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Rockets lose in finals to Corbin 67-57

Lady Rockets repeat as 13th region champions

By: Richard Anderkin
The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets became the first basketball team ever at Rockcastle County High School to repeat as regional champs.

Christi Noble, now in her 15th season at the ROCK led the Lady Rockets to a 57-43 win and the ninth win in a row over rival Clay County. The Lady Rockets are 27-4 and will play the number one ranked team in the state next Wednesday, Lexington Catholic, in the first game of the state tournament.

The Lady Rockets played the Lady Knights earlier in the year at a game held at Berea College and lost by only eight points. Neither team played too well, both committing several turnovers, but the Lady Knights finally prevailed 66-58.

On Tuesday night, Catholic and their opponent Lexington Christian

committed a combined total of 59 turnovers.

"If we score early and stay completely focused we can beat Catholic," Coach Noble said on Wednesday. "But we will have to work A game with us."

The Lady Rockets will leave on Tuesday and practice at Lindsey-Wilson College in Columbia on the way to Bowling Green.

During the regional tournament there was never any real doubt about the outcome of their games.

The Lady Rockets are that good. Clay County stayed with the Lady Rockets the first quarter, trailing only by six, but by half-time it was a ten point lead for the Lady Rockets and things just got worse for the Lady Tigers.

The Lady Rockets had also already beaten coach Donnie Gray's Lady Tigers in the district finals.

The scoring for the Lady Rock-

ets was led by Katie Parsons who scored a career high 18 points; Tara Rowe, who has now committed to Eastern Kentucky University, had 16; Heather Hammond had eight points and 11 rebounds; Johma Abney, who is the all-time leading Lady Rocket scorer had six points and nine assists, Ashley Lunsford added four

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Pingleton found guilty

Law enforcement officers from different areas, including Rockcastle Co. Sheriff Darrell Doan and District 4 Constable Roger Pigg, have announced that Johnny E. Pingleton, 28, of Rockcastle County was found guilty on March 10, 2005 of conspiring to manufacture methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, employ, hire and use one person under eighteen years of age to attempt to manufacture and produce fifty grams or more of meth and possession of a measurable quantity of pseudoephedrine, a list I chemical, used to manufacture a controlled substance (meth).

The trial was in United States District Court, London and the jury's verdict of guilty as returned followed the trial before District Judge Danny C. Reeves. Pingleton is scheduled to be sentenced July 25, 2005. The maximum potential penalties are not less than 10 years, \$5,000,000 fine and not less than ten years supervised release.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and Kentucky State Police Drug Enforcement Section II.

Also named First Team-All State Cash named 13th Region Player for 2005 by KABC

RCHS senior Aaron Cash, a candidate for the Mr. Basketball state title, has been named player of the year for the 13th Region by the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches.

The players from each region, and the coaches selected as Court of Honor Inductees, will be recognized at the State Tournament on Friday, March 18th, with an on the floor awards presentation at half-time of the first game of the afternoon session.

The Regional Players of the year will receive an automatic tryout for the Kentucky All-Star Team and the Coaches of the Year will sit as Evaluators at the tryouts. The member coaches in their respective regions selected these award winners.

All awards recipients will be honored at the Radisson Hotel's ballrooms 1 and 2 on Friday, March 18th

from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

First Team All-State

It was also announced Tuesday that Cash had been named to the 2005 Kentucky High School All-State First Team. Cash received 23 votes to put him in the same company as Curtis Puley of Hopkinsville, Jared Carter of Scott County, JaJuan Spillman of PRP and Domicio Tilford of Jefferson.

This is the first time a Rockcastle basketball player has been named to the first-team all state.

Under Help Americans Vote Act

County has to revamp voting machine, sites

At Tuesday's called meeting of the Fiscal Court, Judge/Executive Buzz Carlotis told the magistrates that the county has until January, 2006 to provide voting machines for the physically-impaired and to renovate all polling places to meet requirements for serving the physically impaired, including the blind.

Carlotis said that he, and County Clerk Norma Houk, had attended a meeting of County Judges and Court

Clerks in Lexington Monday to learn about the guidelines for bringing all machines and polling places in line with standards being imposed by the federal government.

Carlotis said that 10 of Rockcastle's 14 polling sites were "in good shape" but that the Climax, Conway, Dulock and Orlando precincts would need renovation. There must be a hard surface from the parking of County Judges and Court

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In Mt. Vernon

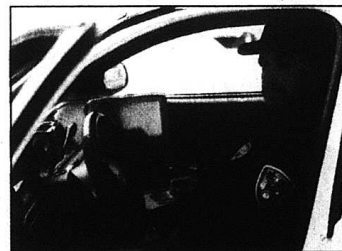
MDTs are latest addition to city's police's crime-fighting equipment

Mt. Vernon Police Chief Terry Jackson reported to the city council at their regular March meeting, that Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) had been installed in six of the city's cruisers. The chief told the council that the terminals, installed in a 42 county area and costing about \$20,000 each, were paid for by a \$22.5 million Law Enforcement Technology Grant secured from the U.S. Department of Justice by 5th

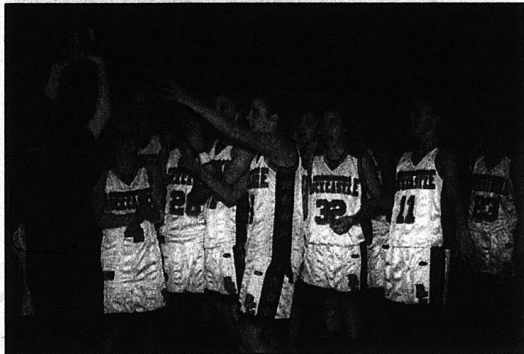
district Congressman Hal Rogers. The grant was developed and initiated by the Center for Rural Development as a holistic approach to helping law enforcement agencies improve communications. The police department also received a desktop computer as part of the grant.

Last month, Rockcastle County and Mt. Vernon Law Enforcement officers received software training

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Mt. Vernon Police Chief Terry Jackson is shown with the Mobile Data Terminal which has been installed in six of the city's patrol vehicles. The MDTs will provide information on outstanding warrants on anyone stopped for a traffic violation or other reason, Jackson said. The terminals were provided through a Technology Grant secured by Cong. Harold Rogers. The city also received a new desktop computer through the grant.



They're Regional Champions!

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets (top photo) reached for their 13th region championship trophy last Monday night after defeating the Clay County Lady Tigers 57-43 for their second straight region title and the third for head coach Chrysti Noble. The Lady Rockets defeated Middlesboro and Corbin enroute to the championship game and will face off with the Lexington Catholic Lady Knights, ranked No. 1 in the state, in the opening game of the Girls' Sweet Sixteen in Bowling Green Wednesday, March 23 at 1 p.m. (see more photos pages A-10 and A-11).



In the bottom photo, RCHS seniors Aaron Cash and Blake Roberts accepted the runners-up trophy for their team. The boys, who were defending champs of the 13th Region, lost to Corbin in the championship game 67-57 after leading most of the game. Cash was named the 13th Region Player of the Year and also was named All-State First Team.

Rockcastle Hospital plans \$9 million dollar expansion

A new Out-Patient Service Center and a 19-bed addition to the Respiratory Care Facility is being planned by the Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc.'s board of directors.

Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Lambert, who is also chairman of the hospital's board of directors, made the presentation of the plan to the Rockcastle Fiscal Court in a special called meeting Tuesday.

Lambert told the court that this expansion would "serve and benefit the people of this county for the next 50-75 years."

The new three-story facility, planned for construction beside the present Medical Arts Building on the site of the former Baptist Church Parsonage, will house a new emergency room facility, pharmacy, laboratory, radiology and chemotherapy departments and an imaging area, including the new MRI equipment recently acquired by the hospital at a cost of \$1,000,000.

The second floor of the 55,000

square foot building will house all the therapies: physical, speech, occupational, etc. The third floor will be held for future expansion.

The hospital's CEO Steve Estes told the court that this facility should be open by Thanksgiving of 2006 and will add nine new jobs to the hospital's payroll. The hospital has already acquired a Certificate of Need for the 19 bed expansion to their Respiratory Care Facility, bringing that total to 79 beds. The addition will be built at the rear of the present hospital next to the former Wayne Stewart property and will add 45 jobs, bringing the total employee number to 579. Estes said the additional 19 bed facility should be completed by the summer of 2006.

Lambert told the court that the Respiratory Care Department has a high rate of wearing ventilator patients. "33 to 40% of patients coming into our facility as life-time ventilator patients are treated through the excellent care and attention given them by our nurses, respiratory therapists and doctors," Lambert said.

Estes also told the court that with additional 19 bed expansion, some of the "swing" beds presently used by Respiratory Care could possibly be added beds for the Acute Care Department.

Estes emphasized to the court that this expansion would improve health care in the county and would enable more patients to be able to receive

Nine Kentucky musicians honored at state capitol Gov. Fletcher recognizes inductees to Kentucky Music Hall of Fame in Renfro Valley

Governor Ernie Fletcher Wednesday recognized the 2006 inductees to the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame. State Representative Danny Ford, R-Mt. Vernon, was also on hand at the ceremony in the state capitol rounds to announce the inductees.

"This is a very exciting honor for musicians who have made a name for themselves in the commonwealth and

treatment at home rather than having to travel out of town.

"The new facility will also free up room in the present Medical Arts building which will enable us to "track" more doctors in various specialties," Estes added.

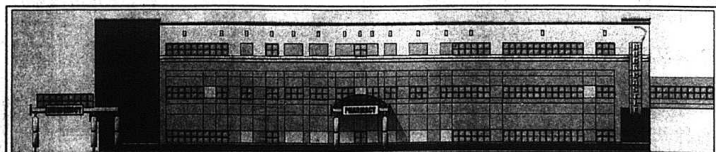
Also at the meeting was Gil Johnson, a bond attorney with Cox

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across the county," said Governor Ernie Fletcher. "I want to congratulate each music artist who was named as an inductee today."

The 2006 inductee class represents five different genres of music. The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame is pleased to recognize such diversity in the heritage of Kentucky Mu-

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Shown above is the architect's concept of the new 55,000 square foot facility which will be built next to the present Rockcastle Medical Arts building on Newcomb Avenue. The building, expected to be completed by Thanksgiving of 2006, is part of a planned \$9 million dollar expansion by the hospital. The expansion also includes a 19 bed addition to the hospital's Respiratory Care Center.

Our Readers Write

Looking for ancestors...

Dear Editor,
My name is Patricia Bullock Allen. I am working on the Bullock family history. I am trying to find in which cemetery my great grandfather, Jeremiah Bullock, and also his daughter, Rachel Bullock Robbins, are buried. He was killed in a saw-mill accident along with a young son (Bobby or Jody) and maybe others around the early 1900s or just prior to 1900. His date of death is not listed on the ancestry.com or the Rockcastle Cemetery Book.

He was listed in the 1870 census (Walnut Grove District) as a 10-year-old child in the household of William and Susan Bullock.

My father, Shirley Harrison Bullock thought he was buried in the Slaggs Creek area. His widow, Mary Melissa Dan Bullock, married William Harrison Proctor in 1904 and was buried in the Proctor Cemetery on Glyn Bullock's farm on Cove Branch.

If anyone has heard any details concerning this, please send me a note and I will write or call you. My address is Rt. 1, Box 724, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Patricia Allen

Remembering how it was when soldiers came home...

Dear Editor,
While reading the article below from the Internet, I remembered how it was when the Veterans came home from Vietnam -- the protests and the things thrown at them. I couldn't believe it then, and still cannot believe how our country dishonors our veterans.

Not too many months ago, I read where a homeless Vietnam vet had died under a bridge due to the cold. This shouldn't happen.

Young Bikers Need Helmets

Presented By: Dr. Callie Shaffer

Biking is a high-risk activity for children. Biking accidents often result in head injuries and they are often very severe. Young bikers can have falls and accidents for many reasons. They can lose control on a sandy or wet patch, hit bumps, pot-holes or other bikers, or they may be struck by a car.

A number of factors bear on the seriousness of biking injuries. One is the increasing velocity. Bikes go faster than a child can run, and high speeds often contribute to children losing control.

In children, especially younger ones, their heads are proportionately larger than their bodies, and their weak neck muscles provide less support and stabilization for the head. This allows greater head impact and greater bouncing and rotational head movement when they strike the ground. These factors make falls more likely to cause concussions, skull fractures, and neck injuries in younger children.

Finally, the surface they land on is often an unforgiving concrete or asphalt road or sidewalk, not the soft ground of lawns, playgrounds and athletic fields. These factors make bike helmets exceedingly important for children, even when they are biking at home. Most accidents happen close to home. Proper-fitting helmets will drastically reduce the deaths from head injuries. Studies have shown that perhaps 75% of deaths from head injuries could have been prevented if a helmet had been used. Helmets are available in a variety of colors and graphics that will please any youngster.



T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook

March Madness is in the air. Whether it be of high school level or college level, the many basketball fans of the Commonwealth will be sitting on the edge of their seats and biting their nails for the next several days. I suppose it's just a warm-up for the NBA Finals.

Today, the Wildcats lost to Florida in the SEC Championship game. I, as well as many other fans must surely be very disappointed. However, the Cats will have an opportunity to win the NCAA Championship in a few days. I really hope they do, but it's probably unlikely.

Just following on the heels of the Wildcats loss comes the news that the Wildcats will be playing the Eastern Kentucky Colonels in the first round of the tournament. This obviously means that if the Wildcats are to advance, they must bump off a fellow Kentucky team. What a bummer. The EKU Colonels haven't been in a NCAA tournament in twenty-five years, and now they finally get an opportunity. If it had to be another Kentucky team, why couldn't it have been the Louisville Cardinals? They are periodically in the tournament, anyway. Besides, what true Cat fan wouldn't like to beat Louisville anytime, anywhere? In any case, I'm glad to see Kentucky represented by three teams.

I've always thought that I would like to go on the road with the Cats during tourney time. You would get to travel, meet fellow Cat fans, enjoy new restaurants, and of course, see the Cats play. I've never been to a Cat basketball game. I've never been able to get tickets. If the governor of Kentucky could get tickets, he wouldn't be any closer than the tenth row, I've always said. How do you get these good, front-row tickets, anyway? Season ticket holders must pass on "dibs" for these seats in their wills.

Now that tourney time is here, it's time to get out of our True Blue apparel. People are not in things that you wouldn't catch them dead in at any other time of the year. I've even bought a True Blue hairpiece. It will look nice with all the other regalia that I usually wear during March

Madness. My car is even flying a Wildcat flag.

I'm really proud to be a Wildcat fan. The Wildcats have built a longstanding tradition of being one of the best teams in the country on a consistent basis. Their records speak for themselves. UK has been the starting point for many former and present NBA stars. It has also produced many great coaches and assistant coaches. A hundred years from now, when the topic of college basketball is mentioned, the legend of Adolph Rupp will be mentioned. I'm sure.

I'm really looking forward to watching the tournament games this year. At least we can be guaranteed that there will be something good to watch on TV. However, I really do hate to miss The Young and The Restless and The Bold and The Beautiful. I just have to remind myself that it is for a good cause.

If I were possible, I'm too soft-hearted sometimes. The TV camera will usually make a shot of the losing team's bench just a minute or two before the game is over. You can see the faces of these young men, and almost feel the sadness, hurt, and disappointment that they feel. You think of all the hard work, long practices, abstaining from other college activities, and sacrifices that they have made to get to where they are, you think of how much a victory would mean to their families, friends, and fans; and you think of how this loss will affect their lives and futures.

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Points East

By Ike Adams

Steve and Rose Adams lived upon the side of the mountain where the creek started and sprang out of the mountain there in the head of Blair Branch. Rose was my mom's first cousin but they were more like sisters so Rose's two girls, Connie and Joann, and my brothers saw and played with each other nearly every day.

We walked to school together until they moved down there just before those Little Blair Branch runs into the main holler at Fred and Callie's and bought a place next door to the Blair Branch School House.

Steve actually worked the first working television set on Blair Branch, that I recall, when they lived there in the head of the holler. We'd go to their house on Saturday nights to watch the boxing matches on Channel 3 that was broadcast out of Huntington West Virginia. That was the only station that they got and it was fuzzy black and white. But it was much, much more than magic.

Steve and Rose and the girls had a dog and his name was Rover. He was black and white, long-haired and he looked a lot like Lassie in a formal, evening outfit.

Rover got his name because he couldn't stay at home even though he probably had the best one on the holler at that time. He didn't chase cows nor bother chickens and he never picked a fight with another dog. In fact, he'd run like lightning if another dog got after him.

But he'd show up on the porch at supper time and act like he was starving. He'd eat all anybody fed him and then he'd trot on down the road to the next house and go to begging like he hadn't been fed in months, when, truth be known, he had left-over, and still warm, chicken and dumplings poured out into a Chevy hub cap on his own back porch.

Rose Adams could and always did some mighty fine cooking. Rover couldn't blame his appetite on her not feeding him the best left overs there on Blair Branch.

But here he'd come, with tail and tongue wagging, pawing at the front door of the house, fat, but still pleading bad starvation, and my Mom would love him like he was a long-lost cousin and feed him some of whatever she was cooking.

If I were frying chicken, which we did almost every night in late spring and early summer, Rover would show up and eat with me at every mealtime. Sometimes he'd curl up on the front porch and go to sleep. He'd keep on snoring when you picked his ticks off or pulled the cuckle burs out of his hair.

Dad used to take curry combs that we used on the horses and mules to slick him out and then dust him with flea powder. Any time that Rover needed barbering, I'm pretty sure he was showed up in the barn and had a serious conversation and a hair-do.

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Obituaries

John Bradley

John R. "Bill" Bradley, 88, of Livingston, died Wednesday, March 9, 2005 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County April 9, 1916, the son of Willie Noah and Maggie Renner Bradley. He was a retired truck driver, a Marine Corps veteran of World War II and a member of the Livingston Baptist Church.

Survivors are a son, John R. Bradley, Jr. of Duluth, MN; a daughter, Helen Hafner of Venice, FL; two stepsons, Billy E. Robinson of London and Harold Robinson of Jeffersonville, IN; one stepdaughter, Norma Jean Welch of London; two sisters, Mary Bastin of Greenwood, IL and Liza Nicely of Stanford; six grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; ten step grandchildren and 32 step great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Laura Bradley.

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Survivors are five sons: Ray, Jr. of Columbus, OH; Gene (Pam) of Granville, OH; Roger (Brenda) of Delton Springs, FL; Douglas (Jeanette) of Henderson and Jim (Candy) of Mt. Vernon; four daughters, Midge of Mt. Vernon, Ann of Custer, Glenna (J.P.) of Eubank and Jane (Bill), also of Custer; one brother, Bill (Noe) of Cincinnati, OH; one sister, Ruth Brown of Mt. Vernon; 35 grandchildren; 57 great grandchildren and 25 great great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; two sisters, Mary Elizabeth and Sarah; a brother, Jarve Jr.; two sons-in-law, Boyd Whitaker and Virgil Smith; one grandson, Chris Boswell; a daughter-in-law, Hazel and two great grandsons, Cody James and Drew.

Funeral services for Mrs. Rickels will be held Friday, March 18 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Slade Rickels, Bro. Doug Rickels and Bro. Eddie Nation. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, March 17 from 6 to 9 p.m. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Mrs. Rickels' online obituary.

Besides his mother, survivors include his wife, Sue Denny Poynter; a daughter, Michelle (Lidell) Vaughn of Louisville; three brothers, Delmas Poynter and Dwight Poynter, both of Mt. Vernon and David Poynter of Somerset; two sisters, Nancy Schontz of Indianapolis, IN and Linda Parrish of London and three grandchildren.

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Lorella Debord

Lorella Mae Delph Debord, 62, of Sand Springs Road, Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, March 12, 2005 at her residence.

She was born July 30, 1942 in Level Green, the daughter of John J. and Laura Mae Hayes Delphi. She was of the Baptist Faith, a paralegal, farmer, school bus driver and Home Health employee. She was a member of the American Cancer Society, P.T.O. and a Notary Public.

Survivors include her children: May (Donnie) Arnold, Barbara (Mike) Robinson, Becky (Steve) Griffin, Renee Debord and Ralph Cromer and Jeff Debord, all of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Eddie (Darlene) Delph of Brodhead; two sisters, Gracie ("Rooster") Mason of Mt. Vernon and Johanna (Bill) Strunk of New Tazewell, TN; a special sister, Bobbie Keeney of Nicholasville; her significant other, Harold Broyles of Somerset and four grandchildren.

Besides her parents and husband, Sam Debord, she was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Edith Loudemulder and one infant grandchild, Zachery Debord.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 15th at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Nation officiating. Burial was in the Scaggs Creek Cemetery.

Casket bearers were: Donnie Arnold, Steve Griffin, Mike Robinson, Ralph Cromer, Mikah Reams and Rooster Mason.

Honorary bearers were: Eddie Delph, Harold Broyles, Jonathan Debord, Timmy Loudemulder, Harry Harmon, John Cameron and Ott Bond.

Condolences of the family of Mrs. Debord may be made to her online registry at www.marvinowensfuneralhome.com



Charles Buswell

Charles Edward Buswell, 76, of Rt. 6, Mt. Vernon, died Monday, March 14, 2005 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Mt. Vernon December 2, 1928, the son of Mitchell and Sybil Cummins Buswell, was a retired construction worker, a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War and a member of the Freedom Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife of 55 years, Louella Clark Buswell; two sons, Tommy (Teresa) Buswell and Michael (Wanda) Buswell, all of Mt. Vernon; three daughters, Sharon (Jesse) Thacker, Carol Kirby and husband Roy Allen and Janet (Barry) McClure, all of Mt. Vernon; four brothers, Jim Southard of Lancaster, Bro. Marcum of Richmond, IN, Dean Mink of Glen Pool, OK and James Mink of Melbourne, FL; one sister, Nell Coffey of Easley, SC; 13 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Debbie Sue Buswell and two brothers, Thomas Marcum and Billy Allen Buswell.

Funeral services for Mr. Buswell will be held Thursday, March 17 (today) at 2:30 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Revs. Michael Bryant and Chad Burdette. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

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Mabel Rickels

Mabel Noe Rickels, 89, of Mt. Vernon died Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at her home on Fairground Hill in Mt. Vernon.

She was born February 24, 1916 on her father's farm on the Old Brodhead Road in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Jarve and Eta Noe and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

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Friends may call at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, March 17 from 6 to 9 p.m. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Mrs. Rickels' online obituary.

Macie Dobson

Macie Childress Dobson, 77, of Lewisburg, OH died Wednesday, March 9, 2005. She was a native of Berea, born April 15, 1927 to John and Myrtle Childress.

Survivors include two daughters, Geri (Charles) Hargrove of Brookville, OH and Rhonda DeBord of Lewisburg, OH; one brother, John Childress; one sister, Jane Vivvinto; four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

She was the widow of Denzil Dobson.

Funeral services were held at Reppert Funeral Home Saturday, March 12 with burial in the Johnetta Cemetery in Rockcastle County.



Cards of Thanks

Paul D. Owens

The family of Paul D. Owens would like to say a special thank you to our friends and family for their prayers, food, flowers and for coming into our home to help in our time of need. A special thanks to Rev. Bobby Turner for his kind words and to Kyle McKnight for making a sad and difficult time more bearable and to all the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers.

The Owens Family

Eva Doan

The family of Eva Doan wish to express their thanks for everyone who helped in our time of need. A very special thanks to Dr. Karen Saylor and staff and nurses at Rockcastle County Hospital, to Bro. Virgil Buntle and wife, Bessie, for their beautiful singing, to everyone who brought food, sent flowers and came to show their love and support. A very special thanks to Roy Martin at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home for all their kindnesses.

Glenna Bell, children and grandchildren of Eva Doan

Andy Marvin Mason

The family of Andy Marvin Mason prays that God may bless each one who showed us love and kindness during Andy's illness and our time of grief. Words cannot express how much we appreciate our family, friends and neighbors for sharing in our loss.

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R.J. Reynolds

R.J. Reynolds, 64, of Georgetown, and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Friday, March 11, 2005 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County June 25, 1940, the son of James and Orlena McKinney Reynolds. He was a general laborer and a member of the Liberty Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Wanda Griffin Reynolds; two sons, Jeff (Alesha) Reynolds of Stanford and Andy (Jennifer) Reynolds of Eubank; one stepson, Kenny (Ruthie) Blankenship of Carlisle; two stepdaughters, Laura (Mark) McMillin of Georgetown and Tammy (Robert) Hunt of Cynthia; one brother, Bobby (Carolyn) Reynolds of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Mae Hancock of Reynolds, Peaches Reynolds, Janet Reynolds, Charles Reynolds and Jimmy Reynolds and two sisters, Glossie and Evelyn.

Funeral services for Mr. Reynolds were conducted Monday, March 14 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Rick Reynolds. Burial was in the Reynolds Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Kenny Blankenship, Gary Maddux, Johnny McKinney, Mark McMillin, Danny Reynolds and Rick Reynolds. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Mr. Reynolds' online obituary.

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"Letters"

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rine, a recent Marine. I just got back from overseas, the second week of December, actually I was injured overseas, so that's why I'm home now.

"But the whole time I was (there, in recovery), we watched the news to see what's going on. And we saw the protests, and we saw what the media was saying about what's going on, and we were worried about what we were actually going to face when we came home. We didn't know what to expect, to be honest with you. From the news media we were seeing, the whole country was basically telling us we're a bunch of jerks.

"I thank God that the troops that are there don't see the news coverage. I thank God every day, because there would be ten times the number getting killed, just because it would so unmovable (sic) them.

"I don't know if there were seven other soldiers that came home with me that day. We flew into JFK and we were talking on the way back: 'What's going to happen? What will we be seeing?' It is going to be like the Vietnam era, there are going to be people spitting at us?"

"We didn't know. We had that much trepidation about it.

"We get into JFK, we step out of the baggage into the main terminal and directly in front was an elderly gentleman carrying a bag. He immediately stopped, set his bag down, and the first thing he said was, 'Oh, Lord, here we go already.' He just stopped and looked at us for a second, and then tears came to his eyes and he saluted us.

"And -- I'm breaking up now (editor's note: with tears) -- but one of us just started crying like babies. Everybody in the terminal -- I kid you not, at least two to three hundred people -- just started clapping, spontaneous. To me, it was so much worth what we were doing, to realize that people over here actually get what we were doing. We weren't over there because it's fun. We're over there because of a job.

"When I saw the Super Bowl commercial, I just started bawling like a baby again because that was something totally unexpected. We had no idea that people actually appreciate what we're doing. I think what we see on the news. We thought we were going to come back and get eggs thrown at us. It was so refreshing to know that what we were seeing on the news is just a bunch of liars who's that's being concocted by the media that 99.9 percent of the country doesn't believe that way.

"I have a couple of months of recovery. I got hit with a concussion and had some internal damage, but I'm feeling up, doing well and, hopefully, I can get back over there with my boys."

"It caused some tears in this talk show host's eyes to know there were tears in his. Appreciation, smiles, handclaps -- they can go a long way when a nation is at war, regardless of what the media and some Europeans might think.

Project Graduation extends thanks

We would like to thank the following businesses, community leaders, parents, and individuals for their support to Project Graduation 2005. We greatly appreciate each and everyone for helping to make this a huge success:

- Advanced Orthopedics; Allen's Florist; Appliance Service Center; Dr. Tony Arvin; B & L Grocery; Babson Inc. Electrical Contractors; Dr. Carter Blevins; Bray's Transmission; Broadhead Christian Church; Broadhead Fire Department; Broadhead Lions Club; John and Judy Morris; Mt. Vernon Automotive/Radio Shack; Mt. Vernon Chiropractic; Mt. Vernon Scrap; Mt. Vernon Weight Loss; NAACO; One Voice; Ottawa Baptist Church; Stephen & Anna Owens; Preston Parents; Perry's Body Shop; Quality Cleaners; Dr. Timothy D. Reynolds; Law Offices of William Reynolds; Richmond Eye Care; Rockcastle County Library; Rockcastle County Little League; Saylor's Furniture; Shoprite of Broadhead; Singleton & Associates; Homer and Janice Sizemore; Skaggs

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If we accidentally left someone out, please feel free to call us and let us correct the error.

Thank you,
Project Graduation 2005
Committee

A travesty of justice

Something so insidious is happening within our judicial system. I find myself stunned. One thing I know would help mobilizing my fellow citizens to stand against a blatant, yet little-publicized, travesty of justice involving a brain-damaged woman in Florida whose parents want to take on the responsibility of her care but who are being flagrantly rebuffed by an unfaithful husband (of their daughter's) and the merciless judge who has ordered the woman's feeding tube be removed this week.

By the time you read this, it may already be a past issue, but if you read on, perhaps you will, as I did, gain insight into the gross mishandling by our courts of abuses against our civil rights in this case, that of the right to be fed within an institution dedicated to healing and of the right of caring parents to aid their adult child in her time of need when her unfaithful husband has shunned his responsibility toward her. Terry Schaivo, the 41-year-old woman in Florida whose husband, living with another woman with whom he has fathered two children over the past ten years, faces starvation beginning March 18, when her feeding tube is scheduled to be removed by court order. She has been constrained from being treated with therapies which would help her gain control of impaired bodily functions. After viewing a current photo of the brain-damaged but very responsive woman interacting with her mother and considering a report from

her neurologist broadcast last week over her reactions to her surroundings and everyone in it, I must ask people to take very seriously the "hearsay" and/or verifiable reports concerning affronts to our most basic civil liberties.

Whether or not readers have time or want to get involved on this woman's behalf is between them and God, but one thing is sure. The ever-invasive slippery slope of hostility toward life in this nation has just about converted to a free fall. Judge Greer, the judge judging himself in the seat of God concerning Ms. Schaivo, is clearly out of line in determining that this fully conscious, responsive woman should die the slow, agonizing death of starvation simply because a prior negative reaction to a medication left her deplete of some of her mental and physical control. Her parents, who would gladly take over responsibility of her care and have done so to the point allowed by the unscrupulous husband, are refused that privilege by Mr. Schaivo and, consequently, Judge Greer.

Broadcasts from Christian news sources nationwide have discussed the ramifications of the Schaivo conundrum over the last few weeks, and the Florida legislature, as well as Washington, have mobilized to try intervening. Yet this Judge greets "hell-bent" on holding the Schindlers, (Schaivo, a birth family), their daughter, and American justice, by the throat. Though this case involving "one of the least of these" (as Jesus describes His children) is not on the grander scale of the Federal Marriage Amendment legislation to preserve the biblically-sound method of maintaining a wholesome and civil society, nor is it the noble and honorable crusade to protect the rights of the unborn, it is a situation in which we must reflect upon what

we as a nation stand for. If we support "justice for all," as espoused in our oft-maligned Pledge of Allegiance, and we look to the Ten Commandments to frame our system of jurisprudence, then Terry Schaivo's life prospects and Judge Greer's refusal to acknowledge them, must be addressed and given their proper due process in the scheme of our nation's history. As individuals, we must ask ourselves how would we wish to be treated in similar circumstances, and respond to Ms. Schaivo's situation accordingly.

According to CITIZENLINK, an on-line newsletter associated with Focus on the Family concerning current events, Florida's Sixth Circuit Judge George Greer, has determined this Friday, March 18--at 1 p.m. EST--as "time and date" certain to remove Ms. Schaivo's feeding tube, after which she will be allowed to slowly starve and be dehydrated to death. If you are reading this before that time, please consider the urgent need for those of us nationwide concerned about civil and human rights to contact Florida legislators. They need to hear from us, via phone or email, urging their support for the "Starvation and Dehydration of Persons With Disabilities Prevention Act", H. B. 701 and S. B. 2128.

You can find individual Florida state congressional and senate members in their districts at www.florida.gov. I would also like you could contact Speaker-of-the-House Allan Q. Bone at 850-488-1450 (phone) or "speaker@myfloridahouse.gov" (email). Individual senators, by district, can be located at the florida.gov website, but I have given Senate President Tom LeC's phone at 850-487-5072 and email at lee.tom.web@flsenate.gov in case you do not have anyone in a Florida district you know. We are being en-

couraged to contact as many members as we can, however.

On the national level, U.S. Representative Dave Welton and U.S. Senator Mel Martinez, both of Florida, have introduced H.R. 1151 and S. 539, respectively, to give Ms. Schaivo, and others like her, the same federal appeals rights as convicted killers like Ted Bundy. The bills, known as "The Incapacitated Person's Legal Protection Act of 2005," will allow Terry's parents, and family members of incapacitated patients nationwide, to "access the federal courts," according to CITIZENLINK. "to review claims that the patient's equal protection rights were violated in the state courts," a glaring reality in Ms. Schaivo's case.

Please contact your U.S. Senators, Mitch McConnell and Jim Bunning, and your Federal Representative, by calling the Capitol Switchboard at 202-224-3121, and urge their signing on to this Act. They can also be contacted through individual web forms at www.citizenlink.org.

If ever a time existed in which our civic duty in response to one person's abuse has ramifications of national importance, this is one of those times.

Kathy Kosmidt
1030 W. Main St.
Mount Vernon, KY 40456

Could low water pressure create health problems?...

Dear Editor,
I talked to a water engineer about three weeks ago at the waterworks office. He is a contractor whose company maintains waterlines. He was trying to drum up business and get Mt. Vernon as one of his customers. By talking to him, I learned many answers to my water questions.

I told him I personally knew three water meters which had been leaking for

twenty years. I had talked to two of the customers the night before and was told that the meters had never been fixed. One is a minister and school teacher and the other is a nurse. The nurse told me that she hadn't been able to read her meter in three months. The standing water over the meter stays green with algae year round. I told the engineer that all three meters were less than 1/4 mile from my house. I said, "I wonder how many there would be in the entire water network." I gave him my opinion that this created a siphon effect and thus sucked the contaminated water into the main line.

The engineer told me that was not possible because the regulation code states that the water pressure pushing outward could not be less than 30 lbs. pressing even if every customer on the line had their water on. Well, I lived there for about ten years and I can never remember my water pressure being more than 25 lbs. at any time, even when the water goes off and the water coming backwards off a main line from Brindle Ridge drains the line all the way to Conway, what happens to the water in a two-three inch line which is fed by a one inch line coming underneath the road which is connected to four different meters of which are leaking? It's not going to hold a vacuum just as a gas can doesn't when you pop the little air vent to pour its contents out.


"I'm no 'little water boy' as some sarcastically called me. However, I'd have to take many classes at Eastern, taught by Professor Tom Knight and usually got As in my classes. It was there that I learned that it was necessary to put a valve preventing backflow of chemicals, such as fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, etc. at the source of your water supplying the siphon or whatever system you used to mix chemicals which went to sprinklers, etc. It was a code that if a licensed plumber installed it, he had to get a permit and install a backflow preventive valve, but a homeowner could install a system without obtaining a permit. Eliminating the backflow preventer can be very dangerous!"

God bless everyone!
James A. Cornelius

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The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program helps train people to be better prepared to respond to emergency situations in their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

There will be a Rockcastle CERT organizational meeting on April 5th, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the Rockcastle County Emergency Operations Center located behind the County Judge Executive Office. For further information please contact Howell Holbrook, Rockcastle County Emergency Manager at 256-8436 or Mark Sizemore, CVDHD Public Health Preparedness Planner at 864-4764 ext. 119.

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Church News

3rd Saturday Night Singing
McNew Chapel Baptist Church will hold their 3rd Saturday night Gospel Singing March 19th at 7 p.m. Singers will be the Smith Sisters. The pastor, Jerry Ballinger, and congregation welcome everyone.

Benefit Singing
Calloway Mission Church will hold a Benefit Singing for Bruce and Shirley Hilton on Sat., March 19, beginning at 7 p.m.
Pastor Ronnie Bruner and congregation invite all singers. Everyone welcome.

Gospel Singing
A Gospel Singing will be held Fri., March 18, beginning at 7 p.m. at the

West Brodhead Church of God on Hwy. 3245. Local singers will be featured. Everyone welcome.

Community Easter Egg Hunt
Northside Baptist Church will have a Community Easter Egg Hunt at noon on Saturday, March 26 at the Brodhead Fairgrounds. For more info, call 256-5577.

Singing at Pine Hill
There will be a singing at Pine Hill Holiness Church featuring Solid Ground from Maysville on Thursday, March 17, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Allen Hensley and congregation welcome everyone.

Relay for Life season to kick off March 21st

Millions of people have joined the fight, the fight against cancer. Many have done so by participating in Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society's team event to fight cancer. The event will return to Rockcastle County on August 5, 2005. Kick off planned for March 21, 2005 will officially get the new Relay season underway.

Relay For Life is the largest cancer fund-raiser in the nation. Held in more than 4,200 communities nationwide last year, the event brings participants together to raise money for cancer research, education, advocacy and patient support programs.

The 2004 Relay For Life in Rockcastle County was a successful event, raising \$36,000 for the American Cancer Society. "We're excited about our plans for 2005 and look

forward to having new teams and participants join us," said Kelly McClure, event chair. "This kick off is just the beginning of great things to come."

The public is invited to learn more about Relay For Life at the kick off on March 21, 2005 at Citizen's Bank. The kick off starts at 6:00 PM.

For more information about Relay For Life, call the American Cancer Society anytime at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service.

Mt. Vernon Personals

By Maric McKinney

C.B. Owens celebrated his 88th birthday March 8th. We wish him many more.

Those who visited C.S. and Maric McKinney recently were their son, Jack McKinney and their daughter, Lillian Renner of Reading, OH; Maric's nephew, Clinton Graves and Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Eunice Craft and granddaughters, April, Courtney and Alicia and Sara Jones; their grandson, Joe Lovins, Jr. and Mrs. Lovins and great grandson, Dalton Blake and Ms. and Mrs. Floyd Kirby.

Maric McKinney is on the sick list

but is improving. I want to thank everyone for my pretty red roses and my pretty cards and visits but most of all for all the prayers and the good Lord.

Sharon Lovins celebrated her 59th birthday March 10th. We wish her many more.

Maric and C.S. McKinney visited their grandsons, Jim and Jenny Lovins, Chase, Chase and Cheryl of Berea also Jack Lovins and girlfriend, Lisa, Jacob and Samarah last Sunday.

CERT meeting April 5th

The Rockcastle County Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with the Cumberland Valley District Health Department will host a CERT organizational meeting on April 5th, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the Rockcastle County EOC located behind the County Judge Executive's Office.

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERTs) are citizens trained to respond to disastrous events in their communities until help arrives.

The skills learned can help save and sustain lives following a disaster and also apply to daily emergencies.

Upon completion of the CERT course, participants will receive a CERT Kit that includes tools for basic disaster response. This course is free and open to all interested Rockcastle County Citizens.

For more information please contact Howell Holbrook at 256-8436 or Mark Sizemore at 606-864-4764 ext.119.

UNITE to sponsor "Living Free" workshops

Two free workshops designed to provide churches with the tools to encourage and support individuals in their quest for help with drug-related problems are being sponsored by Operation UNITE (Unlawful Narcotics Investigations, Training and Education) and Lifeline.

The "Living Free" trainings for faith-based communities are scheduled for March 18-19 at DuPont Lodge at Cumberland Falls State Park and April 8-9 at Rural Law Enforcement Technical Center in Hazard. Workshops run from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

It is our desire to help church leaders mobilize laity to help people

with life controlling problems," said Dr. Jimmy Lee with Turning Point Ministries. "With the continuing breakdown of family life we are finding an increasing number of hurting people in our communities and congregations. These people need a system of Christ-centered acceptance and accountability."

The program materials offer flexibility to meet the needs of each church. Participants will learn how to become a "people helper" and be provided tools necessary to initiate and continue ministries within their community.

Anyone interested in attending one of the workshops, or who would like additional information, should call UNITE at 1-866-678-6483.



25th Wedding Anniversary

We would like to wish our parents, Clyde and Denise Carpenter, a Happy 25th wedding anniversary. They were married March 20, 1980, in Copenhagen, Denmark while serving in the Army. Love your children - Chad and Chris.



Joseph Seth and Beth Saylor are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Laura Beth. She was born November 30, 2004 at Patten A. Clay Hospital weighing 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 19 inches in length. Maternal grandparents are Bentley and Bobbie Durham of Brodhead. Paternal grandparents are Brenda Saylor of Brodhead and Donald and Nancy Saylor of Clarksville, TN.



Alexis Irene Elam celebrated her first birthday February 24, 2005 at her grandparents in Renfro Valley. She is the granddaughter of Clark and Sondra Mullins of Renfro Valley and Larry and Sandy Elam of Morehead. She is the great granddaughter of Walter and Margie Malone of Mt. Vernon, Norma Mullins of Renfro Valley and Irene Elam of Morehead. Alexis is the daughter and Eric and Cassey Elam of St. Louis, Mo.

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Strawberry Plant orders
The extension office is taking orders for strawberry plants at \$12 per 100 plants through March 25th. Varieties are: Allstar and Early Glow. Must be paid when ordered. Call 256-2403 for more info.

FRC Meeting
There will be a meeting of the Roundstone Family Resource Center Advisory Council Monday, March 21 at 4:30 p.m.

Hot Rod Sign-up
Hot Rod sign-up for T-Ball for 3, 4 and 5 year old boys and girls, will be held April 2nd and 9th at Godfather's Pizza from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign-up fee will be \$20, possibly \$15. Parents' shirts will be available at sign-up for only \$10 each.

Project Graduation Basketball Tourney
The Project Graduation Church Basketball Tournament will be held March 25 and 26, 21:25 a.m. fee. Contact Jek Stillworth at 256-0110 or 308-9103.

Master Gardeners note
A Master Gardeners continuing education program "Birds in the Backyard" will be taught at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at extension office. Call 256-2403 for more information.

Project Graduation Meeting
The next Project Graduation Meeting will be held Monday, March 21 at 6 p.m. in the lunchroom at the high school.

Interagency meeting
The Interagency Council meets Tuesday, March 22 at noon at Kastle Inn Restaurant. The public is invited. Call 256-5315 for more information.

Blood Drive
There will be a blood drive Thursday, March 17 (today) from 2 to 6 p.m. at the extension office.

Tobacco Meeting
A tobacco meeting will be held March 22 at 7 p.m. at the high school auditorium. All tobacco quaters and growers are invited to attend.

Offices Closed
In observance of Good Friday/Spring Holiday, the PVA office will be closed all day Friday, March 25. The Circuit Court Clerk's office will be closed Saturday, March 26th. The permit test will not be given on Friday, March 25th.

Free Colon Screenings
Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. is offering free colon screenings the last two weeks of March. The kits will be available at Young's Pharmacy, Rite Aid Pharmacy and Mt. Vernon Drug. For more information on the colon screenings, contact Michael Shaffer at 606-256-7767.

American Legion Meeting
The regular meeting of American Legion Post 71 will be Tuesday, April 12th at 7 p.m. at the PVF club house at the high school. New officers will be elected and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Bus Drills/Early Dismissal
The Rockcastle County Schools will be conducting Bus Drills on Friday, March 26, 2005. The high school and middle school will dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Buses will proceed to the elementary schools where the drills will be conducted. Please adjust your schedule for this early dismissal. No school March 28 - April 1 - Spring Break.

WRVFD Fish Fry
Western Rockcastle Volunteer Fire Dept. will hold their monthly fish fry on Saturday, March 19 at the Quail Fire Station on Hwy. 70. Carryouts start at 3 p.m. All carryouts are \$6 each. Dine-in begins at 5:30 and are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Menu for carryouts are three pieces of fish, three hushpuppies, cole slaw, baked potato or french fries, dessert and drink. All proceeds go to the WRVFD.

Maple Grove Baptist Church welcomes new pastor

Members of the Maple Grove Baptist Church are pleased to announce that God has blessed them with a new pastor. Bro. Jerry Owens from Berea.

We thank God for sending him and his family to be a part of our church family.

The church urges the community to come out and visit during our service.

and receive an abundant blessing from God.

Further, Maple Grove Baptist Church will be having the 4th Saturday night singing on Saturday, March 28, beginning at 7 p.m. and featuring Bro. Hershel Walker.

Pastor Jerry Owens and congregation cordially invite everyone to attend.

"DIVE" in at First Baptist April 29th through May 1st

DIVE is an exciting weekend adventure in studying God's word for students 1st thru 5th grade. It will be held at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon April 29 - May 1st. Students will spend Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday morning "diving" deep into God's word and tons of exciting activities.

Mark your calendars now and don't miss out on this exciting week end.

Early registration is March 13- April 11. The cost of the weekend is \$30, but you can save \$5 by registering early.

For question or to register, call the church office at 606-256-2922.

Easter Celebration at First Christian Church

First Christian Church invites you to be a part of their Easter celebration events on March 27. There will be a sunrise service at 7:30 followed by a breakfast in the fellowship hall. At 10 a.m. Sunday School classes will be held and, at 11 a.m., worship and celebration will focus on the res-

urrection of our Lord and Savior in music, scripture readings, special music and more.

For transportation and further information, please call the church at 256-2876. If no answer, leave a message and you will be contacted soon.

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SCC hosts Regional Skills/USA Competition

The Regional Skills/USA Competition for high school and college students was held at Somerset Community College's Laurel Campus South on Friday, Feb. 25. The regional winners will advance to the Annual Skills/USA State Competition held during the Kentucky Leadership and Skills Conference to be held in Louisville on April 7-8 at the Executive Inn East.

Winners in the Post-Secondary Leadership Division were as follows. Karen Owen of SCC took first place in the Prepared Speech category. The Opening and Closing Ceremony Team from SCC Laurel Campus South took first place in that category. Jackie Vaught of SCC took first place in the Job Skill Demonstration category. Sarah McCuen of SCC took first place in the Job Interview category, while Shannon Johnson finished second.

A list of those winning in the High School Leadership Division follows. Whitney Hibbard and Felicia Middleton of Clay County Area Technical Center (ATC) took first place in the Promotional Bulletin Board category. Aron Cromer of Rockcastle County ATC finished first in the Prepared Speech category. The outstanding chapter award went to

Rockcastle County High School including Kelsey Slem and Danielle Alexander. Rockcastle County High School finished first in the Opening and Closing Ceremony category, while Jackson County High School took second. Two students from Rockcastle County High School finished first and second in the Job Skills Demonstration A category. They are Heather Penderly, first, and Andy Coffey, second. Whitney Clark of Bell County High School took first place in the Job Skills Demonstration B category, while Lisa Robinson of Rockcastle County High School finished second and Cody Robinson of Rockcastle County High School finished third. Rockcastle County High School swept the Job Interview category, with Kelly Fredrick taking first, Rebecca Gevedon finishing second and Amanda Weaver coming in third. Bobby Prewitt of Rockcastle County High School took first place in the Extemporaneous Speaking category. Rockcastle County High School swept the Action Skills category. James Judd got first, Josh Cameron was second and Willie Cooper got third.

The list of winners in the Post-Secondary Skills Division follows. Ashley Vaughn of SCC took first in

the Customer Service category. In the Welding category, Brandon Loid of SCC got first and Paul Strickland of the Corbin ATC won second. In Masonry, Stacie Wilkerson of SCC got first place. In HVAC, Brian Leach of SCC got first. In Cosmetology SCC students swept the event. Diana Grable and her model, Sarah McCuen, finished first, Pam Lawson and her model, Stacy Chitwood, got second and Joyce Obrelinski and her model, April Boyd, finished third. David Brewer of SCC took first in the Collision Repair event, while Rodger Epley of Bell County ATC got second. Eric Sizemore of SCC finished first in the Carpentry event, while Brandon Cheek of SCC was second.

The High School Skills Events ended as follows. Donisha Baker and her model, Emily Hickman, won first in the Cosmetology competition. Michelle Christy Tarbell and her model, Jennifer Lowe, finished second. The four are from South East Kentucky ATC. Clay County ATC's Smith won first place in the CPR and First Aid category. Mark Woods of Bell County ATC at Middleboro High School won first place in the Web Design event, while schoolmate Brandon got second. Rockcastle County ATC student Brandon Burch won the Welding competition. Marty Hollin of Knox County ATC was second and Daniel Leigh of Corbin ATC was third.

Josh Mason got second and Keith Duke also got Corbin ATC got second. In Residential Electricity, Clay County ATC's Leland Bowling won first, Ryan Hoop of Knox County ATC was second and Billy Shackelford of Rockcastle County ATC and Josh Reeves of Knox County ATC tied for third place. Michael Atkins of the Bell County ATC at Middleboro High School earned first place in the Internet Working event. Schoolmate Chris Hayes finished second. Rockcastle County ATC swept the Industrial Motor Controls competition with Dustin Burdette in first, Jesse McCollum in second and Derrick McClure in third. Daniel Marion of SCC Laurel Campus South won first place in the HVAC event. The Computer Maintenance Technology event was won by Dylan Merriam, Knox County ATC. Aaron Alford, also of Knox County ATC, got second and Ray Brunell of Jackson County ATC got third. Bell County ATC's Jerry Wilson won the Collision Repair competition. Wes Lewis of the Clay County ATC was second and James Rasar of Bell County ATC was third. Adam Patterson of SCC's Laurel Campus South earned first place in the Carpentry event. Michael Smith was second and Michael A. Smith was third. Both Smiths are from the Clay County ATC. The best cabinetmaker at the regional Skills/USA event was Patricia Isaacs of Jackson County ATC. Schoolmates Kyle Johnson and David Northern finished second and third respectively. In Automotive Service Technology, Rockcastle County ATC's Eric Wallin was first, while Knox County ATC's James Robinson was second and Rockcastle County ATC's Mikah Roams was third. Jordy Davis of Corbin ATC took first place in the Architectural Drafting competition. The team of Anthony Agnew and Travis Madden from the Jackson County ATC won first place in the 3-D Visualization and Animation event.



Skills USA Regional Competition Winners

On Friday, February 25, students from Rockcastle ATC competed in Regional Skill Olympics at Somerset Community College-Laurel Campus. Student representatives from the Automotive, Electrical, and Welding programs competed against 9 other schools from the Southeast Region of Kentucky.

Advisors attending were: Ken Famin, Automotive Instructor, Gerald Hammons, Electrical Instructor and Sherman Cook, Welding Instructor. The advisors worked with these students for several weeks preparing for competition. Rockcastle Co. dominated the Leadership events and placed well in the Skills competitions. They entered 12 contest and placed 1st in 9, 2nd in 5 and 3rd in 6. All 1st place winners will compete in Kentucky State Skills USA Championship representing the Southeast Region on April 5-8 in Louisville, KY. Below is a list of contest and medal recipients: Outstanding Chapter - 1st Place - Kelsey Slem & Danielle Alexander, Officer Chris Alexander, Jennifer Evans and Brad Saylor, Actions Skills - 1st - James Judd, 2nd - Josh Cameron, 3rd - Willie Cooper, Job Demo A - 2nd - Lisa Robinson, 3rd - Cody L. Robinson, Job Demo B - 1st - Heather Penderly, 2nd - Andy Coffey, Job Interview - 1st - Kelly Fredrick, 2nd - Rebekah Gevedon, 3rd - Amanda Weaver, Extemporaneous Speaking - 1st - Bobby Prewitt, Prepared Speech - 1st - Aron Cromer, Automotive Service Technology - 1st - Eric Wallin, 3rd - Micah Reams, Residential Electricity - 3rd - Billy Shackelford, Industrial Motor Controls - 1st - Dustin Burdette, 2nd - Jesse McCollum, 3rd - Derrick McClure.

Hungry for KUNA

By Kayla Felner
KUNA. It is just around the corner. Twenty-one RCHS Y-Club members are preparing for the Kentucky United Nations Assembly. On March 20-22, over 1,000 students from across the state will meet together to discuss and debate international issues.

This year, RCHS is representing the Netherlands. Twice a week, the delegates have met in preparation for this conference. Whether to work on displays, proposals, speeches, costumes, or just to discuss the conference—much effort has been put forth to make this, yet again, a great experience for the students.

At this conference, students will be playing the roles of the international leaders at the UN. Our school's delegates will be taking and presenting a proposal from an issue portrayed in the Netherlands. The subject of this year's proposal is: A proposal to impose sanctions on any country, which, without provocation, invades or attacks another country or territory. It is regarding countries that unjustly invade or attack other countries. The UN Security Council is planned to monitor and enforce this proposal and it will go into effect 90 days after passage.

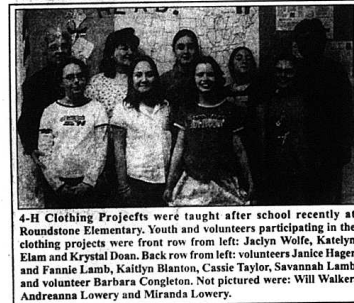
The proposal authors representing this proposal at the conference are: Derek Adams, Elizabeth Bobo, Sarah Bullock and Zach Hale. The freshman premiere authors are Sara Cain, Jessica Cummins, Sally Mize and Brandy Owens.

Other delegates taking leadership positions throughout the conference are Gemma Cummins, who is a candidate to chair a committee, along with Josh Nation, who is also a candidate to chair a pre-conference committee. Josh Blair will be taking the role of a page, Douglas Dell Ponder will be fulfilling the position of a clerk and Kayla Felner will be serving on the Media Corp. Allison Carter is a

candidate for President of the Security Council while senior delegate Jackson Bray is serving on the Security Council. As you can see, there are many individuals from the RCHS Y-Club that are very active in service as well as leadership. Check the Signal for results from our 2005 KUNA conference at a later date.



Last year Rebecca Cummins finished third in the Lexington Herald Leader Design An Ad Contest. This year she captured first place and will receive a \$50 gift certificate for her ad with the Citizen's Bank theme. She will be recognized in the upcoming Lexington Herald Leader edition. Rebecca is a sophomore and is currently in Advanced Art class at the high school. This is the second year in a row of students from the high school got first place in the competition, with last years winner being Claudia Schmidt.



4-H Clothing Projects were taught after school recently at Roundstone Elementary. Youth and volunteers participating in the clothing projects were front row from left: Jaclyn Wolfe, Katelyn Elam and Krystal Doan. Back row from left: volunteers Janice Hager and Fannie Lamb, Kaitlyn Blanton, Cassie Taylor, Savannah Lamb and volunteer Barbara Congleton. Not pictured were: Will Walker, Andreanna Lowery and Miranda Lowery.

Subscribe to the Signal

Bus Drills Early Dismissal

The Rockcastle County Schools will be conducting bus drills on Friday, March 25, 2005. The Rockcastle County High School and Middle School will dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Buses will proceed to the elementary schools where the drills will be conducted. Please adjust your schedule for this early dismissal. No school March 28 - April 1 for Spring Break.

Bullock to compete at state level

Hannah Bullock of Mt. Vernon has been declared eligible to compete in the Kentucky State Spelling Bee, scheduled Saturday, March 26, at Churchill Downs in Louisville. Bullock is one of approximately 60 Kentucky and southern Indiana youngsters who will compete for a trip to the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee later this year in Washington, D.C., as well as other prizes. This is the 12th year that the bee is being held as part of the Kentucky Derby Festival. Kentucky Farm Bureau is sponsoring the bee in conjunction with Churchill Downs and 84WHAS Radio. Kentucky Farm Bureau President Sam Moore said he is proud to support students who participate in the spelling bee.

"Each year we sponsor the Kentucky Derby Festival Spelling Bee to celebrate academic excellence and to encourage advanced literacy," Moore said. "Our congratulations go out to all of the top spellers who are participating in this year's competition." Kentucky students who have qualified for the state bee represent grades four through eight in public and private school systems across the state.

ENROLLMENT OF SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS

The Kentucky Department of Education requires that certain health documents be on file at school prior to or upon enrollment into the sixth grade. An immunization certificate reflecting all vaccinations received is required. A second MMR (measles, mumps, rubella), a tetanus booster, and 3 doses of Hepatitis-B are required for enrolling into the sixth grade. A certificate must be presented the first day of school. The local health department can issue a certificate if you have a personal record of the child's vaccination.

A medical examination is required. This second medical examination must have been received within the last year prior to enrolling into the sixth grade. The physical form must be a Kentucky Department of Education Sixth Grade Physical Examination form dated December, 1999. An athletic physical form is NOT acceptable for the 6th grade physical. Two different forms are required when the student will be playing sports.

A current immunization certificate and a second medical examination are required for sixth grade enrollment. These are required to be on file at the school before the student will be enrolled.

During the summer months there may not always be someone working in the offices at the schools. Therefore, any medical records should be turned in at the Board of Education office on Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon.

Summer is a very busy time. Please get these services taken care of as soon as possible so that your child will be ready to enroll into the sixth grade this fall.

Jeannine M. Parsons, RN
District School Nurse/Health Coordinator

Career and College Planning Workshop

Adults—Are you interested in furthering your education? Not sure what career you want to pursue? Not sure how you can afford the training!

You are in luck! This workshop is free and open to the public!

The workshop will be offered on Monday, March 14 from 10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M. or Thursday, March 17 from 5:00 P.M.—7:00 P.M. Please come in anytime during the scheduled hours for assistance.

Sessions will be held at the Christian Appalachian Project Adult Learning Center, which is located on Highway 25 North at the top of Greenfish Hill.

If you have any questions about this great opportunity, please call the center at 256-5307. Refreshments and Gifts for Everyone!



Tiger Pause

Broadhead Elementary 5th grade students participated in Club Day at Rockcastle County High School last week.

Each student visited two clubs and ate lunch at the high school. The students could participate in Y-Club, Math Club, Chess Club, Key Club, NHS/Beta Club or the Book Club meetings. They also observed an ROTC class, reviewing map skills and played basketball against the PE 2 class while waiting for their bus. The BES fifth grade appreciates RCHS for welcoming them into their school. They had a great time!

Congratulations to the students who participated in the 4-H poetry contest at BES. The fourth-grade

winners were: 1st place - Rylan Cromer, 2nd place - Katie Clements, 3rd place - Samantha Smoker. The fifth grade winners were: 1st place - Robert Reynolds, 2nd place - Michaela Woodall and 3rd place - Ethan Durham.

Please note! All box tops need to be turned in by March 25th for this school year. Those saved after that date can be used for the next school year. Thanks to Betty Glovak for coordinating this great program.

Important dates: March 21 - support group meeting at BES at 6 p.m. March 21-24 - 4-H clothing projects until 5 p.m. March 24 - spring projects. March 28-April 1 - spring break.



Eighth graders participated in the annual Reality Store last week at RCMS. Above, Casey Hansel purchased insurance from State Farm agents Teresa Jackson and Christa Taylor. Our school is very fortunate to have many community members to help each year with this event. After finding a place to live and paying their taxes, Jessica York and Erika Isaac, below, purchase an automobile from Town and Country Motors' Andy Hlatt and RCMS staff member Nelson Graves. The students receive salaries based upon their career choices and grade point averages. They then pay all monthly bills that we adults cover each month. The event is a great eye-opener for many students.



Several RCMS Unite members recently attended a drug forum at RCHS. The panel was very informative and the Unite students were glad to share this information with their peers back at RCMS. They extended a special thanks to the panel and to RCHS for the invitation. Those members attending were, front row from left: Bryan Clontz, Carri Hunt, Brooke Martinez, Hannah Ponder, Katy Mattingly, Rachel Woodall, Bethany Clontz, Skyler Holcomb and Kristen Baker. Back row from left: Tanner Perkins, Loren Reynolds, Asa Adams, Logan Kincaid, Ronnie Lahnhart, Cody Kirby, Cheyenne Hensley and Tommy Spencer.

Minds in the Middle

Congratulations to those students who attended the State Academic Team competition in Louisville this weekend: John Lambert, Kayla Frederick, Danny Barnes, Casey Hansel, Devin Davidson, Andrea Gonzalez, Starla Clouse, Jasmin Johnson, Kassie Robinson, Jordan Robinson, and Charles Alcorn. The Academic Team will be recognizing their members at a banquet this Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

The RCMS Unite Club will be sponsoring a penny war March 21-April 8. Each homeroom will compete for the most pennies using silver coins only to cancel out pennies of other homerooms. The winning group will earn a trip to Pizza Hut. Proceeds will go to the Unite Coalition to purchase t-shirts for all Rockcastle County students.

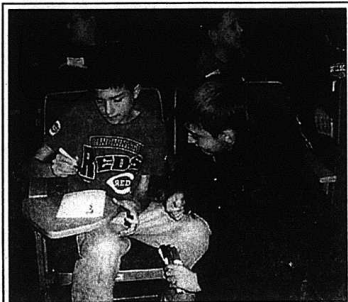
The 8th graders enjoyed a program by musician Zig Whaler on

Monday morning. He presented a wide variety of music styles and instruments while incorporating information about African and Cuban culture. Several students added to his great sound when trying out the instruments.

Exploratory classes will begin a new rotation on Friday. This will be the last rotation of the year. Report cards that were not picked up at school were mailed home last week. If you did not receive your child's report card, please call the school at 256-5118.

There will be a school dance this Friday after school until 5:00. Students must have team and parental permission in order to attend. Students must be picked up no later than 5:15 p.m.

A special thanks to our 8th graders who participated in the CATS field test on Tuesday. As usual, they showed great effort!



Anthony McKinney and James Caudill and other BES 5th graders are helping the Y-Club create Easter cards for the patients in the respiratory care unit at the Rockcastle Hospital.



Daniel Legg, Ethan Durham, Logan Ponder and Jarrett Hamm participating in the RCHS Chess Club meeting.



RCHS Book Club members and BES 5th graders and teachers are busy discussing a book entitled *The Giver* by Lowry.

Scholastic Book Fair is March 21-25 at RES

The Scholastic Book Fair will take place at the Roundstone Elementary Library/Media Center from March 21-25. The Book Fair will be open daily from 7:45 to 3:30 p.m.

The student walk-through is scheduled for Friday, March 18. The walk-through will give students a chance to browse through the different books that will be offered at the Book Fair.

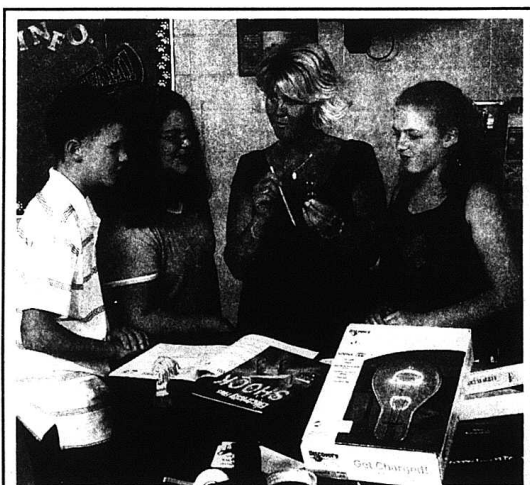
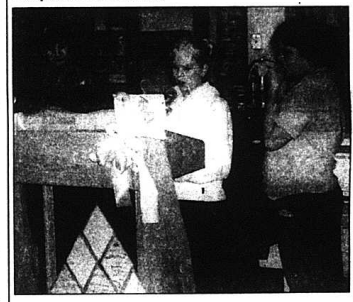
Books will be available for purchase beginning Monday, March 21. The Book Fair Family Night is scheduled for Thursday, March 24th, beginning at 6 p.m. This event is being held in conjunction with Art Night.

If you have any questions regarding the Book Fair or if you would like to volunteer, please call Cynthia Rogers at 256-2235.

School news deadline is noon Tuesday




On February 25, RCMS held their annual poetry celebration. Many students shared their original poetry in the coffee shop style atmosphere. Above, Shawda Milburn was selected to share a piece, along with Heather Gregory, Caitlin Burke and Josh McKinney. Sixth graders would like to extend a special thanks to all of the staff members and other visitors who shared their favorite poems. They greatly appreciate published poet and school cashier, Mrs. Vickie Anglin, for spending the entire day sharing her poetry. Below, sixth grade Language Arts teachers Gretchen Roland and Vanessa Bullock did a great job coordinating the event. Memorie Dooley and Tesla Fuson shared their pieces with the audience.



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School Menu

March 21 - March 25

Breakfast

Monday, March 21st: Gravy and biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Tuesday, March 22nd: Pancakes & syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Wednesday, March 23rd: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Thursday, March 24th: Sausage biscuit or cereal, biscuit/jelly, juice, milk.

Friday, March 25th: Egg and toast or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Lunch

Monday, March 21st: Pizza, garden salad, corn, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, March 22nd: Chicken drumstick, mac 'n cheese, green beans, roll, fruit dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 23rd: Hamburger on bun or sandwich, lettuce/pickle, fries, fruit dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 24th: Corn dog, mac 'n cheese, cole slaw, pork 'n beans, jello, milk.

Friday, March 25th: Sub sandwich, lettuce/pickle, vegetable medley, chips, fruit, milk.

Library News



Story Thousance, Pam Quill, Kelly McKibben & Amanda Baker

Middle School Touring Theatre Visits The Library

Over the past few weeks the weather has won out over the programming for public library and public schools, but last week it cooperated. The Rockcastle County Middle School Touring Theatre and The Rockcastle County Schools RIF Program presented a scripted version of the Jan Brett book "Town Mouse, Country Mouse." Funding was provided by the Rockcastle County Schools Service Learning Grant. The children from the Even Start program attended and we had a super crowd! Thanks to all for attending and the good behavior by the children! Mr. Allen Pensol and Ms. Kathy McKibben had to do some last minute stand-ins for the part of Town Mouse, which would have been played by Matthew Marlow, and the Cool Cat, which would have been played by Jordan Blackburn. The children enjoyed it regardless. Thanks to Brandon Bussell for playing the Country Mouse in fine fashion and staying to do special activities with the story hour kids. These programs are due to a special public library, and school partnership from which many creative, literacy projects have evolved.

2nd Annual Books For Bikes Campaign.

Since January the preschool age 12 have been reading books with the hope to win a bike. This program has tripled in size from the children registered last year. The program has had several bike sponsors, Circuit Court Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette, Rockcastle Kiwanis, and the Rockcastle Service Learning Grant. The social was sponsored by Jeffrey

and Twila Burdette, facilitating Sponsors the RCHS Key Club. The staff of the Rockcastle Library and the Library Board wishes to acknowledge these sponsors and thank them for all of the help they have been to the library. The "Books for Bikes" Program was the second annual bike give away in honor of Ms. Charlotte Griffith, mother of Mr. Jeffrey T. Burdette. Ms. Pam welcomed all who attended the gathering, and Mr. Allen Pensol read a heartwarming tribute to Ms. Charlotte for her many years of service as a teacher in the Rockcastle County School System. Ms. Charlotte talked to the children about the history of the bicycle, got the children involved interacting with her; this shows the mark of a real teacher. Certificates were handed out to each participant present at the social. Ms. Kathy read the names, Ms. Pam gave out the certificates and Ms. Charlotte had candy for all of the children. Once this part of the program had ended it was time for the bike giveaway. Ms. Pam held up the basket as Mr. Charlotte drew the names of the winners in each category. The names of all of the winners were drawn, immediately afterward we all proceeded to the children's area for refreshments. All in all it was a great afternoon. Thanks from the bottom of our hearts to all who attended and had my contribution to this program. What a wonderful county we live in. Let's keep it up! Working together works! Connect @ your library!



Country Mouse and Town Mouse played by Brandon Bussell (left) and Mr. Pensol.



Cool Cat played by Ms. Kathy McKibben.



Mr. Allen Pensol read a lovely history about Ms. Charlotte over the years and filting tribute.



Ms. Pam welcomed the participants and introduced Mr. Allen Pensol.



Ms. Charlotte Griffith Griffith read to the children and talked to them about the history of the bicycle.



Several Children received certificates for their participation in the Books for Bikes program.



Michale Carroll won the 6-8 boys group.



After the play Brandon enjoyed doing activities with the children to go along with the book in the Children's area.



Brooke Renner won the preschool girls bike.



Bailey Lake was a winner as well in the 9-12 category.



Cynthia Deaton was the winner of the 6-8 year old girls bike.

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In order to settle the estate of the late Mr. Mullins, our firm has been authorized to sell this home and personal property at absolute auction.

Description: This two-story rock/vynil siding home offers 1,152 sq. ft. of living area and is situated on one acre, more or less. The cozy home features a living room, dining/kitchen combination and utility room on the first floor as well as two bedrooms and a bath upstairs. Other amenities include: attached one-car garage, baseboard electric heat, window unit air conditioner, range, city water and septic.



Personal Property: Oak dining table with four chairs • Frigidaire refrigerator • Norge heavy duty washer and dryer • dresser with mirror • chest of drawers • metal bed • sofa • coffee table.

Auctioneer's Note: If you're looking for a nice home in the country, this could be the one for you! Make plans now to attend this absolute auction on Saturday, March 26th at 1 p.m.

Terms: Real Estate: 20% down day of sale, balance in 30 days. Personal Property: Cash or check in full day of sale.

Notes: The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property for the presence of lead based paint. The period for inspection begins March 16th through March 25th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day post sale inspection period.

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4-H Poetry Contest winners announced

4-H Youth Development

John McQuary
Rockcastle County Extension Office

The Rockcastle County 4-H council recently announced the winners of the 4-H Poetry Contest. The contest is broken down into Junior and Senior categories. Junior category consists of 4th & 5th grade students, while Senior category includes 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

At each of the schools, first, second, and third place winners were chosen in each grade. First place winners were then compiled to compete for an overall county winner in each category.

Mt. Vernon Elementary winners in 4th Grade were Rachel Martin, 1st Place; Laiken Coffey, 2nd Place; and Adam Poynter, 3rd Place. In 5th Grade, 1st Place went to Breanna Johnson, 2nd Place to Quenton Bishop, and 3rd Place to Billy Cameron.

At Brodhead Elementary, the 4th Grade winners Rylan Cromer, 1st Place; Katie Clements, 2nd Place; with Samantha Smokey and Olivia Caudill tying for 3rd Place. Fifth Grade winners were Robert Reynolds, 1st Place; Michaela Woodall, 2nd Place; and Ethan

Durham, 3rd Place. Winners Roundstone Elementary 4th Grade were Kayla Tinscher, 1st Place and Tiffany Howard, 2nd Place.

At Rockcastle County Middle School, the winners in 6th Grade were Dylan Bell, 1st Place; Corey Baker, 2nd Place; and Jasmin Johnson, 3rd Place. Seventh Grade winners were Deanna Gabbard, 1st Place; Devin Davidson, 2nd Place; and Regina Rice, 3rd Place. Samantha Renner took 1st Place, and Pamela Johnson, 2nd Place in 8th Grade.

The overall countywide winner in the Junior category was Rachel Martin, 4th Grade, from Mt. Vernon Elementary, and the overall Senior winner was Deanna Gabbard, 7th Grade, at KCMS.

Congratulations to all those who participated. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.




Winners of the 4-H Poetry Contest at Mt. Vernon Elementary are front row from left: Rachel Martin, Laiken Coffey and Adam Poynter. Back row from left: Breanna Johnson, Quenton Bishop and Billy Cameron.



Winners at Brodhead Elementary in the 4-H Poetry Contest are front row from left: Rylan Cromer, Samantha Smokey, Olivia Caudill and Michaela Woodall. Back row from left: Michaela Woodall, Ethan Durham and Robert Reynolds.



Rockcastle County Middle School 4-H Poetry Contest winners are front row from left: Dylan Bell, Corey Baker, Jasmin Johnson, Pamela Johnson and Samantha Renner. Back row from left: Regina Rice, Devin Davidson and Deanna Gabbard.



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Dr. Callie Shaffer fielded a question as a member of the substance abuse discussion panel during the RCCHS school/community drug forum held March 3rd. Also pictured is fellow panel member David Dalton, Commonwealth Attorney.



Family Court Judge Debra Lambert and Rockcastle County Attorney William Reynolds were on hand as members of the substance abuse discussion panel during the recent school/community drug forum held at RCCHS.

Tobacco buyout

Quota owners and growers will have from mid-March through June 17th to apply for the first payment of a 10 year tobacco buyout. The buyout, signed October 22, 2004, did away with all tobacco bases as well as leasing. Quota owners will need to make plans to complete sign up applications through the FSA office.

This year the Extension Tobacco Meeting will focus on providing information on how the buyout will work. All quota owners and growers are invited to the meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 22, at the Rockcastle County High School Auditorium. Having a good understanding of how you wish to proceed with the buyout will help move sign up along. FSA staff indicate that 1200 to 1500 people will be completing applications in only 69 working days.

During the first year assignment will not be taken. Starting in 2006, assignments will allow quota owners to work with financial institutions to receive the remaining 9 years of payments upfront. A local financial institution will be at this meeting to discuss how this will work.

Again, Tuesday, March 22, 7:00 pm. Entry to the RCCHS Auditorium is from the back of the building.

For more information, contact Tom Mills at Rockcastle County Extension Service at 256-2403. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



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RCCHS hosts school/ community drug forum

Rockcastle County High School hosted a school/community forum on substance abuse at the RCCHS auditorium, March 3, 2005. All 10th grade students, members of the community, parents and community professionals were invited to attend the forum.

RCCHS Principal, John Hale, welcomed the substance abuse discussion panel composed of members James Miller, Rockcastle County Jailor; Tim Young, Pharmacist; Jill Stevens, School Substance Abuse Counselor; Terrance Clemmons, Lonnie Brewer and two cadets, Cadet Leadership Academy; Department of Juvenile Justice; Dr. Tony Arvin; Dr. Callie Shaffer; David Dalton, Commonwealth Attorney; Debra Lambert, Family Court Judge; Billy Reynolds, Rockcastle County Attorney; Kathy Deskins, Assistant to County Attorney; Coby Smith, Kentucky State Police; Darrell Dean, Rockcastle County Sheriff; Nathaniel Price, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Darrell Noble, Drug Court Counselor; Terry Jackson, Mt. Vernon Chief of Police; Eddie Delaney, Assistant Police Chief; Matt Bryant, Police Detective.

The panel answered questions submitted by members of the RCCHS Practical Living Classes after a study on Substance Abuse, led by teachers, Darlene Martin and Carla Parsons. From ninety questions generated by the class, twelve were posed to the panel.

1 What is substance abuse?
2 How can you help someone who is addicted to drugs?
3 What happens during a drug overdose?
4 What are some of the immediate effects of drug abuse? Long term effects?
5 Why is it legal to use marijuana in some states and against the law in other states?
6 What is "K.A.S.P.E.R."?
7 Are drug users more likely to become a criminal? Why?
8 Why do some people get ad-

dicted when they experiment with drugs and others don't?
9 How does addiction affect a person's family?
10 Do drugs impact suicide and depression? If so, how and why?
11 Which is the harder to do: admit you have a drug problem or actually getting off drugs?
12 Even after years of being drug free, can drug use still affect a person? Why or why not?
Hollie Barnett, Zach Hale and Heather Hammond, members of the RCCHS UNITE Club, (Unlawful Narcotics Investigation, Treatment and Education) acted as student moderators during the forum. Charlie Napier, coordinated the program by working as a liaison between the school and community.

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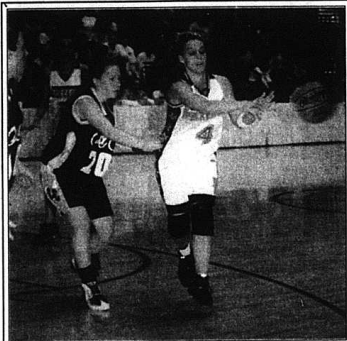
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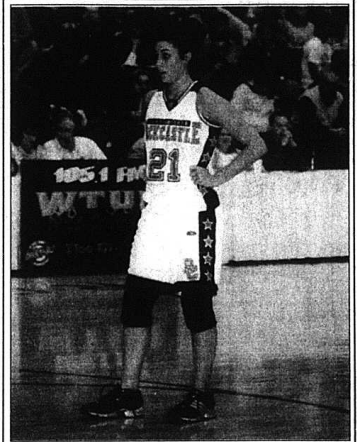
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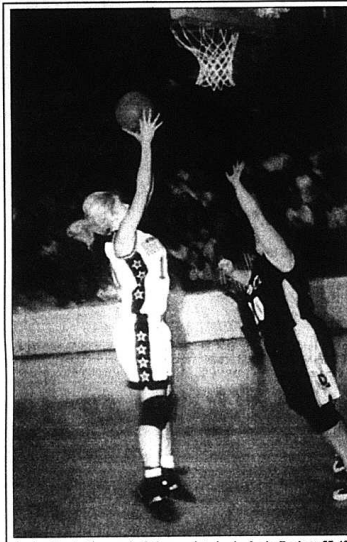
The all-time leading scorer as a Lady Rocket Johnna Abney, right, dishes off to Tara Rowe, who followed with a three point shot. The Lady Rockets beat Clay County 57-43. Abney had six points in the championship game and Katie Parsons, shown in the background, had a team and career high 18 points. The Lady Rockets will play the Lexington Catholic Lady Knights in the first game of the state tournament next Wednesday in the first game of the Girl's Sweet Sixteen. The game will be played at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. The Lady Knights are ranked number one in the state and have not lost to a Kentucky team this season. Catholic is also ranked in the top ten in the nation.



Lady Rockets making the regional all-tournament are shown above on the back row from left: Johnna Abney, Tara Rowe, Heather Hammond, Sara Rowe and Katie Parsons. The class of 2005 has been the most successful group of girls ever at RCHS and Monday night's win over Clay County, was their ninth consecutive time to defeat the Lady Tigers. The Lady Rockets are 27-4 on the season.



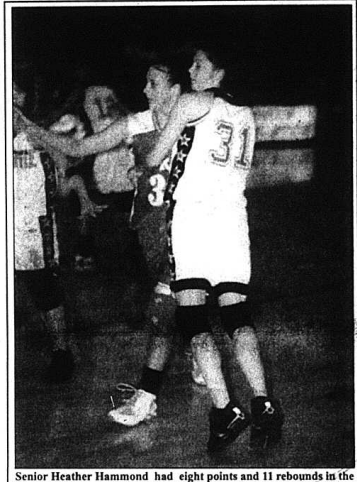
Senior Katie Parsons led the Lady Rockets in scoring on Monday night with 18, a career high for her. She also had three rebounds. In scoring 18 points, she hit seven of her 12 shots taken. She was five for nine from two point range and two for three from behind the arc. She was also two for three from the free throw line.



Senior Sarah Parsons had three points in the Lady Rockets 57-43 win over Clay County in the regional final on Monday night. Parsons also had three rebounds.



Senior Tara Rowe looks to pass the ball during the championship game between the Lady Rockets and Lady Tigers. The Lady Rockets won easily. Rowe had 16 points. In the background is junior Ashley Lunsford, who had 4 points.



Senior Heather Hammond had eight points and 11 rebounds in the Lady Rocket win over Corbin in the semi-finals of the regional tournament. The Lady Rockets will play at 1 p.m. next Wednesday at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. The Lady Rockets are the only RCHS basketball team to repeat as 13th region champions. It will be their third trip since 1997.



Rocket girls head coach Chrysti Noble did the final honors on cutting down the net after the girls won the 13th Region Monday night by defeating Clay County. This is the third win for Noble in her tenure as girls head coach at RCHS. The girls drew Lexington Catholic in the first round of the Girls Sweet Sixteen.

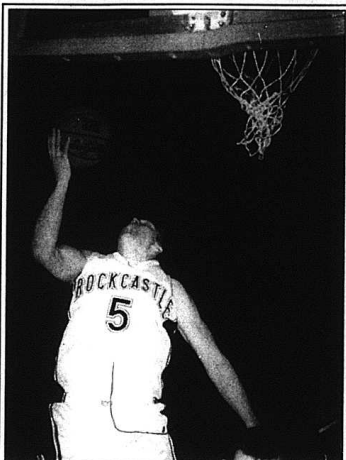
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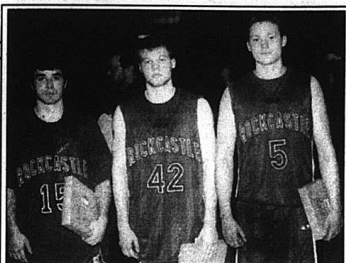
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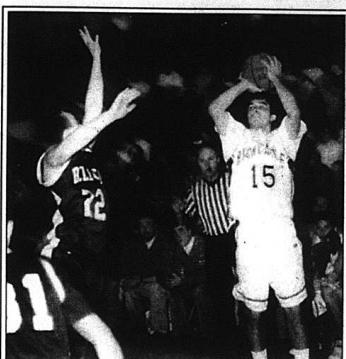
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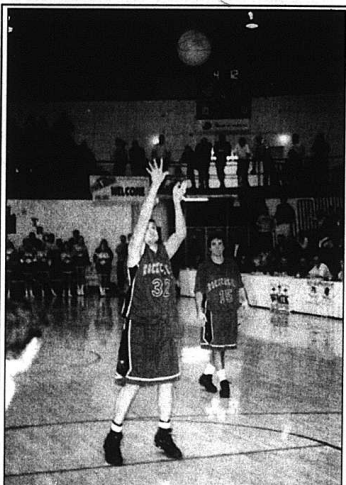
Senior center Blake Roberts, is shown scoring two of his 17 points against Bell County. The Rockets defeated the Bobcats 65-49 in the regional semi-final.



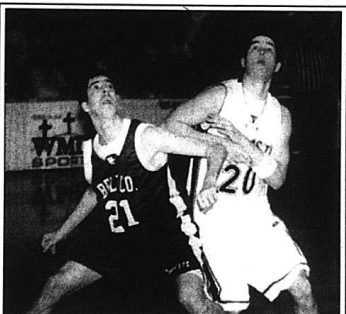
RCHS members of the regional all-tournament team are shown above, from left: senior Aaron Cash, junior Weston Riddle and senior Blake Roberts.



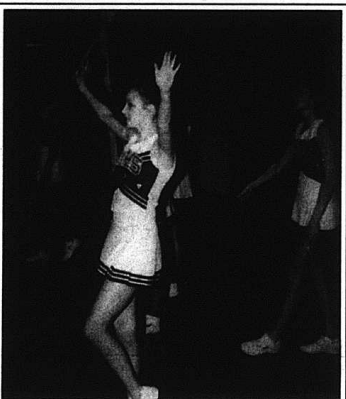
Senior Aaron Cash is shown above scoring two of his twenty points against Bell County. Cash's historic career was ended on Saturday night when the Rockets lost to Corbin by 10 points after leading by seven going into the fourth quarter. Cash and his fellow Rockets defeated host Cawood and Bell County before losing to Corbin. Cash is Rockcastle's all-time leading scorer with nearly 3,000 points, surpassing his brother, Andrew by several hundred points. Cash also had 594 rebounds, 955 assists and 422 steals during his career at the ROCK, where he was a starter from the time he was in the eighth grade.



Rocket forward J.C. McClure scored two points in the Rocket loss to Corbin on Saturday night in the regional finals. McClure is a junior at RCHS. Corbin won the regional final 67-57.



Junior Colby Brown blocks out a Bell Co. player in regional tournament action on Friday night. Brown contributed 4 points and 9 rebounds in their victorious effort.



Sophomore cheerleader Morgan Kincer leads the crowd in chants in action against Corbin.

"Lady Rockets"

(Cont. From Front)

"We got tired and we didn't have the best officiated game ever," head coach Clayton Cash said after the game.

The foul total for the game was 42-20 in favor of the Redhounds who did not score a field goal in the third period. The Rockets have played in four straight regional championship games.

The regional tournament, which was held at Cawood High School in Harlan, which is over a two hour drive, will be the last time the Rockets play in the 13th region. Next year they will move to the 12th region.

For the next four years, provided they make it, the twelfth region tournament will be played either in Lincoln County or Pulaski County.

Scoring for the Rockets in the championship game was Aaron Cash, the Rockets all-time leading scorer with nearly 3,000 points with 19 points, Blake Roberts had 4, Derrick Hurst got 6, Colby Brown scored 5, Jaymes McCowan had 11, J.C. McClure 2, Kyle Mullins 2 and Weston Riddle 8.

The Rockets finished the season 19 and 12.

In the first two rounds of the regional tournament, the Rockets defeated host Cawood 54-48 and Bell County 65-49.

Tickets for the girls' state tournament will go on sale at the high

points, Sarah Rowe had three and Sarah Rowe had two.

The Lady Rockets defeated Middlesboro and Corbin on the way to the finals of the region.

In the Middlesboro game, all fourteen Lady Rockets saw action. Abney led the scoring with 11, T. Rowe got 16, Hammond 16, K. Parsons 12, S. Rowe 9, Allison Durham and Jessie Asher 2 each, Hollyann Colson 3 and Rachel Killen and Laura Cash added 1.

The final score was 82-41.

In the Corbin game, which the Lady Rockets won 67-52, seven Lady Rockets hit the scoring column. Abney had 17, Sarah Rowe, Tara's little sister, had 13, her sister had 12, Heather Hammond scored 11 points and pulled down 11 rebounds, Katie Parsons got eight, Sarah Parsons four and Ashley Lunsford, three.

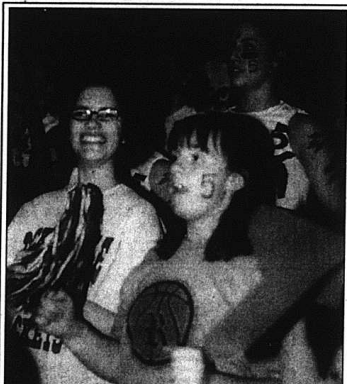
Noble is the most successful coach ever at RCHS, winning three regional titles and three district titles in her 15 years at the ROCK. Her career record is 260 and 139.

The Rockcastle County Rockets were defeated by ten points on Saturday night by the Corbin Redhounds, a team who had defeated them earlier in the season.

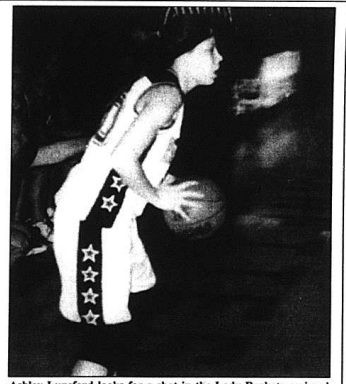
The Rockets had a seven point lead going into the fourth quarter but couldn't hold it, getting outscored by 17 points in the final period.

school on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m. T-Shirts will also be sold as well. For more information call RCHS at (606) 256-4816.

Watch next week's Signal for a special section on the Lady Rockets. Also, the Signal will come out a day early because of the tournament.



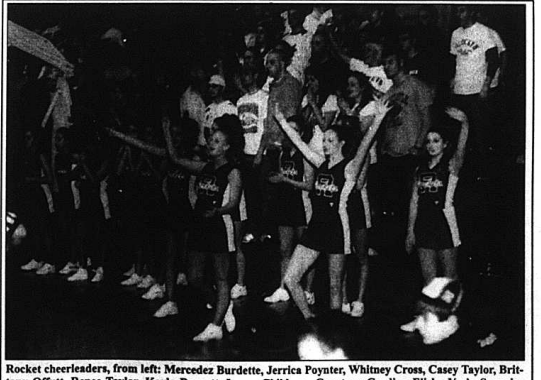
RCHS students, Laynah Vance, left, Katie Parsons, in back and Allivia Bullock right were on hand at the regional tournament in support of the boys who lost to Corbin in the regional final. The Rockets finished the season 19-12.



Ashley Lunsford looks for a shot in the Lady Rockets regional win over Clay County Monday night.



Margaret Offutt, left, Susan Norton, center and Tracy Childress are shown cheering on the Rockets on Saturday night. The Rockets finished the season 19-12 with a district and regional runner-up title.



Rocket cheerleaders, from left: Mercedes Burdette, Jerrica Poynter, Whitney Cross, Casey Taylor, Britany Offutt, Renee Taylor, Kayla Barnett, Laura Childress, Courtney Cordier, Elisha York, Surprise Stallisworth, Morgan Kincer and Leslie Burdette, cheered on the Rockets during last week's regional tournament.

In Rockcastle Circuit

Two plead guilty and four have probations revoked

Two Rockcastle men pled guilty in Rockcastle Circuit Court and four others had their bonds revoked, by Circuit Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette. Billy DeBorde, 25, of Brodhead pled guilty to Criminal Possession of a Forged Prescription. He is scheduled to be sentenced to one year imprisonment on April 8, 2005.

Michael Bullock, 31, entered a guilty plea to Deception and Fraudulent Non-Support. Bullock is set to be sentenced to one year imprisonment on these charges, to be served in addition to five years he received on drug trafficking charges prosecuted by UNITE prosecutor David Dalton. Final sentencing is set for March 23, 2005 on the non-support charge.

On the same day, Judge Burdette also heard motions from Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Jeremy A. Bartley, on behalf of the Commonwealth to revoke the bonds of four others, including two men from Rockcastle County. Burdette granted all four motions.

David Mahaffey was originally

being held on \$10,000 bond on charges of Possession of methamphetamine and a Second Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance and Operating on a suspended license. Mahaffey's bond was lowered on the basis of a medical condition for which he sought treatment. According to Bartley's motion, Rockcastle Sheriff's Deputy Shannon Franklin and Trooper Coby Smith had investigated an incident in which Mahaffey was alleged to have taken a neighbor's dog and carried it several hundred feet, this appearing to be a medical distress. Burdette revoked the decreased bond and Mahaffey was remanded on no bond until trial.

William "Billy Boy" Renner, 44, of Mt. Vernon, posted a \$5,000.00 bond on February 5, 2005. He is charged with Receiving Stolen Property, over \$300; Possession of Controlled Substances, third degree; Second Offense DUI and Operating an ATV on a roadway.

According to Bartley's motion, Renner was arrested on charges of Alcohol Intoxication while out of bond. Burdette revoked Renner's bond and he was remanded to custody, pending his trial on the Circuit Court charges.

"Expansion"
(Cont. From Front)

Bowling & Johnson. Johnson laid out for the court the financing plan for the expansion which will be provided by the issuance of Industrial Building Revenue Bonds.

The ground the original hospital building sits on is owned by the county and leased to the hospital. The present lease still has 20 years to run but the court was asked to extend that lease for an additional 25 years to meet requirements for the bond issue. The court will also have to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance of the revenue bonds.

Johnson told the court that this bond issuance will not constitute any indebtedness for the county. The bonds will be retired from revenues derived from the buildings (the hospital) and will not affect the county's bonding capacity with respect to other public projects.

Estes also pointed out that the Certificate of Need for the 19 bed addition, which has already been issued by the state, is only issued after the state has determined that there is a need for the addition and that the hospital has the financial capability to pay for it.

This will be the third bond issuance for the hospital, the first one in 1978, for 2.5 million dollars, was paid off early and the second one, for three million, is also being paid off early with only \$500,000 still outstanding on the debt and most of this already in reserve. The hospital will put up \$700,000 of its own money for this project.

County Judge/Executive Buzz Carlotts and the Magistrates had some questions for the hospital representatives and Carlotts said he would like to run the proposal by the Governor's Office of Local Development but could foresee no problems.



In memory of my late brother Ray Owens who passed away January 1999 Ray and Vernon were the sons of the late Finley Bill Owens of Mareburg. Ray was born 1931 and Vernon in 1933 near Mareburg where they went to school.
Take Care - Vernon

"MDTs"
(Cont. From Front)

that will advance communications by enabling them to directly access and enable almost instantaneous response from a diverse array of databases for essential information during routine traffic stops or criminal investigations.

Included in phase one of this three-phase process are installation and training on messaging, chat and wants and warrants modules that provides direct access to the statewide LINK (Law Enforcement Network of Kentucky) and the FBI's NCIC (National Crime Information Center). "It provides who, what, when and where information in a much more efficient manner and it also lessens the workload on dispatchers as the officer can run their own license checks," said Danny Ball, Project Coordinator for The Center's Law Enforcement Technology (LET) program which is developed and administered by the Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

Chief Jackson told the council, "I'm excited about this program, could talk about it all night." He added, "With this program any officers know instantly if there are any outstanding warrants on someone he has stopped within five seconds."

The information can also be exported from one module to another, reducing error. In addition, officers will be able to complete a variety of reports right in their vehicles and, once integrated with phase two and three, they can also file those reports using the wireless network.

Jackson also pointed out to the council, in his police reports for January and February, the number of citations written for traffic violations in January (125 citations). The figure was about half that for February, Jackson said. The large number of citations written in January were primarily on New Year's Eve, for seat belt violations, and overtime for the officers was paid for by a Governor's Highway Safety Grant. The grant, for October, 2004 through September 2005 amounted to \$6,300 of which \$1,300 is for new equipment (radar) and \$5,000 for overtime pay. Jackson said the next focus period of his officers would be from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

During this period, Jackson said he and his officers will be putting in extra hours looking for traffic offenders and, if stopped and seat belts are not being used, citations will be written. Non-use of seat belts is a sec-



Wayne Bullock is shown with his certificate for Outstanding Citizen presented to him by Representative Danny Ford. His certificate was for generously serving as the Mt. Vernon Liter Coordinator, president of the All American Club, Mt. Vernon Pride Coordinator for seven years, Liter Coordinator for the Mt. Vernon Elementary School grounds and a member of the Mt. Vernon City Council for the past thirteen years.

The CAP Corner
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 - *Mt. Vernon Family Resource Center: 606-256-2777
 - *Roundstone Family Resource Center: 606-256-5207
 - *Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension Service: 606-256-2403
 - *Family Life Child Development Center-Head Start: 606-256-5613
 - *Parents Are Teachers (Children with delays or a disability): 606-256-3923

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The Adult Learning Center (CAP) 606-256-5307 offers free computer classes.

The Parents Are Teachers is a program of the Christian Appalachian Project. For more information contact Suzann Fenton at 606-256-3923.

The Top Five with the song "Domestic Life." Conlee was born in Versailles.

"Machines"
(Cont. From Front)

ing lot to inside the polling place, ramps have to be available and doors have to be accessible, either with push buttons to open them or handles that can be pushed down rather than turned. Also, special voting machines must be installed to accommodate the physically impaired at a cost of about \$5,000 each. This cost will be picked up by the state but the cost of renovations will be entirely up to the county, Carlotts said.

The judge said that Secretary of State Trey Grayson, who chaired the meeting Monday, said there would be no waivers issued and non-compliance would result in a federal lawsuit.

Carlotts said that Kentucky's voting machines were more advanced than most in the nation. "Lots still have paper ballots," Carlotts pointed out. "In Rockcastle, our machines even have a paper audit attached to each machine."

The new machines will be placed in the polling places in addition to the old machines and anyone can use them which could alleviate the waiting time to vote. However, Houk said that the machines were more complicated and most voters would still prefer to use the regular machines.

"Inductees"
(Cont. From Front)

Sam Bush: Considered the founder and leader of the New Grass Revival, Bush is also known as a pioneer in the evolution of modern hill country music. Bush was born in Bowling Green.

John Conlee: Made the Top Ten 19 times through 1987 and reached

UNITE prosecutions lead to several guilty pleas

Three Rockcastle men and two women entered pleas of guilty to drug charges brought by UNITE during Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette's March Criminal Motion Hour, according to a news release by Eddy F. Montgomery, Commonwealth Attorney for Rockcastle, Lincoln and Pulaski Counties.

According to UNITE Prosecutor David L. Dalton, Thomas Jeffrey Renner, 37, of Mt. Vernon, pled guilty to trafficking in a Controlled Substance and Persistent Felony Offender charges. Renner was charged with selling narcotics to UNITE operatives in July, 2004. Dalton recommended a sentence of eight years imprisonment. Judge Burdette set final sentencing for April 8th of this year.

John Matthew Harding, 21, of Mt. Vernon, pled guilty to two counts of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, First Degree. Harding pled guilty to selling cocaine to UNITE operatives on two occasions in August 2004. Dalton recommended a sentence of five years imprisonment and final sentencing for Harding will be April 8th.

Michael Bullock, 32, of Mt. Vernon, pled guilty to Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, first offense and Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, third degree, first offense. Bullock pled guilty to selling oxycodone and xanax to UNITE operatives in August 2004. A sentence of five years imprisonment was recommended.

Robin Hibbard, 38, of Brodhead, pled guilty to two counts of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree, first offense. Hibbard pled guilty to selling hydrocodone to UNITE operatives in August 2004. A sentence of five years imprisonment was recommended.

Robin Hibbard, 38, of Brodhead, pled guilty to two counts of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree, first offense. Hibbard pled guilty to selling hydrocodone to UNITE operatives in August 2004. A sentence of five years imprisonment was recommended.

Kathy Samper, 58, also of Brodhead, pled guilty to multiple counts of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree, first offense. Samper pled guilty to selling hydrocodone to UNITE operatives in July and August 2004. In addition, Samper was caught with hydrocodone and alprazolam during a raid in August 2004. Dalton recommended a sentence of two years imprisonment.

In addition, Judge Burdette sentenced David Wayne Smith, 38, of Anville, to two years imprisonment for violating his pre-trial diversion from a 2004 stolen property conviction. According to Dalton, UNITE operatives apprehended Smith in Clay County with anhydrous ammonia and methamphetamine in January 2005. Basked upon this new charge, Burdette overruled the Trafficking in a Controlled Substance and sentenced Smith to the entire two years.

Montgomery thanked UNITE operatives and UNITE prosecutor David Dalton for their efforts in these cases. In addition, Montgomery expressed his continuing thanks to Congressman Harold Rogers for creating the UNITE program.

Cemetery Notices

Johnetta Cemetery Notice

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Second Section

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High on UNITE Dealer-turned-preacher now selling anti-drug message through motorcycle association

When Gary Linville preaches about the danger of drugs, he speaks from experience.

"I got delivered from drugs myself," said the 49-year-old pastor at House of Refuge Church in Rockcastle County.

Whether passionately pushing his message from the pulpit or sharing a sermon from the seat of his 1500 Suzuki Intruder motorcycle, Linville has become a self-proclaimed "activist against the forces of evil, trying to rescue people" from the danger of drugs.

"Not only was I a drug addict, I was a drug dealer," Linville admitted. "I came within a hair of being destroyed myself."

Today he is president and founder of UBAD, a non-profit motorcycle riders association whose mission is to promote an anti-drug message and support treatment and education programs throughout southern and eastern Kentucky. A kick-off celebration for the organization is scheduled for Saturday, April 30.

'A wild lifestyle'

Dropping out of school as a teen, Linville said he chose to engage in "a wild lifestyle." He was eventually busted in an undercover drug inves-

tigation and elected to plead guilty to the charge. In 1980, "I accepted Christ in the Madison County Jail," he said.

After spending time at the Kentucky State Reformatory in LaGrange, Linville was granted shock probation and set out on what has become a 25-year clean and sober mission to turn his life around. He has since had all his citizenship rights restored.

A licensed and ordained Full Gospel minister for the past 15 years, Linville has criss-crossed the state as a minister and has devoted much of his time reaching out to youth.

"For years I was ashamed of who I was and what I did. I tried to hide from it," Linville said. "About five years ago I began sharing my testimony."

"I'm not proud of what I did, but I'm proud I was delivered from that (drug culture)," he continued. "I want people to know there is hope; you don't have to be that way, or stay that way. This whole drug thing is a full-blown epidemic."

Bikers Against Drugs
One way Linville has channeled his message is through a love of riding motorcycles, but has found it challenging to shed around obstacles created by negative stereotypes.

"Bikers have a bad image," Linville acknowledged, noting unfavorable portrayals in movies and television shows - combined with the occasional rogue "outlaw" gang - only add to the problem. "There are a lot of Christian bikers, people who are against drugs. There are a lot of good bikers out there," he said.

With his renewed outlook on life, strong spirituality and love for the open road, Linville set out to create something positive that would also show people "we're not just riding up and down the road causing trouble."

The idea for a Bikers Against

Drugs (BAD) group was born.

About the same time, Operation UNITE (Unlawful Narcotics Investigations, Treatment and Education) was beginning to implement community coalitions in each of the 29 counties it serves. Linville became involved with the Rockcastle County UNITE Coalition as co-chair, and stepped forward with an idea to hold a motorcycle ride fundraiser. The event drew approximately 50 bikers on a beautiful Saturday afternoon last September.

"That day, as we went from community to community, it was clear that the anti-drug message was out there and this was a good way to get the message out," said Danielle Wells, community activities coordinator for UNITE, who participated in the event. "Generally, people see bikers as being right in the sub-culture of drugs. When they're saying enough is enough, I think people pay attention."

It didn't take long for the wheels to begin spinning in Linville's brain, and BAD was renamed to the catchy acronym UBAD. "That was our goal, to unite bikers against drugs," he said. "I've been high on UNITE ever since it started. God bless Operation UNITE."

From that day forward the flock of faithful followers has been steadily growing, and now counts among its members law enforcement officers, judges, business and civic leaders, government officials, along with former drug addicts and dealers.

"We went out of a crawl into a dead run and never have slowed down," Linville said. "It's unbelievable the people God has brought me in contact with."

On January 1, UBAD officially incorporated as a 501(c)3 non-profit faith-based organization and is now recognized as a separate UNITE coalition. All officers are volunteers, with any money raised being funneled back into programs.

In addition to Linville, UBAD's officers include secretary Donnie Grimes of Richmond, who is employed with the U.S. Department of Defense and is worship leader at the Lexington Road Church of God; historian Steve Patton of London, grocery department manager at Kroger; road captain Eddie Adams of Berea, a technician for General Motors; sergeant-at-arms Luke Linville of Berea, a self-employed auto dealer; parliamentarian Larry Philpot of London, who owns a Little Debbie distributorship; and auditor Gail Linville, Gary's wife.

UBAD Rally and Ride

A large kick-off celebration for UBAD will be held on Saturday, April 30, at the House of Refuge Church at Roundstone, located on U.S. 25 about 5 miles north of Renfro Valley on U.S. 25.

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Gabe Guilfoil's "Purple Heart" took second place in the 2005 State STLP Digital Art Competition. Guilfoil also took first with "My Indian Bloodline".

Guilfoil takes state in Digital Art

Gabe Guilfoil has recently received first and second place awards in the 2005 State STLP (Student Technology Leadership Program) Digital Art Competition. The exhibition took place in Frankfort during the first week of March.

The first place piece was titled "My Indian Bloodline". It is also fea-

tured in the new book project, *Not What You Find, But What You Leave Behind* to be presented with artists works by RGEIS writers and artists March 15th at the Kentucky Music Hall of fame and Museum. The image is a collage of Gabe's hand holding an arrowhead looking through water to a profile of the Algonquin

chief Powhatan. Gabe is a descendant of his daughter, Pocahontas.

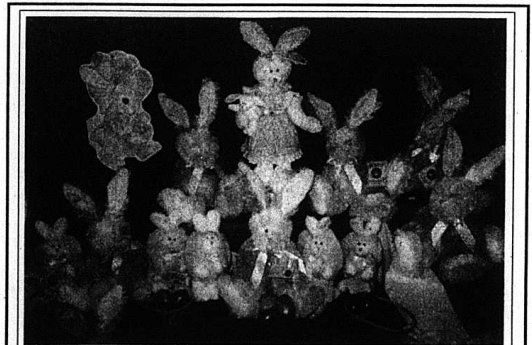
The second place winner, shown above, was called "Purple Heart" in honor of his father, John Guilfoil, who served in the Vietnam War. This is a photograph of an iris with morning dew. Gabe is the only one in the state to receive two place winners.



UBAD logo



Self-proclaimed "biker preacher" Gary Linville of Rockcastle County is president and founder of UBAD (United Bikers Against Drugs). The organization, one of Operation UNITE's coalition groups, will be holding a regional kick-off celebration on Saturday, April 30, at the House of Refuge Church, located about five miles north of Renfro Valley on U.S. 25.



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Verna Lou and Thomas Delburn Cromer vs. Anthony Wayne Hart, et al, custody petition. CI-00058.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services, et al, Martha Sparkman vs. Johnnie Sparkman, complaint for medical support. CI-00059.

Green Tree Servicing LLC FKS vs. Ethel Bishop, et al, \$25,936.07 plus claimed due. CI-00060.

Credit Acceptance Corp. vs. Ronnie Barnett, \$6,665 plus claimed

Grange Mutual Casualty Co. vs. Charles J. Northern, Jr., et al, complaint. CI-00017.

Peggy Mills vs. Joe Harris, et al, forcible detainer complaint. CI-00018.

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Billie Mills, Jr.: Fines/fees due (\$175.50), bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

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Michael L. Price: Fines/fees due (\$150.50), assessed three days.

Heather M. Walker: Fines/fees due (\$145.50), assessed three days, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Brian D. Yaden: Fines/fees due (\$175.50), assessed four days, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Paul D. Clark: Alcohol intoxication, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Patricia Coates: Theft by deception, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Michael W. Denny: Speeding and Failure to wear seat belts, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Michael D. Doan: Alcohol intoxication, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

William C. Dusenberry: Failure to comply with sex offender registration, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Tim G. Elam: No license in possession, \$50 plus costs.

Joe M. Franks: Alcohol intoxication, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Tiffany L. Gay: Speeding, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Dustin H. Gilbert: No/expired registration plates/receipt, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Donnie Barron: Fines/fees due (\$235.50), bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

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Mark Anthony Overbay: Alcohol intoxication, \$50 plus costs and bail jumping, 30 days/conditionally discharged two years.

Roscoe Lee Abner: Assault, 4th degree, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

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Anthony D. Baker: One headlight, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Robert D. Cope: Alcohol intoxication, \$50 plus costs; Possession open alcohol beverage container, \$25 fine.

Darrell E. Doan: Alcohol intoxication, \$50 plus costs; Possession open alcohol beverage container, \$25 fine.

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Ricky G. Pittman: Theft by unlawful taking, \$200 plus costs and 30 days/conditionally discharged two years.

Juanita Renee Renner: Public intoxication, \$50 plus costs.

William O. Watchford: No operators licenses, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Michael P. Mink: Speeding, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Leroy Moore, Jr.: Operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs and fees, 4 days in jail and 30 day operator license suspension.

Josh Nevels: No tail lamps, \$10 plus costs.

Jonathan C. Osborne: Operating on suspended/revoked operators license and no insurance, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Jerry W. Price, II: Theft by deception, \$100 plus costs and restitution

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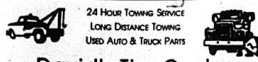
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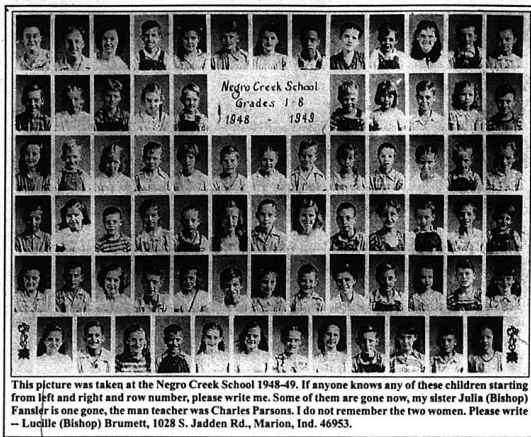
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"Linville"
(Cont. from B-1)

Registration begins at 10 a.m. with a scenic ride to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., followed by lunch. Inaugural ceremonies begin at 3 p.m.

and will include brief remarks by Fifth District U.S. Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers (R-Somerset), Operation UNITE Executive Director Karen Engle, and Linville.

"It's unbelievable how people are responding," Linville said, noting groups from across the state have contacted him about ways they can

become involved.

One group of riders plans to meet at 9 a.m. at the Shell station off I-75 exit 29 in Corbin, and then travel to Long Rider Leather in London before heading on to the rally.

Currently UBAD is conducting a membership drive, and has already signed more than 115 charter members in its first two months. There are also primary and affiliate-associated membership levels available.

"We're pushing the wagon and everyone can jump on," he said, adding it is not necessary to own a motorcycle to support the cause. Eventually, Linville hopes to spread the anti-drug message nationwide.

There are already plans to hold a UR Wanted Rally and Ride with UBAD fundraiser in Manchester on May 14 to benefit Lifeline non-residential support group. Also planned is an overnight ride in Pikeville to support forming a Pike County UBAD chapter, and a UR Wanted bike ride fundraiser for Trooper Island, a summer camp operated by the Kentucky State Police.

"We're going to be involved in a lot of things," Linville promised. "We're going to be starting UBAD Teens, then go into the elementary schools with UBAD Kids Clubs. We want to let them know that drugs are not cool."

To learn more about UBAD, contact Gary Linville at (606) 256-9598 or (859) 302-2431, by e-mail at crui@606.com or malto@606.com, or by mail at Route 3, Box 276E, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. You may also contact Steve Patton at ubad_biker@yahoo.com or malto@606.com. For information on UNITE call 1-866-OP-UNITE.

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