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## Barn Dance opens March 5th

The official opening of the Renfro Valley Barn Dance will be on Friday March 5th, when entertainers will take the stage for the 65th consecutive season.

Friday will be the Jamboree Show only and, on Saturday, the Mountain Gospel Jubilee will be held in the afternoon and the historic Barn Dance will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday night.

Renfro Valley was founded by the late John Lutz, in 1931. He is a charter member of the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame.

Renfro Valley will kick off their annual concert also on Saturday night with a gospel show featuring the famous Bluegrass group I'll Be Tyme Out.

The "Possum", George Jones, will be in the valley early this year for a March 20th show.

Other headliners this season include, the Osborne Brothers, Jessica Andrews, The McKameys, (a gospel group), the stuttering Mel Tillis, Michael Combs, Patty Loveless, Billy Ray Cyrus, Sammy Kershaw, Don Williams, Charley Price, Ronnie McDowell, Ray Price, Ricky Van Shelton, The Oak Ridge Boys and Loretta Lynn.

For tickets and information call (606) 256-2638 or (800) 765-7464.

## Guilty plea

Sammy Stewart, 29, of Orlando pled guilty in U.S. Federal Court last week to conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute Oxycotin, (OCs) a schedule II controlled substance.

OCs have become a very popular street drug over the past few years, especially in Kentucky, although it is a legal drug, used to fight pain from cancer.

Stewart faces a possible twenty year jail sentence, a \$1 million fine and not less than three years of supervised release, according to Rockcastle County Sheriff Darrell Doan, who helped in the investigation of the case against Stewart.

Stewart will be officially sentenced on May 24th.

## Local woman killed in wreck

A.Mt. Vernon woman, originally from Dayton Ohio, was killed Sunday morning in a single vehicle accident on U.S. 25.

The accident, which occurred sometime after 4:30 a.m. claimed the life of Tonya H. Hess, 25, of Dusty Trails Subdivision, Off Hwy. 461 was pronounced dead at the scene by Rockcastle County Coroner Bill Dowell.

According to state police in London, Ms. Hess was traveling north on 25, when she lost control of her Dodge mini-van, when it struck a guidewire and a utility pole.

Ms. Hess's death is the first on Rockcastle highways in 2004. Last year 13 people died on local highways.

Ms. Hess was buried in Clay County.

The site of the accident was in front of Parsons Gas at Roundstone



A Mt. Vernon woman was killed early Sunday morning when she lost control of the above Dodge Caravan on U.S. 25.



In the above photo, Ricky Skaggs, center, is shown playing the mandolin, and his band Kentucky Thunder put on a ninety minute show, Friday night, at Renfro Valley. According to Kentucky Hall of Fame and Museum co-director Robert Lawson, approximately 1,000 people attended. Lawson, shown in the middle of the photo, in the bottom photo said that all profits from the concert would go to benefit the Hall of Fame.

## State's road fund problem may slow Mt. Vernon-Stanford highway

Don't count on a safe, modern highway from Mt. Vernon to Stanford to be completed anytime soon. The new highway -- on paper at least -- would appear to be progressing nicely. US 150 has some \$34 million in right-of-way, utilities and construction scheduled for the next two years in Lincoln and Rockcastle counties. Proponents of the route say it will help open up the region for economic development.

Unfortunately, however, only 13 percent of the state's scheduled state funded projects will be advanced unless the General Assembly comes up with some more money.

The proposed FY 2005-2010 Six-Year Highway Plan, delivered to the General Assembly last week, clearly spells out that funds will be available to let to contract only \$200 million in SP (100 percent state funded) projects during the biennium against \$1.522 billion in SP projects scheduled in the plan for the biennium.

This means 87 percent of state funded projects, scheduled for FY 05-06, aren't going anywhere. And, the situation doesn't get better. Ac-

ording to the plan document, it will be possible to let only \$460 million in SP projects during the life of the Six-Year Plan. In all, there is \$1.913 billion in SP projects in the plan.

Kentucky Transportation Secretary Clay Bailey said the Cabinet would have about \$100 million in cash for the biennium available to apply to new projects which, under the cabinet's "cash flow" operating procedure, will translate into an estimated \$200 million in SP projects to be let to contract during the biennium.

Bailey said safety will be a priority for the SP work that will be undertaken.

"Projects across the state that are being stopped because of a lack of funds are important for improved safety, increased travel efficiency, and, in many cases, will help facilitate economic development," according to Jack Fish, president of Kentuckyans for Better Transportation (KBT).

"This is a much bigger problem than most people realize," said Fish. "because there is additional highway

work in every county that needs to be undertaken, but as long as the state construction "fume" is backing up, it is difficult to think of scheduling new projects. If you are unable to design, right of way and utilities, it means that construction is just postponed further into the future.

"To keep state projects on schedule, help ensure that every area has a safer highway system and makes needed improvements for economic development and tourism, it is essential to have more adequate revenues for transportation. If we want this to be a state that offers good job opportunities, we must be willing to invest in programs like transportation and education that make us globally competitive."

"Kentucky must have more road fund revenue if the state is going to preserve the highway-system it has today and improve level of service."

Kentucky's user fee of 16.4 cents per gallon on gasoline is lower than any border state. Nationally, 45 states have higher fees on gasoline than Kentucky. Ohio recently raised its 22 cents per gallon fee to a phased-in 28 cents. Other states are Illinois; 30.0 cents; West Virginia, 25.4 cents; Indiana, 23.2 cents; Tennessee, 21.4 cents and Virginia 18.9 cents.

Kentucky's automobile registration fee of \$134 is lower than any border state. The passenger vehicle fee in Illinois is \$78; Ohio \$34.25; Missouri \$33.25; West Virginia \$30; Virginia \$28.5; Tennessee, \$24 and Indiana \$20.75.

Some 86 counties have SP projects estimated at \$1.5 million more for the biennium. Counties with \$30 million or more in projects for the biennium are: Adams, \$35 million; Boone, \$31.8 million; Barren, \$47 million; Calloway, \$51.3 million; Christian, \$51.4 million; Floyd, \$46.4 million; Graves, \$37.6 million; Harlan, \$31.5 million; Jefferson, \$108.1 million; Kenton, \$58.5 million; Madison, \$48.9 million; McCracken, \$51.7 million; Montgomery, \$32.5 million; Pulaski, \$49.1 million and Rowan, \$39 million.

Federally-funded projects in the Six-Year Plan will -- based on the

## Brodhead man charged with robbery at bank

Police are investigating a robbery at Citizens Bank last Wednesday.

The robbery occurred as Mrs. Betty Lou Whitaker, and her sister, Mary Jane Randolph, were leaving the drive-thru window.

The two had just cashed checks and were driving through the back parking lot of the bank when Eric Burke, 29, of Brodhead reportedly flagged them down and said that bank employees had told him to stop the two women and tell them to stop the money.

Burke said that one of them had not gotten all of their money.

According to Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff William Harris, when Mrs. Whitaker began to count her money in front of Burke, he grabbed the money and ran off.

Two bank employees knew Burke's identity and notified police, according to Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds, who is the prosecutor in the case.

The Major Crimes Task Force, which consists of members of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's office, the Mt. Vernon Police Department and the Kentucky State Police, responded to the incident and Burke was arrested at his apartment in Brodhead.

When police arrested Burke later in the day, they had been a video camera which had been stolen from the Rockcastle Sheriff's office earlier in the day.

Burke had been in district court and apparently was waiting for court proceedings, when he ventured into a private office of the Sheriff's department to steal the camera.

Authorities said he had asked for a piece of candy.

Burke was charged with robbery second degree, receiving stolen property, over \$300, public intoxication, second degree, possession of an illegal drug, terroristic threatening and

menacing.

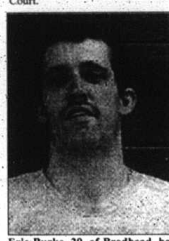
Mrs. Whitaker positively identified Burke as the robber. He got \$400 in robbery.

No one was hurt. In last week's incident and Burke is being held in the Rockcastle Detention Center on a \$25,000 cash bond.

He is due back in court on Monday.

Currently Brodhead has no police officer, but Sheriff's deputies have stepped up their patrols.

Burke has been convicted of ten counts of forgery and has other pending cases in Rockcastle District Court.



Eric Burke, 29, of Brodhead, has been charged with stealing \$400 from an elderly person.

## Vet Rep Here March 2

You may be entitled to receive benefits from the Veterans Administration that may include compensation for disease or injury received while in service, pension for wartime veterans, survivor benefits and assistance with medical expenses.

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## Indictment unsealed

A judicial seal on the court records of Stanford businessman Tommy Owens was lifted last week, in Rockcastle Circuit Court.

The court document shows that Owens, who last Tuesday pleaded no contest to assaulting a Stanford police officer two years ago, got a day in jail and was ordered to pay \$150 to repair a window he broke out of a police cruiser.

Owens, 60, was given credit for his one-day sentence for time served at the time of the incident in February, 2002.

Circuit Judge Bill Cain, sealed the record of the case, a highly unusual move, and issued a gag order barring everyone involved from discussing the case.

Cain, who is now a special Circuit Judge, residing over a few cases; has served Rockcastle, Lincoln and Pulaski counties for many years and was replaced on the full-time bench by former Rockcastle County Attorney Jeffrey T. Burdette.

He said last Tuesday the sealing of the court records was done so that Owens and his attorneys could determine what effect the plea would have on his \$125-million federal lawsuit against several Stanford police officers, two sheriff's deputies, a Kentucky State Police trooper and two jail workers.

The judge unsealed the case and lifted the gag order on Wednesday.

Owens said this week that he 'doesn't believe his plea bargained in the case will impact his civil lawsuit.' "It's not going to affect my lawsuit," Owens said.

The no contest plea, in which Owens admitted no guilt but agreed there was enough evidence to convict, came after Judge Cain ruled that Owens's 11-year-old daughter could be called to testify against her father.

Owens was accused of assaulting Mike Southerland, then a Stanford police captain, by throwing a plastic cup of water in his face. He also was

accused of kicking Deputy Sheriff Toby Henderson, who testified at one point in the proceedings that he didn't believe that Owens kicked him intentionally.

Southerland and the other officers were called to the Owens home in response to a 911 call by Owens's wife during an argument.

The water-cup incident occurred when the door was opened for the officers.

Owens was taken to jail that night on the assault charge. In his civil lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court, Owens said that he was handcuffed and beaten by police and further subdued unprofessionally with pepper spray in his face and at the Lincoln County Jail.

The assault case has been dragging through the courts for two years and was moved to Rockcastle County after prosecutors experienced problems finding a jury pool who hadn't done business with Owens, who has a car lot, concrete plant, asphalt paving business and a rock quarry, among other enterprises.

Prior to ruling that Owens's daughter might have to testify, Cain had ruled out having Owens' wife, Kathy, take the stand.

Deciding in favor of "marital privilege," Cain said that Mrs. Owens couldn't be forced to testify against her husband.

Her written statement, given under what Owens' lawyer described as the threat of jail the night of the incident, also was disallowed as evidence. If that statement, Mrs. Owens described her husband as "very violent and verbally abusive."

The judge said that despite the fact that Mrs. Owens was the one who called police to the home, "no wrongful conduct was ongoing at the time police arrived at the scene."

That decision limited the case to the assault charge alone and, the judge concluded, Mrs. Owens can't be compelled to testify against her husband.

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### T.J.'s Journal

by Tonya J. Cook

This past week we got our first taste of spring. That's fine but it leaves me with one serious question: What ever happened to winter? You know, it's that season at this time of year when it gets really cold, it snows about once a week with drifts at least three feet deep, the kids are out of school for a week or two at a time, and everyone sits around a big fire trying to stay warm while drinking cocoa. The white purity of the snow creates a winter wonderland outside and seems to cover up all the evil and vile things that exist. According to Stanley, this has been nothing but an "extended fall".

I'm sure you've guessed by now that Stanley and I are winter fans. It's not that we don't like summer, it's just that we don't like the heat, humidity, and all of the bugs that plague us each year, all the while we're just trying to stay cool.

I did take advantage of the recent warm weather, however. I had some flower bulbs that needed to be planted, so I got to work. They were some daylilies and tiger lilies that were given to me last fall that I hadn't gotten the chance to plant. I decided just to make a day of it and plant some of these bulbs at our house in Mount Vernon and our house in London and even a few at the local cemetery where my relatives are buried.

I never see a daffodil without thinking of a legendary daffodil that grows across the street from my Grandma's and Grandpa's house in Laureate County. It has bloomed there for over a hundred years now, and has a quite a history, to go with it.

My grandparents lived in an area of Laurel County known as Bernstadt, or the Swiss Colony. It was settled in 1881 by Swiss settlers who cleared the land and colonized a little area and named it "Bernstadt" in honor of Bern, Switzerland. There were about fifty or more original settlers. After clearing the land, they made farms, built stores, schools and churches. The old original church and one store are still standing and have been kept up very well. After several years, the name "Bernstadt" was replaced, and the area became known as the Swiss Colony, or just "The Colony".

My grandparents didn't move to The Colony until the mid-1940s. They weren't Swiss, but my grand father was related closely to the Joneses who had married several of the Swiss descendants. Therefore, we were related to almost everyone in the whole area. One of the old original settlers was Rheinhardt Ott and his family. He had a little girl who was about two or three years old when he helped settle

Bernstadt, or perhaps she was born very shortly thereafter. Her name was Mina. She lived until she was over 100 years old, and had a clear memory and was able to talk until she was at least 99. She knew everybody in the area, all of their generations, and most of their history for about a hundred years. She had been heard from an oral history of the Bernstadt area and Switzerland that dated being around one hundred years.

She and her husband, Paul had been adopted by everyone in the community. She became known to the community as "Aunt Minnie" and was known as a "wee, elderly" couple that everyone loved. They had a big farm with a lot of livestock. They farmed until they were in their 80s. This beloved old couple owned the land across the road from my grandparents. I suppose Aunt Minnie had inherited it from her father. The road that separated my grandparents' land from Minnie's and Paul's was originally the Main Street of Bernstadt.

When I was a child, I would often walk across the road to visit Aunt Minnie and Uncle Paul. She could make some of the best cookies you ever put in your mouth. As I ate the cookies and drank the milk, I could smell fresh milk from her favorite cow, Buttercup. Minnie would usually tell something about her childhood and the setting of Bernstadt.

As it turns out, there was a General Store that sat on the huge yard in front of Minnie and Paul's house near the road. She said that one day there was a holdup at the store. The thieves came in the store demanding money, which they took, and ran to their horses outside to make their getaway. The store clerk ran to the door, trying to shoot them but they rode away. However, one of the thieves got the clerk. The clerk fell out of the door of the General Store, and died before the local doctor arrived.

That was in the 1890s. Since then, the store has been torn down, the field has been planted in many crops such as tobacco, corn, and in vegetable gardens. It has even pastured livestock in its more-than-a-century history.

One thing you can always count on, even after the field has been tilled numerous times, is that there is a lone daffodil that always returns each spring. It grows in the exact same location every year. I personally have seen it grow in the same location for over forty years. That location is the same spot on which the store clerk died over a hundred years ago. Aunt

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## Our Readers Write

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the following businesses, community leaders, parents and individuals for their support of Project Graduation 2004. Without your support, we could not make this event a success.

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Don Rose, Hayes Lammer, Jeffrey T. Burdette, Main Street Music, Virginia McKinney (McKinney Tax Service), Brodhead Pawn Shop, Brodhead Baptist Church. Project Graduation 2004 Committee

Dear Editor,

It is indeed gratifying to read letters that make sense and are well written like the one by Lyana Noone of Berea in the February 12th issue of *The Signal*. Not only does the lady have knowledge of which she speaks, she can spell, too. I just learned a thing or two from her.

I had hoped someone of Ms. Noone's intellect might challenge Jim Norton, so many of his views are way off base, especially his opposition to the tax cut. Overtaxed Americans deserve a break now and then and anyone who would deny us some relief appears a bit heartless, or ill-informed. Then there are those who offend us with complaints that the cuts aren't enough to be of any help to them. In which case I suggest they endorse their refund check and return it. The government can use the money.

In a recent encounter with one malcontent who mused that he refused to be a "mere pittance" compared to what rich people received, I replied, "Oh, that is a shame! How much did you get under the previous administration?" He changed the subject.

Liberal bias is so transparent and childish. These people have never learned to lose gracefully, so they pick at issues they normally embrace or ignore within their own group.

"R-I-C-H" has become an unflattering four-letter word they apply to Republicans only while pretending not to notice that rich people also exist in their party. A number of them are in Congress. And some would be President.

There is nothing wrong with having money. In fact, I'm all for it and appreciate the fact that most use some of what's left after taxes to invest in companies that provide jobs for working people. I can think of so many blessings we enjoy that are a direct result of rich people's tax base.

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East  
By  
Ike Adams

All day I have been humming an old John Prince song—"Grandpa was a carpenter, he built houses stores and banks. Chained smoked Camel Cigarettes and hammered nails in planks. He was level on the level. Shored each and every door and voted for Eisenhower cause Lincoln won the war."

My favorite memories of my Grandpa sometimes overwhelm me but sometimes they are just yesterday.

I never called him Grandpa. By the time I came along, he was "Pap" to everybody in the family. My aunts and uncles called him Pap. All his grandkids and great-grand kids called him Pap. People who were not directly related called him Pap unless they were running for office. In which case he was Mr. Mone.

My parents lived in the old home place with Pap. Mom was the youngest daughter of Papa's 9 kids and it was a foregone conclusion that he would inherit the homestead if she took care of him in his old age. Not that he required much care. Even in his eighties, pap could work like a mule.

He had an old hillside fruit orchard—pears, apples, peaches that they picked much work up by the time I came along but in late fall he would grab a few 50lb. coffee sacks out of the barn and we would venture up the hillside where he would rescue choice Grimes Golden, Winesaps, Red/ Golden Delicious and Rome Beauties and carefully pack them in the sacks.

During cold weather we would go the barn lot and pap would twist up tobacco leaves for hours on end. He split the stems out of the leaves with a little pocket knife and I would pile up the stems and fetch him new leaves and he would braid them into tight knots that looked for all the world like a woman's hair braid.

You could use the twists for pipe tobacco but most people chewed it. Pap would take the twists out at the little stores for whatever suited his

fancy. Peppermint candy sticks usually paid for my help in the bargain. But he would get coal oil, carbide and whatnot too. No money ever changed hands.

I remember as well as if it was yesterday, sitting astraddle of Pap's shoulders at the Isom, KY, voting precinct polls in November when Dwight David Eisenhower was elected president.

The button looked larger than a dinner plate to me but it said "I like Ike" and had a picture of General Eisenhower front and center. Pap pinned it to my jacket. But as far as Pap was concerned, I was the candidate. He was having the time of his life and so was I.

Pap died in November the next year. He was 86 years old. And you have never known a little boy as lost as I was when I realized that Pap was gone and not coming back again. I went to this day—fifty years after his passing.

Now I make annual trips to the old family cemetery and I visit my Mom's and Dad's graves, but before I leave the graveyard, I lean up against Pap's old modest marble stone and I remember the apples and the tobacco and that wonderfully cold November day when the ground was frozen hard and Eisenhower was elected President.

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### Rheumatoid Arthritis is Often Confusing

Presented by Dr. Kevin Rowe  
Used to be easy to tell when someone had rheumatoid arthritis. The wrists and knuckles were greatly swollen, the joints red and warm, and the fingers were bent to the side.

Doctors do not see these classic signs very often any more. The illness is treated much earlier these days, usually before any of these changes appear, and even before blood tests turn positive.

Rheumatoid arthritis starts out with soreness and activity of the joints, stiffness on arising in the morning and other variable symptoms that often make the person think of Lyme disease or other illnesses first.

The most common presentation of rheumatoid arthritis is joint pain slowly becoming worse over a few weeks or months. Then one joint becomes swollen and red, then a few more joints become involved. It is most common in women—nearly three times as common as in men.

Stiffness that lasts an hour or more in the morning is a significant sign, and the activity of the disease can actually be measured by how long this stiffness lasts each morning. It is also common for people to have weight loss, fatigue, weakness and aching muscles.

The joints that are most commonly involved are the wrists, knuckles, first finger joints, knees, shoulders and hips. It does not normally affect the back. Symptoms can also develop away from the joints, including nodules under the skin, lung disease, inflammation around the heart and a variety of eye problems.



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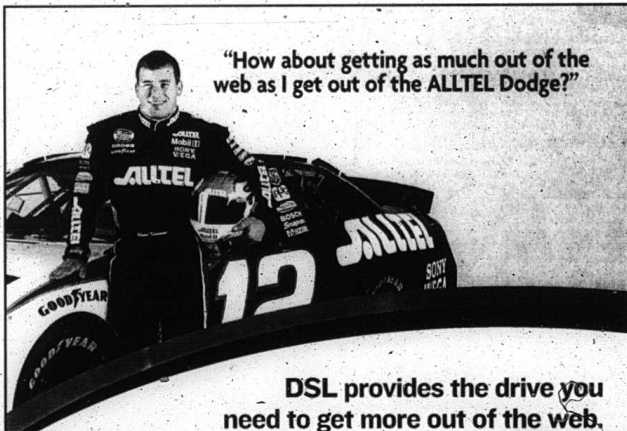
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# Obituaries



## Mary Saylor

Mrs. Mary Rebecca Cope Saylor, 83, of Broadhead, wife of Cleston R. Saylor, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 at the Rockcastle Hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. Saylor was born November 1, 1920 in Glamorgan, VA, the daughter of John Mack and Elizabeth Arnold Cope. She was a member of the Broadhead Baptist Church, an educator of 44 years, having taught eight years in Jenkins, seven years in Broadhead, thirteen years at the old Mt. Vernon High School, one year at Brown School in Pulaski County and as counselor at Rockcastle County High School for 15 years.

Besides her husband whom she married July 19, 1945, survivors are three sons, E. Howard (Sharon) Saylor of Mt. Vernon and John Boone (Karen) and Cleston Anthony (Rebecca), all of Broadhead; eight grandchildren; three brothers, Charles Andrew Cope, Robert Arnold Cope and Cecil Cope, all of Broadhead; a sister, Shirley Cope, also of Broadhead as well as a host of friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, John Henderson Cope, James Winfield Cope and Ralph Houser Cope and two sisters, Sue Ella Brown and Margaret Jane Cole.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 25, 2004 at the Broadhead Baptist Church with Bro. Dan Gutenson officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery in Broadhead.

Marvin E. Owens Home for Funeral was entrusted with arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of memorial contributions to the Broadhead Baptist Church Building Fund.

Casketbearers were Johnathan Howard Saylor, Cleston Reed "Maxwell" Saylor, Joe Wiegold of Columbus, Hayes Perkins, Eddie Cash and Ben Graves.

Honorary bearers were Casey Carroll, Ryan Riddle, Ronnie Cash, Jerry Lefevers, Clayton Cash, Mark Bray and Jim Buswell.

Condolences to the family may be made to her online register book at [www.marvinewenfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvinewenfuneralhome.com).

## Charles W. McDaniel

Charles W. McDaniel, 71, of Mason, Ohio, died February 14, 2004 at Bethesda North Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was born in Rockcastle County, the son of Crit and Martha McDaniel and in 1955 married Rheta Hendrickson, with whom he had graduated from Broadhead in 1951.

He was self-employed in the heating and plumbing business, was of the Protestant Faith and spent two years in the Army during the Korean War serving in Vienna, Austria with the International Patrol 796th MP Battalion. He was a life member of the VFW Post #9622 and a member of the American Legion Post #194, Mason, Ohio.

Besides his wife, survivors are two children, Randal (Joy) of Angleton, Texas and Lee Ann Carr (David) of Powell, Ohio; one grandson; one brother, Robert (Bessie Worfield) of Lexington and Ruby Lefevers (Clyde) of Danville; a close friend, Fred Wiegold of Columbus, Ohio and numerous nieces and nephews.

Private services were held February 17 with Military Honors presented by the Mason VFW and American Legion at Rose Hill Cemetery in Mason, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or charity of your choice.

## Nathan Clark

Nathan Clark, 93, of Wildie, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 at his home. He was born in Climax (February 10, 1911), the son of Arthur and Sarah Ellen Young Clark. He was a farmer and a retired press operator for Parker Seal Co. He was a fifty-year Mason and was, at the time of his death, the oldest member of the Wildie Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine Verns Sexton Clark; three daughters, Vera Dailey (Jack) of Mt. Vernon, Shirley Bullen of Berea and Brenda Merritt of Wildie; two brothers, George Clark of Hamilton, OH and David Clark of Berea; four sisters, Mattie McGuire of Cleves, OH, Marie Northern and Pearl Bryant, both of Berea and Nancy Clark of Phoenix, AZ; five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Bernice, four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services for Mr. Clark will be conducted Thursday, February 26 (today) at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home, Chapel by Bro. Kenton Parkey. Burial will follow in the Clark Cemetery at Climax.

Pallbearers will be Michael Bird, Stephen Bird, Wayne Bird, Gary Bullen, Anthony Coffey and J.B. Duley.

Honorary pallbearers will be James (Jack) Abrams, Roger Burke, Dennis Clark, Tommy Clark, Brian Coffey, Buck Farthing, Bob Huff, Joe Merritt, Jerry Merritt, Butch Ramsey, Jay Ramsey and Jan Stevens. Condolences to the family of Mr. Clark may be made by visiting his online register book at [www.dowellmartin.com](http://www.dowellmartin.com).

## Syble Lunsford

Syble Irene Lunsford, 80, of Broadhead, died Monday, February 23, 2004 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born August 15, 1923, the daughter of Johnnie and Selby Payne Lunsford and was a member of the Broadhead Methodist Church. She operated a service station in Corbin and the Dix Point Restaurant in Broadhead for 24 years as well as worked at The Mt. Vernon Signal.

Survivors include her son, Johnny Ray Lunsford (Belinda) of Broadhead; three grandchildren and a host of friends and neighbors.

Funeral services will be Thursday, February 26 at 11 a.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Randal Adams officiating. Burial will follow in the Piney Grove Cemetery in Broadhead.

Condolences to her family may be made on her online register book at [www.marvinewenfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvinewenfuneralhome.com).

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## William Clay Gabbard

William Clay Gabbard, 81, of Hain Road in Berea, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 at St. Joseph East Hospital in Lexington.

Mr. Gabbard was born in Rockcastle County to Thomas and Polly Gadd Gabbard, was a self-employed carpenter and a member of Liberty Avenue Baptist Church. Survivors include one sister, Ina Johnson of Paint Lick; several nieces and nephews including Jonathan Durbin and Janet Mae Hill, both of Mt. Vernon and special friends, Tasha Luster and Judy Guillen.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Myrtle Marie Miller Gabbard; two brothers, Johnny and Ermit Gabbard and one sister, Ruth Geneva Gabbard.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 26 (today) at 2 p.m. in Berea with Rev. Randy McPherson officiating. Burial will follow in the Chastain Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Mike Johnson, Brandon Spurlock, Steve Gabbard, Ermit Gabbard, James Gabbard and Steve Parker. Honorary pallbearers will be Michael Johnson, Aaron Spurlock and Johnathan Durbin.

If you are unable to attend services, you may sign the register book at [www.lakesuperiorhome.com](http://www.lakesuperiorhome.com).

## Dorothy B. Anglin Ashcraft

Mrs. Dorothy Bernice Anglin Ashcraft, 64, of Eminence, and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 at the Jewish Hospital in Shelbyville. She was born in Rockcastle County March 30, 1939, the daughter of Jones and Dexter White Anglin, was a homemaker and attended the Baptist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Gary Rynes of French Lick, IN and Ricky Rynes of Eminence; one daughter

## Cards of Thanks

### Bernice Cummins

We, the family of Bernice Cummins, extend our heartfelt thanks to all the wonderful people who offered prayers, visited, sent flowers, money, food and cards during the illness and loss of our beloved wife and mother. Our hearts are filled with special thoughts for the numerous churches and individuals who offered words of love, encouragement and support during our time of grief.

A special thank you to Marvin and Judy Owens, Bro. Larry Burton, Bro. Mike Phillips, Bro. Herb Clark and Bro. John Hoskins for the beautiful service and music. Thanks to all the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers, the doctors and nurses at St. Joseph Hospital and to Theresa Hopkins and Hospice for all the help they provided. To Ruby Brock and Rachel Cummins, whose help was priceless, words cannot express our appreciation.

Again, Thank You to all our family and friends for your thoughtful-ness, love and support during and after our loss. Mother is gone but will live forever in our hearts. Thanks to your caring ways and the loving memories you helped to make.

May God grant many blessings upon you and your loved ones.

Money Ed Cummins  
Sylvia Waddell, Dale Thelcomb and Family

Patricia Dunn (Randy) of Garland, TX; three brothers, Donald Anglin and David Anglin, both of Orlando and Delmer Anglin of Bland, MO; three sisters, Geneva Patterson of Corpus Christi, TX, Ruby Elkins of Loveland, OH and Linda Daubert of Bland, MO; nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Graveside services for Ms. Ashcraft were conducted Wednesday, February 25 at the Anglin Cemetery. Arrangements were by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Condolences to the family of Mrs. Ashcraft may be made by visiting her online register book at [www.dowellmartin.com](http://www.dowellmartin.com).

## Juanita R. Osborne

Juanita R. Osborne, 78, of Bratcher Lane in Berea died Saturday, February 21, 2004 at Berea Hospital.

Elna in Rockcastle County to St. Elmo "Elnor" and Rosa Saylor Reesor. Mrs. Osborne was a member of the Berea Evangelistic Church.

Besides her husband, Clinton C. Osborne, she is survived by four children, Brenda Blanton, Patsy Isaacs (Harry), Paul D. Osborne (Teresa), Jeff Osborne (Sherry) and Joyce Doyle Rose; one step-son, Bobby Clinton Osborne; three sisters, Lucy Adams, Anna Carrier and Della Chastain and one brother, S.T. "Tim" Rector; 12 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Mrs. Osborne was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Cora Doyle and Celia Soard and three infant sisters.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 24 at Berea Evangelistic Church with Bro. Fred Wynn, Bro. Don Wilson, Bro. Mickey Bowling and Bro. Randal Adams officiating. Burial followed in the Saylor Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Eddie Blanton, Barry Blanton, Stanley Blanton, Paul D. Osborne, Jr., Michael P. Osborne, Cha Lee and Weston Osborne.

## Bob French

Bob French, 76, of Mt. Vernon, husband of Betty Ramsey French, died Wednesday, February 25, 2004 at his home.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, February 26 at Cox Funeral Home with funeral services scheduled for Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

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

## Pleas Earl Nunn

Pleas Earl Nunn, 77, of Paint Lick, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 at the Berea Hospital.

He was born in carter county to Pleas Wade and Della Vaughn Nunn, was a farmer and a member of the Linden Street Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Marnie Thomas Nunn, three children, Etta Louise Ridenour (Ronnie) of Hamilton, OH, Phyllis Ann Isaacs (Raymond) of Paint Lick and Earl Edward Nunn (Doris) of Richmond, two sisters, Betty Dunaway of Eaton, OH and Brenda Nunn of Washington Court House, OH; three brothers, Jerry Nunn of OH, Harold Nunn of MI and Wade Nunn of OH; 18 grandchildren; 40 great grandchildren and four great great grandchildren.

Besides his parents, Mr. Nunn was preceded in death by one sister, Francis "Toots" Bates and a brother, Jim Nunn.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 25 at Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Bro. Oswald Moody (Doris) of Greengraves, KY officiating. Burial followed in the Isaacs Cemetery.

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# Church News

## Gospel Singing

There will be a Gospel Singing at Maunberg Baptist Church on Hwy. 150 Sun., Feb. 29th at 7 p.m. The Gabbard Family will be singing and there will be refreshments and fellowship following. The public is invited to attend.

## Chili Supper

There will be a chili supper Saturday, February 28 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Burnett Chapel United Methodist Church on Hwy. 934, Somerset. \$5 per person. Proceeds will go toward missionary work.

## Gospel Singing at Ottawa

There will be a Gospel Singing at Ottawa Baptist Church Sunday night, Feb. 29 at 7 p.m., with the Patriot Quartet from Salvisa. Everyone welcome.

## Patriot Quartet at New Hope

The Patriot Quartet will be singing at New Hope Church of God, off Hwy. 39 Sunday morning, Feb. 29th at 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.

**our email address has changed**  
mvsignal@alltel.net



Flat Rock Baptist Church pastor Larry Burton, left, wishes to congratulate their 2004 Sweethearts, Leonard and Emily Barton. The Bartons reside at Orlando and have been married for 26 years. They are faithful members and a great asset to our church.

## Spring revival at First Christian is March 12-14

First Christian Church announces its upcoming Spring Revival Friday evening through Sunday morning, March 12-14. Dennis Mullins, preaching pastor of the Morrison Hills Christian Church, Kingston, TN will bring the challenge each night. The theme will be "To Be Like Jesus."

Brother Mullins will be bringing with him the Morrison Hills Christian Church praise band. There will be snacks each night with a carry-in luncheon on Sunday after morning services. If you have questions or comments, call Bro. Bruce Ross at 256-2876.

## Are you at risk for heart disease?

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in Rockcastle County as well as our country. Medical research has shown that if we lead healthy lifestyles that include making healthy food choices, daily physical activity, normal body weight and choosing not to smoke can dramatically decrease our risk for heart disease. Many of us "know" these things but we find it difficult to actually

practice healthy lifestyles. Since February is American Heart Month, we would like to challenge each and everyone to find out more about how to protect their health.

We would also like to challenge the community to participate in the Community Walking Program. The Rockcastle County Health Department has sponsored a 24-week Community Program for the past three years. The program has a 12-week session in the fall and a 12-week session in the spring. Participants can walk anywhere they want, but are required to document the miles or time spent walking on a walking log. At the end of the program, walkers can receive incentive items such as T-shirts, pedometers (which record distance or steps walked) and water bottles.

If you are interested in improving your health, improving the way you feel... we invite you to sign up for the spring session of the Community Walking Program. You can fill out a registration form and begin your walking in March. If you would like more Healthy Heart information, or have questions about the walking program, please contact the Rockcastle County Health Department at 256-2242.

## "TJ's Journal"

(Cont. from A-2)

Minnie said that it could not be explained, and she was certain no one had ever planted a daffodil bulb there. All of the locals in this community know the history of this flower and decided to take their money and buy a daffodil. Her next thought was a shocker that few of us ever considered. Just suppose the top ten percent had finally had enough of the liberals' wealth redistribution efforts and decided to take their money and migrate to some other country? Think about it! Schools, manufacturing plants, hospitals, even churches, would fall under the crunch. There would be no more programs for the retired and the indigent, no social security, welfare, food stamps, Medicare, Medicaid; no more government as we know it. There has never been anything like it, even in the Great Depression, and few among us could survive such a catastrophe. But, if we keep demanding more and more from the achievers we could see such an exodus. And your rich liberals would be leading the pack!

## "Letters"

(Cont. from A-2)

and generosity. As Ms. Noone said, the top 10% of income earners in the US pay two-thirds of 67% of all personal income taxes. Her next thought was a shocker that few of us ever considered. Just suppose the top ten percent had finally had enough of the liberals' wealth redistribution efforts and decided to take their money and migrate to some other country? Think about it! Schools, manufacturing plants, hospitals, even churches, would fall under the crunch. There would be no more programs for the retired and the indigent, no social security, welfare, food stamps, Medicare, Medicaid; no more government as we know it. There has never been anything like it, even in the Great Depression, and few among us could survive such a catastrophe. But, if we keep demanding more and more from the achievers we could see such an exodus. And your rich liberals would be leading the pack!

We must not be fooled by campaign rhetoric against "the rich," when many of the spokesmen have more money than those they oppose. So, of course, they are not serious in opposing the President for favoring

the rich. It's hypocrisy, pure and simple.

And it's the same with the war on terror. They're for it, but they are against it only because a Republican president sits in the Oval Office. They know he is right and have voted with him on the issue, but must now find some excuse to explain their vote. Today, some of the inflammatory charges emerging from the Democrat camp border on sheer treason! Do they not remember 9-11? Such an attack should have brought us together in unquestioned unity and proved to the enemies of freedom that you don't mess with the USA. Such was the case with Pearl Harbor under FDR, but that was when patriotism was clearly defined. Nobody sided with the enemy!

I remember a time when troop morale was more important than politics. And I also remember when they changed. Our Air Force son, now deceased, was in Vietnam. Because of Jane Fonda and her anti-American cohorts, Ron and his fellow soldiers had to shed their uniforms and don civilian clothes before landing at the airport on their return to the states. And this was no President waiting to say, "Well done!"

We are blessed to have a President who cares enough to greet and thank the troops on base or as they return home after accomplishing a particular mission. I trust that his thoughtfulness will not be downplayed in the upcoming election campaign, as they must surely mean a lot to those who risk their lives, and to their loved ones back home.

I am grateful for a President who attends church regularly and is not ashamed to pray for our country and for the brave men and women who defend it. We owe him the same courtesy and respect. God bless you, Mr. President, and God Bless America! F. Christine McKinney West Chester, Ohio

## Dear Editor,

I just wanted to give my opinion on a few points regarding schools today.

Firstly, I have nothing against superintendents, as they perform many needed functions and oversee their school system, which involves much time and effort. However, I question why they should earn nearly \$93,000 per year, or as is probably the case in larger systems, even more. Teachers who deserve so much more than they are currently getting in Kentucky should be given substantial pay raises per month while the superintendents should receive comparable cuts in their salaries. \$50,000 per year for a superintendent should be more than enough. I myself, never made over \$13,000 per year and I worked six days per week, usually over 40 hours per week, for over nine years until I had an illness that ended it. Why should good teachers have to worry

about getting into another line of work because of low pay (and for not being able to enforce discipline as much as they could two decades ago), while the superintendents are making two or three times more than they are?

Secondly, I wonder why it should be necessary or priority to spend a total of \$163,000 for construction of bleachers at the football stadium and for a batting and pitching facility for the baseball team. Even if this money might not be able to be used under rules in place for anything academic for our students, does it seem right at this time? No wonder our educational system is so messed up. Don't get me wrong, I have been as much of a fan of Rockcastle County sports teams as anyone but I think these things are luxuries and funds are being wasted or misappropriated by our officials. More should be done to help our students to get an excellent education first and foremost. Any leftover funds could then be used. I'm not sure, but I doubt that the way things occur today, also, extra funds could be used for retrofitting school buses with state-of-the-art safety equipment before being used for sport purposes.

I realize this letter was long. It is just a few things to ponder upon. Thank you, Don Howard Mt. Vernon, Ky.

## Dear Editor,

In Brodhead, there lives a woman named Alice Alexander. She is a widow in her sixties. She serves God faithfully, going the extra mile to help others in her dedication to Christ. I have been a witness to that many times.

She is not wealthy by the world's standards at all, but, if the love and compassion in her heart were valued as a currency, she would be one of the richest people I know.

I'm writing to you today because I have seen this good woman suffer because of a dog that was stolen from her. I'm writing in the hope that

someone, somewhere has seen something or knows something and would be willing to help her.

Alice had a black border collie she named Julie that had a white blaze face and tail. Alice and her husband bought the dog together eight years ago. Julie has been great company and comfort to Alice since her husband passed away three years ago.

A little over a month ago, Alice had her Julie out of her pen to exercise and she saw two men, wearing baseball caps driving a red truck, trying to coax the dog to come with them. Alice called Julie and she ran from the men.

A few days later, when Alice let Julie out she never came back. We have heard from others that their dogs are missing too. Several dogs that would be worth money have been taken in the Rockcastle County area recently. I hope this letter may cause people to use extra caution so this won't happen to them.

If you can help Alice find her dog, please call 758-4947. I have watched her look out of her kitchen window at her empty dog pen and heard her say how she didn't know how she would ever get over losing Julie.

I pray that the people that did this terrible thing would have compassion in their hearts for people instead of the love of money or things that causes them to act so terribly against one of the kindest women I have ever known.

Regina Hedgerph  
Brodhead, Ky.



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—A message of hope from your friends at  
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The Community Walking Program is for all residents of Rockcastle County who are interested in improving their health. The goal of the program is to walk a minimum of five days a week for thirty minutes. The program will last for 24 weeks. There will be 12 weeks in the spring and 12 weeks in the fall. Participants who complete the program and turn in their walking logs will be eligible to receive incentives or prizes.



Participants will register at the Rockcastle County Health Department. Each person will receive a registration packet and a walking log-book to track their time or mileage. At the time of registration, it is not required, but walkers can have their height, weight, and pulse recorded. In addition, body measurements such as circumference of waist, hips, thighs and arms can also be recorded. These body measurements can provide the walker valuable information and encouragement as you see positive changes in your body with a consistent exercise program. Follow-up measurements will be offered at the end of the program.

Walking will be done at each individual's convenience, wherever he or she desires. Mileage or time will be documented on the honor system. At the end of the program, walkers that complete the program will be eligible to receive incentives and recognition for their outstanding effort!

Call the Rockcastle County Health Department if you want more information or have questions. To register, fill out the form below and mail or drop off your form at the Health Dept. If you mail your form, you should contact the Health Dept. to find out when you can come in to pick up a walking log and be measured.

Important Dates: Spring Sign-ups begin: March 1, 2004  
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 I, above, signed and fully understand and appreciate the risk of participating in the walking program and knowingly accept them as my responsibility.

## Burdette honored

Rockcastle, Pulaski and Lincoln Circuit Court Judge Jeff Burdette was honored Tuesday, February 17th by the Kentucky County Attorney Association in Frankfort.

Burdette, who was recently appointed by Governor Ernie Fletcher, was recognized by the association for his "excellent service for the past ten years as Rockcastle County Attorney" and his "outstanding service to the Kentucky County Attorney Association as member of the board of directors and chairman of the legislative committee."

The Kentucky County Attorney Association passed a Resolution honoring Burdette and a presentation was made at its annual meeting and luncheon. Harold "Mac" Johns, president of the Association, said of Burdette, "He will be missed. He was committed and faithful to our efforts, both as chairperson of our legislative

committee, and as a board member." Burdette had been a member of the Association since 1994 and was a director for the past two years.



Newly appointed Circuit Judge Jeff Burdette

## Extension Notes

The County Annual Tobacco Producers Meeting will be Thursday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m. at the RCHS cafeteria. Speakers are Extension Specialists Bob Pearce and Will Snell. Please register by calling 256-2403 by 4 p.m. on Friday, February 27.

Home Gardeners may place an order for strawberry plants at the Extension Office through March 12. Varieties include All Star, Red Chief and Sure Crop at the cost of \$12 per 100 plants. Call 256-2403 for more information.

A Quilted Fabric Hobo Purse will be taught at the Extension Office on February 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participants will provide their own materials. Call 256-2403 to register and for a list of supplies.

March 3, 1 p.m., Photo Magnets Class will be taught at Rockcastle Co. Public Library. Bring three-five photos and scissors. Call 256-2403 for details.

A Chénille Flag Pillow Class will be taught by Janice Hager at the Extension Office on March 12, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 256-2403 to register and for a list of supplies.

On March 5, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., there will be Workday for Quilts for those in need. All supplies are furnished. Volunteers are needed to tie and hem the quilts. Call 256-2403 for details.

The Rockcastle County Home-Drivers will sponsor a county Blood Drive at the Extension Office on March 23 from 10 to 6 p.m.

## Poet's Corner

I MISS  
To: Lisa Ann Griffin  
From: Dennis R. Griffin  
I miss this summer's pool fresh breeze,  
I miss this fall's burning leaves.  
I miss the times of you and me,  
I miss the times that hood for us!  
I miss the times we're not so smart,  
I miss the times we've lost apart.  
I miss your feel and your touch,  
I miss your smile so very much.  
I miss it all as you can tell,

I miss the most your sweet smell.  
If life was simple as you please,  
I'd ask once more down on my knees.  
But life has dealt us such bad hands,  
We no longer honor these golden bands.  
So without your smile, you can't stay  
But to our God, this I will pray.  
When it comes my Judgement Day,  
Beside my wife, I wish to lay.  
There will be no other,  
Dennis

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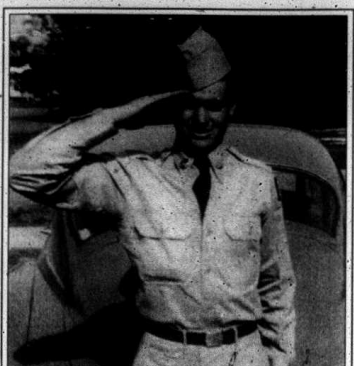
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This picture of Owen Hensley was taken in 1951 in Marville, California. Mr. Hensley was stationed in Camp Belle, California from July to October 1951 and was sent to Korea from October 1951 to November 1952.

## Hensley celebrating 50th anniversary

This week, Owen Hensley of Orlando, is remembering his return home after completing his tour of duty in the Korean War and receiving his honorable discharge on Feb. 27, 1954 from Fort Walters Air Force Base in Texas.

Having just enough money to purchase a train ticket to Memphis, TN, Owen hitchhiked rides, the rest of the way home from civilians who were also glad to give the service boys a free lift. Owen had time to reflect on his past years of service to the U.S. Army - Corp of Engineers.

Enlisting on February 26, 1951, he spent a year driving dump trucks in the combat zones of Korea. Two years were served in the British West Indies, building airfields with the Corp of Engineers.

Owen was wounded by grenade shrapnel, which he still carries in his left leg, suffered from frost bite to his hands and feet during a record cold winter in 1951-52 and was then stricken by severe food poisoning which necessitated a long recovery in 1952.

Owen was also awarded five medals during his tour of duty, including the Good Conduct Medal.

Written by Kathy Hensley in honor of her father-in-law and all who have served before and since in the United States Military.

### "It is Written"

We continue our series of studies on God's plan of salvation. Last week we noted that redemption begins with hearing the gospel. The next step is that we must believe in God and His Son Jesus Christ. *"For without faith it is impossible to please him, for he that cometh by God must believe that he is, and that he is rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb 11:6.* Note: the writer says that it is impossible (not "unlikely") to please him if we fail to believe. In John 3:16 we read: *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Yes, we must have faith in the Son of God. God has given us the evidence of evidence to convince any honest soul who will look into the scriptures and consider it - and accept our signifier and believe in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." John 20:30-31.* Jesus warns that if we fail to believe we shall be in our sins. *"I send the Holy Spirit unto you, that he shall testify in you for all that he hath said: for all that I have said, ye shall hear in our ears." John 8:24.* Let us know if we can help you in a study of God's word.

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The upcoming session is scheduled for June 6-26 on the Berea College Campus in Berea. Application deadline is April 14, 2004. The program is designed for women 30-55 who have completed high school, have a GED (or actively working on a GED) and do not have a college degree. The program provides educational opportunities through classes in computer basics, leadership development, Appalachian literature and writing. In addition to lectures, field trips and workshops focus on building self-confidence.

Job search skills will be identified and participants will learn to write resumes and practice interview techniques. Those selected to attend will also have internships in a field of interest, either on the Berea College campus or in the community. Lodging and all meals are provided and grants for travel and childcare are available. Requests for applications and additional information may be made by writing to the New Opportunity School for Women, 204 Chestnut St., Berea, Ky. 40403 or by phoning 859-985-7200.

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## VICA Chapter competes in Regional Contests

On Friday, February 13 the local Skills USA VICA Chapter competed in regional contest.

Students traveled to Laurel Technical College to participate in the Southeast Region VICA Competition.

Forty-six students from Rockcastle County ATC participated in 13 contests and finished with first place winners in 10 of those contests. The sixteen students placing first in Individual and Team competitions will represent the Southeast Region at State Skills USA VICA Competition in Louisville on April 1.

First place winners receiving Gold Medals were: Industrial Motor Controls, Jeff Todd; Extremoporous Speech, Derrick McClure; Prepared Speech, Adam Paquette; Job Demonstration, Stephen Powell; Action Skills, Willije Cooper; Job Interview, Brian Powell; Chapter Display, John Eldridge; Scrapbook, Jerilyn Mink & Amanda Rogers; and Bulletin Board, Alicia Anglin & Jessica Byrd.

First place team received a trophy and individual medals: Opening & Closing Team - Stephen Powell, Tanner Aiken, Mike Mills, Dustin Burdette, Jon Todd, Chris Alexander and Anthony Cummins.

Second place winners receiving Silver Medals: Welding, Josh Burke; Industrial Motor Controls, Mike Mills; Extremoporous Speech, Shane Cameron; Prepared Speech, Aaron Cromer; Automotive, Dustin Lear; Job Demonstration, Dustin Burdette; Action Skills, Jay Croucher.

Second place team received a trophy and individual medals: Opening & Closing Team - Tasha Parsons, Summer Owens, Brittany Himes, Kelly Fredricks, Lindsey Durham, Heather Penderly & Kendra Blanton.

Third place winners receiving Bronze Medals: Industrial Motor Controls, Chris Alexander; Extremoporous Speech, Robbie Mink; Prepared Speech, Kevin Vanwinkle; Automotive, Eric Wallin; Job Demonstration, Danielle Alexander and Job Interview, Brandon Robinson.

Third place team received a trophy and individual medals: Opening & Closing Team - Jennifer Evans, Justin Prewitt, Wesley McHargue, Marie Miller, Brad Saylor, Brandon Durham and Jesse McCollum.

Regional Statement papers were presented to Rockcastle students who completed the requirements of memorizing historical facts and current information about Skills USA VICA, such as pledge, creed, motto, theme, parliamentary procedures, colors, etc. Those receiving pins were: Chris Alexander, Danielle Alexander, Tanner Allen, Alicia Anglin, Jess Byrd, Jay Croucher, Anthony Cummins, Tasha Parsons, Heather Penderly, Stephen Powell, Jeff Todd, Lindsey Durham, Jennifer Evans, Matt Faulkner, Brittany Himes, Dustin Lear, David Miller, Marie Miller, Mike Mills, Summer Owens, Adam Paquette, Eric Wallin, Kendra Blanton, Nathan Bowman, Jeremy Howard, Jennifer Jones, James Judt, John Kerns and Jared Taubert.

## Academic Honor Roll



Elijah Lunsford, son of Debbie Bullcock and Wayne Lunsford, had a 4.07 GPA at Rockcastle County High School. He plans on attending the University of Kentucky on a Robinson's Scholarship and major in Pediatrics. He is vice-president of the Rocket Club, co-editor of the RCHS Yearbook and a member of the French Club.



Mr. William J. Parsons was among many of the RCMS staff to share favorite poems. Mr. Parsons shared an old poem found among his mother's treasures.



Sixth grader Samantha L. Smith was selected to share a poem at the RCMS Poetry Coffee House on Friday, February 13th.



RCMS 6th graders enjoyed the Coffee House atmosphere and listened attentively to the poetry. They have had a great time writing poetry and have developed a great appreciation of poetry during this unit of study.

## Cumberland College announces President's and Dean's List

The Cumberland College Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs announces that the following students have been named to the President's List for the Fall 2003 semester.

- Gretchen Rose Phelps, of Mt. Vernon.

Cumberland would also like to announce that the following students have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2003 semester.

- Amber Camille Thacker, of Crab Orchard.

Full-time students who have obtained a cumulative scholastic standing of 4.0 and have no grade of "I" are eligible for the President's List. Students with a cumulative scholastic standing of 3.5 are eligible for the Dean's List.

Cumberland College, located in Williamsburg, Kentucky, is a private liberal arts college in its 115th year of operation. Cumberland offers four undergraduate degrees in 37 major fields of study, 30 minors and nine pre-professional programs.

## RCMS Poetry Celebration

On Friday, the 13th of 2004, the RCMS 6th Grade hosted a poetry coffee house in the library.

The coffee house featured poems read by students, guests, and some of the middle school staff. One of the things that brightened up the event was when Mr. Cogger read one of his favorite poems, Ms. Vicky Anglin was also a great highlight of the event. Ms. Vicky read several of her poems, which had been published.

Ms. Arnold, the librarian, also read her favorite poem "Little Boy Blue", which she did exquisitely. The poetry house also featured students reading their own poetry and published poetry.

Overall the poetry coffee house was a great success. The Voyagers and Entrepreneurs would like to give a special thanks to the library staff for helping us put the coffee house together. We would like to thank 21st Century for donating the cakes and we would also like to thank the cooks for baking them for us.

Thanks to all the students who brought food and drinks and to the guests and students who read poetry. If we are leaving anyone out, we don't see it. We look forward to making this an annual event!

## Minds in the Middle

The RCMS Academic Team competed in regional competition this weekend. We appreciate that group for their hard work this year. A special congratulations goes to Erik Jordison. Erik placed fifth overall and will compete at state level competition.

Spring pictures will be taken Friday morning. Dress your best! The Boys Basketball Banquet will be held on Monday night at 6:00 p.m.

Our RAP topic for Wednesday was regarding having a positive attitude. People can change their lives by changing their attitude. We encourage parents to try their best to model positive attitudes. Be sure that you are targeting the positive aspects of your child, not focusing totally on negatives!

We are currently in the process of organizing our annual Reality Store. The Reality Store is a project that sets up a real-life situation for our eighth graders. They are given a salary based on their career interests, GPA's, and attendance. They must then pay all of the usual monthly expenses and any unexpected bills. We will be seeking parent and community volunteers to help with this event. This will be held on March 23rd.

Also on March 23rd, we have scheduled our RCMS Parent-Teacher conference. Please mark your calendars now to attend.

## FFA and WIX Filters join together in fund-raiser

The Rockcastle County FFA chapter is participating in a special fundraising program with WIX Filters through April 15, redeeming WIX filters box tops for 25 cents each.

"The funds we raise in this program are very important to our chapter's programs, and we are encouraging everyone in the community to use WIX Filters and save the box tops for our chapter," said FFA president Heather Adams. "You can drop your filters off at Rockcastle County High School or at a participating auto parts store, or give them to an FFA member."

WIX Filters is helping FFA chapters across the country raise funds through a box top promotion, paying 25 cents for every WIX filters box redeemed through April 15, 2004. Since the program began in 1986, WIX Filters has contributed more than \$475,000 to FFA chapters.

In addition to the 25cents paid for every WIX filters box top, the company is also offering four incentive bonuses of \$1,000 each to the chap-

ters with the highest number of box tops redeemed per member and a \$1,000 to the chapter with the greatest percentage increase from last year. WIX Filters also offers four National FFA College Scholarships to FFA members pursuing degrees in agricultural mechanics and WIX is a sponsor of the National FFA Foundation.

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## Youth Yak at RCHS

Our sympathy goes to the family of Mrs. Mary Saylor. Mrs. Mary was a friend, teacher and counselor to so many of us here at RCHS. Mrs. Mary passed away on Sunday, February 22 after a long illness. Her son, Coach Tony Saylor and his wife, Becky both are employees at RCHS. Her husband, Mr. Cleston Saylor, was principal at the high school for a number of years. So many of us in the field of education would like to think we were half the person that Mrs. Mary was. She will be missed.

Project Graduation is selling raffle tickets for a 52" wide-screen television. Price is \$2.00 per ticket, \$5.00 for three tickets. Drawing will be later in the spring. Students can pick up extra tickets to sell in the Youth Services office. If you ordered a Home Interior candle from a Senior, you can expect your order to arrive March 8. Thanks to everyone who has helped Project Graduation in any way.

Congratulations to RCHS Cheerleaders! They captured 1st place at Regional KAPOs competition yesterday in White County. They will advance to compete at the state level in small varsity on March 12. The KAPO will be March 20 at EKV. Good luck team!!!

Approximately 173 interested parents attended the Parent/Teacher Conference February 19. Mr. Hale and Staff would like to thank everyone who attended. Your support is greatly appreciated. Your child thanks you too.

The FCA Club will be taking a field trip to Richmond Mall to see the movie "The Passion of the Christ" on Thursday. The buses will leave at 5:30. If you have any questions contact Ms. Dawn Stallworth. Students remember that if you have five or more unexcused absences you will not be permitted to attend the prom or any other student activities except tutoring. Also Juniors, if you have five or more unexcused absences you will not be allowed to co-op your senior year.

Band News: EKV Honor Band participants on February 21, 2004.

Josh Nation, Mary Brinson, Drew Davidson, Sarah Bullock, Josh Ott, Scott Cain, Harold Burdette, Cody Moore

The students were recommended for Honors Band by their director based on past performance/accomplishments. Once accepted, they had to add to placement. All participants did a fantastic job. Harold Burdette was among the highest ranked students and was accepted to play in the most prestigious band-the Symphonic. Also, the RCHS Winterguard competed this weekend and placed 10th overall. Congratulations to all of these talented students!

Keith Coleman and Brittany Keth will represent the 13th region in State FCCLA competition in March. They competed Friday at Carwood and were winners! This is National FFA Week. The Rockcastle Chapter is sponsoring a "Listen to the Morning Announcements to Hear the Contest" on February 27-April ACT deadline. All correct answers will be entered into a drawing to be held Friday, Daily winners will receive \$5.00 and weekly winners will receive \$20.00.

On Wednesday, February 25, the Eastern Kentucky University Band will perform for us.

From the Coordinators Office: February 27-April ACT deadline February 28-EKV Spotlight Day and Farm Bureau Scholarship March 1-Jackson Energy Scholarship Deadline March 12-A.B. Happy Chandler Scholarship Deadline March 15-State/Financial Aid Deadline

## Free computer class begins

Parents who would like to learn more about computers can take advantage of two computer classes in Rockcastle County during March. The Forward in the Fifth Parent Information and Resource Center (PIRC) is co-sponsoring these classes with the Roundstone Family Resource Center and the Broadhead Family Resource Center.

Microsoft World for Beginners will take place at the Roundstone Elementary computer lab from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays March 9, 16, 23 and 30. The class is open to 15 parents in Rockcastle County and there is no charge. To register, please call Sandy Bullen at 256-5207.

An Excel Computer Course will be held at the Broadhead Elementary computer lab from 5:00-p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, March 8, 15 and 22. The class will be taught by Jennifer Brock and is open to 15 participants. To register, please call Ms. Satica at 758-8312.

Forward in the Fifth's vision is that members of our communities will have the educational opportunities necessary to live full and productive lives. Our mission is to: raise educational levels in the region; encourage life-long learning by providing opportunities for parents, educators, and community members; and to foster partnerships between communities and schools. PIRC offers services to parents who want to become a more integral part of their child's education.

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VICA president Stephen Powell, second from left, VICA president Summer Owens, HOSA president Ben Cromer and FBLA Historian Serenā Cunagin met with State Representative Danny Ford at the Capitol on February 10th to sign a proclamation declaring February 9-12, 2004 Vocational Education Week in Kentucky. Issues related to Vocational Education were discussed at the meeting and the future plans of these students were also discussed. A special thanks to Representative Ford for taking time from his busy schedule to meet with students from Rockcastle County Area Technology Center.



Career and Technical Education Student Organization Leaders participated in Student Organization Leadership Day in Frankfort.

## Career and Technical students participate in Leadership Day

Student leaders from the state's eight Career and Technical Education Student Organizations (CTSO) gathered in Frankfort Feb. 10th to observe and learn about state government and citizenship during Student Organization Leadership Day. The event was part of Career and Technical Education Week (Feb. 8-14) which was made official through a signed proclamation by Governor Ernie Fletcher.

Over 800 students and advisors from public, middle and high schools, area technology centers, technical and community colleges, and public universities throughout Kentucky converged on the Capitol to visit legislators, see displays about various CTSOs and hear from state representatives and senators about the workings of the government. Students learned how every person is affected by decisions made in the General Assembly.

Participants were able to visit their locally-elected legislators and sit in on sessions of the state's House of Representatives and Senate. Leadership Day is presented by the Kentucky Association for Career and Technical Education. The 2004 theme for Career and Technical Education Week was *Career Tech - The Path for Success*.

Career and Technical Education Student Organizations help members obtain leadership skills and gain experience that will help them pursue careers, college and lifelong learning.

Students from the Rockcastle County Area Technology Center in FBLA, HOSA and VICA clubs attending *Career Tech - The Path for Success* were:

Dustin Albright, Chris Alexander, Tanner Allen, Kendra Blanton, Carlista Bond, Claudia Brock, Nikki

Brock, Keshena Bullock, Dustin Burdette, Hollyann Colson, Benjamin Cromer, Anthony Cummins, Serenā Cunagin, Lindsay Durham, Kelly Fredricks, Ashley Hasty, Brittany Himes, Adam Hensley, Jessica Holbrook, James Isaacs, Jamie Lawrence, Gina McCure, Heather Miller, Mike Mills, Jen Lynn Mink, Erin Murphy, Charly Naylor, Summer Owens, Tasha Parsons, Bonnie Patterson, Heather Pendry, Stephen Powell, Josh Prewitt, Rose Prewitt, Brandon Robinson, Amanda Rogers, Jesse Rucker, Elizabeth Scarborough, Jeff Todd, Heather Wells, Jessica Zupanic.

## Mt. Vernon Message

For the week of 2/26-04  
**Upcoming Events**  
 The PTG dance is Friday, February 26. Entry level, P1 and P2 students will attend the dance from 3:15 until 4:15 and P3, 4th and 5th-grade students will attend from 4:30 until 5:39. Cost for the dance is \$2.00. Snacks will also be available for purchase. All proceeds go to MVES PTG.

**Special Projects**  
 All donations for the St. Jude Children's Research Matheson are due in the Family Resource Center by Friday, February 27.

Project Wisdom Readers for last week were:  
 Jacob Taylor, Kyle Denny and Shania Lawson, students and Paula Cowan, P2 teacher was our mystery reader.

Our quote for this week is: "All can be successful on smooth seas. It is the one who conquers the storm who gains real honor." - Robert Schuller.

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Shown above are Rockcastle County FFA Chapter officers and assistants with County Judge Executive Buzz Carloloffs signing the FFA Proclamation declaring February 21-28, 2004 as FFA Week. Members shown back row from left: Kyle Owens, Donald Sower, Matthew Whitaker, Nathan Doan, Zach Hale, Karen Mink, Mathew Faulkner, Daniel Bustle, and Mark Dyehouse. Front row from left: Judge Carloloffs and chapter president Heather Adams.

## FFA celebrates National FFA Week February 21-28

The Rockcastle County FFA Chapter, a youth development organization devoted to preparing students for leadership and career success through agricultural education, will celebrate National FFA Week, February 21-28.

A nationwide event, National FFA Week acknowledges the organization's commitment to education, leadership, service and student success, while also recognizing its business, educational and civic partners from local, state and national communities. The 2004 National FFA Week theme is "FFA - Living the Legacy."

This week, all across the USA, communities large and small will celebrate National FFA Week. From formal banquets and proclamations to school activities and fundraisers, America will recognize this special occasion commemorating the importance of agriculture and agricultural education.

Locally, the Rockcastle County FFA Chapter will be conducting morning announcements and quiz contest on the local radio station 1460 WRVK.

The National FFA Organization, which recently celebrated its 75th year, seeks to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Created in 1928 as Future Farmers of America, the organization's name was changed to FFA in 1988 to better represent the growing diversity of agriculture.

FFA is not extracurricular, it is an integral part of agricultural education completing a three-part model of education that involves classroom instruction and hands-on supervised agricultural experience (SAEs). Students learn by doing, polishing the characteristics and skills they will need for future success.

FFA has nearly 7,200 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, with over 464,000 members. From major cities to small towns, students in grades 7-12 who are enrolled in an agricultural education at a public school may join FFA.

Wisconsin-based agricultural equipment manufacturer CaseIH, an enthusiastic supporter of FFA for 56

years, provided the funding for the advertising and promotional materials for National FFA Week as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. The foundation works with business, industry and individuals to raise funds for FFA and agricultural education. Last year over \$8.6 million was raised.

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## Lady Rockets prepare for post season action

### Win tough region game over Bell County

**Submitted by Eddie Hammond**  
Post season play begins for Rockcastle County next week at Oneida Baptist Institute. The Lady Rockets will play Clay County at 8:15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3 and the finals are scheduled for Friday, March 5 at 7 p.m.

This year's 13th Regional Tournament will be held March 8-13 at Middlesboro High School. With a hard-fought region win over a tough Bell County team on Monday, the Lady Rockets improved to 24-3 on the season. Rockcastle jumped out to an 11-2 lead, thanks to a smothering full court press, and the outside shooting of junior Katie Parsons. Bell County made adjustments and closed the gap until midway through the second quarter when the stellar play of Johnny Abney and Heather Hammond stretched the lead to as many as 14 at 32-18.

The Lady Cats made a good run in the final minutes before half, with three Rockcastle starters on the bench, to close the gap to seven.

Seizing on the momentum and a tired Lady Rocket team (third game in five days), Bell County managed to tie the game at 46 all-in in the third quarter. But, that's when championship teams and players step up. Tara Rowe has done that throughout her career. As an eighth grader, she made a big three that broke a tie in the championship game against South Laurel, giving RCMS a conference championship and 57-0 Middle School record. At the Fifth Third tournament earlier this season, she hit a long three with the score tied late in the game against top 20 Ohio County, a game that Rockcastle won by nine. In the Bell County game, Tara "nailed" a three that gave the Lady Rockets the lead for good and fueled a 12-0 run to put them up 58-46. The Rockets had a very balanced

scoring attack with all five starters reaching double figures, led by Johnny Abney's 24; Rowe contributed 10; Hammond 11 and Lauren Clontz and Katie Parsons, 10 each.

Prior to the Bell County game, the Rockets easily took the measure of Estill County and Russell County.

In the Estill County game last Thursday night, the Lady Engineers went to the two minute mark of the first quarter before scoring, only managed one basket in the second quarter, eight points in the third and nothing in the fourth in the 72-12 blow-out.

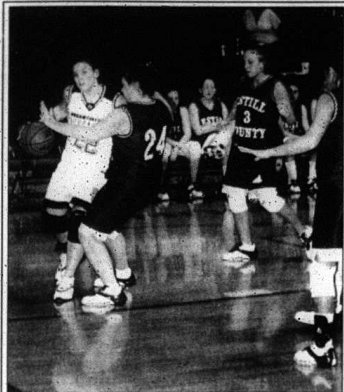
Head Coach Chrysti Noble got to clear her bench early and often and twice Lady Rockets got into the scoring column.

Abney led the scoring for her team with 17; Hammond got 12; Rowe 11; K. Parsons 8; Ashley Lunsford 6; Jessi Asher and Lauren Clontz 4 each; Ashley Mize, Sarah Parsons, Ashley Kimbrell, Hollyann Colson and Rachel Stocker got 2 each.

Against Russell County on Saturday, Tara Rowe put up 19 first half points to help her team to a 39-25 half-time lead and the Rockets went on to an easy 75-57 win.

Rowe put in 31 points to lead her team in scoring; Hammond got 16; Abney 12; S. Parsons, Kimbrell and Stocker had 4 each and Lunsford and Clontz got 2 each.

Rockcastle will conclude the regular season this Friday, February 27 against another top 25 team, Wayne County. The Lady Rockets won an early contest in Owensboro 55-41. The game will end one season and help begin another -- postseason. To help them prepare for district and region play, this year's team has played almost half of its season against top 25 teams, had an 8-3 record against the top teams, has played teams from 10 different regions and, with the exception of Palaski SW, Estill County and McCreary Central, all other opponents have been ranked sixth or higher in their region.



Senior Lauren Clontz drives the baseline against the Estill County Lady Engineers last Thursday night. The Rockets won the game 72-12 and then went on to beat Russell County and Bell County.



Junior Katie Parsons puts up a short jumper against the Lady Engineer last Thursday.

## "Senior Night" for boys basketball will be Friday

Three members of the boys basketball team and one cheerleader will be honored during "Senior Night" ceremonies at the last boys game of the regular season against McCreary Central.

Senior ball players to be recognized are Devin Taylor and Brandon Cameron. Jessica Riddle, manager for the team, will also be honored as will senior cheerleader Rebecca Alsip.

The team is currently 12-10 on the season, having racked up three wins in their last three outings.

Last Friday night, they traveled to Lincoln County and came away with a 45-42 win over a much taller team. The Rockets were down 15-12 at the first quarter stop and were down by five at half-time 23-18.

The first lead for the Rockets came on a steal and a basket by Taylor, late in the third quarter, to put his team up 30-29. The Rockets then went on a 7-0 run to begin the fourth quarter, which included a steal by Blake Roberts and two by Taylor and two baskets by Aaron Cash and the Patriots had to try to play catchup from there.

Ahead 41-37 with 2:41 to play, the Rockets went into a stall and managed to hang on to the ball until the

1:01 mark when a steal gave the Patriots a basket. It looked as though the Patriots got another turnover and a basket but one of the referees ruled the player stepped out of bounds during the steal and the Rockets got the ball back. Cash was immediately fouled and sank two free throws and then stole the ball on the inbound play and was fouled again gaining two more points for the Rockets. A last second half-court shot for the Patriots was good for the final 45-42.

Despite a "chase" on him all night, Cash managed to lead the scoring with 26 points; Roberts got 9; Taylor 6 and J.C. McClure and Weston Riddle, had 2 each.

After a win over West Carter Saturday, the Rockets traveled to Somerset Tuesday night and came away with their 14th win of the season 67-58.

The Rockets jumped out to an early 24-19 first quarter lead and were ahead 41 to 29 at the half. Somerset outscored the Rockets 29 to 26 in the second half.

Cash again led the scoring for the Rockets with 23; Roberts got 20; Riddle and Colby Brown, 6 each; Kyle Mullins 3 and McClure 1.



Two Rockcastle County teams are doing well in the London - Laurel County YMCA Mens Basketball League on Friday nights. Above, The Thrill with team members Corey Scott, Andrew Cash, Nick Leger, Gary Burns, Jeff French, Chris Miller (not pictured is Bo Bishop) have a record of 6-0 and are currently in first place. They had a record of 8-1 last year and finished runner-up in the 2003 Spring League and first in the 2003 mens tournament. Pictured below is Brodhead Tobacco Barn. Team members are from row: Corey Scott, Steve Owens, Derrick Guthank. Back row: Jon Bullens, Pernel Brummett, Jason Reynolds and Brian Busell. Not pictured is Mark Carpenter. This team has a record of 4-2 and are currently in third place. They finished third in the 2003 mens league. The league runs through March 19th and have games every Friday night at First Baptist Church in London. The two Rockcastle teams will play each other Friday, February 27th at 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested in participating in a tournament to benefit Relay for Life at the Richmond YMCA should call Corey Scott at 859-206-7481. The tournament is tentatively scheduled for March 27th.



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Lauren Clontz was the only senior on this year's Lady Rockets basketball team and was honored before the team's last home game last Thursday night against Estill County. With Lauren in the photo are, from left: her dad, John; her sister, Victoria; her mother, Lisa and Coach Chrysti Noble.



Also honored at halftime of the Estill County game was senior Stephen Powell, son of Ralph and Lyda Powell, shown with the son, Stephen was a member of the dance team this year. Making the presentation was Dawn Stallsworth, dance team director.

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North Laurel senior, Ben Corry, signs to play tennis at Union College. Seated on his left is his mother, Kathy Corry, and Union College Brian Perry is seated on the right. Standing behind him is his brother Matt Corry, father Randy Corry, NLHS Coach Bobby Smith and NLHS principal Sheila Hubbard.

### Corry signs with Union for tennis

After suffering an ankle injury early in his junior year, North Laurel senior Ben Corry, had lost hope in pursuing tennis on a competitive level. "I had given up on tennis as anything other than a hobby," Corry expressed about the effect of the injury.

But, things have definitely turned around for Corry, as he sat down recently to sign with Union College on a full scholarship to play tennis for the Bulldogs. "It's nice to get a scholarship after the injury, God has really blessed me," Corry said. Playing tennis is nothing new to this North Laurel senior who got started at the age of five with his older brother, Matthew. "It's the only thing I'm decent at," Corry humbly said about his immense interest in the sport. However, it's obvious that a talent for the game runs in the Corry family since Corry was actually coached by his father, Randy Corry, his freshman year at North Laurel and Matthew Corry signed with Cumberland College back in 1998 and now teaches and coaches tennis at Whitley County High School. "He started playing when he was in the seventh grade for the high school team," North Laurel coach Bobby Smith recalled. Corry transferred from Rockcastle County in 1998. "This will be my fourth year with him here at North and he has always been a top player or close second." Ac-

ording to Smith, Corry and his doubles partner had beaten the top doubles team in the match prior to his injury last year. "They should be the top contenders this year," Smith said. "Ben has always been very supportive of the other players; he's not off to himself, but encouraging of others." Smith said of Corry as a senior team member. "Ben is a hard-worker on and off the court and will be a great addition to both Union College and the Barbourville community." Union Coach Brian Perry said about the Bulldog newcomer. "We are looking to make the program successful on a local level and be competitive on a regional and national level. Ben, as a local recruit, will show that the program is headed in the right direction," Perry said.

Corry, who had originally thought of attending Eastern Kentucky University, chose Union for more than just the scholarship. "We have become real good friends, we've had plans to play tennis together," Corry said about Perry. "I think I'll learn more at Union, because of the smaller classes," he added. "I was very happy that things were going to work out," Smith said about Corry's scholarship reception. "I don't think he was really expecting it, but he was pleased." Currently a member of the Army National Guard, Corry plans to pursue a degree in police studies and justice while at Union.

### Hammond swims 50 Free in 21.63 secs.

WKU swimmers break five team records

Sophomore Andrew Hammond set personal bests in the 50, 100 and 200 freestyle at the Missouri Valley Conference Championship, held this past weekend in Carbondale, Illinois. Going into the meet, Andrew had goals of swimming the 50 in under 22, the 100 in under 47. He also swam the 200 for the first time all season. His coaches had been talking to him about the 200 and he responded with a 1:49. In the 100, Andrew swam a personal best of 48.28, not quite the goal he set, but pretty good after having swam the 200. It was in the 50 sprint-free that he shined, swimming it in 21.63 seconds, reaching his goal of under 22. The top WKU 50 free was by senior Drew Aldridge at 21:13 seconds.

Five Western Kentucky swimmers broke team records and junior Chad Waitt and sophomore Karl Swanson were named Missouri Valley Co-Swimmers of the Year. But, it wasn't enough to overcome home team Southern Illinois. The Salukis scored a total of 821.50 to Western's 742.50.

WKU is looking forward to next season. They lost only four seniors and the bulk of their 742 points were racked up by freshmen and sophomores. They are especially hopeful that one of Europe's top breaststrokers will be able to join the team this year. He had planned to do so last season, but wasn't able to get immigration papers and transfer of credits in time to join the team. The Lady Hilltoppers easily won the Sun Belt Conference Championships early this month.

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The RCMS 6th grade boys took first place in a tournament held at RCMS with wins over Foley and East Bernstadt. Members of the team are pictured above, front row from left: Brandon Jones, Joseph Baker, Grant Barrette, Tanner Childress, Kyle Riddle, Derrick Pittman and Matthew Lunsford. Back row from left: Jamie Todd, Dustin Reynolds, Anthony Prewitt, Derek Thacker, Matt Bullens and coach Mike Barron.



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# We all, especially me, make mistakes



Last week Angie Blanton and I wrote the latest story for the Rockcastle County Board of Education.

I talked with Superintendent Larry Hammond and I misquoted him when I included two "me's" in his statement about the school board's support.

Mr. Hammond did not say those two "me's" only on Wednesday we are really under the gun and I made a mistake. This Wednesday, Hammond brought me an anonymous letter from someone pointing out his quote.

I don't write anonymous letters and have made a lot of people mad who do not want them printed. As a matter of fact, those who write anonymous letters are usually cowards.

We all make mistakes. I made one last week.

I usually make one every week. The letter written to the Superintendent of Schools should be printed but only with the coward's name on it.

Superintendent Hammond has certainly made his mistakes, but I really don't think intentionally, and when you work with over 500 employees and deal with a yearly budget of \$25 million dollars you're going to make some people mad.

"Sir, I just can't believe you speak the English language so poorly. Learn and do better. This is embarrassing," the last paragraph said.

Public people put up with a lot. And when you are not willing to actually show your displeasure, and when you don't have enough about you to put your name on such a ridiculous letter, why bother, no one cares.

When Superintendent Hammond left the Signal office, he had a smile on his face, which tells me, as I al-

ready knew, some people's opinion don't count.

Especially when you are not man (woman?) enough to identify yourself.

I made the mistake in the quote, he did not. My name is at the beginning of this column.

I have been accused of being a liberal Republican (or closer Democrat) and I would say that is a fair assumption.

Although I see myself more as a moderate.

Last week's congressional race in the sixth district for the U.S. Congressional seat, which Republican Eric Fletcher vacated when he was elected Governor, was won by Democrat Ben Chandler.

Chandler won easily over his opponent Alice Forgy Kerr and I, for one, was glad.

Nothing against Chandler's opponent, but that win made me smile due to the fact that we still have a two party system in the United States and everything can't be run by the RNC (Republican National Committee).

Someone, whom I consider a very close friend and a very conservative Republican, actually was for Chandler. He is a person who has pictures of Dwight Eisenhower, Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan, all Republicans, hanging on his office wall.

But he, too, still believes in a two party system.

Kentucky's powerful Senator Mitch McConnell, also a Republican and a key player in the RNC, was quoted as saying they were going to end Chandler's political career in his latest attempt for political office. He was wrong and I, as I said, am glad.

The recalling of former California Grey Davis by the Republican party was, in my opinion, wrong. The Republicans spent millions and millions of dollars to get a movie star elected to the state's top post.

Another local businessman, who is also a staunch Republican, agreed with me on the fact, that we have elections in Governor's races every four years and taxpayers should not

be out any more money in the middle of a term.

The Republicans could have used the millions of dollars they wanted to put Schwarzenegger in office, on California's huge budget deficit. Or they could have used the money to feed a few more homeless people.

Although a moderate Republican, it does bother me to an extent to watch gays and lesbians getting married in San Francisco. Everyone has a right to their freedoms. There are people dying in our armed forces everyday, so those who choose an "alternate" lifestyle can stand on the steps of the courthouse in San Fran.

I guess with my freedom, I also have the right to turn the television off, or change the channel to TV Land, where I can watch a good rerun of Gilligan's Island.

In my humble opinion, President Bush has not done the best job in the world, especially with the war in Iraq.

But I was glad to see him go into his latest press conference and condemn what was happening in San Fran.

However, unless I'm badly mistaken there will be a member of the Donkey party in the White House, come November.

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## "Hwy. 150"

(Cont. from front)

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Bailey said improving the state's major arteries will be the primary thrust of the federal program.

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## "Vet Rep"

(Cont. from front)

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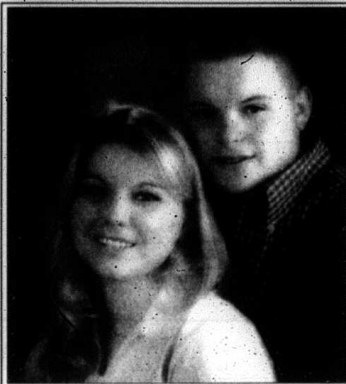
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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, February 26, 2004



## Carpenter - Hawkins

Carolyn and Calvin Carpenter of Mt. Vernon would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Ann to Jeremy Paul Hawkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hawkins of London.

Jessica is a 2003 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and is attending Eastern Kentucky University majoring in Criminal Justice. She is employed by Rockcastle Hospital. Jeremy is a 2001 graduate of All Saints High and will graduate from Somerset Community College in May 2004. He is employed by Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital. A fall wedding is being planned.



## 50th Wedding Anniversary

Gene and Pam Rickels of Sarasota, Florida celebrated their 50th anniversary February 6, 2004.

They were married February 6, 1954 in Chippenham, Wiltshire, England. They have wintered in Sarasota for six years. They are the parents of Paul Rickels (Thelma) of Arlington, Texas, Carl Rickels (Paula) of Knoxville, Tenn., and Corey Snyder (Troy) of Manhattan Beach, Calif. The couple has nine grandchildren.

They celebrated with a cruise to the Bahamas. Mr. Rickels retired from the Air Force in Columbus, Ohio, where he was with the auditor general for 20 years. He received a Commendation Medal and served in Germany, England and Japan. Mr. and Mrs. Rickels are members of First Baptist Church of Sarasota.



## McClure - Ritchie

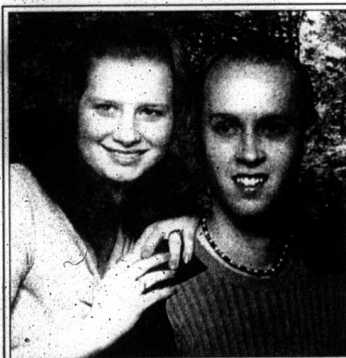
Ralph and Joanne McClure, of Somerset and formerly of Rockcastle County, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kessa Michelle McClure to Timothy S. Ritchie, son of Roger and Patricia Ritchie of Winchester. Miss McClure is the granddaughter of Mrs. Leon McClure of Mt. Vernon. The wedding will take place June 11, 2004 at Grace Baptist Church in Winchester. All family and friends are invited to attend.



## 42nd Wedding Anniversary

Ronald F. and Anita Louise Noe, of Lexington, will celebrate 42 years of marriage on February 25, 2004. The couple grew up in Brodhead and graduated in 1961 and 1962 from Brodhead High School. They spent two years in Richmond where Ronald graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 1964. Ronald is retired from LEXMARK and has been working for R.J. Corman Railroad in Nicholasville for the past eight years. Louise has been an active "Honor Society" Avon representative for the past 25 years.

Their parents were Vernon and Beatrice Moore and Robert and Grace Noe of Brodhead. They have one son, Wesley F. Noe who married Cheryl Atzier January 25, 2003. They also make their home in Lexington.



## Taulbee - Houk

Tim and Glenda Pace and Meloyde Easton of Brodhead are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cassandra Taulbee to Bryan Houk, son of Russell and Norma Houk of Brodhead.

Kacee is a 2000 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and is currently enrolled at Eastern Kentucky University. She is working on her Bachelors of Science in Early Education with emphasis in English and Kindergarten and a minor in American Sign Language Studies. Kacee plans to be certified as an Interpreter for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. She is employed with the Rockcastle County Board of Education as a substitute teacher.

Bryan is a 1997 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and a 2003 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University. He has a Bachelors of Arts in Geography and is currently pursuing a career in Geographic Information Systems.

The happy couple are planning a wedding for next year.

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## Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

**2004 Referendum**  
Jeffery S Hall, State Executive Director of the Farm Service Agency in Kentucky, has announced a mail referendum will be conducted during the period February 23-27, 2004, to determine whether marketing quotas on a poundage basis will continue for Burley tobacco for the next three years.

Ballots were mailed to all eligible voters on February 17, 2004. Persons eligible to vote in the referendum are those producers who were engaged in the production of burley tobacco during the 2003 crop season.

Persons who do not receive a ballot by mail and believe they are eligible to vote should contact their local FSA office not later than February 27, 2004 to request a ballot. Ballots must be postmarked no later than February 27, 2004. Voting can also be done in person, during the referendum period, at the local FSA County office.

Ballots will be counted on Wednesday, March 3, 2004.

Quotas will remain in effect if two-thirds or more of the voting producers vote "YES". Burley tobacco is grown in Kentucky, Tennessee and

### Marketing Cards

Producers which have sold all tobacco for the current year are reminded to return the marketing card back to the FSA office IMMEDIATELY.

**2004 Burley Tobacco Quotas**  
The 2004 Burley Tobacco national factor for the quotas has been set at 1,050 (5% raise from 2003 quotas). Notices are scheduled to be mailed on March 19, 2004.

No word yet as to whether or not we will be able to "make up" 2003 under-marketing.

Leasing is scheduled to begin Monday, April 5, 2004.

**Federal Crop Insurance Program**  
Rockcastle County producers who want to purchase Federal Crop Insurance (FCIP) for their 2004 crops of Corn, Soybeans and Tobacco are reminded they must do so by the March 15th deadline.

**2004 Loan rates for corn, grain, sorghum and soybeans**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced the 2004 national and county loan rates for corn, grain sorghum and soybeans, as authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill.

The 2004 county loan rates also continue the market-oriented approach established in 2002 following the enactment of the Farm Bill. The relative levels of the county loan rates for each commodity reflect the most recent information available about price relationships around the country and will enhance the market orientation of the corn, grain sorghum and soybean loan and loan deficiency payment (LDP) programs.

The 2002 Farm Bill established specific national loan rates for each commodity. For corn and grain sorghum, the 2002 and 2003 national rates are \$1.98 per bushel. Beginning in 2004, these rates will be \$1.95 per bushel and remain at that level through 2007. These changes are reflected in the county loan rates announced today. The nation soybean

rate remains unchanged at \$5.00 per bushel, as set forth by the 2002 Farm Bill.

The 2004 crop county loan rates for corn, grain sorghum and soybeans will be available on the Farm Service Agency Web site at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/pd/LoanRate.htm>

County loan rates for wheat, barley, oats and other oilseeds are also available on this site.

**Sign-Up For 2004 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program**  
Warden Alexander, County Executive Director, of Rockcastle County Farm Service Agency wishes to inform producers that the enrollment for the 2004 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) began October 1, 2003 beginning the second year of successful implementation of the 2002 Farm Bill.

Producers must sign DCP contracts annually beginning with the 2003 crop year, which is a change from Production Flexibility Contract requirements under the previous farm legislation.

Producers have until June 1, 2004 to enroll for the 2004 DCP. Producers receive direct payments at rates established by statute regardless of market prices. Counter-cyclical payment rates, on the other hand, vary depending on market prices.

For sign-up and payment dates contact FSA.

For more info on these and other FSA programs, please contact your local FSA office.

**Important program dates**  
Return marketing cards when sales are final  
Federal Crop Insurance purchasing ends March 15, 2004

Loans or Loan Deficiency Payments for 2003 small grains applications end March 31, 2004

Loans or Loan Deficiency Payments for 2003 corn and soybean applications end May 31, 2004

Direct and Counter Cyclical Program sign up ends June 1, 2004

Grassland Reserve Program applications being accepted for 2004 funds.

**Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program**-sign up continues will be available on the Farm Service Agency Web site at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/pd/LoanRate.htm>

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**SALE PENDING! Convenience on West Main!** 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, rock/vinyl sided home - city water/sewer, storage building. \$49,900. M1823



**Orlando Section - 2 bedroom 1997 model** singlewide - electric heat - furnished. \$25,000. M1758



**Near Lake Linville - 2 story vinyl home, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, gas heat, 1.3 acres, storage building.** \$99,000. M1713



**Hwy. 461 - Sunnyside Estates.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide - garden tub - some appliances. \$39,900. M1801

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**



**REDUCED! Hwy. 461 - Mt. Vernon - Established Gas/Grocery business - brick building - 2880 sq. ft. 1 1/2 acres. All grocery hardware, inventory, equipment, U Haul rental contract included. Now reduced to \$249,000. M1791**

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**Double Value!** 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath brick home w/electric heat 1- two metal storage buildings w/20 rental units. Old Somerset Road, Mt. Vernon. \$165,000 - 1764



**City Limits , City Convenience at 345 Paul Street, Mt. Vernon.** Cozy 3 bedroom vinyl home - city water/sewer - KU electric. \$43,500 - M1812

**FUTURE AUCTIONS**

**23rd Annual London Farm Machinery Consignment Auction**  
Saturday, February 28, 2004 at 9:30 a.m.  
Laurel County Fairgrounds  
Highway 229, Near Levi Jackson State Park

**Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tompkinson's Prime Commercial Property - 428 acres m/l**  
Friday, March 5, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.  
Highway 127 near Danville

**LAND**

**Chestnut Ridge Section - 157 Acres m/l Wooded Lot - Some Coal - Beautiful Trees - Scenic Views - \$89,900. M1699**

**Hwy. 461 - Wabd Section.** 5.6 Acres I-city water available. \$39,900. M1804

**Hwy. 461 - Rockcastle/Pulaski Line.** 5.81 acre tract just off Hwy. 461 - \$15,500. M1813

**Orlando Section - 89 Acres m/l - just off Maple Grove Road.** \$50,000. M1810

**Just Listed! Rainbow Ridge - off Hwy. 461. Lot #11 - Green Meadow Lane - 84/100 Acre I - City water available.** \$9,900. M1828

**Absolute Auction of Repossessed Scaffolding, Drying Equipment & Tools**  
Saturday, March 6, 2004 at 2:30 p.m.  
Under the Grandstand at the Broadhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction

**LOTS**

**Hwy. 461 - Pulaski County.** Easy access to Somerset - Lake Cumberland and I-75. Spacious Lots - Restricted - City Water - Paved Streets - \$11,900 each. M1363

**Rainbow Ridge - off Hwy. 461. Lot #60 - Silver Mist Corner - 59/100 Acre.** City water available. \$12,900. M1805

**Ottawa Section 1 Acre m/l - Laswell Gentry Road.** Restricted - city water available. \$8,600. M1814

**Absolute Auction of Gas Station; Commercial Building 5 Acres (more or less) in Tracts**  
Saturday, March 13, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.  
Highway 90 Monticello

**Countryside Estates 3 Restricted Lots - 170x170 each.** City water. \$7,900 each. M1610

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# Low-carb diets

Family and Consumer Sciences

Hazel Jackson  
Rockcastle County Extension Office

Lose 8-14 pounds the first week with no hunger and all you can eat of some of your favorite foods - is that enough to lure you onto the low-carbohydrate bandwagon?

Americans are spending millions each year on unproven weight loss diets and products. Low-carbohydrate, high-protein diets like the Atkins New Diet Revolution, The Carbhydrate Addict's Diet, Protein Power, and the South Beach Diet are some of the most popular. The questions remain: are they safe and are they effective?

The weight loss during the first week or two on a very low-carbohydrate diet is very encouraging to many dieters looking for quick weight loss. Unfortunately, the weight loss is from water loss, not fat. When you don't have enough carbohydrates, your body begins to burn stored carbohydrates for fuel, which releases a lot of water stored. When you start eating carbohydrate again, the water weight will return.

This past year the results of three new studies were published concerning the effects of an Atkins type diet with a more traditional, low-fat, low-calorie diet. Two of these studies lasted 12 months, the other one lasted one year. People following the Atkins-type diet for 6 months lost more weight than those following a reduced-calorie, low-fat diet. In the one-year study, however, people following the Atkins-type diet regained weight after 6 months of the study so that their weight loss at one year was similar to the low-fat group.

Evaluation of these and other low-carbohydrate studies revealed that low-carbohydrate diets do not cause more weight loss and do not improve blood glucose, insulin levels, blood pressure, or cholesterol more than a low-fat, low-calorie diet. In all studies, regardless of the amount of carbohydrate, protein, or fat in the

diet, eating fewer calories caused the most weight loss.

No long-term studies have been done yet to evaluate the safety of low-carbohydrate diets. Concerns by many health care professionals include the long-term effects of:

- \*ketosis-a condition that results from very low carbohydrate intake
- \*large amounts of fat, particularly saturated fat
- \*large amounts of protein
- \*limiting fruits, vegetables, milk and grains

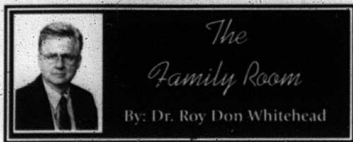
Some studies have suggested that ketosis causes loss of calcium in the bones, causing the risk of osteoporosis. High fat diets have been linked to heart disease and some types of cancer. Eating large amounts of meat may have an effect on kidney function and calcium levels. We know that nutrients in fruits, vegetables, milk and whole grains protect against many diseases and we do not know the long term effect of limiting these healthy foods.

The bottom line is that weight loss will occur when you eat less, regardless of how much carbohydrate, protein, or fat you consume. Until we have more information on the safety of very low carbohydrate diets, we cannot recommend them, especially for people with diabetes who may be at risk for kidney disease, or gout.

It makes sense to eat foods we know to be healthy in smaller portions, exercise regularly, and participate in a structured program where you will get support from others. Getting less carbohydrate is an option for some people and working with a dietitian can help ensure that you get the nutrients you need to lose weight safely.

For more information on dieting, call the Rockcastle County Extension Office at 256-2493.

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By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

There are some times when life feels very good. These are those moments when you know that it is good to be alive. Here are some of my favorite feelings.

When I was a child, I hated to get out of a warm bed on a cold winter day and get ready for school. On occasion Mom would come to my door and say, "I snowed last night so there is no school today." What a great feeling! I could snuggle back in my bed and not have to come out until I was ready. That I had not done my homework nor studied for tests did not matter. I was a free man, given a reprieve to live another day.

And then there is a sneeze. Now think about it. First there is that feeling that you want to sneeze but cannot. Second, you try to sneeze by looking at bright lights or whatever but it will not come. And, finally, blessed relief, that sneeze echoes throughout the house. What a great feeling!

There is also the first time anyone says to you, "I love you." I am not talking about family. I mean that special person that you have had your eye on for some time. It comes in a quiet moment when the two of you are alone, and you walk on air for days afterward. It is an incredible feeling. When your spouse of thirty, forty or fifty years says "I love you," you can also experience a wonderful feeling. While it may not be the high of that first "I love you," it is the solid feeling of a relationship that has weathered the test of time. That "I love you" comes from someone who knows you inside out and who still loves you. This person has seen you in both the good times and the bad and still says "I love you." That is a great feeling.

Remember when you held your newborn child? What a feeling! Joy and even euphoria can come over you

in that situation. To think that you have helped to create this new life and that this child will be a part of you forever is a wondrous feeling. To know that your love for another person has brought a new life into the world feels oh, so good. Whether the first, second or fifth child, it is still a wonderful feeling.

When he finally asks you to marry him, you experience one of those great feelings. (I realize that it could be she who asks him.) The relationship has been growing for a year or so and you have spoken of marriage before. His asking certainly does not come as a total surprise, but the feeling of joy can be overwhelming. (This is usually followed by the desire to tell as many people as possible in as short a span of time as possible.)

When the doctor says, "It is not cancer," you could shout to the heavens. Worrying and worrying about that possible cancer diagnosis is one of the worst times, so getting the good news that the tests were normal is one of the best. The sense of relief is so real that you can almost reach out and touch it.

Children do not usually understand why we parents do the things we do. It is only as they leave home and begin lives of their own that they begin to comprehend what we were trying to accomplish. When an adult child says, "You were a good parent," you can have one of those great feelings of life.

To know that what you attempted to do was appreciated and understood makes all those sacrifices worthwhile.

Those are some of my nominees for Great Feelings of Life. What are yours?

(You may contact Dr. Whitehead at 679-4134 or 1-877-PASTOR-8.)

## "Court"

(Cont. From B2)

fine/suspend \$400; No operator/moped license, \$50 costs; improper registration, \$50 costs; Heather D. Woodruff: Fines/fees due (\$150.50); warrant issued.

James Wynn: No insurance, \$500 and costs/suspend \$450; No/expired Kentucky registration, receipt, \$25 fine.

Verdugo Diaz: Spreading, license suspended or payment of \$100 and costs.

Earl L. Hayes, Jr.: Speeding, \$40 and costs.

Jeffery Hyder: Speeding, \$60 and costs.

Adrien Lewis: Speeding, \$60 and costs.

Rebecca J. Lifford: Speeding, \$24 and costs/suspend fine for state traffic school.

Gregory A. McDaniel: Speeding, \$20 and costs.

Anthony Miller: Speeding, \$60 and costs.

Francisco C. Monteseo: License to be in possession and other charges, warrant issued/license suspended.

Jerry G. Nettleship: Speeding, \$52 fine and costs.

Sharon G. Oliphant: Speeding, \$40 and costs.

Brace W. Owens: Spreading, \$20 and costs/suspend fine for state traffic school.

Shannon M. Pennington: Speeding, \$60 and costs and Failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Charles R. Sinters: Speeding, state traffic school.

Helen Smith: Speeding, \$30 and costs/suspend fine for state traffic school.



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- Laurel County Fairgrounds -  
Highway 229, Near Levi Jackson State Park, London

Consignments accepted Wednesday, February 25th, Thursday, February 26th and Friday, February 27th from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

29th Annual Brodhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction  
Saturday, March 6th - 9:30 a.m.  
- Brodhead Fairgrounds -  
Highway 150, Brodhead, Ky.

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# Annual Tobacco Producers Meeting

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Tom Mills  
Rockcastle County Extension Office

The Annual Tobacco Producers Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 4, 2004, 6:30 p.m. at the Rockcastle County High School cafeteria. Speakers will include Extension Specialist Bob Pearce speaking on float plant production, reducing spiral roots, and new pellets. Also speaking will be Extension Specialist Will Snell on the tobacco programs outlook, the 1095 rule, Phase II payments, and world competition. At this time, NO information is available on a buyout and will not be

promised at this meeting.

Community Trust Bank, Citizens Bank, Berea National Bank, and Farm Credit Services, are again thanking local tobacco farmers by supporting this program. Please assist our Young Farmers as they prepare for this meeting by registering at 256-2403 by noon on Monday, March 1st.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky  
28th Judicial Circuit  
Rockcastle Circuit Court - Division I  
Civil Action No. 03-CI-00200

Greenpoint Credit, LLC Plaintiff  
Gari S. Renfro and Kevin D. Renfro Defendants

### NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 22, 2004, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FORTY SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 97/100 (\$46,578.97) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street  
in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky  
on Friday, February 27, 2004  
Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:  
Beginning at a steel pin on north side of Kentucky 1229, 1931 N.E. of Kentucky 1650 at Ottawa, (corner 20 Harm); thence with Kentucky 1229 as follows: 5.59 deg. 40 minutes W 103 feet to a steel pin on Harm; thence with W 20 feet to steel pin (corner to lot no. 2); thence with lot no. 2 as follows: 15 minutes 21.7 deg. 16 feet to steel pin (corner to lot no. 20); thence with W 44 corner and Harms 5.48 deg. 40 minutes E 206 feet to the beginning and containing 0.44 acres more or less.

The above described real property is improved by a 2004 Clayton Homes, Inc. Loudon 1680 mobile home, LML0535737N.

Being the same real property which Gari S. Renfro obtained by deed dated March 24, 2000 of record in Deed Book 179, page 113 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:  
1. The mobile home and property shall be sold together as a whole.

2. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.

4. Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.

5. The purchaser shall pay the 2004 local, county and state property taxes.

6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon completion with the terms of the sale.

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

8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold as is.

Willis G. Coffey, Master Commissioner  
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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next meeting is Mon., March 1st  
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### Bookmobile Schedule

Mon., March 1: Brodhead and Cooper Creek.  
Tues., March 2: Green Hill, Conway, Boone, Fairview, Lambert Rd., Respiratory Care.  
Wed., March 3: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Donations needed by First Baptist Mission  
First Baptist Church Mission needs monetary and food donations, as well as maternity clothes, jeans of all sizes, plus-size for females and coats of all sizes (male and female). Only accepting winter clothing. Please bring clean clothing and other donations to the mission on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Saturdays 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thank you for helping us to help others.

### Kiwanis Club

Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Kastle Inn. All visitors welcome.

### GED Classes

Christian Appalachian Project Adult Learning Center holds GED classes on Mon. and Tues., 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Olin GED, computer classes and tutoring are also available. The center is located on Hwy. 25, north of Mt. Vernon on Greenhill Hill. For information, call 606-256-6781.

### Republican Party Note

The Republican Party meets the first Tuesday of every month at Kastle Inn Restaurants at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited.

### Are you sick and tired... of being sick and tired?

S.W.A.T. team for alcoholics and drug addiction will meet at Northside Baptist Church Thursdays at 7 p.m. Beginning Feb. 2nd, meeting Monday through Saturday at noon, as well as Thursday night.

### Pie Supper and Auction

There will be a pie supper and auc-

tion at the Rockcastle County Saddle Club House on Rt. 1326, Mt. Vernon on Saturday, March 6 beginning at 7 p.m. Free music will be provided by Ky. Mountain Gospel Singers Bluegrass Band and drinks will be provided by the Saddle Club. All proceeds go to the Rockcastle Co. Saddle Club.

### Free Return at Library

Don't forget, February is Love My Library Month. Return any books, videos or audios and any late fees will be forgiven. Have you found a library book laying around the house and been embarrassed to return it? Put it in the drop box on front. We will just be happy to get the book back, it may be one that someone else has been waiting for.

### Brodhead Lodge Meeting

Brodhead Lodge #566 F&AM will meet at 7:30 p.m. the third Sunday of every month.

### GED on Computer

CAP Adult Learning Center is offering a program for you to study online, using your computer or the center's. Choose your own times. We can teach you to use the computer. FREE! For more info, call Janet at 256-3307.

### Narcotics Anonymous

Tired of drugs and/or alcohol controlling your life? Come join us at Narcotics Anonymous, every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church, located on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon. For more information, call 256-8263.

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon. For more info. call 256-2129.

### RES-BDM Council

Roundstone Site Council will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 in Room 105. The next meeting is a

# Classifieds

## CLASSIFIED RATES

- Local Rates - \$4 for 25 words or less - 10 each additional word
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Deadline for Classifieds is **NOON TUESDAY**

## For Rent

For Rent: House at 165 Quarry St. in Mt. Vernon. Also, trailer at 160 Poplar St. (City Trailer Park). 256-5770. 19x1

For Rent: Duplex in Broadhead. All appliances furnished. Ph. 758-9666. 35xntf

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SUE JOHNSON RD. 1.5 acres land is mostly level. Utilities are at road. \$10,500. MLS10297.

PLEASANT VIEW. Secluded, wooded 7.2 acre tract with several home sites. Mobile home steps. Mobile homes allowed. Utilities are available. \$10,500. MLS12317.

HWY. 150 BROADHEAD. 3 acres. Very desirable property for building of a home or could be divided to build home for resale. Very good property for many types of commercial bldgs. or storage bldgs. City water and electric available. Partially fenced. Call Lloyd Cain 256-2818.

BENTON BULLOCK SUBD. (Mt. Vernon) 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide. Covered 816 sq. porch. Storage building, deck and patio. \$49,000.

ORLANDO (Rockcastle Co.) 1.5 acres, small stream through property. Some marketable timber. Property on blacktop road. Close to Mt. Vernon, Reno Valley and I-75. Call Lloyd Cain 606-256-2818.

LITTLE CLEAR CREEK (Rockcastle Co.) 37 acres with well, large ranch house, Tenant house, carriage, horse barn with 3 stalls, tack house, hay loft with train, \$137,900. MLS 13369. Call Don Foster 582-1100.

LOT 25 PLEASANT VIEW DR 1/2 acre lot ready for singlewide or doublewide. Priced at \$10,500. Call Lauren Bowman 302-3123.

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LITTLE CLEAR CREEK (Rockcastle Co.) 3 bedrooms Bedford Stone home with 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen-dining room and bath on 1st floor. Large family room, utility room, 1/2 bath and storage room in basement. Carport with cellar slider in. Heat pump central air all on .85 acre. \$98,500. MLS14200.

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101 BUFFALO HOLLOW - 1999 Clayton Doublewide. 3 bedrooms, 2 bath. Very clean on 1.46 acres. New front porch and 2 storage buildings. Large garden spot. Property has another septic and water handling for home or rental income. \$89,000. MLS 14541.

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For Rent: Two bedroom house, utility room, kitchen, dining room, living room. Located on dead end street. References required. 256-8975. 16x2p

For Rent: 2 bedroom trailer, about 3 1/2 miles south of Mt. Vernon toward Livingston. Sitting on two acre lot. Stove and refrigerator included. 256-3841. 19x1

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For Rent: Trailers. 256-9183. 17x3p

For Rent: 3 bedroom trailer, \$200 month plus \$150 deposit. 256-9889 or 256-9298. 16x4

For Rent: Trailer in Livingston city limits. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, electric heat, nice yard, secluded. 453-2461. 19xntf

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For Sale

For Sale: 2 1/2 acres with 2 bedroom, 2 bath home. Also has living room, utility room and kitchen-dining room combo and 28x30 garage. There is also a cabin with bathroom. Located at Climax. For more info, call 256-5070. 16x4p

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For Sale: Large lot, approximately two acres, more or less. This lot is located on West St. in Broadhead. Also located on lot in a two bedroom, 2 1/2 bath single wide trailer w/city water and sewer. Close to Broadhead Elementary, churches and stores. Ideal for building that new home or for additional trailer lots: Asking \$35,000 for all Call 758-8221 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Serious inquiries only. 13xntf

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40456 on or before August 11, 2004, 19¢2

NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that John G. Eaton, Jr., P.O. Box 899, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 and David L. Eaton, Sr., P.O. Box 384, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 have been appointed co-executors of the estate of Alene B. Eaton on the 11th day of February, 2004.

Ky. 40456 has been appointed administrator of the estate of Carroll (Carl) Barton on the 4th day of February, 2004.

News Deadline is Noon Tuesday

No hunting or trapping on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm in Mareburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Henley Farm, 3¢.

Notice: No hunting or trapping on land belonging to J.S. Baker and located in the Clinton Area, 17¢3

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Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court - Division I Civil Action No. 03-CI-00300

NOTICE OF SALE Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on February 2, 2004, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of FORTY THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY ONE DOLLARS AND 52/100 (\$41,431.52) plus interest, costs and attorney fees.

Parcel 1 - BEGINNING at a stone at the mouth of a lane, thence S 89° 12' East 95 feet to a stone and stump, thence South 32° 46' East to a stone at the Gentry Brook Road, thence with the road as follows: South 70° 12' East 250 feet; South 81° 17' East 300 feet; South 68° 10' East 100 feet; South 52° 12' East 100 feet; South 41° 11' East 150 feet; South 78° 50' East 100 feet; North 70° 50' East to a stone, same line; thence North 78° 45' East to a stone; same corner to Betty Carter; thence North 75° 45' East to a stone; same corner to Betty Carter; thence North 64° West 205 feet to a white oak; thence North 81° West 100 feet to a pine; thence North 64° West 205 feet to a white oak; thence South 18° West 285 feet with French to the point of beginning and containing 5.58 acres more or less by survey.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions: 1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court - Division II Civil Action No. 02-CI-00001

NOTICE OF SALE Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on February 13, 2004, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of THIRTY ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE DOLLARS AND 34/100 (\$31,989.34) plus interest, costs, and attorney fees.

Parcel 1 - BEGINNING at a stone on the north side of Henry Brown's lane, a corner of said Brown and Broughton; thence N 73° 34' E 125 feet to a stone, at Henry Brown's corner by the above lane; thence N 12° 12' W 349 feet to a stone; thence S 73° 34' W 125 feet to a stone at Brown's corner; in Broughton's line; thence 1/2 E 349 feet to the beginning, containing one acre plus by survey.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions: 1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court - Division I Civil Action No. 03-CI-00240

NOTICE OF SALE Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 26, 2004, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SEVENTY NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINE DOLLARS AND 84/100 (\$79,809.84) plus interest, costs and attorney fees.

Parcel 1 - BEGINNING at a stone at the mouth of a lane, thence South 89° 12' East 95 feet to a stone and stump, thence South 32° 46' East to a stone at the Gentry Brook Road, thence with the road as follows: South 70° 12' East 250 feet; South 81° 17' East 300 feet; South 68° 10' East 100 feet; South 52° 12' East 100 feet; South 41° 11' East 150 feet; South 78° 50' East 100 feet; North 70° 50' East to a stone, same line; thence North 78° 45' East to a stone; same corner to Betty Carter; thence North 75° 45' East to a stone; same corner to Betty Carter; thence North 64° West 205 feet to a white oak; thence North 81° West 100 feet to a pine; thence North 64° West 205 feet to a white oak; thence South 18° West 285 feet with French to the point of beginning and containing 5.58 acres more or less by survey.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions: 1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.

# Library News

The first week in March has been designated Read Across America Week. Actually the whole month of March is dedicated to Read Across America. In celebration of the week the Rockcastle County Public Library is hosting a couple of very important events. The RCMS Touring Theater will be presenting "The Cow Who Wouldn't Come Down" by Paul Brett Johnson on March 2nd at 1:00 p.m. during the regular story hour. The cast from the Rockcastle County Middle School Touring Theatre is Sally Mize, Laura Childress, Casey Powell and Megan Hoek. We look forward to a wonderful performance. Ms. Rebecca Isaacs who is the RCPL board chairman as well as head of the Reading is Fundamental group states "This production is a literacy initiative brought about through several partnerships including: Rockcastle County Title I Program, Reading is Fundamental, RCMS, Rockcastle County Arts Program. The Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Program states that each book give-away is to be preceded with some sort of a motivating literacy experience. Hence, a dramatization of a "fun" children's book. It has been a most successful project. The middle school children love performing and being mentors for younger students, the younger students love watching the dramatization and are highly motivated to read or have read to them the books on which the dramas are based and having so much fun being involved in a "rich literacy experience" meets the needs of all involved."

This program has been very successful. The circulation of juvenile fiction and non-fiction books has increased during the winter months. We appreciate all of the Rockcastle County School teachers who helped to promote this event and encourage the children to read. All of the reading summaries written by the participants need to be turned in to the library by Saturday February 28th at 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Hazel Jackson from the County Extension Office will be on hand March 3rd at 1:00 p.m. to make photo refrigerator magnets. If you plan to attend please bring three or four photos that you don't mind cutting and a pair of scissors with you. We are nearing the end of February Month, if you haven't brought your overdue items in yet, you can still do so. Saturday is the final day for the fines to be forgiven and the slate wiped clean.



Hi; my name is Caleb's Daniel Cameron. I celebrated my first birthday on January 9, 2004 with a Winnie the Pooh party. I would like to thank my family and friends for all the gifts I received. My mommy and daddy are Charlie and April Cameron of Brodhead. My grandparents are Bill and Darlene Cameron of Brindle Ridge and Paul and Linda Burton of Green Hill. My great grandparents are Sylvia Burton and the late Paul Burton and Marjorie Cummins and the late Charley Cummins.

Happy Birthday Nina Waddle! We love you! Dad & Bea



Happy Birthday Samantha! Love Teresa & Tim



Melanie Chantal Vanwinkle on 15, 2004 7 1/2 lbs.

Jesse Vanwinkle and Susan Johnson are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Melanie Chantal Vanwinkle. She was born January 15, 2004 at Lake Cumberland Regional Center. Melanie weighed 7 lbs. 8 ozs. and was 21 inches long. Welcoming her home were big brothers Daniel, David, Larry and Austin and big sister Kimberly. Maternal grandparents are Mary Reel of Dallas, Texas, Russ Reel of Washington, Indiana, Trina Mespadder of Conway, Arkansas and Chet Shelton of Bedford, Indiana. Paternal grandparents are Jacob and Allene Vanwinkle of Mt. Vernon, Melanie also has many aunts, uncles and cousins who are thrilled that she is here. Melanie is an Angel from Heaven.



Happy Birthday Raby Sister! Love Tim & Teresa



Savannah Brooke Owens celebrated her sixth birthday January 17, 2004. Savannah is the daughter of Lyle Owens and Gloria Morrison. She is the granddaughter of Terry and Norma Owens and Beulah and the late Herbert Lear. She is the great granddaughter of Maggie Lear.

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