselves for the real world.

When a young man marries a young woman, the two are supposed to leave their parents; they shouldn't hang around their childhood homes, expecting their parents to hold their hands throughout life.

This school can't hold on to the hands of students who've already passed this four-year test known as "school," and at the same time train current students for a good life.

So recent graduates who are still infesting our halls: quit cleaving and start leaving.

I'm Josh McKibben and that's the bottom line.

Letters from Readers (continued from page 2)

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

The Internet is a valuable resource--especially when it is used wisely and tempered with some good, old-fashioned common sense.

Jeffrey T. Burdette
Rockcastle County Attorney

Hello,

I am a student at Lincoln County High School but recently I got *The Rocket* from someone. I just wanted to tell you that it's pretty awesome; a lot more student oriented with better articles than our newspaper at LCHSI just hope no one from my school finds out I said that! I just wanted to say good job!

Sincerely,
LCHS Student

Note: This letter was signed and received via the internet. The editorial staff agreed not to use her name.

Legislator presents bill on home schooling similar to Y-Club's

by Jeff French and Adam Holt

At the recent annual Kentucky Youth Assembly (KYA) two students from RCHS proposed a bill on home schooling which included the provision that parents who choose to home school their children must have at least a high school diploma or G.E.D.

The bill written by Nathan DeLeon and Andy Hale was passed through the mock government and was signed by the student governor.

The January 9 issue of the *Lexington Herald Leader* carried a news article on a bill being introduced during this session of the legislature by State Representative Freed Curd, chairman of the House Education Committee, which is very similar to the one of Andy's and Nathan's.

The boys and their club sponsor, Mr. Adam Coleman, were

very interested to know if Rep. Curd had seen the KYA bill before his proposed legislation.

Representative Curd said in a telephone interview, however, that he had not seen the bill presented at KYA and which was forwarded to all legislators following the fall convention.

"The bill is currently being drawn up, but I feel like its chances are good," Curd said. "I might be overly optimistic, but I think it will pass. At least, it will bring attention to the problem."

"We put a lot of work into it, and I'm glad it had a positive effect on our commonwealth."

---Andy Hale

In 1996, 7,313 students in Kentucky were placed on home school. Many of these students

would be affected by such a bill, because many of their parents do not have a high school diploma or a G.E.D.

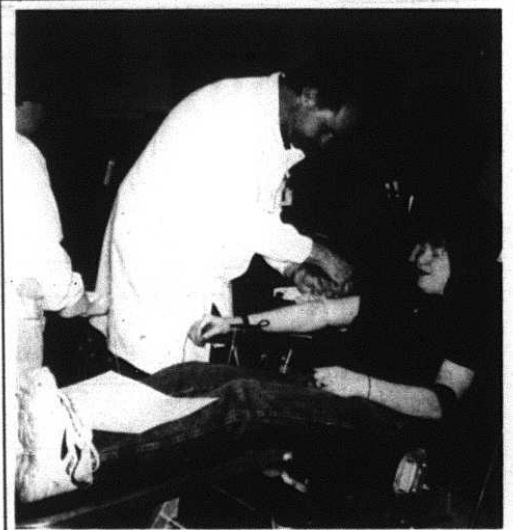
Currently there are no regulations. Even parents who are illiterate may legally remove their children from school with the promise of teaching them.

Mr. Coleman, who was pleased when he read about Curd's bill, said, "It's exciting to see RCHS students with valid views and concerns on current issues in our state legislature."

Nathan and Andy were also both very pleased that the main points of their KYA bill are included in an actual piece of proposed legislation.

"We put a lot of work into it," said Andy, "and I'm glad it had a positive effect on our commonwealth."

"I think it's great that two young minds can propose a bill that is such a great idea," said Nathan.



Successful Key Club Blood Drive

Above Misty Combs, sophomore, is one of 66 students and staff who donated blood in the recent drive sponsored by the RCHS Key Club. Mr. Gary Tillery, sponsor, said that staff members of Central Kentucky Blood Center, who conducted the drive, were very pleased with the number of donors they were able to process.

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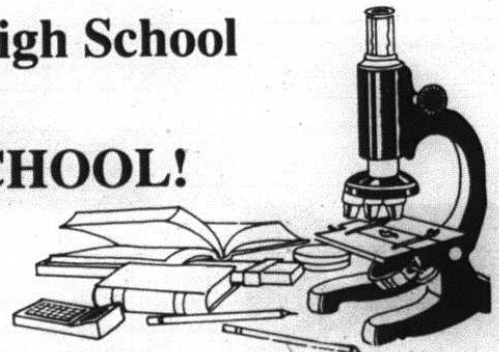
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Technology makes the grades; record keeping becomes easier

by Crystal Smith

Students are you aware of the new technological changes at RCHS?

This fall, teachers were introduced to a new system of recording grades which replaces the scantron sheets and number two pencils.

This computer program is simply a data base which offers teachers the ability to key in grades and receive a printout of overall grades for the nine weeks within seconds.

These can be given to students throughout the grading period to show them exactly how far they might be behind and what percentage they would need in the future to achieve a better grade.

The Schoolmaster program is not only beneficial to the students, but also to teachers and other staff members.

Mr. Ronnie Cash, principal, said that he appreciates this new technology because it is more accurate, quicker, and easy to operate.

He said this program has

eliminated the repetition of teachers transferring grades from the grade book to bubble sheets and then giving them to Ms. Becky Perkins so she could then enter them into the computer.

Teachers believe that Schoolmaster is more convenient.

Ms. Debbie Cash, science teacher, uses only the Schoolmaster to key in grades, but says she is pleased with the time it saves. "It is so easy and fast, and it seems like there is less chance of making an error."

Many teachers also use the computerized grade book because they can easily refer back for progress reports or even deficiencies, and at the end of the nine weeks, grades are averaged automatically.

Ms. Renee Smith, home economics teacher, uses the computerized grade book because it is so "easy to do because it is right at my desk."

Ms. Iris Young also uses it as a grade book. She says she

wants to enter grades until she has three or four assignments back. She likes it because she says it is faster.

This new computer capability especially affects Ms. Perkins who has responsibility for grades and for producing the computerized grade cards.

Now teachers save her time by keying in the grades themselves on computers at their own desks.

The old system often took more than a day to complete, but now grades can be produced within minutes. So overall, Schoolmaster has become a helpful tool to everyone at RCHS.

Mr. Ed Peterson, technology director of RCHS, said the two-part program consists of Mark Entry and Grade Book.

Mark Entry is used to record students' nine week grades and Grade Book is an electronic spread-sheet type data-base used to calculate grades following each daily assignment or test.

He said that even though at this time not all teachers are



Mr. Ryan Riddle, science teacher, gets ready to access the grade book part of the computer program he uses to record and average his students' grades.

using the computer to record daily scores, all use it to key in term grades.

Further technology advancements will be made soon, at RCHS, according to Mr. Peterson. These include each teacher taking the daily

classroom attendance by computer rather than the classroom slips and Windows 95 replacing Schoolmaster.

These changes will be made clearer to the faculty after Ms. Perkins, Mr. Peterson, and Mr. Cash attend a training conference in April.

Best Wishes

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Math teacher accepts position at Berea Community

by Jamie Owens

For the past several years Rockcastle County High School has been blessed with an array of experienced teachers.

As of Friday, January 9, however, it lost the most experienced member of the math department, when Ms. Joy Cooke moved on to become assistant principal at Berea Community School.

In 1988, Ms. Cooke said she didn't know quite what to expect when she first arrived at RCHS.

She said she quickly adapted and began to feel content. She soon became head of the Math Department, a NARE Lead Teacher, and Regional Mathematics Portfolio Cluster Leader, along with a wide variety of other accomplishments.

She later became a part-time instructor at both Somerset Community College and Eastern Kentucky University while continuing her schooling at EKU as well.

In August of 1994, Ms. Cooke received her middle school

principal certification and will receive her level two certification by this coming summer.

"Change is not easy, but it is time for me to move on to another position," she said.

After nine and a half years of teaching, Ms. Cooke felt it necessary to seize the opportunity for advancement. She said, "I have been preparing for this all my life."

She pointed out that her time spent at Rockcastle has been well worth it.

"The school system has given me the opportunity to grow in a leadership position. If I should succeed, much success should be given to the Rockcastle County School personnel. They have encouraged me so much."

Ms. Cooke's only regret as to her new career will be leaving the many acquaintances, students and faculty behind. She emphasized, "It was a career choice; not a personal choice."

Mr. Ronnie Cash, principal, said, "We wish Ms. Cooke the best of luck in her new job. It will



Ms. Joy Cooke, who for nine years taught math at RCHS, is now assistant principal at Berea Community School.

be a challenge, but we support her in her decision. If it makes her happy; then it makes me happy."

Many of Ms. Cooke's students appreciate the work she has done and will miss her.

Josh Chaliff said, "She's the

teacher that I have ever had."

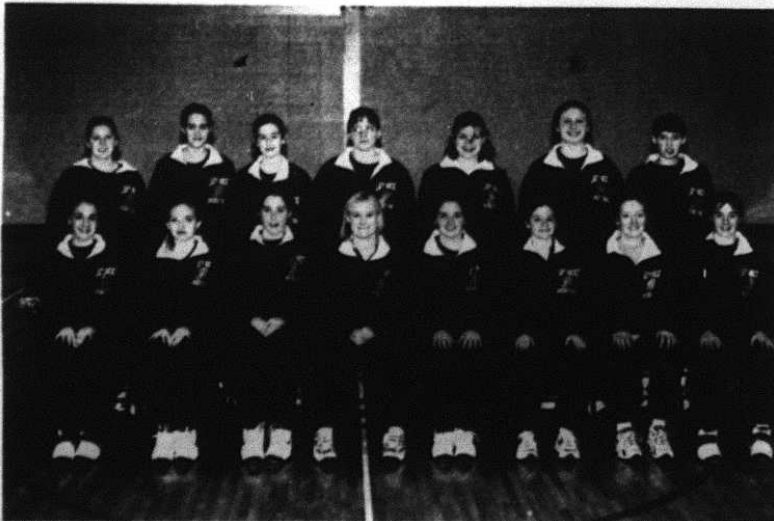
Megan Holbrook added, "Ms. Cooke had patience with me and encouraged me when I was frustrated."

Ms. Trina Bustle, who formerly taught at RCHS has replaced Ms.

Cooke.

Ms. Bustle was scheduled to teach some classes at Eastern Kentucky University this spring, but chose to teach at Rockcastle when she heard of the job opening.

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National Honor Society Christmas Project

Pictured above (from left) are: Mary French, Natasha Bishop, Leslie Perkins, and Marissa Fredrick; members of the National Honor Society who purchased gifts for needy children at Mount Vernon Elementary for Christmas. During the last week of school before Christmas break the group traveled to the school and had a party for the children.

Several college classes offered

by Cory Bailey

As was the case last semester, many seniors as well as community members have made the decision to enroll in college classes offered by Somerset Community College this semester at RCHS.

This term, however, some new classes are scheduled and some new instructors have been added.

Offerings this time include English 101, which is being offered once again as a night class. However, it is being taught by a college staff member, instead of Ms. Susan Norton, who is instead teaching English 102, also a night class.

Ms. Joy Cooke is returning to teach Math 109 as a night class, which was not included on the schedule last semester.

The History 108 and 109 are being taught this semester, one during the day taught by Mr. Rodney Purcell and one at night taught by SCC staff.

Physics 171, taught by Ms. Stephanie Hammack, will remain on the schedule, however, no high school students are enrolled in it this time.

FHA to sponsor Prom Show

by Sahlena Sebastian

FHA is planning another Prom Review this year. On club day in March, junior and senior members of the club will be modeling prom dresses and tuxedos from Lena's. Although only members model, other juniors and seniors can pay \$1 to see the review. All FHA members (including freshman and sophomore members) attend free of charge.

According to Ms. Renee Smith, sponsor, local merchants will be donating door prizes for drawings to be held throughout the style show.

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WCW VS

Point

by Adam Holt

Jimmy Payne's wrestling columns, which appear in the Rocket each month, are a bit one-sided, but in this special edition on wrestling, some attempt will be made to defend WCW and possibly convince readers that WCW is and always will be #1 when it comes to talent, entertainment, and showmanship.

The first important difference in the two federations is the better talent roster of the WCW. Hogan, Sting, Macho Man, Benoit, and Bret Hart all have the talent to beat any five wrestlers the WWF can throw at them. Right now, the talent is in WCW, and that's all that matters to the wrestling fans of today.

How about pay-per-views and the matches at pay-per-views, like at Halloween Havoc when Eddy Guerrero and Rey Mysterio Jr. had one of the greatest matches ever? Who can remember two men ever in the WWF using such aerial moves on one another like these two did? Pay-per-views such as Starrcade, Road Wild, War Games, and World War 3 were unbelievable and the Wrestling Rambler never has given them credit for having good events or good matches.

Why would they be wasting the talent of Scott Hall and Kevin Nash when the Outsiders are two-time World Tag Team Champions, and Booker T is the World Television Champion? A person can own a title and still be wasting his talent.

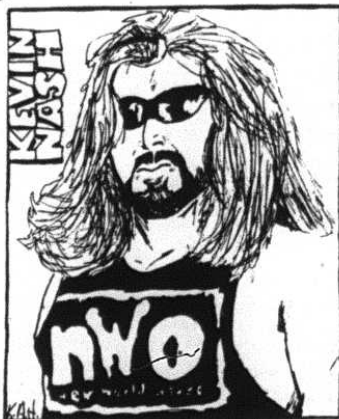
The Outsiders (Hall and Nash) have done wonders for WCW bringing the once failing organization to all new heights. World Championship Wrestling is #1 now, and it has all in the world to do with Scott Hall and Kevin Nash changing from WWF to WCW.

Look at all the other great talent that jumped ship from the World Wrestling Federation to World Championship Wrestling, people like Roddy Piper and Bret Hart. Even the Steiner Brothers, Ric Flair, and Lex Luger had short stints in the WWF, but soon realized that WCW is where the big boys play. It seems as if the WWF can't hold on to a good thing.

Young superstars such as Chris Jericho, Dean Malenko, Eddy Guerrero, and any of the Mexican Luchadores have given WCW a fresh look. When you couple these with grizzled veterans like Hogan and Flair, you get a spectacular ensemble of talent. The World Wrestling Federation has to resort to 50 year old men like Terry Funk and reborn superstars like Ivan Putski and Honky Tonk Man to fill out their roster. Besides, youth isn't everything, even though Jimmy seems to think that it is.

The real innovators are WCW. The Horsemen, the Dungeon of Doom, and the New World Order, all from WCW, are a few of the original wrestling factions. Now the WWF beats that concept into the ground with cheap imitations like the Disciples of Apocalypse, the Nation of Domination, Los Boricuas, and D-Generation X. How can a person defend a second rate wrestling organization, who can't even have their own original ideas?

WCW continues to dominate the popularity contest especially on Monday nights. Tony Schiavone hits the nail on the head when he says that it's professional wrestling's most watched television program. Now, they have a grasp on Thursday nights as well, with Thunder, (and WWF will probably decide to steal that idea too). I can't wait to see what they have in store for us loyal WCW fans in the future. Whatever it is, I know that it will be better than anything the WWF will do because they have better management, talent, and a whole lot more money.



By Jason McQueen

**Recent Wrestling Rumors**

- *Sycho Sid is quoted as saying that he will be back to the WWF before Wrestlemania XIV.
- *Ric Flair is to return to the WWF before year's end.
- *Bret Hart and the rest of the Hart Foundation have signed to return to the WWF in the year 2000.
- *Expect Faarooq to turn back to Ron Simmons and align himself with Ahmed Johnson to destroy the Nation of Domination.
- *Macho Man Randy Savage supposedly signed a two-year deal with WWF worth \$2 million.
- *Chris Jericho is in the process of leaving WCW.



Counterpoint

by Jimmy Payne

If it wasn't for the WWF, there wouldn't even be a WCW. Open your eyes and imagine how good they would be without Hollywood, Curt Hennig, Scott Hall, Kevin Nash, Bret Hart, Randy Savage (and last and certainly least) SYXX, who all came from or at least developed their talent in WWF.

Now close your eyes and imagine the main event of Nitro and their pay-per-views involving no rule-breakers. I don't think that I could go through Flair vs. Luger vs. Sting unless perhaps they could turn back the hands of time for Flair, give Sting a personality (of his own!), or show Lex Luger how to give an interview where he doesn't have to scream through the entire thing. Talent? If it wasn't for the WWF there wouldn't be any talent.

Fans of today have not even seen the best that the wrestling industry has to offer; you have to go back a couple of years. Wrestlemania IV-X is the best wrestling has to offer when Savage defeated four men in one night at WrestleMania IV. We saw the best main events possible at WrestleMania V and VI when Hogan defeated Macho Man and one year later was dethroned by the Ultimate Warrior. Ric Flair defied all odds and won the WWF championship at the 1992 Royal Rumble. That was when wrestling was at its best, and that is the kind of wrestling that real wrestling fans long for.

It's the kind of wrestling that WCW has failed over and over to produce, even though they have the same kind of talent. Great pay-per-views, epic main events, and odds defying moments are what made wrestling what it is today, not sloven Monday Night repetition.

World War 3, part three, unlike World War 3, parts one and two, was a pretty decent pay-per-view. Scott Hall, the winner of the main event, is a great wrestler who is fun to watch and to listen to.

Wrestlers like Kevin Nash, Scott Hall, Buff Bagwell, Harlem Heat, and even Diamond Dallas Page, do good things in this sport. What is sickening is WCW acting like Hulk Hogan, Sting, and Ric Flair are the only wrestlers they have.

If they had events where Kevin Nash and Scott Hall received well-deserved shots at the world title, it would help fans to appreciate the organization and its talent. There's nothing worse than wasted talent.

It's not the fact that they have titles that indicates they are underachievers, it's what titles that they are settling for. Kevin Nash is not a Tag Team Champion; he is supposed to be a World Champion. Scott Hall is not a Tag Champion either; he should be a World or United States Champion. There is no sense in two wrestlers who could completely dominate WCW being satisfied with tag titles.

It seems to me as if every time WWF takes time to develop a new wrestler into a superstar, Eric Bischoff flashes around so much money that they cannot turn it down.

All of the mentioned superstars who jumped ship are way past their prime. WCW couldn't develop their own talent if it saved their lives. The best effort that they can give is with Glacier, but then again where is he now? He can't get out of Ernest Miller's shadow even though they are both basically rookies.

The World Wrestling Federation is and always will be the innovator of sports entertainment. They made the sport popular and creative, while WCW has done nothing but embarrass themselves with a Monday Night lackluster copy, terrible pay-per-views, and world title matches that include wrestlers with an age sum of almost a century.



Matches We'll Probably Never See

Hollywood Hogan vs. Bret Hart

The Giant vs. Max Mini

Ken Shamrock vs. Mike Tyson

Stone Cold Steve Austin vs. Bill Goldberg

Sable vs. Sunny

Roddy Piper vs. Hollywood Hogan XXXIV

Nitro Girls vs. Spice Girls

Goldust vs. Dusty Rhodes

Governor's Cup participants announced

by Nikki Barnett

Those students who will be taking part at the annual Governor's Cup competition this year at Madison Southern February 13-14 are: Nicole Green, Angie Howard, Amanda Chisolm, Zack Gentry, Beth Brandenburg, Mindy Bullock, Alex Tyler, Cory Bailey, Chad Silvers, Beth Bullock, Jamie Thompson, Nathaniel Bullock, Jeremy Saylor, Mary Beth Browning, and Dale Green.

JROTC NEWS

by Staff Sergeant Leah Jones, Public Affairs NCO

Six to represent school at board conference

During February, six JROTC cadets will represent Rockcastle's ROTC Program at the Kentucky Board of Education Association's Conference in Louisville.

Tim Abrams, Jason Whicker, Shawn Jones, LeeAnn Frith, Sharron McFerron, and Leah Adams will be spending February 26-28 at the Gault House East in Louisville where they will be setting up a table at the conference to display pictures, rockets, Civil War dresses and quilts all made in JROTC.

As participants pass by, cadets will offer information about the program and how it relates to general subjects in high school such as English, math and science.

Military History of Rockcastle, veterans' book project underway

LET II and LET IV JROTC Cadets are working on a project that reflects the military contributions of the many veterans of Rockcastle County.

They are collecting personal, historic information from veterans who have served in any branch of military service to put in a book that will be published later.

If anyone knows a veteran in their family or just a friend who has not yet responded, questionnaires are available in the JROTC department at the high school.

Teachers as well as students enjoy talent show

by Nikki Barnett and Cory Bailey

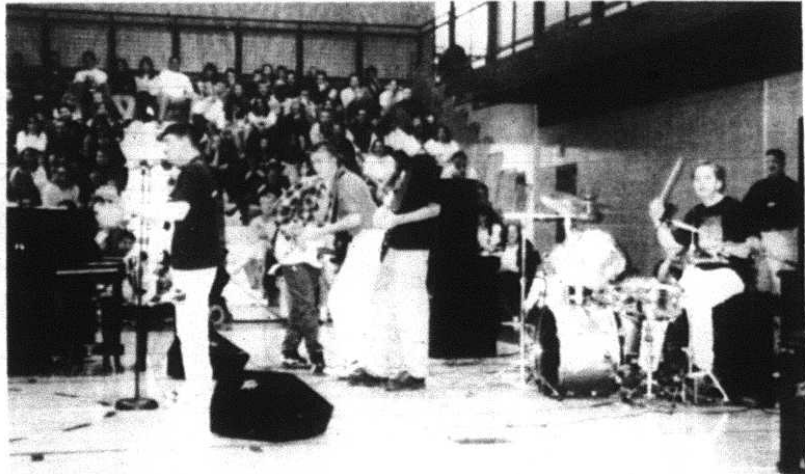
"I didn't know what to expect." This was administrative assistant Barry Noble's comment about the student talent show which was held during the last week of school before Christmas break.

Mr. Noble also said that the program was organized in response to student demand.

He said a screening committee of six students was selected to preview all acts.

Members of this committee included Heather Bray, Nikki Bullock, Chris Bishop, Dusty McClure, Heather Burton, Scott Slone and Josh Bray.

"It went really well. We got to see a lot of kids perform that we didn't know had such talent," Mr. Noble said.



Pictured above are the Wang Bang Shangalangers performing at the recent talent show for the student body. Members are: Josh Bray, Kenny Bustle, Eric Vanzant, Cody Cox, and Andrew Hayes.

Exit Exams

(continued from page 1)

they truly try to make up their work, they will have no problems with the test."

Ms. Polly Abney, business teacher- "I agree with the exit exams even though they are nuisance to prepare."

Most teachers are pleased that those who miss too much are being held accountable in some way.

Students who were already failing a class cannot take the exit exam and pass a class. The testing privilege applies only to those who have a passing grade in a class.

Mr. Noble says that students can plan on being required to take these exams in the future.

"I'd say we got the point across to most people," Mr. Noble said.

Entrance exams for freshmen starting in high school and exit exams for graduating seniors may also be required in the future as well.

However, don't worry, Class of '98, Mr. Noble says that he doesn't expect that kind of exit exams to come for a few years.

Although the administration would like to have another event like this, Mr. Noble said attendance must improve.

He said there is a possibility one could be scheduled following the KIRIS and CTBS tests

During the final act of the show, (which was the Wang Bang Shanalangers) students and some teachers as well, showed their enjoyment of the program by dancing in the middle of the gym floor.

Mr. Noble added, "It was good for teachers to let students know that they are human too."

Proceeds from the fund raiser went to benefit needy families in the community and to the girl from Heath High School who is now paralyzed after the shooting at her school.

When asked about what they thought of the talent show many students had the same views.

"I enjoyed it, especially TLC. I believe it sent a positive message

for the students. I believe others enjoyed it as well. I think we should have another one."

---Ronna Dee McClure

"We need another one. The Wang Bang Shangalangers did a good job and they need to come back."---Josh Rickels


"It was fun and entergetic and we need another one to get students spirits up."---Dana Thacker

"I think we need another one. It was cool."---John LaFavers

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Student's limited edition prints of local school available

by Jamie Owens

Over the years various illustrations of Mount Vernon Elementary have been produced, but recently a student from the high school has completed a drawing of the new school.

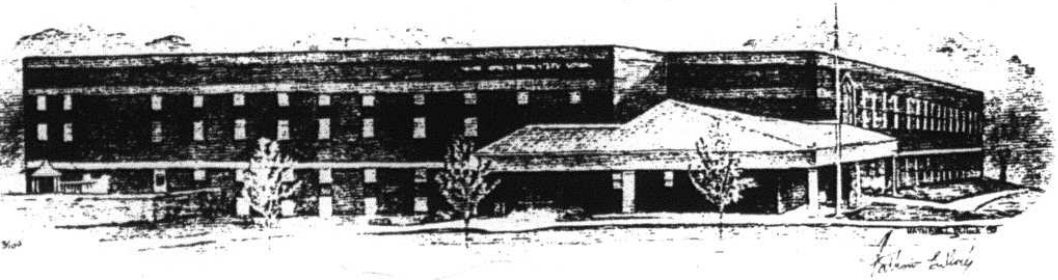
Nathaniel Bullock, son of art teacher Mr. Lawrence Bullock and his wife Phyllis, was commissioned to create a very unique cover for the Mt. Vernon Elementary School annual.

Last fall, Nathaniel spent an hour (3:30-4:30) each afternoon for a week sitting outside the building working on this drawing.

Because of his hard work and the high-quality piece of work, Nathaniel decided to invest in limited edition prints which he signed and numbered.

Nathaniel said, "This is kind of an experiment to see if there is a large market for my art in this area."

So far this experiment has proven to be very successful. The few remaining 11x17 prints are available in Mr. Bullock's room for \$5 each.



Spanish students to visit Mexico this summer

by Christina Mahaffey

Ms. Pam Powell, sponsor of the Spanish Club, has announced plans for a summer trip to Cancun, Mexico which will include four days and three nights in a beautiful hotel near the beach.

Students will leave on Saturday, June 6 and return the following Tuesday.

Ms. Powell will be chaperoning this trip that includes trips to the sites of several different ancient Mayan ruins and the sacred Mayan city of Chichen Itza.

The trip's cost is \$900 which includes a round trip plane ticket,

breakfast, and dinner, hotel accommodations, the full time services of an EF Explore America tour director, and visits to special attractions.

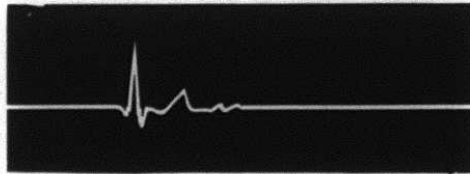
Students will also be able to spend a limited amount of time shopping or going to the nearby beach.

Ms. Powell says that three students, Gretchen Denny, Tiffany Daugherty, and J.R. Baker, have paid their deposit of \$145. She said everything needs to be turned in by April 1.

Even though the deadline for the deposit has passed, students can still decide to go, although a bigger deposit will probably have to be required for those deciding late.

For more information see Ms. Powell.

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'Maw' makes freshman a semi-finalist in national poetry contest

by Leighanne Seals

Poetry started out as her hobby in the fifth grade. While she had a great deal of personal pride in her writing, she never felt her poems were that good.

However, The National Library of Poetry thinks freshman Heather Kirby has a great deal of talent. They recently informed Heather that her poem "Maw" is now a semi-finalist in the North American Open Poetry Contest.

"It's an honor to be in the contest because the people who entered are from all over the world," said Heather.

Even though she has plans of being a lawyer, it is her dream also to continue writing poems.

"I think poetry helps people show their emotions better; it definitely does me," Heather said.

Apparently, Heather's mom picked up on this dream and her talent, because it was her, not Heather, who entered "Maw" into the contest.

If Heather wins, her poem will be published in *A Starlight Night* and she will be eligible to receive cash prizes as high as \$1,000.

Maw

*Down Chestnut Ridge,
across an old ragged bridge,
up the old dirt road to the house on the hill,
the trees and flowers -- all is tranquil.
You see the love, the happiness, the life,
the hate, the pain, the strife,
if looked upon for long,
the memories playing like an undying song.*

*My shelter from rain,
my hideaway from pain;
it'll always be my home.*

I'll never stay gone for long.

*And through the door shinning in her grace,
you find my grandmother with her sweet embrace.*

*Her blue eyes dance with delight,
under the summer sunlight.*

So gentle, yet so strong.

So right, yet so wrong.

Her touch so loving, her heart so kind.

A nicer woman, you cannot find.

Her face shows the wrinkles of time.

*I've seen her laugh; I've seen her cry,
through my heart, she can never die.*

Heather Kirby 1997

Students and Community 'Dance the Night Away' at Key Club New Year's Eve Ball

by Kacey Taulbee

"Dancing the Night Away," was the theme for the second annual New Year's Eve Ball sponsored by the Key Club and co-sponsored by the local Kiwanis Club.

Members of the community, school (and some people outside the community) came together on December 31 to dance the old year away.

The New Year's Eve Ball was a safe, drug and alcohol-free environment. This was the main reason the Key Club and the Kiwanis Club sponsored the ball - to promote a safe New Year's Eve.

Lazer Labs Incorporated provided special effects lighting and music ranging from Spice Girls to Aqua to '70's music.

Key Club members made the cafeteria look festive with Christmas lights, purple, silver, and white balloons, and silver streamers. Tables were decorated with floating candles and small lanterns.

Although, the dancing started slowly, the celebrators "danced the night away." By 12:01 a.m. not many people were still sitting in their chairs filling their mouths with cocktail wieners, crackers, nachos, cookies, and cake.

Mr. Gary Tillery, club sponsor said, "Even though the weather didn't cooperate with us, I hope everyone that was able to attend enjoyed themselves and had a nice New Year's Eve."

Mr. Tillery said that the club merely broke even financially on the fundraiser because of the weather.

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The Word On Words

Silver Kiss, a moving book for even the hardest vampire story critic

Zoe Sutcliff is depressed. Her mother is dying with cancer, and her father is so wrapped up in grief that he fails to give Zoe the attention that she craves.

Zoe finds the attention she wants in a 300 year old teenage vampire named Simon.

Simon has traveled for years in search of another vampire who viciously killed Simon's mother and turned him into a vampire. There is a catch though. This vampire is disguised as a six year old boy

named Christopher who is not only Simon's brother but, is also linked to the recent brutal murders of unsuspecting women.

Zoe and Simon finally band together to destroy Christopher and to find peace in the love that has grown between them.

Silver Kiss by Annette Klause is a very moving story that I think even the hardest critic of vampire stories would enjoy. ***1/2

The Wind Blows Backward plot jumps, confusing this reader

Spencer and Lauren were the best of friends all through junior high school, but when they got to high school, everything changed.

Spencer became known as the "Prince of Jocks" and Lauren became the "mouse."

Suddenly, however, in their senior year, they fall in love. The one thing keeping them apart was Spencer's dark side which would surface at the most inopportune moments.

The two have a huge fight one day and Spencer speeds off on his motorcycle. The next morning, Lauren finds out that he had a wreck. While Spencer is in the hospital, Lauren helps him fight his inner turmoil.

The title of the book *The Wind Blows Backward* by Mary Hahn might give the reader some warning as to the plot of the book. It was hard to read because it kept jumping from scene to scene, and I never knew where I was. **

Book Reviews by Christina Mahaffey

Movie reviews

Titanic not too long; great effects

by Jimmy Payne

For most people sitting in a theatre for three hours would just seem too long, but somehow that wasn't the case with the movie *Titanic*.

The time seemed to go just as rapidly as the enormous boat itself.

The film starts out in present time with divers fishing into the *Titanic* wreckage searching for a diamond known as the "heart of the ocean" which was thought to have been lost years ago in the famous incident.

When they fail to find the treasure, they receive a mysterious phone call from a survivor on the *Titanic* whose story aboard the ship is then told in flashback.

This movie beautifully turned back the hands of time to recreate one of the most horrible tragedies in history.

Unlike movies of recent past, the million dollar special effects were far outshined by the fascinating acting and the riveting plot, a beautiful love story with a familiar class conflict.

If you can go and sit through this movie without letting a few tears go or at least a stuttering breath, you are a very strong person.

I recommend *Titanic* for all moviegoers; this is one you will not forget!



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