

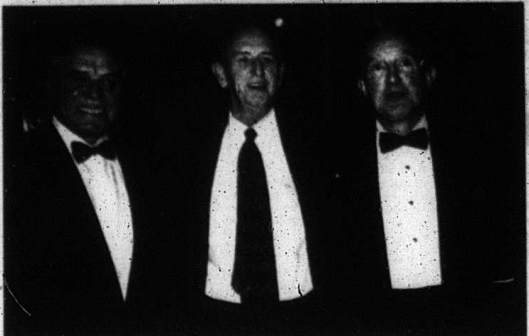


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Mt. Vernon resident Wil Kincev, center, visited with Hall of Fame Inductee, Tom T. Hall, left and the very famous Ralph Emory during the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Thursday night in Lexington. (See complete story and other photos on Page A-12)

Charter P.E.G. channel discussed at council meeting

Mt. Vernon physician Dr. Tom Arvin thinks that the community could benefit greatly from a local television station.

Arvin brought up the subject during Monday night's regular monthly meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council.

Arvin told Charter Communications General Manager Dave Hudson that, although he wasn't a subscriber, he appreciated all of the work Charter had done to improve their cable television service on the county.

According to Hudson, he and Arvin had talked on a number of occasions concerning the possibility of Charter providing a channel for local access.

Arvin said he thought the entire community could benefit for several reasons, such as local sports activities and weather updates.

He said that he also thought such things as council meetings, school board meetings, local court proceedings and sporting events could also be broadcast on the station.

Hudson said that Charter would be obligated by law to provide the channel on the cable, if that was a requirement in Charter's franchise agreement with the city and the county.

Hudson said that he thought it would be a good idea and that he

would not have any problem including that stipulation in the next franchise agreement, which is due to be renewed in about a year.

Hudson said that the biggest problem faced by those involved in providing programming for such a station was the amount of content.

"It seems like it becomes very difficult to produce enough good programming to keep people tuning in," he said.

Arvin said that the 21st Century Community Learning Center at the Rockcastle County Middle School

was already in the process of building their own studio and providing a media class for students.

Arvin said that he thought that students there and at RCHS would be very interested in working on such a project. Arvin also said that he had checked into other forms of programming such as putting on the weather and time when no programming is scheduled.

The council seemed very open to the possibility of such a station and it was decided that the matter would be discussed at length at a later date.

Mt. Vernon city council balks on 30 million gallon request

The Mt. Vernon City Council turned down a request by officials from Western Rockcastle Water Association for 30 million gallons of water a month, during their regular monthly meeting on Monday.

Mayor Karen King told the council that Western was currently buying about 20 million gallons a month from the city and that when the city got their own problems at the water plant straightened out they would provide Western with all the water they needed.

Water Superintendent Dennis

McClure said the problem was with the amount of raw water coming from Lake Lanville to the plant.

"We just can't get enough to the plant to take care of such a request," McClure said.

"The pipe coming from the lake to the plant isn't big enough," he said.

"When we are able to get enough in there we have the capabilities of treating it," he said.

The city recently completed a \$4.5 million expansion and upgrade at the plant, which was supposed to take care

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Rockets beat Bobcats, will play Corbin Friday

The Rockcastle County High School Rockets will play in the boys semi-finals of the 13th regional tournament on Friday night, after a 65-56 over Bell County, Tuesday night.

Bell County, the top ranked team, did not lead in the contest.

Rockcastle got the opening tip and never looked back as they topped the season record to 23-7 in front of a packed house at the Rockcastle County High School.

The Rockets, who have already smashed all win loss records for the boys at RCHS, will face a Cumberland team which walked over them 104-79 in the second game, Tuesday.

Of the eight teams who qualified for the regional tournament only four are left.

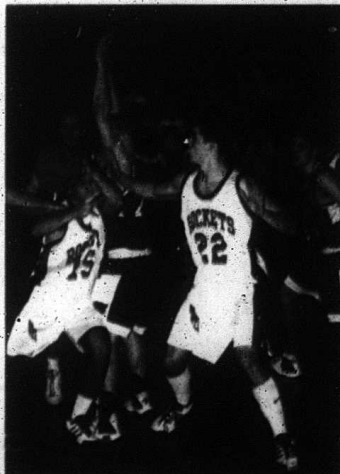
The Canwood Trojans, a team which walked over Whitley County in the first round will take on Clay County, a team who easily defeated Middleboro in the first round.

The Rockets will play the second game Friday night.

Fans will have to have a ticket for both games, because the gym will be cleared after the first contest, according to tournament director Barry Noble, who is also an RCHS assistant principal, said that clearing the gym after a semi-final game is common practice in regional tournaments across the state.

The boys finals of the region will be held at 8 p.m. on Saturday.

Advance tickets for the Rocket game are on sale at RCHS.



Aaron Cash, left and Andrew Hammond fight for a loose ball in Tuesday night's win over Bell County in the regional tournament. Cash had 20 points to lead all scorers and Hammond grabbed 13 rebounds. The Rockets will play Corbin on Friday night.

Mayor King accused of taking "kick-back"

By Richard Aderkin

The Mt. Vernon City Council, facing complaints on Monday night about poor road conditions and cable television service.

They even heard from one couple who accused Mayor Karen King of taking a kick-back from Greer Brothers of London.

Dr. James Cunningham and his wife, Sue, told the council they were very upset by the fact that the city did not maintain their road, Red Bud Drive in Chestnut Hills Subdivision.

The Cunninghams said they had lived in the subdivision for ten years and that their road had never been maintained by the city or the county.

Chestnut Hills Subdivision is in the city limits of Mt. Vernon, but according to Mayor King and maintenance supervisor Dennis McClure the city has never accepted Red Bud Drive into the city's work program.

Ms. King and her former husband David actually developed most of Chestnut Hills Subdivision.

Ms. King lives in Chestnut Hills Subdivision but not on Red Bud Drive.

The Cunninghams also said that last fall when the city was doing blacktopping in the subdivision, Greer Brothers laid blacktop in front of King's driveway. "I think that was a kick-back," said Sue Cunningham.

The blacktop was laid along the main road in the subdivision which is named Chestnut Hills Drive. Ms. King lives at the end of that road.

King and McClure told the Cunninghams that the blacktop Ms. King received was a donation from Greer because it was left over and had to be used before it "stupid."

However, Dr. Cunningham said that he knew for a fact that the blacktop laid in front of King's driveway was the first off the truck.

Councilman Joe Mullins suggested that King and Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Barz Carlotus work out some kind of arrangement on the roads inside the city limits, which are not maintained at the present time by either the city or the county.

McClure said it would take \$80,000 to fix Red Bud Drive like it should be and he also suggested raising the payroll tax to pay for the maintenance on all roads in the city which needed it.

McClure's suggestion of raising the payroll tax drew a harsh comment from Councilwoman Clarice Kirby, who said there would be no raise in the tax.

Dr. Cunningham told McClure that he thought his estimate of \$80,000 was crazy and that it would take a lot less to fix the road than that.

"If you all would have just fixed some of the pot holes, we probably wouldn't have said anything, but we pay city taxes just like everyone else," she said.

The Cunninghams said they had also spent \$5,000 of their own money on the road and that they had received an estimate of \$17,000 to fix the road entirely.

Mayor King said that Red Bud Drive was never accepted by the city, although the subdivision is in city

limits. "The Mayor at that time (Roland Mullins) said the road was never built to specifications and he would not accept it," King said.

Councilwoman Kirby also said she did not understand the way the city decides to fix roads. "Now you (McClure) and the Mayor just ride around and decide where blacktop will be put and where it won't," she said.

Two current council members, Lorena Daugherty and Gene Crorer are also in the same quandary as the Cunninghams.

They live in the city limits on streets that have never been maintained by the city and which are not maintained by the county anymore.

McClure said the roads were not worked by the city because they had never taken over ownership, although the roads are in the city limits.

As for working something out with the county, Judge-Executive Carlotus said that he would be willing to discuss the problem, but that the state had made it very clear that the county was not supposed to work on roads which are inside the city limits.

"They told me, no mowing, no snow removal, no patching, no ditching, no garbage removal and certainly no blacktopping," he said.

Carlotus said that he met with officials at the transportation office in Somerset last fall and they made it perfectly clear that once a roadway is placed inside the city limits it is no longer the county's responsibility to take care of it.

"I was told by the state that when a city expands its corporate limits, it

cannot simply take in a territory, collect city taxes on the residents and then arbitrarily refuse to provide proper street and road service to the new city residents," Carlotus said.

Councilwoman Kirby pointed out that the problem was only going to get worse if and when the city redraws city limit boundaries, bringing in more residents and, of course, more roads.

At Monday night's meeting the council approved a payment of \$40,000 to Greer Brothers for last fall's blacktop.

Hudson has some answers

Charter Communications General Manager Dave Hudson was at the Mt. Vernon Council meeting Monday night and this time he had a few more answers for the crowd, than he did a month ago.

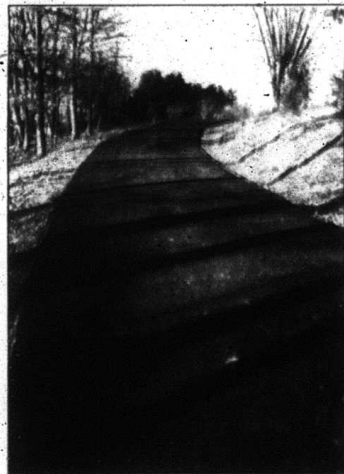
Hudson said that the recent upgrade of the Charter's cable television system was virtually complete and had been inspected.

He said that if customers were having any problems at the current time, their problems were most likely inside their homes, but that they should still call Charter's service department.

"We are not responsible for problems inside the house, but during this upgrade we will help our customers figure out what the problems are and fix them," he said.

Hudson said Charter had spent millions of dollars on their recent

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The above photo shows some of the blacktop which was laid in Chestnut Hills Subdivision last fall. Monday night a local couple accused Mt. Vernon's Mayor of getting a kick-back in the form of blacktop.



The above photo shows the poor condition of Red Bud Drive in Chestnut Hills subdivision. The road is one of several in the city limits not maintained by the city or the county.



Points East

By: Ike Adams

But there's not a Kentucky reader out there, who, if they couldn't have an AK47 to mow down the opposition, wouldn't appreciate a steel-toed boot on the kicking foot to do a little butt kicking. Especially if they were in Frankfort this week.

I swore that I would not get into personalities regarding the current meeting of the Kentucky State Legislature and it's not an easy promise to keep. Most of the crowd are villains so why single out the personalities? The whole bunch should be individually bent over a hardwood fence and every Kentuckian with a good foot should be allowed to put on a hard-nosed boot and go to kicking.

I mean and groan about garbage being an eyesore to rural Kentucky when, in fact, the garbage of this state is heavily accumulated in Frankfort right now in the halls of the Capitol—where liars, cheats, imbeciles and never-do-wells congregate in the name of democracy and demonstrate that the intelligence of Kentucky's lawmaking ability is right up there close to the Stone Age.

Actually, if you did a real IQ test, you'd find that the average intelligence among the members of Kentucky's Senate was exceeded by

several points among the members of the monkey cages in the Louisville or Cincinnati Zoo. Spend a few minutes talking to a monkey (at either zoo) and you will have a far more thoughtful and intelligent conversation than you can have right now in Frankfort with, name your dunkee.

We are not even going to talk about the House of Representatives here. Castrated weasels are protected this time of year.

"Some how or another we have to figure out a way to get average Kentuckians represented in Frankfort when it comes time to make the rules. We have to figure out a way to get the tax control out of a legislative tyrant's hands so that we can catch a cab now and then when we are in Lexington. We have to figure out a way that men dying of black lung can get a pension from the industry that is killing them and that is, in fact, leaving widows penniless every day.

We have to figure out how to get our roads and streams clean. We have to get more money and qualified teachers into our schools. And we have to figure out a way to send the David Williams of the world to clean Mitch McConnell's toilet with his tooth brush when Mitch is finished using dopes like Williams to work his

own agenda. We have to figure out a way to get rid of Mitch before he sells rural Kentucky to slavery. Actually, he's already done that but the deal is not completely closed.

More than that, but the deal is figure out a way to be heard and that means we have to figure out a way to send honest folks who aren't owned by special interests and business concerns to Frankfort to make the rules we play by. Some of us are going to have to pony up, talk to our neighbors, get elected and be willing to spend a few weeks in Frankfort fighting off the special interests every year and then, after we are worn-out—pass the torch to somebody else who really represents us.

It's not going to be easy but until we do, Kentucky is going to be on the bottom rung on the ladder of American civilization.

All the evidence you need to prove that is happening right now in Frankfort. It's worse than disgrace.

It is organized crime and it's flaunted—right out there for anybody to see. You and I are being bought and sold like slaves in Frankfort right now. The sad thing is that we elected the agents who are selling us down the tube.

Education reform has a long way to go before we will feel any benefit in government. And government may kill it before it has a chance to catch on.

taigable timber production, forest improvement and to maintain or improve water quality and soil productivity on forest land to restore wetlands.

All cost share practices approved during this sign-up period must have final performance reported by December 31, 2002. Therefore, expiration dates cannot exceed December 31, 2002.

For additional information contact the local FSA County Office:

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FSA Reminds Foreigners of AFIDA Requirements

"Foreigners who have bought or sold agricultural land in Rockcastle County are reminded to report the transaction to the local Farm Service Agency office." Warden Alexander, County Executive Director of the Rockcastle County Farm Agency (formerly ASCS) said.

To avoid Federal penalties and

monetary fines, foreign owners of U.S.-agricultural land must report their holdings, acquisitions, dispositions, leases of 10 years or more, and land use changes to FSA within 90 days.

"The report is required by the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) which is still in effect," Alexander said. Foreign investors are required to file a report if all or part of any agricultural land is sold, or the title is transferred to another person.

"Failure to file the AFIDA report could result in a civil penalty up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the interest held in the agricultural land."

For reporting purposes, agricultural land is any tract of more than 10 acres in the aggregate now in farming, ranching, forestry or timber production. Land used for forestry production is land exceeding 10 acres in which 10 percent is stocked by trees of any size, including land that formerly had such tree cover and will be naturally or artificially regenerated. "This includes land if agricultural use when purchased, as well as land later converted to agricultural uses," the FSA official said.

County government offices, realtors, attorneys, lending institutions and other involved in real estate transactions are asked to notify the foreign investor of these reporting requirements.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

County Committee Monthly Meeting

The Rockcastle County Farm Service Committee (COC) will hold its monthly meetings open to the public the first Thursday of each month beginning at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will be at the Rockcastle County Farm Service Agency located in the USDA Service Center on Hwy. 150 in Mt. Vernon. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 7th.

The COC members are vital to the day-to-day operations of FSA. The COC members help FSA at the local level by deciding the kind of programs their counties will have and how they will operate. FSA committee operate within official regulations designed to carry out Federal laws and applying their judgement and knowledge to make decisions.

Referrals on Mandatory Grading of Burley

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is required to conduct referenda, by March 31st, 2002 to determine if producers favor the mandatory grading of all tobacco by USDA that is currently eligible for price support under the Agriculture Act of 1949. This vote is required under the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for 2002, enacted November 28, 2001.

Jeffery S. Hall, State Executive Director of the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Kentucky, announced that ballots for the referendum on Burley tobacco are currently being mailed to

all eligible producers. The referendum period for dark air-cured (types 35 and 36) and fire-cured (types 21; 23) will be March 18 through March 22, 2002.

Persons who were engaged in the production of tobacco in 2001 will be eligible to vote in the referendum for that kind.

If a majority of the producers voting in a referendum favor the mandatory grading of that kind of tobacco, USDA will ensure that kind of tobacco is graded at the time of sale for the 2002 and subsequent marketing years. The USDA is also directed to establish user fees for any such inspections. These fees would be established in the same manner and be comparable to user fees for the grading of tobacco sold at auction.

For additional information or to request a ballot contact the local FSA County office.

Marketing Cards

Producers who have sold the current year's crop of burley tobacco MUST return their marketing card to the FSA office as soon as possible. Marketing records on the cards are compared to sales recorded for accuracy. Failure to return the marketing card promptly delays correct information for the 2002 crop year data.

Federal Crop Insurance

Producers wishing to purchase Federal Crop Insurance (FCI) must do so by the deadline of March 15th. Crops eligible for insurance in Rockcastle County are corn and tobacco. FCI insurance is only available through private insurance companies.

Stewardship Incentive Program (SIP)

Kentucky Farm Service Agency has determined to have a Stewardship Incentive Program (SIP) sign-up starting immediately and going through April 30, 2002.

To apply for SIP benefits producers must have more than 10 acres of non-industrial forest land. The program includes cost share for establishing or re-establishing stands of trees through planting or direct seeding of trees for conservation and sus-

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"What Saith the Scriptures"
In Rev. 21:6 we read: "And he said unto me, It is done. Thy Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely." And in Rev. 22:17, "And the Spirit and the Bride say, Come, And let him that heareth say, Come, And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Notice several thoughts brought up in these verses.
The water of life, as the blessings of Christ for the soul. Water is an essential element for physical life. So, in a good analogy to the physical nature of the blessings for the spiritual man, it brings life! The water of life is given to us by God, the Alpha and the Omega. It is given freely, as is Strong defines the word, "gratuitously." John says that it is a "fountain which utters its waters say, through the idea of gushing plumbly." There is plenty an ample amount for the thirsty soul. And finally, notice that it is for "whosoever will." Contrary to our Calvinist friends, the blessings of Christ are available to all, who will exercise the salvation to accept God's offer of mercy in Christ. Have you accepted the Lord's invitation to come and partake of the water of life? Are you thirsty?
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Obituaries

Dorothy Stevens

Mrs. Dorothy Stevens, 71, wife of J.B. Stevens of Rt. 4 Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, March 6, 2002 at her home. Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday March 9, 2002 at the Watson Funeral Home in Broadhead. Visitation will be after 6 p.m. on Friday. A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.

Imogene McClure

Imogene Dothan King McClure, 76, of Conover, North Carolina and formerly of Livingston, died Sunday, March 3, 2002 in North Carolina. She was born in Gatfiff, on March 24, 1925, the daughter of Mattie Eay King and the late Dewey King. She was a homemaker and a member of the Livingston Pentecostal Church.

Survivors besides her mother, Mattie King are two sons, James McClure and wife, Joann of Warner Robbins, Georgia and Jackie McClure and wife, Rhonda of Lenoir; two daughters, Jenny Nicely and husband, Hershell of Mt. Vernon and Papp Stanley and husband, Ray of Warner Robbins, Georgia; two brothers, Silas King of Cincinnati and Tommy King of Winfield and Vernie Oerther of Bardstow; 11 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Dewey King; her husband, James O. McClure; two sisters, Katherine Duncan and Myrtle Parker and two brothers, William King and Elijah King.

Services will be Thursday (today) at 11:00 a.m. at the Livingston Pentecostal Church with Bro. Jimmy Miller officiating. Burial will follow in the Sand Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home (www.dowellmartin.com).

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Palbearers are Ralph Allen, Jackie Burdine, Brian Hensley, Jeff Hunt, Paul Jones, Dale McClure, Hershell Nicely, Steven Nicely, Bill Rice, Randy Roundtree and Ray Stanley.

Honorary pallbearers are Victor Francisco, Doug Lewis and Neal Singleton.

Thelma Miracle

Thelma Thomas Miracle, 70, of Middletown, Ohio, died Friday, March 1, 2002 of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident. She was born October 9, 1931, in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Willie and Lora Allen Thomas. She was a retired General Motors employee and attended Zion Baptist Church in Franklin.

Survivors are two sons, James Steve Miracle of Carlisle, Ohio and Richard N. Miracle of Middletown, Ohio; two brothers, Everett Thomas of Mt. Vernon and Dewey Thomas of Murray; two grandsons, Andrew Miracle and Blake Miracle; two great grandsons, Cody Miracle and Michael Kennard and a special lifelong friend, Ardella Tinch of Franklin, Ohio. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband of 45 years, James H. Miracle and two sisters, Margaret Allen and Roxie Thomas.

Services were Tuesday, March 5, at Reppert Funeral Home in Berea with Pastor, Bob Reed officiating. Burial was in the Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

James Pinnix

James Dean Pinnix, 63, of Glendale, Arizona and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, March 3, 2002 at the Thunderbird Samaritan Hospital in Glendale. He is survived by his wife, Judy Childs Pinnix.

Services will be Friday, March 8 at 11:00 a.m. at the Dowell & Martin Fuqera Home Chapel (www.dowellmartin.com) with Rev. Bob Fields officiating. Burial was in the Freedom Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday (tonight).

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

Martha Joyce Durham

Martha Joyce Price Durham, died February 22, 2002 in Plano, Texas. She was born December 20, 1908 in Level Green. She was an elementary school teacher, homemaker and devoted grandmother.

Survivors are two daughters, Ellen Durham Davis of Chapel Hill, North Carolina and Anne Durham Blackford of Dallas, Texas; a sister, Gladys Patterson of Louisville; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Austin Sparks Durham and a son, Fred Leslie Durham.

A memorial service and mass was held Monday, February 25 at the Chapel of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Dallas. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

William Cummins

William Ernest Cummins, 62, of Independence and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Tuesday, February 26, 2002 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County on October 27, 1939, the son of Johnnie and Lela J. Black Cummins. He was a retired self-employed construction worker and a member of the Church of the Christ.

Survivors are two sisters, Ebelene Scott and husband, Ron of Iva, South Carolina and Ellen Witt and husband, Howie of Mt. Vernon.

Graveside services were Monday, March 4, in the Mareburg Cemetery with Bro. Zade McClure officiating.

Arrangements were made by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home (www.dowellmartin.com).

John Leigh, Jr.

John Hanceford Leigh, Jr., 75, of Crab Orchard, died Friday morning, March 1, 2002 at his home. He was born March 12, 1926 in the Blue Lick Community of Lincoln County, the son of the late John Hanceford Leigh and Ruth Fisherman. He was a retired farmer and a lifelong hunter and fisherman. He was an Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the Masonic Lodge #636 of Crab Orchard. On December 7, 1946, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Spoonmore and from that union came five children.

Survivors are his wife of 55 years, Elizabeth Spoonmore Leigh; four daughters, Carolyn Diana Burton and husband, Sam of Stanford, Donna Gosch and husband, Larry of Crab Orchard, Ruth Darlene Smith and husband, Henry of Stanford and Emma Smith and husband, David of Crab Orchard; a son, John Hanceford Leigh; III of Crab Orchard; two sisters, Rota Ellen Hauser of Virginia Beach, Virginia and Audrey Harris of Danville; 13 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Newell Leigh, Robert Leigh, Eugene Leigh and Harold Leigh and four sisters, Claire, Ashcraft, Katherine Lamping, Irene Leigh and Allie Leigh.

Services were Monday, March 4 at McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Norman Young officiating. Burial with Military Rites by Caswell Stanley American Legion Post #119 of Stanford was in the Crab Orchard Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were David and Richard Hauser, John Shwartz, Curtis Brown, Ernest L. Spoonmore, Stephen Spoonmore, Mike Hargis and Jeff Ashcraft.

Honorary pallbearers were Charlie Elam, Mike Dyehouse and Ernest Hopkins.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Heritage Hospice of Danville or National Kidney Foundation.

Obituaries courtesy of local funeral homes

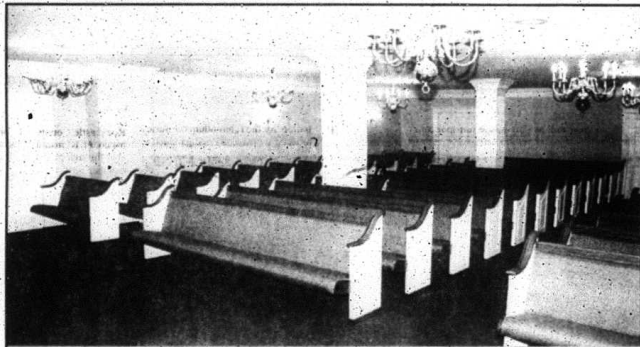
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86th Birthday Celebration

Mabel Rickels celebrated her 86th birthday at her home February 23rd. She was born to Etta and Jarve Nide on February 25, 1916. She is the wife of the late Ray Rickels. She has lived about 12 years here in Mt. Vernon and has nine children, all living, 35 grandchildren, 58 great grandchildren and 16 great great grandchildren.

Five of her nine children were present - Midge, Rodger, Ann, Jane and Jimmy. All total there were 45 guests in and out through the day. A buffet lunch was served and ice cream and cake. The family wishes to thank each and everyone who came and for the gifts and cards she received.

Birth & Birthdays



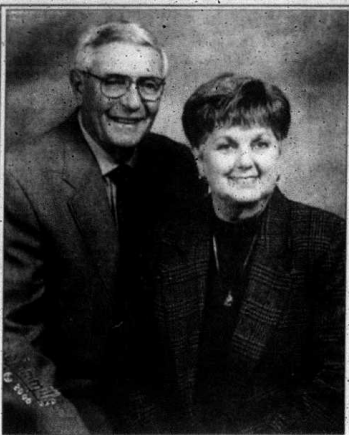
Jameson Levi Burdine celebrated his first birthday on January 30th with a Blues Clues party. Jameson is the son of Adam and Kelli Burdine. Those that attended the party were Chelsea, Overbye, Grace Gantiner, Ariel and Trevor Scheffler, Katelyn and Lindsay Brown, Renee and Rebekah Givendon, Elizabeth Lawrence, Sydney Hughes, Justin Brown, Spencer Mullins, Jeremiah Brown, Sarah Herbert, Makayia Singleton and lots of other family and friends. Jameson would like to thank everyone for helping him celebrate his first birthday.



Happy 13th Birthday Jacob Renner March 11th. Love - Dad, Mom, Amanda, Sarah & James



Happy 16th Birthday Abby. May all your dreams come true and I do hope that my son always makes you as happy as you are today. May God always walk with you. We love you. Bill, Jean, Kala & Bucky.



50th Wedding Anniversary

Billy and Carol Riddle celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, March 2, 2002 with a family reception at Broadfield Baptist Church. They were married March 4, 1952 in Mt. Vernon by Rev. Phil Beck.

The Riddles have three children - Vicki Scott, Cheryl Brown and David Riddle. They also have five grandchildren - Corey Scott, Angie and Jared Brown and Weston and Kyle Riddle. Happy 50th - we love you!



Lonnie and Angie Thomas of Broadhead are proud to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Emilee Brooke, born January 2, 2002 at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. Emilee weighed 7 lbs. 15 ozs and was 20 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Janice and Gayla Winstead of Mt. Vernon. Paternal grandparents are Lonnie and Bernice Thomas of Mt. Vernon. Great grandmothers are Bernice Sams, Alberta Winstead, Stella Bea Ballock and Mollie Mullins.



Mr. James Reppert, formerly of Fairview, will celebrate his 72nd birthday on March 7, 2002.

As the days come and go, you see his age taking hold. He cannot take the heat or the cold. When God made him, he broke the mold.

He is still able to get around. Just not with leaps and bounds. His steps are slow. In his heart, he knows.

Time is passing fast. Now his fondest memories are in the past. "I use to do this" and "I use to do that." Now most of the time it is in the chair he sat.

His steps do not chatter to me. He is as special as he can be. If you need him, he is there. Just because he cares.

Just how special is he to us. For him we like to make a fuss. On March 7th he will turn seventy-two. We hope he will see many more.

So Uncle James on this special day, Our wish is for you to have a very Happy Birthday!!!

Gardening & Landscaping Tips

By: Max Phelps

It Doesn't Have To Be Yellow
Thinking spring? Seeing yellow? That's great if you love yellow, but what other choices are there besides forsythias and daffodils for this time of year? Let's discover a bunch of plants some other color besides baby-chick yellow.

First, let's look at trees that bloom early. Maples are earliest bloomers in some locales, though the blooms are rather inconspicuous. Few trees make the impact of a large saucer magnolia (magnolia soulangiana) on a pretty day in late winter. The pink to white blossoms are truly large as saucers.

Hard to beat at any season, but



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especially for earliest white blooms is the serviceberry (amalanche), also referred to as 'sarvis'. This small tree presents dainty white blossoms well ahead of dogwoods and crab apples and callery pears and cherries.

White blooms arrive a little later in spring on a number of trees. Perhaps the most common of these is the Bradford pear. But there are crab apples, plums, white-blossoming reeds and Carolina silverbell; too. And more choices still later on include hawthorns, yellowwood, catalpa and fringe trees.

Beautiful early blooms such as flowering cherries, crab apples and native redbud trees give us many shades of pink early in the season. Then there are pink and red dogwoods, more magnolias, and pink-blossomed yellowwoods and hawthorns.

Exotic trees that you might consider include michelia figo, paulownia, parrotia, parrrotipis and davidia (or dove tree).

Second, take note of these attractive shrubs.

For white blooms, try star magnolia, Korean white forsythia, foerbergia, honeysuckle, serviceberry (again), mock orange, azaleas, Merrill's magnolia, firethorn, chokeberry and various viburnum and spirea cultivars.

For pinks and purples there are azaleas, rhododendrons, heaths, heathers, flowering almonds, lilacs, wisteria, wigilia, Jane magnolia, pieris and andromeda.

For reds and other hot colors there's flowering quince, Carolina allspice, pawpaw, azaleas and shrub locust with hot pink panicles of flowers.

A short list of desirable perennials and bulbs with something besides daffodil and dandelion yellow in winter or spring would include the following: bellebores, hyacinths, white and pink daffodils, alliums, tulips, pansies and violas; creeping phlox, candytuft, primrose, rock cress, baptisia and baneberry.

While dandelions, daffodils, euphorbia and forsythia undoubtedly all have a group of admirers, hopefully you will have learned about some lovely alternatives that will work for you in your yard as you try and create a pleasing look that will stand out from the crowd.

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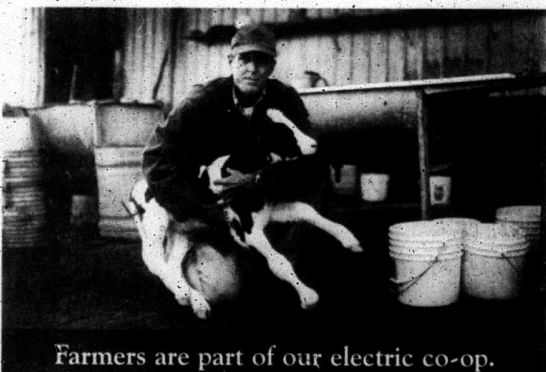
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Cemetery Notices

Pine Hill Cemetery
Anyone who would like to send donations for the upkeep of Pine Hill Cemetery please send to Lorene Fowler at 314 Jessica Circle, Richmond, KY 40475.

Briarfield Cemetery
We are having to purchase a new riding mower for the cemetery this spring.

We need donations at this time from all who have loved ones buried in the Briarfield Cemetery.

Our fund is low because of having some landscaping done and some dead trees removed.

We are all proud of our cemetery, and glad of all our support in getting it to this point.

Let's not lose interest in supporting this worthwhile cause so we can

keep our cemetery looking good. Please get your donations to us as soon as possible. If we can buy the mower now we might get it at a better price.

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Edward Baker, Roger Ely & Lonnie McGuire
Make checks payable to Briarfield Cemetery and mail to Edward Baker Rt. 5 Box 61, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

McKinney Cemetery
The McKinney Cemetery Committee is taking bids for the mowing and upkeep of The McKinney Cemetery located in the Blue Springs area of Rockcastle Co. Anyone interested in the mowing and upkeep of the McKinney Cemetery should send their bid, name, address and phone number to the McKinney Cemetery, PO Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 by March 21, 2002.

Church News

Lighthouse Church, Inc.
Great things are happening at Lighthouse and many changes. People with a vision, who will not perish. Service begins at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning with no Sunday School and 6:00 p.m. nightly. Wednesday night is "Family Night." Classes for all ages. Everyone welcome. Please welcome new pastors Marty & Dana White and their four children (more about them soon). Come catch a wave of what God is doing at Lighthouse! For more info, or prayer call 256-9299.

Easter
Flat Rock Baptist Church's Easter Service will be March 31, starting at 10:00 a.m. Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. Each Sunday there, you will get to enter to win a cool Easter Stoking! Must be present on Easter Sunday to win.

Singing
One Voice will be singing at Poplar Grove Baptist Church on Sunday, March 10th at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Benefit Singing
Calloway Mission Church will be holding a benefit singing at Calloway Mission Church on Hwy. 25 for Cecil Bert and Linda Newcomb on Sat. March 9th at 7 p.m. Singers and everyone welcome.

Revival
Revival at Central Baptist Church, US Hwy 25 South, Mt. Vernon, beginning Sat., March 10th through Wed. March 13. Services begin on Sun. morning with Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Church at 11:00 a.m. and Sunday evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. Mon. thru Wed. services will begin at 7 p.m. nightly. Evangelist:

Bro. Dan Nicklebocker
Chill Supper
Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene will hold a chill supper fundraiser for mission trip on Sat. March 9th at 6 p.m. \$5.00 each person.

Mission Hours
First Baptist Church Food and Clothing Mission's hours are Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Mission is located on 30

Church St., Mt. Vernon.
Singing
Skaggs Creek Baptist Church singing on March 9th at 7 p.m. featuring The Kings. Pastor Bill Wagers welcomes everyone.

Sunday School Shootout
March Madness Jesus Style each Sunday at Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene located on Fairground Hill. Plenty of prizes plus, preaching.

praying, singing, fellowship and all the food you can eat on the last Sunday. The Little Church serving a Big God.

Women's Conference
2002 Women's Conference Lighthouse Church. Featured Speakers: Opal Adams. One night only, Fri. March 15th at 7 p.m. at Lighthouse Church located on Hwy. 1004. For more info, contact Janet Cayer 256-5838 or Sheila Nicely 256-9072.

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At-Home
At-Home and Alcohol Anonymous sessions Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon. For more info, call 256-7329.

Republican Party Meets
The Republican Party meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Danville Branch.

Worship Schedule
March 11: Calloway, Red Hill, Georgetown, Lantano, Pine Hill.
March 12: Delano, Maple Grove, Clinton, Three Links.
March 13: Spiro, Levell, Green, Willalla.
March 14: Conway, Green Hill, Boone, Fairview, Lantano Road.

Rockcastle Hospital Home Health
With the assistance of local volunteer fire departments, is distributing smoke alarms to the citizens of Rockcastle County who are over age 60 or disabled, and do not have a smoke detector in their home. To apply call 256-

1808. Necessary information: Name of applicant, address, date of birth, phone number, nature of the disability (if under 60 years of age).

Clothing Donations Needed
The Rockcastle County Migrant Program, 245 Richmond St. (across from the Board of Education), is in need of clothing of all types. Call for a pickup (256-2157) or bring your donations by the Migrant Office any week day 8:00-3:00.

Center Hours
Rockcastle County Senior Citizens and Day Health Care Center hours are 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Strawberry Plants
Orders for strawberry plants are now being taken at the Extension Office until March 15. Plants are \$10 per 100. Sure Crop, Allstar and Red Chief varieties are being offered. Payment required when order is placed. Limited quantities available on a first come, first serve basis. Call 256-2403 for additional information.

Blood Drive
The Rockcastle Extension Home Health will sponsor a Blood Drive on March 12 from 1:00-6:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Call 256-2403 for info.

Fish Fry
All you can eat fish fry Sat. March 9th, starting at 4:30 p.m. at the fire station in Conway. Adults \$5 Children \$3. Carry outs available. Call 256-0060. All proceeds go to the Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Dept.

Board Meeting
The Rockcastle County Board of Education will meet in regular session Tues. March 12 at 7 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Board of Education Administration Building. The public is welcome to attend.

Project Graduation
Project Graduation meeting will be Mon., March 11th at 6 p.m. at Rockcastle County Middle School.

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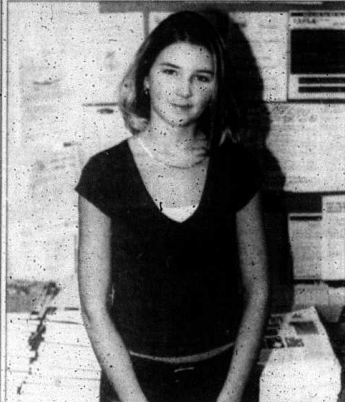
For further information about pipes or drums call Pipe Master Brian Muller at 239-9539

Academic Honor Roll



Cassie Sowder, daughter of Bill Sowder and Terri Sowder of Spiro, has a 3.95 GPA at Rockcastle County High School. She plans on attending the University of Kentucky and major in Physical Therapy. Cassie is a member of FCA, TLCC, National Honor Society and the Dance Team for 3 1/2 years. She is a co-op student at Rockcastle Hospital in the Physical Therapy Department. Cassie enjoys showing Walking Horses and was Miss Kentucky Celebration Queen for 2001.

Academic Honor Roll



Holly Best, daughter of Cheryl Hickey of Mt. Vernon, has a 3.97 GPA at Rockcastle County High School. She plans on attending the University of Kentucky and major in Psychology or Pre-Med. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, FCA, Soldiers of Christ and Rocket Club. Holly has also been a member of the JROTC for two years.

Academic Honor Roll



John Bray, son of Richard and Jenny Bray of Marenburg, has a 3.9 GPA at Rockcastle County High School. He plans on attending Eastern Kentucky University and major in Accounting. John was a member of the Golf team and Baseball team for four years and Rocket staff for two years. He is also a member of J.L.C., French Club, FCA and FCCLA. John took part in the Governor's Scholar Program.

Minds in the Middle

The ACT Explore assessment will be offered to 8th graders through our 21st Century Community Learning Center. Ms. Cromer will be giving two sessions of the test, one March 20 and again on March 26. Students may sign up for either session with Ms. Cromer or Mr. Cogger. Each testing session is limited to 30 students, so students should sign up as soon as possible. The assessment points out strengths and weaknesses and gives the 8th graders some direction about what academics they need to focus on in high school. It will also show students what they need to improve on in order to get a better ACT score during high school.

Our fourth annual Reality Store will be Tuesday, March 12. This will be an all day event for the 8th graders. We invite all parents and community members to come by to see what the Reality Store is all about.

Congratulations to our Y-Club members who attended the Kentucky United Nations Assembly in Louis-

ville. As usual, the group was an outstanding representation for RCMS. Danielle Arnold was elected President of the European Summit. Victoria Clontz was awarded one of 25 outstanding speaker awards. Samantha Anglin received the Outstanding Media Corps Award. The 7th grade delegates representing France received the Best Display Award among 36 displays. Members will provide us with more information and pictures next week.

There will be a Y-Club meeting next Thursday after school until 4:00. All members need to attend. There will not be any 21st CCLC activities on Monday or Tuesday due to the Regional Tournament at RCHS. Classes will resume on Wednesday with French, Book Club, art, and chorus.

The deadline to register for the 4-H Variety Show is next Friday, March 15. The Variety Show will be held on March 19 at Mt. Vernon Elementary.

RCMS students attend KUNA

By Samantha Anglin
This year 48 students from Rockcastle County Middle School had the privilege to stay at the Louisville Executive West Hotel, March 3-5th. We're not staying there for free, but we're going to be attending the Junior Kentucky United Nations Assembly (a.k.a. KUNA), and that in itself is worth the price to pay.

KUNA is a program for teens in middle school and high school, sponsored by the Kentucky YMCA. It is a mock meeting based on the original United Nations which started as the League of Nations in 1945. The basic purpose of international human rights with which every person is born in the actual United Nations Assembly, worldwide problems are discussed and debated in an effort to eventually resolve the problems. At KUNA, each school that attends is given a country for every 15 delegates to research and represent. This year, Rockcastle Middle is representing Fiji, France and Haiti.

Rockcastle delegates have an advantage this year at KUNA because the main elected position, known as the Secretary-General, is held by Rockcastle's own Jackson Bray. His assistant will be the well known

eighth grader, Allison Carter. Also, this year's Summit President Candidate from Rockcastle will be Danielle Arnold. So, you can say that we definitely have our spot in the door at KUNA 2002. As a Media Corps reporter, I will be covering all the events at KUNA, which includes writing an article for the Mt. Vernon Signal when we return home.

Mr. Tracy Gabbard, Mrs. Tammy Gabbard, Mrs. Melissa Singleton,

Mrs. Nancy Hale and Mr. J.D. Harris accompanied the RCMS ambassadors as our main advisors. Parent chaperones were Mrs. Shari Proctor, Mrs. Lisa Clontz and Mrs. Mary Ann Bullock.

School Menu

March 11-15, 2002

Breakfast

Monday: French toast stick with syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Tuesday: Sausage biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Wednesday: Egg/cheese biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Thursday: Gravy 'n biscuits or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Friday: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.

Lunch

Monday: Hot dog on bun or sandwich, potato rounds, carrot sticks, peaches and milk.

Tuesday: Beef-a-roni, corn, garden salad, bread, fruit dessert and milk.

Wednesday: Manager's choice. **Thursday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, green beans, Italian bread, cookie and milk. **Friday:** Pizza or sandwich, corn, garden salad, cake and milk.

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Mt. Vernon Message

March is Music in our Schools Month. Please watch for upcoming letters from our music department.

Project Wisdom narrators for the week of Feb. 11-15 included: Jordan Cash, student; Michael Roaden, student; Hannah Bullock, student; Monica Gray, student and Jamie Bryant, substitute teacher.

Project Wisdom narrators for the week of Feb. 18-22 included: Megan Perkins, student; Brianna Arley, student; Shayla Kirby, student and Paula Mink, Central Office.

Project Wisdom narrators for the week of Feb. 25-29 included: Ashton Arvin, student; Jennifer Cox, student; Ella McQueeny, student and JoAnna Albright. Thank you to all who have joined us in this project.

Our quote for the week is "No man is free who does not command himself."

The art prizewinner for the week of Feb. 11-15 was Holden Renner. Congratulations Holden!

The art prizewinner for the week of Feb. 18-22 was Jacob Bussell. He chose a folder as his prize. Congratulations Jacob!

Last week's art prize-winner was Cody McGuire. He chose pencil grippers as his prize. Congratulations Cody!

The Primary One students performed A Patriotic Musical on February 26 for the PTO and parents. Their program consisted of the Pledge to the flag, spelling A-M-E-R-I-C-A, and these songs: We Love America, This Land is Your Land, America, Our School House Flag, Yankee Doodle, Five Little Soldiers, God Bless America, Teach Me About My Freedom and God Bless the U.S.A. The following students read parts in the presentation: Jesse Sallisworth, Laiken Coffey, Ashton Arvin, Eli Haddix, Hannah Bullock and Ben Allen. Over 76 students participated in the performance.

Each grading period classes com-

pete for the most Accelerated Reader points. Mrs. Darlene Cameron's P3 class won in the primary levels with 1228.2 points. Mrs. Carolyn Bryant's fourth grade class won in the fourth

and fifth grades with 966.3 points. Each class has earned a popcorn party and a movie sponsored by the library media center. AR totals for the entire school for the second 12 weeks were 10,856.5 points.



Mrs. Carolyn Bryant's 4th Level



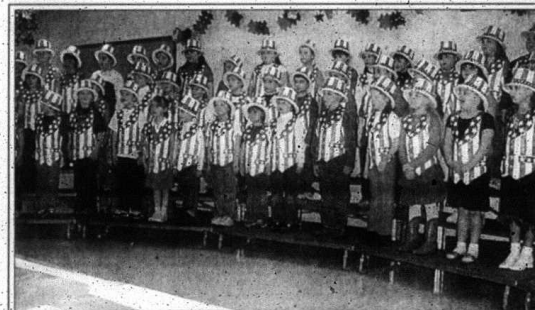
Mrs. Darlene Cameron's class



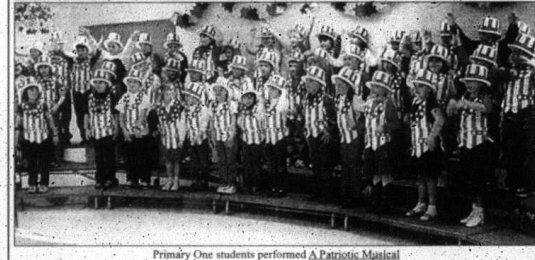
Cody McGuire
Weekly Art Prize Winner



Jacob Bussell
Weekly Art Prize Winner



Primary One students performed A Patriotic Musical



TIME FOR A CHANGE VOTE for Gary V. Linville Rockcastle Co. Sheriff May 28, 2002 (Lever 8)

With your vote and support, when elected Sheriff, we will give new meaning to **Protect and Serve** in the Sheriff's Dept.

SOME OF MY OBJECTIVES WHEN YOU ELECT ME AS YOUR SHERIFF WILL BE:

- #1. To pave the way and be involved in an effective drug education and prevention program to not only inform-enlighten and educate our youth but also the parents of Rockcastle Co.
- #2. As the budget permits we will hire and have trained more deputies to patrol, protect and serve our county more effectively.
- #3. We will create a crime prevention program to curb the crime in our county. Such as a countywide, crime watch. **PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE AND WORKING CLOSE WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPT.**
- #4. When elected, **"THE NEW SHERIFF DEPT."** will respond to the call of our country **swiftly and aggressively.**
- #5. We will enforce the laws of our commonwealth to the best of our ability with honest and integrity. Keep watching for our ads in the *Mt. Vernon Signal* as we want you to be informed of our intentions, when you elect Gary V. Linville, Sheriff of Rockcastle Co.

Don't forget it's time for a change!!!!

One man can make a difference with God's help. Again, special thanks to the people all over the city and county that are working with us in our campaign for Rockcastle Co. Sheriff

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To The Voters of the 5th District

I am a candidate for Magistrate. A lifelong resident of Rockcastle County, I was born and raised at Poplar Gap. I am familiar with the duties of Magistrate.

I am a former employee of Parker Seal Co. for 35 years, but am no longer employed with them due to the closure of the plant in September of 2001.

Therefore, I am available to visit the people to hear and see the needs of our community.

If elected, I will do my best to fulfill my duties of Magistrate. So,

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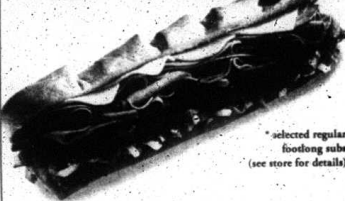
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The Rockcastle County High School cheerleading squad finished first in the girls competition and second in the boys competition in the 49th district tournament last week which was held in Clay County. They are shown above, from left: Amber Thacker, Tara Barcott, Emily Wright, Jessica Jones, Casey Taylor, Brittany Asher, Kacey Scoggin, Amanda Wright, Kayla Bryant, Brittany Offutt, Heaven Spoonamore and Jamie Orhella.

Cash gets 29 Rockets surprise Bell with 65-56 upset

It was a superb performance by an underdog team -- the Rockets -- to upset the #1 ranked team in the region -- the Bell County Bobcats. But, the Rockets rode to the 65-56 win Tues-

day night on 29 points by freshman Aaron Cash and some great defensive work.

The Rockets built a 9-2 lead in the first quarter on steals by Cash and junior Stephen Boreing and a blocked shot by senior Andrew Hammond and the offense responded with two goals by Cash, a three by junior Aaron Anderkin and a goal by junior Jason Reynolds. Cash got another goal, Hammonds put in two and sophomore Devin Taylor canned a three point goal for the 18-11 first quarter lead.

Taylor missed the first shot for the Rockets of the second quarter but came up with a steal and a goal to put the Rockets up 20-11. The Bobcats cut the lead to four at 24-20 but Anderkin got a goal and Cash put in two free throws and another goal to put the Rockets up 30-22 at the half.

Bell drew first blood of the second half with two free throws but Hammond responded with a goal, Anderkin got a three and

Hammond earned another for a 37-26 Rocket lead and a time out by Bell. The Bobcats got a basket after the time out and a walk by the Rockets gave them the ball back. However, Reynolds picked the ball-handler's pocket on the full court press and Cash got a goal and followed with another goal off a steal to give the Rockets their biggest lead of the game 41-28 enroute to a 47-37 third quarter lead.

Bell got the first points of the fourth quarter at the 5:29 mark at the free throw line and, with 4:49 to go in the game, Anderkin got the first points for the Rockets of the quarter at the free throw line. Cash got the only goal of the quarter for the Rockets but was 7 for 10 from the free throw line. Anderkin sank 5 of 6 from the charity stripe; Hammond was 2 for 2 and Chris Setles and Boreing each got one to round out the fourth quarter scoring and give the Rockets the

Because of a potential parking problem, fans who want to attend just the Rockcastle-Corbin game on Friday night are asked to park at the Rockcastle County Middle School. Regional tournament director Barry Noble said that buses will be provided to shuttle people back and forth to the high school beginning around 8 p.m. Caswood and Clay County play the first game of the semi-finals on Friday night. The gym will be cleared after that game. Those attending both games will have to have a ticket for each contest.

Boys lose to Clay in district finals

Last Thursday night the Rockcastle County Rockets lost at Clay County in the district finals. They played well but fell short on Clay's home court 52-48.

It was the first time in the last four games at Clay County that the Tigers have managed to beat the ROCKS. Rockcastle got behind early, but had a one point lead at the end of first period and a two point lead at the end of the first half.

But an eight point third quarter hurt the Rockets as Clay took a four point lead into the final period.

A controversial five second call with ten seconds left, gave Clay County the basketball with a two point lead. Clay sank both free throw attempts after a Rockcastle foul and Clay had sealed the victory for yet another district title.

Junior Jason Reynolds had 18

points, most of them in the second half, to lead the Rockets in scoring.

Reynolds also grabbed four rebounds, had two steals and one assist.

Freshman Aaron Cash had 13 points, junior Aaron Anderkin had 11, junior Chris Setles had three and senior Andrew Hammond also had three.

Anderkin led the team in rebounding with six and Cash had five assists.

Hammond had a game high four blocked shots.

The Rockets bounced back on Tuesday night in the first round of the regional tournament to knock off top ranked Bell County, 65-56.

The Rockets are 23-7 on the season and will play Corbin on Friday night in the semi-finals.

Game time will be at approximately 8:45 p.m. at the ROCKS.



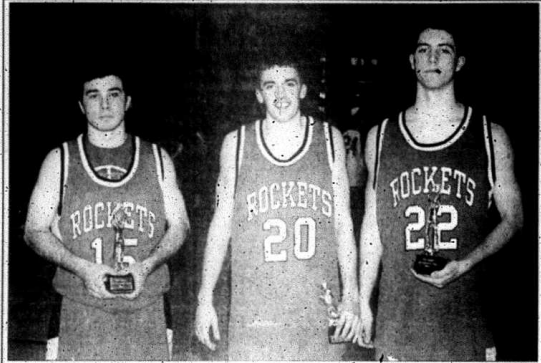
Clay's big man Richard Walker, applies pressure on Chris Setles on Thursday night. The Rockets lost 52-48.



Jason Reynolds had 18 points against Clay.



A somewhat dejected bunch of Rockets accepted the district runner-up trophy on Thursday night. From left: Aaron Anderkin, James Isaacs, Anthony Stevens, Devin Taylor, Chris Setles, Stephen Boreing, Andrew Hammond with trophy, Austin Miller, Darryn Harris, Blake Roberts, Derrick Huest, Chris Childress and Coty Reams.

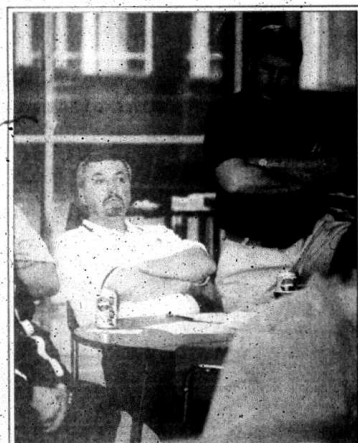


Members of the boys 49th district all-tournament team from Rockcastle were: Aaron Cash, Jason Reynolds and Andrew Hammond. All-tournament selections for the girls were Heather Hammond and Johnna Abney. Their photos will appear next week.

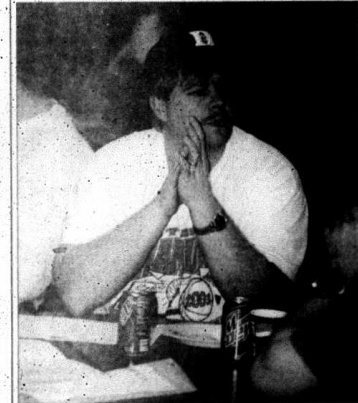
win. Hammond led his team in rebounds with 8 defensive and 5 offensive boards and one blocked shot. Boreing got the other blocked shot for the Rockets.

Besides Cash's 29 points, Anderkin had 13, Hammond 10, Taylor had 5, Reynolds, who saw very limited action in the first half because of two first quarter fouls, got 4 points; Setles 3 and Boreing 1.

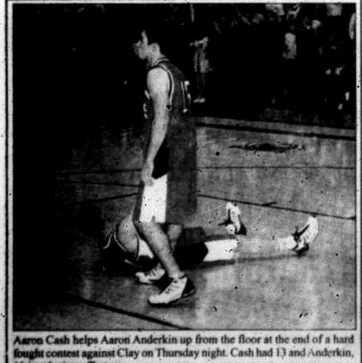
At the free throw line, the Rockets were 20 for 28 to Bell's 41 for 14.



Boys RCHS head basketball coach Clayton Cash and athletic director and head football coach Tom Larkley were in hand for the regional tournament meeting Saturday. The 13th region tourney is being held at RCHS for the first time ever.



Former RCHS girls basketball assistant Greg Parrett, now head coach of the Jackson County Lady Generals, has led his team to another great season with a 27-3 mark. Jackson County is favored to win the girls 13th regional tournament again.



Aaron Cash helps Aaron Anderkin up from the floor at the end of a hard fought contest against Clay on Thursday night. Cash had 13 and Anderkin, 11 in a losing effort.

Cleaning float trays

By: Tom Mills
County Extension Agent for Agriculture/Natural Resources

The greenhouse and tray transplant production systems offer many advantages to tobacco transplant producers. However, a disadvantage of the float system is that it provides an ideal habitat for the development and constant presence of water. Therefore, a key to success with float systems is the constant keeping the pathogens causing diseases out of the system.

A diligent sanitation program is a MUST. The media and water being used should be pathogen-free. All equipment and tools that come in contact with the system should be pathogen-free. That means either using new trays or re-used trays must be properly washed and sanitized.

What is available to disinfect trays? Steam, methyl-bromide fumigation, chlorine bleach, and quaternary ammonium chloride salts are available in Kentucky.

STEAMING The trays has been the most effective disinfectant, but, the cost is high and some items are damaged by steaming. Most studies indicate that the trays need to reach at least 160 degrees for 30 minutes, but this method is not practical for farmers in developing equipment to meet the temperature and time required.

FUMIGANTS Methyl bromide with 1% chloropirrin has been almost as effective as steam in some of the tests. It provides excellent control of Rhizoctonia and other fungi on the surface of the tray. It will greatly reduce the level of Pythium, but has not been as effective as steam or proper bleaching in reducing Pythium, probably because a significant amount of Pythium is often embedded in the tray. It is important to have an air-tight plastic seal, to pre-wet the trays, and to avoid large stacks of trays. Methyl bromide is heavier than air, so tanks, therefore, best results occur with long, short stacks rather than tall, deep stacks. We have found that control is provided at the low rates, so use the maximum labeled rates (1 lbs/1000 cubic ft.) Certain types of styrofoam trays appear to be more easily damaged with this chemical. Pay special attention to ALL label precautions related to safety.

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Listen to your children.

By: Hand Jackson
County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences

All human beings long to be heard, understood and appreciated. If a trace of you; me and our children. Assure your children that you do listen to them by taking time to show you're interested in what they have to say and their feelings and dreams. This shows children you respect what they have to say. Equally important, the children will learn to treat others with the same sensitivity you've shown them. They also will listen to and respect other people's visions and viewpoints.

As you listen to your children, they will learn by example to respectfully listen to what you and others are saying. Listening also will help children express themselves and develop self-confidence.

These tips will help you better listen to your children's feelings and dreams.

To let your child know he or she has your attention, gently touch the child before the child begins to talk to you.

Remember, you're not truly listening to a child if you're reading the newspaper or thinking about something that happened that day. Stop what you're doing and look at the child, paying attention to what is being said.

It's important not to always stand over your son or daughter, so sit or place yourself at the same level as your child. Continually standing above children tends to make them

feel overpowered and "little."

"Develop the habit of reaching out to your children by trying to understand and feel the world from their points of view."

To help your children gain knowledge, skills and a sense of responsibility, let them take part in household decisions such as helping decide where to go on a family weekend outing or choosing their clothes.

"Compile a short, simple list of who does what. Be sure to divide responsibilities equally and fairly. Break larger jobs down into several parts. Give advance notice of upcoming chore assignments and deadlines."

"Make sure children's responsibilities are age appropriate. Give them different jobs each week; variety adds spice and gives youngsters different experiences."

A child will rarely do a job as well at first as an adult might. A child will be less eager to help out if you complain that there wasn't done just like you would have accomplished it. Be patient, appreciative and generous with praise for what the child has accomplished.

Remember, children generally like for you to work side-by-side with them.

For more information, contact the Extension Service at 256-2403.

Gardening & Landscaping Tips

By: Max Phelps

Loss of Landscape or Forest Trees may yield breaks at tax time.

As both experienced landscape professional and tax specialist I want to ask, "Has there been a sudden loss or destruction of your yard or farm trees?"

If your answer is yes, here's some timely advice: "Take a casualty or theft loss on damaged or missing trees."

I will attempt to give you some simple-to-understand examples of how an unfortunate loss of trees or landscaping might lead to a tax deduction. (Not every reader may be in need of a tax break, but I bet some are for sure.)

A lot of pine trees have been killed by the Southern Pine Beetle. This sudden and unexpected loss of timber or yard trees is a casualty.

A flood caused death or loss of your "green" property. This is a casualty loss. (Unless you were fully paid by an insurance company's check.)

Wind or tornado damage (possibly snow or hail damage) to your trees and plants is a casualty loss. Fire, whether forest fire or house fire, can create a casualty loss. Someone stealing plants from

your freshly landscaped yard while you were on vacation (or any time for that matter) would constitute a theft loss.

Vandalism, car wrecks, plane crashes, terrorist acts could also result in a deductible loss.

Drought or disease or destruction you yourself caused usually are not deductible scenarios.

What you "think" something is worth isn't always the case, so an appraisal would make sense. In any case, as always, get competent help with your taxes if you need to, and keep documents and records to substantiate your claim just in case Uncle Sam asks any questions.

If your paradise has met with damage this past year, maybe this will be the silver lining in your cloud.

Legislative Update

By: State Representative Darryl Ford
House and Senate wrap up

February with demanding week. Thousands of Kentuckians visited Frankfort this week, many of them schoolchildren and constituents interested in catching the 2002 General Assembly in action. They passed through Capitol halls in the midst of a busy legislative week and had the opportunity to catch both chambers of the House and Senate in seven days.

Hundreds of senior citizens visited the Capitol last week to meet with their area legislators and let their interest in a variety of legislative issues be heard by lawmakers. And, to celebrate the last week of Black History Month, Carl Beshear, the first African-American Mayor, visited the General Assembly. Beshear, originally from Hardin County, Kentucky, overcame great odds with dedication and inner strength to receive many accolades from all Americans for the true hero that he is.

Several bills were addressed by House members last week, including timely legislation that creates a sitting board to hear requests from power plants hoping to build "merchant" plants in the Commonwealth. Kentucky is an obvious choice for power plants to construct so-called "merchant" plants. These are plants located near the power source - in Kentucky it is the coal fields - to generate energy that can be sent areas across the country.

Because no one yet knows the economic and environmental impact of such plants, most legislators believe it is prudent to proceed slowly with the permitting process. HB 540 establishes this sitting board which will review the possible impact of each permit application. And, after considerable debate, the bill was approved and sent to the Senate.

HB 369 also passed the House last week. This measure will allow state employees and teachers to order their medical prescriptions through mail order pharmaceutical companies. The greatest obstacles to this measure is the effect it may have on local pharmacies and consumers will not have a local pharmacist to discuss their prescriptions with.

A study group could be formed by the General Assembly to look at the way high school sports conference finalists and semi-finalist games are scheduled. HB 593 suggests the format of future high school state basketball tournaments should avoid schedules that allow teams to play two consecutive games during a tournament day. The bill is no under consideration by the Senate.

Two other bills received action in committee this week.



HB 571 makes the stalking or intimidation of any participant involved in a court proceeding a Class D offense. This includes witnesses, jurors, prosecutors, judges and defense attorneys. Members of the House Judiciary Committee approved it.

HB 541 raises juror pay to \$25 per day with a \$10 lunch allowance, which they do not have now. Kentucky's juror pay is considered low when compared with surrounding states. This measure was also approved by the House Judiciary Committee.

As of late Thursday we are up to 798 bills filed by House members and 254 by members of the State Senate. The House passed 29 bills this week, as I mentioned last week many of them were actually administrative measures, however several will have a great impact on the Commonwealth. A number of the bills we have looked at have already found their way through the Senate and are returning to the House for concurrence.

Since I'm in Frankfort during the week, I can be reached toll-free at 1-800-373-7181. In addition to the message line, the General Assembly offers several other toll-free lines to help you keep up with the session. A taped message containing information on legislative committee meeting schedules is available by calling 1-800-896-5225.

Information on the status of each bill we consider will be available on the Bill Status Line, 1-888-829-0021. Those with hearing impairments may leave messages for me by calling the TTY message line at 1-800-896-0305. If you have Internet access you can keep track through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page: http://www.leg.state.ky.us

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In and Around Mt. Vernon

By: Vallie Burton

Caleb Eaton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Eaton celebrated his 2nd birthday March 1st. We wish him many returns of the day.

Lorena Eaton and brothers, John and Jesse have been on the sick lists for a few days. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Ms. Linda Eaton visited Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Coulter of Mooreville a while Wednesday.

Ms. Ora York has returned home after spending a few days in the Rockcastle Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Oliver Abney was taken to the

Rockcastle Hospital last Thursday. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Shirley Burton, of Somerset visited her mother, Vallie Burton Saturday.

Deepest sympathy is extended to all who have lost loved ones recently. May the Lord comfort each one.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Retired of Ohio visited Ms. Ora York recently.

Ms. Linda Eaton and mother, Patricia Holland read in London Saturday.

Mrs. Della Allen has returned home after visiting her children in Ohio recently.

Mrs. Dorothy Hasty has been on the sick list a few days. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Houston visited her father, Mr. Oscar Saylor of Crab Orchard Sunday afternoon.

Shirley Burton visited Vallie Burton Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel Kelley is on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery.

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 3. Drug Investigations including Under Cover and Narcotics
 4. Fraudulent/Theft Investigation
 5. Vehicle/Accident Investigation
 6. Trained in Life Saving Techniques
 7. Radar Certified
 8. Breathalyzer Test Operation (BA)
 9. Vehicle Inspection
 10. Chemical Weapons Training
 11. Marijuana Indoor Growing Techniques and How to Spot It
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DRAFT AGENDA
March 12, 2002
7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER
A. Election of Officers
B. Silent Prayer
C. Roll Call
D. Reading of Board Team Commitments
2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION
3. COMMUNICATIONS
4. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS
A. Approve minutes of the February 12, 2002 regular monthly meeting
B. Approve bills for payment
C. Approve Emergency Substitute Teacher: Jeffrey Owens
D. Approve maternity leave request for Tanya Clark (03.1233)
E. Approve contractual agreement between the Rockcastle County Board of Education and the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court (Rockcastle Telecommunications Center)
F. Approve school trips as listed:
5. DISCUSSION/ACTION
A. Review/approve for the Rockcastle Co. Board of Education to join the Council for Better Education, Inc. at a current membership assessment of 25 cents per 2001-02 second month average daily student attendance.
6. DISCUSSION/REVIEW
A. Review Monthly Financial Report
B. Review Month 6 Attendance
C. Review Superintendent's Personnel Actions Report
D. Other
7. ADJOURNMENT

In Loving Memories

In Memory of Barbara L. Anglin, who passed away June 22, 2001. "Those birthdays would have been March 4th. No farewells were spoken. No time to say goodbye. You were gone before we knew it. And only God knows why. Our hearts still ache in sadness."

And secret tears still flow. And what it meant to lose you. No one will ever know. Since you'll never be forgotten. We pledge to you today. A hollow place in our hearts is where you'll always stay. Sadly missed by mother, Vallie Burton

Western Water From Front

of all water supply problems. That obviously is not the case. Mayor King said that she has had city attorney John Clontz looking into the matter and that possible legal action against the contractors and engineers may result.

Currently, Western serves 4,000 customers, mostly in Rockcastle County, but they also have some customers in Lincoln, Putaski and Madison counties.

Western CEO Denver Burton said that he hoped the council's action did not hurt current Western projects which he is trying to get approved.

Western has made application for \$780,000 in grants and loans for 25 miles of water lines that would serve 125 more customers in Rockcastle, Putaski and Lincoln counties.



Memories of Daddy

Lying in your bed
A year ago today
The last words you spoke
seem to fade away
You looked up at us all
We saw a tiny smile
We saw a tear in your eye
We knew it was your last
goodbye.

You raised your head from the pillow
Three hard breaths you took
We screamed and cried Daddy
It was so hard for us to look
God took you by the hand
The angels carried you away
took you to a beautiful land
Through the pearly gate.
The Lord touched our hearts
My children don't cry
For Daddy is going to a home
Where his soul will never die.
I promise to keep him safe
He will have no more pain
When your name is called
You will be with Daddy again.
Oh Daddy it's so hard
Every passing day
Memories linger with us
Since you have gone away.

This poem is in loving memory of Luther Smith who passed away on August 9, 2001. "We think of you every minute and hour of every day you are so sadly missed by all your children and your wife Wanda who loves you so much. Written by "Your Daughter," Debbie Barnett

Hudson Speaks From Front

upgrade and that customers in Mt. Vernon and Rockcastle County had the best cable service available in the United States at the current time.

"When everything is complete the cable system here will be totally state of the art," Hudson said.

Hudson also told the council if they desired to have an independent contractor inspect the system he would send an employee with them to help them get into everything they needed.

Charter's cable will offer a variety of services to local customers, including Internet capabilities, interactive television, high density television and some 170 additional digital stations.

"At some point in the near future you will even be able to do your grocery shopping through the cable system," he said.

Charter customers currently pay \$42.00 per month for 70 stations and \$15.50 per month for stations 2-23.



Kathy McKibben, an employee at the Rockcastle Library read to students from Brodhead School last week, as part of National Library Week.



Aaron Adkins and Savannah Fahn were among the S.W.A.I. team members from Brodhead school, who attended a special reading at the local library Friday.

National Library Week Celebrated



Stacy Richards, an employee at the Rockcastle Library, read to Brodhead Elementary students on Friday. Last week was "National Library Week" in Rockcastle County.



Kglary-Bullock and mom Sherry listened to the stories being read at the library on Friday. About 80 students participated in the celebration as part of National Library Week.

Rapid Response Team to meet with workers

Members of the state Rapid Response Team will meet Thursday (today) with workers facing layoffs from Mt. Vernon Plastics Corp.

The team, part of the Cabinet for Workforce Development's Department for Training and Reemployment, will provide information on dislocated worker services, registering for work, filing for unemployment insurance benefits, training programs and other local, state and federal services.

The Rapid Response Team works

with companies and employees during layoffs to provide information about retaining and job opportunities.

The Department for Training and Reemployment administers employment and training programs funded by the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA). Workers and employers can learn more about WIA employment and training assistance at their local One Stop Career Center. To locate a center, call toll-free (877) US-210188 or visit America's Service Locator at www.servylocator.org.

Blood Drive

Donating blood is safe, simple and saves lives. Rockcastle County Donor Group and Central Kentucky Blood Center are urging all healthy Rockcastle County residents to support their community. Donate blood Tuesday, March 12, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. at the Rockcastle Extension Office in the Conference Room. The drive is being sponsored by the Rockcastle Extension Homemakers.

Our mini-physical performed prior to donation already includes a check of your blood pressure, pulse, temperature and hematocrit (iron level). Please come to the drive on March 12. It will not only make a difference to the health of patients in Rockcastle County Hospital - it could make a difference in your health as well! For more information contact Loretta Robinson at (606) 679-7413. All donors will receive a T-shirt in appreciation for their thoughtfulness.

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LOCATION: just west past the Crab Orchard Elementary School. Auction signs are posted.

In order to settle the estate of the late Ms. Sue Hawley, our firm has been authorized to sell this property for the absolute high dollar.

The property consists of two metal buildings. One building measures 30x100 and the other measures 15x95. Each building has been divided into storage-units for a total of 33 mini-warehouses.

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Ten Units Measure - 9x14

Presently 25 of the 33 units are rented providing a good rental income. The rental income will be announced day of sale. However, if you have any questions prior to sale day, call the auctioneers.

The buildings are situated on 44/100 of an acre. City water is available.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: If you're looking for an investment property and a good tax shelter, here's an opportunity for you. Remember, this is an absolute auction and the last bid will buy.

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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, March 7, 2002

Kiwanis Club raises over \$10,000 in annual radio auction



The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club's annual radio auction was a huge success this past weekend. The club was able to raise over \$10,000 with the help of many community donors and many community folks who tuned in and bought the items. Above, Connie Graham, Jeff Burdette, Jeff Smithers, Austin Miller and Tammy Cox are working the phones for the auction. The Kiwanis Club would like to say a special thanks to the Centernet board for the use of the wonderful facility located on the third floor in the courthouse. They would also like to say a special thanks to Austin Miller and the Juff folks for their assistance. Charles Saylor and WRVK, and Kevin Roberts for assisting with the controls. Bob Randolph, Jerry Burke and Kevin Rader for their help and the *Mount Vernon Signal* for always supporting the Kiwanis Club in all their efforts. The success of this annual event depends on all the community pitching in to raise funds that will be used in our community.



Marlene Lawson, James Miller, Jerry Burke and Rebekah Hammond busy at work.



Corey Craig, Bob Randolph and "Kool Kevin" from WRVK enjoying all the action at the auction.



Gary Wade Mink along with the other Kiwanis members having a big time.

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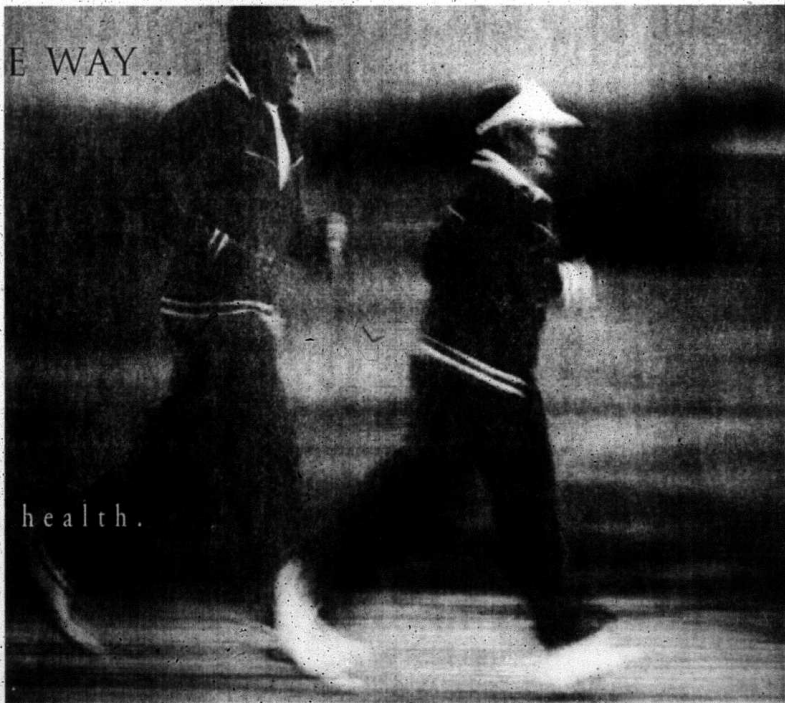
That's why Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center has declared March "Colon Cancer Awareness Month."

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News from Rockcastle Courthouse

Small Claims

Tri-County Ready Mix vs. Jackie Goff, \$473.17 claimed due. S-0007. Rockcastle Ready Mix vs. Jackie Goff, \$423.08 claimed due. S-0008.

District Civil Suits

Wells Fargo Financial vs. Judy Abney, \$2,216.69 claimed due. C-00027.

First Select, Inc. vs. Dean Richards, \$2,931.05 claimed due. C-00028.

Circuit Civil Suits

Greenpoint Credit, LLC vs. Marlon Wright, et al., \$85,210.54 claimed due. C1-00058.

Dorothy Ann Spurlock vs. Wayne Alan Spurlock, child support demand. C1-00059.

Jeffrey Phelps vs. Christina Phelps, petition for dissolution of marriage. C1-00060.

Vonie Mink vs. Jillman Daigherty, \$42,75.10 claimed due for auto accident. C1-00061.

Deeds Recorded

Alice Alexander, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Robert Cummins. No tax.

Jerry W. and Gwendolyn Carter, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Ruby Darlene Baker. Tax 20.00.

Clarence and Louise Carter, lots in Skaggs Creek Cemetery addition, to Clifton Graves. Tax-3.00.

Dwight and Frances Whitehead, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Michael Whitehead. No tax.

Andrew and Louise Johnson, real property located on Maple Grove Road, to Louise Johnson. No tax.

George and Rosella Phillips, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Kathy and John Bryant. No tax.

James and Mary L. Owens, real property located in Queens Subdivision, to Terry Lee Renner. Tax 43.00.

Robert L. Banks, Jr. and Laura Alice Banks, real property located in Rockcastle County, to W.K. and Marlene Kendrick. Tax 50.

Larry W. Clouse, Sr. and Cora Norton, real property located in

Rockcastle County, to Dana Corna. Tax 6.00.

William F. and Mary E. Swindeman, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Debra L. Gillespie. Tax 21.30.

Gary and Barbara Frith, real property located in Rockcastle County, to George L. and Sheila M. Crawford. Tax 173.00.

Robert Wayne and Rosa Lee Jasper, real property located in Rolling Hills Subdivision, to Emily S. Mullins. Tax 8.00.

Marriage Licenses

Kristy-Michelle Bullock, 20, Mt. Vernon, cashier, to Randy Dale Gross, 24, Livingston. Shell, March 9, 2002.

Kimberly Lynne Foytner, 24, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle Hospital, to Jeffrey Saben Blair, 24, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, Berea College. March 2, 2002.

Alisa Dawn Gossler, 38, Mt. Vernon, waitress, to Bentley David Wayne Carpenter, 47, Mt. Vernon, logger. March 2, 2002.

Imogene Gilbert, 50, Rt. 2, Livingston, Rockcastle Hospital, to Donald Edward Miller, Rt. 2, Livingston, security. March 1, 2002.

Rebecca Diana Owens, 22, Crab Orchard, Mt. Vernon Plastics, to Crab Orchard, Mt. Vernon Plastics. February 28, 2002.

Our Readers Write

Dear Editor and Charter Cablevision users in Mt. Vernon and surrounding areas:

At the city council meeting on Monday night, March 4, David Hudson was again present to give an update on the cablevision service in Mt. Vernon. Those present tonight had only a couple of complaints/questions and some very good compliments. I agree with the compliments that were given. Charter is indeed trying to upgrade our system and provide capabilities that we have never had. The possibilities are wonderful with the new system. The notion behind the upgrade is not my complaint, I am just so excited and happy with the upgrade possibilities as anyone. The lack of programming or channel choices is my major complaint along with their total indifference to the needs of people that just plain cannot afford the basic service plus the upgrade. Those people that have a limited (fixed) income may not have the luxury of choosing the upgrade and paying more than forty dollars a month yet the basic service offers so little. It is degrading to those that cannot afford the upgrade to be limited to those channels that Charter has placed in the basic service.

According to Mr. Hudson, the upgrade is basically complete and has been certified so the only problem that may exist now may be between the pole and your house or the wiring in your house. I also understand the wiring to your house and even in your house if there is a problem there. I also believe he said for a limited time this would be free. So, if you are still having poor service, just call Charter.

Now referring back to the last meetings complaints: On Feb. 21, I received a reply to an email that I had sent to the "Paul Allen" that David Hudson mentioned at the February city council meeting. The person that replied was Dana Bellary. If I do still have a complaint or complaint on Charter's bill or service, you can also contact this person and I would urge you to do so. Hopefully this person has the capabilities to further assist us in our previous complaints about no programming choices but I am sure-would also enjoy hearing the compliments about the new service.

You may write, call, or fax your comments to him/her. I have already replied and am waiting on another response.

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Thanks,
Polly Abney,
Mt. Vernon, KY

Dear Editor,
We have known Gary and Gail Linville for 15-20 years. We have always found them to be very caring, professional, understanding and religious people.
Our family lives in Rockcastle County and has seen dramatic changes in the last few years with drugs. We think Gary Linville could have a great impact on the drug situation in the county, as well as other issues, if elected Sheriff.
We urge you to vote for Gary Linville in the May primary.
Mr. and Mrs. William L. Smith
Scaffold Cave,
Berea, KY.

Dear Editor,
As our legislators deliberate in Frankfort for the 2002 General Assembly, we are reminded of the budget constraints. It is all the more important to keep in mind the many hard working families in our state.
Our family lives in Rockcastle County and has seen dramatic changes in the last few years with layoffs and plant closings, people are faced with very hard choices everyday. At this time there are 80,000 families living in poverty in our state despite the presence of a working parent. One in four children in Kentucky live in poverty.
Representative Jim Wayne has filed a bill, House Bill 354, that would provide for an Earned Income Tax Credit against state income taxes. This Earned Income Tax Credit would offset all families who presently qualify for the federal EITC that is about 300,000 families.
The EITC gives tax relief to families with children earning \$30,000 or less. For these families, it basically means more spending money.

As single parent who received the federal EITC when my son was young, I cannot emphasize enough how every little bit helps.

The Kentucky General Assembly must do the right thing and pass the Earned Income Tax Credit for hard working Kentuckians. Kentuckians start paying taxes at only \$5,000 annual income, second only to Alabama. A family of four living at the poverty line pays more in state income taxes in Kentucky than any other state in the country.

Passing a Kentucky EITC will have a direct effect on our communities. This will not only help the individual families but these are dollars that will be spent in our communities on needed items, whether it be school supplies, food or clothing.

Kentucky must do the right thing and pass the Earned Income Tax Credit!
Janet Tucker
Lexington, KY

Dear Editor,
(Preamble of the U.S. Constitution) We, the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the United States of America.

The God of the Ten Commandments has helped us attain all the qualities of the Preamble of the U.S. Constitution.

The Ten Commandments is a set of rules for all civilization to live by and set a precedent on which our Constitution is based.
If the jury system of America is not following the Ten Commandments, then why do we murder, theft and slander cases? The Ten Commandments really is the basis of our court system.

Psalm 9:17 the wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God. This is a very serious verse from the Bible, that needs to be heeded.

Psalms 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.
Ecclesiastes 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments for this is the whole duty of man. God Bless America and may the Ten Commandments live forever.
Lloyd Dean
Morehead, KY

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There's Simply Nothing Missing!...but you! This '92 model doublewide has everything - living/dining combo, kitchen w/ own range, refrigerator and dishwasher. Also has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and utility washer & dryer plus offers total electric furnace heat. Improved with a carpet and a new 16x24 metal building and located at 350 Edwards Road, Crab Orchard. Priced at \$64,900. Call Jeff Cromer for 1531.




Throw Away Those Building Plans and move into this brand new 2 story vinyl in the Hunter Ridge Subdivision. Features living room, dining/kitchen combination with beautiful cherry cabinets, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, utility room, den and entry hall. Plus has central heat and air and 2 decks. Asking \$109,900 for this first class home. Call Roy about M1525



Starting Out or Stepping Down? Comfort and convenience can be found in this cozy home. This wood sided one story features dining/kitchen combo with oven range, living room, 2 bedrooms and bath, and is heated by electric. **SALE PENDING** A porch with 2 storage rooms, plus a full lot and the convenience of city water and sewer. Further improved with a one-car garage with storage shelf and situated on approx. 9/10 acres. Located at 105 Shirley Street, Call Jeff Cromer about M1551.



Open Your Peepers! If you're looking for a nice home, then look no further. This home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room and kitchen/dining combo. It has a large front porch, spacious back deck and it's situated on a corner lot in a restricted subdivision to protect your investment. Call Danetta to make your appointment. Asking \$82,900. M1541.



Where It's At! Location is one of the finest features of this darling 3 bedroom home. Located on Hwy 150 in the city limits of Broadhead, you can walk to the grocery, school and church. Situated on 7.2 acres. Call Jeff Cromer for all the amenities! M1496



Like the Sparkle of the new? Located in the new Rainbow Ridge Subdivision, this house is waiting for a family to call it home! Features entry hall, living room, dining/kitchen combo, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, utility room and a 2 car attached garage. Priced at \$93,000. Call today for all the extra details. M1484



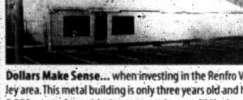
If Unique and Rustic are words that describe the home you have in mind, then you'll want to check out this one! This 2 story log home with wrap around porch and an open floor plan is definitely a true 2 story. It features a large living/dining and kitchen area, plus 1 1/2 bath on the first floor and a spacious, open, carpeted second floor with room for 3 bedrooms, plus there's a full bath. Also has a full basement with kitchen and bath. This home is heated by both a heat pump and a stove heated on Freedom School Road and situated on 1/2 acre m/1 and priced at \$79,900. Owner will negotiate additional land. M1547



Reduced! Immaculate Doublewide w/Large Addition on 2.66 acres! Features include an aboveground swimming pool, very nice deck, two heating and air units, 2 car attached garage, very spacious rooms including family room, dining room, kitchen, 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, utility room! \$89,900. 5612 - MLS 1020651



Whatever the Weather... you'll enjoy this nice home conveniently located on Old Highway 25 in Mt. Vernon. This home offers living room, dining/kitchen combination, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, den and a utility room. Added features include: city water and sewer, storm doors, central air, heat pump, some appliances and washer/dryer hookup. Situated on approximately 1 acre and priced to sell for only \$47,900. Call Roy Adams for your appointment. M1546




Dollars Make Sense... when investing in the Renfro Valley area. This metal building is only three years old and has 2,520 square feet with city water and sewer, 220volt, central air, heat pump, concrete floor and a garage door. Situated on a nice lot with a backdrop parking lot, this commercial property is priced right at \$99,900. Call Jeff Cromer for your appointment. M1545



REDUCED AGAIN! The Home With The Most! is right here - a 1992 model doublewide, 1 car garage, and nearly 5 acres! This home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen, and utility room. Has a 12x13 concrete deck. A chain link fence encloses about an acre with a 14' above ground pool with walk around deck. Also features a fruit orchard, 14x6 barn and stocked pond. Contains 86.2 acres by survey with about 20-25 of m/1 and road and also features a 6x16x16 barn. Located on Hwy 1955 in the hill section of Rockcastle County. All for only \$148,500. 11457



Sunset Place Subdivision - This beautiful vinyl sided home is situated on 6/10 acre and features living room, dining room, kitchen with some appliances, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and utility room plus 1 car garage. Also improved with a 54' deep above ground pool with treated deck. Has all the comfort and efficiency of a heat pump and central air, plus thermopane windows. Asking \$99,900 for this perfectly located beautiful home. Call Roy Adams for details. M1540



Ready To Go! Whether you're looking for a garage and lot or a place to put a mobile home or to build, this could be it! 1 acre m/1 with a 24x28 vinyl sided 2 car garage. Located on Day Street in Broadhead and priced at \$24,900. Call Jeff Cromer to see M1557.



Brand New Home - Brand New Development! On Hwy 80 between Mt. Vernon and Somerset in the new Valley Oaks Subdivision, this home couldn't be in a better location. Features 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2 car attached garage, plus all the comfort of central heat and air. Priced at \$98,500. Call today for details on new homes in this new development. M1358



This Farm Has A Lot Of Extras! Without breaking the bank! Quality built home with four bedrooms, two baths, extra large master bath, large kitchen, dining area with beautiful oak cabinets, and french door opening onto a 12x13 concrete deck. A chain link fence encloses about an acre with a 14' above ground pool with walk around deck. Also features a fruit orchard, 14x6 barn and stocked pond. Contains 86.2 acres by survey with about 20-25 of m/1 and road and also features a 6x16x16 barn. Located on Hwy 1955 in the hill section of Rockcastle County. All for only \$148,500. 11457



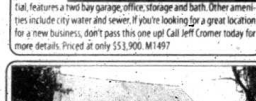
Beautiful Brick in a Country Setting - This brick one story home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, newly remodeled dining/kitchen combo and newly remodeled utility room. All the comfort of central heat and air. Features a 1 car attached garage and is surrounded by mature shade trees. Situated on 4 acres m/1 and located on SR 1955 in the Red Hill section of Rockcastle County. Priced at \$76,900. M1333



Wanted: Some Happy Family! looking for economical living in Broadhead! Located on Pike Street, this cozy 2 bedroom home is just blocks away from anywhere you'd want to go in the city limits. Reduced to \$40,000. Call Danetta to see M1508




Selective Home Owners Prefer Above Average Quality & Design. as featured in this property. Unique property on 34.87 acres w/ 3 modern homes, barn and large 2 car detached garage. Owners will sell in parcels or as a whole. The main house, which features beautiful oak flooring, beautiful cabinetry, an excellent floor plan with three bedrooms, two full baths, garage and much more may be purchased for \$119,900 or the entire property including houses and all buildings is offered at \$297,500. Other combinations are available. Please call the office for more information! M15 #102206 5615




Location! Location! Location! - This 4 garage building has great potential. Features a two bay garage, office, storage and bath. Other amenities include city water and sewer. If you're looking for a great location for a new business, don't pass this one up! Call Jeff Cromer today for more details. Priced at only \$53,900. M1487

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Start the new year out right in this nice two story colonial home with over 2,700 sq. ft. of living area, situated on 12.75 acres in the Willalla section. The first floor has living room with fireplace, dining room, kitchen with some appliances, bath, and entry. The second floor has four bedrooms and a bath and there is a basement with a kitchen and drop-in garage. Have all the family home for Christmas! Priced at only \$139,900. M1544



Deck the Halls at 255 Percell Street this year, and for many to come! This one story stone home features living room, dining/kitchen combination and a family room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and utility room. A 2 car attached garage, central air, heat pump, fireplace, and wall to wall carpet. Also features a garage and storm cellar underneath. Call Roy Adams for your appointment. M1543



Listen Up! 33 acres, 1 1/2 story home and store with apartment on SR 104-0. ORLANDO, OWNER WILL SELL OR TRADE! Home has living room, dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bath and fuel oil furnace. The 24x64 grocery store building has an apartment with bedroom, bath, kitchen/living room combination. Entire property priced at \$129,900, or owner will sell the store and lot for \$99,900 and the house barn and acreage for \$89,900. Call for all the details. M1524

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4 Bedrooms and 4 Acres! This 38.65 acre tract near Livingston, is very private and is improved with a 4 bedroom home with full basement, 2 car attached garage, electric ceiling cable, well to wall carpet, some appliances, and washer/dryer hookups. Priced at \$94,900. Call today. M1492

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Not Your Average Opportunity! You could own this currently family-operated apple orchard business located just off Hwy. 490 in Laurel County. This property consists of 40.21 acres (100 cropland and approx. 25 acres of apple trees) and 9.5 acres being woodland. There is a 4,530 sq. ft. fruit packing building and 2,040 sq. ft. building used for making cider and storing the apple apple are situated on 61/2 under an acre. This entire operation is priced at \$175,000. Call today for more information. M1401

LOTS

A Little Land of Your Own situated on two tracts is located on the backside of the Chestnut Springs Subdivision and would be the perfect spot. The tracts offer the prestige that comes with living in a restricted subdivision but also has plenty of backyard privacy as you enjoy the appealing creek. Buy one tract either 1.6 acres for \$9,000 or 2.3 acres for \$14,000 or both tracts for \$22,000. Call Danetta for more info. M1511

Looking for Building Lots? Then check out the 2 lots on Laurel Gentry Road. Acreage each and priced at \$10,000 each. They may be just what you've been looking for. M1500

New Listings: Two Building Lots - Lot #1 contains nearly 1 acre w/ approx. 50



Reduced! Brand New & So Spacious! Featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths and a 2 car attached garage, this home couldn't be any better located - it's on Lot 28 of the new Valley Oaks Subdivision on Hwy. 80 between Mt. Vernon and Somerset. Priced just reduced to \$97,900. Call today! M1360

Land

Need Some Land? If you have 25.57 acres in a private country setting. Located in the Wolfe Creek section and priced to sell for \$19,900. Call Jeff Cromer for more information. M1522

Chestnut Ridge Section! Here's a 25.2 acre tract that may be what you're looking for. Priced at \$11,000. Call today for more information. M1535

New! Quiet and Private - 30 acres by the boundary in the Red Hill section of Rockcastle County. All fenced - 3 small ponds, beautiful building site, lots of front footage. All cleared pasture land. Good neighbors. Owners say sell. Asking \$45,000. 11472

70 Acre Tract - m/located on Hwy. 2002 in Jackson County. Priced at \$49,900. Call for details. M1532

146 Acre Tract - m/located on Hwy. 2002 in Jackson County. Priced at \$129,900. Call for details. M1553

2 Tracts - containing 100 acres m/1 and 40 acres m/1, improved with an older house and a barn. Some timber and coal on this property. Located in Marbo



ORIGINALLY BUILDER! This brick home features 3 bedrooms, an extra large master bedroom, living room, kitchen, newly remodeled dining room and newly remodeled bath. This home also has new floors and new carpet, and new pilings on roof. Located 1/2 mile south of Hwy Hill Predecessor Church on the left, near Livingston. Price Reduced to \$55,000. 11398

Listen to the Birds Chirp in this secluded log home, situated on 4 acres with stream. Nothing lacking here. This home features 3 bedrooms, fireplace, hardwood floors, cathedral ceiling in great room. All this for \$79,000. Call today for details. 11479

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Follow near the Sand Springs section. Priced at \$120,000. Call for more information. M1554

Looking For a Large Tract This Spring? Here's 294 acres with approx. 100 acres cleared, some timber, and 6 ponds. Improved with a 2001 model 24x68 doublewide mobile home with living room, dining room, kitchen with appliances, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and utility room. This central air and doublepane windows. Located on Bloss Road and priced at \$148,000. Farm equipment is also available. Call Jeff Cromer to see M1562.

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