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Fiscal Court passes revised sheriff's budget

Ending over a month of controversy, the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court passed a revised sheriff's budget at a called meeting last Friday.

Sheriff Darrell Doan was present for this meeting and presented the court with a budget revised down to \$312,325 in excess of the original figure of \$366,419.

Although the sheriff took out the disputed revenue figure of \$125,000 in expected receipts from state forfeitures, he did leave in \$16,158 from this source and \$23,978 from federal forfeiture funds, amounts Doan said were already in the bank.

Doan also upped the amount of revenue expected from tax commissions to \$98,000 from the

original figure of \$87,000. \$75,000 in revenue is expected by the sheriff from various sources, including fines/fees collected, court ordered payments, auto inspections, sheriff's franchises, serving papers, etc. Another \$36,000 and change is expected to be received primarily from salary reimbursements for the department's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) officer, state reimbursement for bailiff's salaries and for the D.A.R.E. office.

On the disbursement side of the budget, Sheriff Doan lowered expenditures for full and part time deputies gross salaries from \$239,945 to \$146,671, not including Sheriff Doan's salary of \$69,341 and

\$40,725 for the HIDTA officer. Other disbursements include \$30,000 for gas expenses.

After County Judge/Executive Buzz Carlotfis and the magistrates went over the budget thoroughly, asking Sheriff Doan to support some of his revenue expectations, the budget was approved unanimously.

Prior to that motion, the court approved \$188,396 as a maximum amount for all deputies salaries - an approval required by the state before the actual budget can be approved.

Carlotfis also offered, on behalf of the court, to front the reimbursable salaries for deputies (HIDTA officer, bailiffs and the

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Rockcastle Grand Jury indicts 16

A recent Rockcastle County Grand Jury returned 16 indictments at the end of their session, mostly on drug-related charges.

Indicted were: Richard Slate, 66, of Brodhead, for Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree, involving the sale of Hydrocodone;

Patricia Slate, 61, of Brodhead, for two counts of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, involving the sale of Oxycodone and Hydrocodone;

Kenneth Bussell, 25, of W. Main St., Mt. Vernon, on two counts - one for Trafficking in a Controlled Substance in or near a school and the other as a Persistent Felony Offender, second degree;

Bobby Jo Delph, 37, of Nicely Trailer Park, Mt. Vernon for Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree;

Randy Faye Saylor, 29, of Brodhead, on two counts - one of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, first degree, involving morphine and the second for committing a "prohibited practice concerning substances that simulate controlled substances, first offense" involving hydroxyzine;

John Chris Newland, 32, of Brodhead on three counts - one

of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, second degree, involving the sale of hydrocodone and two for prohibited practice concerning substances that simulate controlled substances, first offense;

Doug Kirby, 34, of Brodhead, on three counts - Tampering with Physical Evidence by destroying, concealing, removing or altering evidence; Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, second offense;

Eric K. Smith, 28 of Rt. 5, Mt. Vernon and Joshua B. Baker, 21 of Old Skaggas Creek Road, Mt. Vernon were named in a joint indictment on three counts - two for Possession of a Controlled Substance involving Methamphetamine and Clonazepam and

Alprazolam. The third count was for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, first offense;

Jessica Price, 25, of Hwy. 934, Somerset, was indicted on four counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, second degree and one count of Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, third degree;

Tommy Dale Smith, 28, of Ramsey's Trailer Park, Mt. Vernon, was indicted for Wanton

Endangerment, first degree;

Michael Wayne Denney, 37, of Rt. 5, Mt. Vernon was indicted on two counts, one for Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and as a Persistent Felony Offender, second offense;

Anthony Wayne Francisco, 28, of Irvin was indicted on eight counts: Robbery, first degree, involved a theft at Hardy BP Service Station; Tamper with Physical Evidence; Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon; Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs, first offense, Operating a Motor Vehicle While License Suspended or Revoked, first offense; No Insurance; Driving Vehicle from Side to Side on Highway and Failure to Wear Seat Belt;

Carter Eugene Durham, 45, of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon was indicted for Flagrant Non-Support, in the amount of \$3,596.80;

Scotty Kent Chattelle, 33, of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon, Flagrant Non-Support, in the amount of \$3,525.

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This month, high 70, low five Weather

They always say if you don't like the weather in Kentucky, just stick around, it will change.

In the last seven days, the Cox Funeral Home Weather Station has recorded a temperature of 70 and a low of five.

Weatherman Bud Cox has also recorded a quarter of an inch of rainfall, along with a half inch of melted snow and two inches of snow. The high of 70 was recorded on the 17th of February and the day before the high was 61.

The five degree temperature was recorded on Sunday and, on Monday, the low temperature was six degrees.

In Garrard County

Former Magistrate injured at stockyards

Former Third District Magistrate Clinton Brown, 70, of Otis was hurt in an accident on Friday morning in Lancaster, after a woman ran a stop light.

Brown, who returned home on Tuesday evening after five days in the hospital, has four broken ribs, a seriously bruised hip and other bruises and abrasions.

Witnesses said that when Brown was hit, he flew into the air and broke the windshield of the car that hit him.

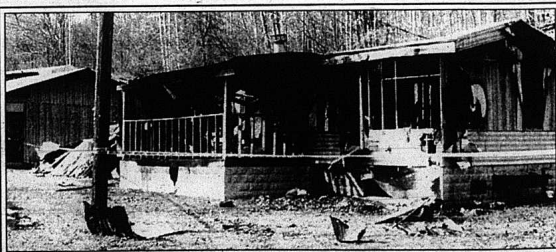
Brown had taken cattle to the

Garrard County Stockyards, unloaded them and was returning on foot to the stockyards for the sale when the accident occurred.

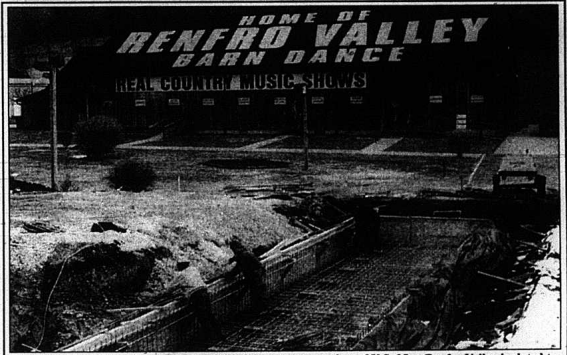
"I waited until the stop light was red before I started across the road," Brown said from his home on Wednesday.

"I'm still not feeling the best," he said.

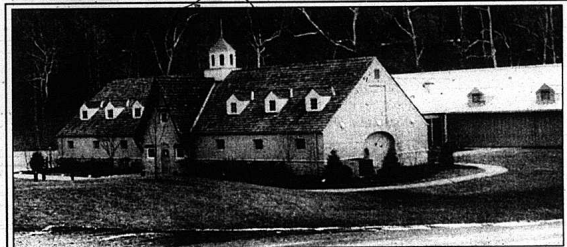
Brown was a Rockcastle County Magistrate from 1990-94. He was taken to Ephraim-McDowell Hospital in Danville for treatment.



Livingston firefighters responded to a mobile home fire Tuesday morning in Calloway Hollow. The mobile home, owned by Doug Mink, was completely engulfed when firefighters arrived. According to Livingston Fire Chief Sam Stallworth, the blaze was probably started by an electrical shortage and the mobile home had been under water because of the heavy rains in January. No one was injured, but everything inside the mobile home was completely destroyed.



Construction work on the nearly \$5 million improvement project of U.S. 25 at Renfro Valley is slated to be completed by May 19th. A Department of Highway supervisor said on Tuesday that the project should be completed on time. Part of the project is also an underground tunnel, which construction workers for Judy Construction, from Cynthia, were working on on Tuesday. The local entertainment complex drew over 180,000 patrons a year ago. The Renfro Valley Barn Dance was founded in 1939 by the late John Lair.



The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum is located at Renfro Valley. Thursday night (tonight) the third class of honorees will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Because of the Hall of Fame and Renfro Valley Entertainment, a \$4.8 million road improvement is underway and is scheduled to be complete by May 19th.

Thursday Night Kentucky Music Hall of Fame will induct 2006 Class

Thursday, The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame will honor some of the greatest music artists ever to call Kentucky home, during an induction ceremony in the Bluegrass Ballroom at the Lexington Center.

Whitaker Bank joined The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum as the title sponsor and will play a key role in kicking off the event with a press conference prior to the event on Thursday from the Lexington Center.

The black tie optional event will honor the inductee class of 2006 and will also draw a host of celebrity guests to pay tribute to the artists, songwriters and broadcasters who have made such an impact on the music industry.

Longtime WKYT Sports Anchor and SEC Sports Commentator Dave Baker will host the ceremony and will be joined by celebrity guests Eddie Montgomery of Montgomery Gentry, actress Lily Tomlin, John Michael Montgomery and many others as presenters and performers during the ceremony. Kentucky's beloved "Coolin'ner's Daughter" Loretta Lynn, will be honored with the Governor's Lifetime Achievement Award and Ann Lair Henderson will be recognized with State Representative Danny Ford's Service Award. Ford is from Mt. Vernon as is Mrs. Henderson.

Mrs. Henderson's father, the late John Lair, founded the Renfro Valley Barn Dance in 1939. Michael Jonathon will be receiving honors from the Kentucky Broadcasters Association with the Broadcaster of the Year Award.

The Class of 2006 inductees include country music legends The Judds, Wynonna and Naomi, the mother-daughter duo that rose from obscurity to country music super-stardom in the 1980's; John

Conlee, also a native Kentuckian and country music legend; Sam Bush credited as the founder of the "New Grass Revival"; Mary Travers, who made up one-third of the well known recording trio of the 1960's "Peter, Paul and Mary"; Louisville-born Lionel Hampton, one of the first jazz giants of the 1930's; Todd Duncan, a pioneering figure in American Art Song and the first black performer to join the New York City Opera and songwriter John Jacob Niles, who during his lifetime penned several classic folk songs that he performed right up until the last two years of his life.

The ceremony will feature multiple performances which will pay tribute to many genres of music honoring the contributions made by the 2006 inductee class. Jazz and Opera will be featured for the first time this year honoring Kentucky natives Lionel Hampton and Todd Duncan. Some of the greatest gospel, country and bluegrass artists of all time will also be performing and even a few special guests are scheduled to join in the celebration.

Guests will have the opportunity to dine with the stars and bid on unique memorabilia during a silent auction to raise money for

The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Auction items include courtesy VIP tickets to the 2006 University of Kentucky Wildcats Midnight Madness, an Embry's 29" Blackglama mink jacket, valued at \$10,500, Michael Waltrip autographed merchandise, golf outings, a vacation condo package, theater tickets, autographed guitars, art-work, and more.

A host of sponsors teamed together to support the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum and to make the induction ceremony possible. Whitaker Bank, WKYT, Community Trust Bank & Investments, WBUL and Champion Windows have all contributed to support the celebration of Kentucky's music heritage and the contribution each of these artists have made in the world of music.

Last year more than 23,000 people visited the Hall of Fame, which is located in Renfro Valley. Current members of the Hall of Fame are John Lair, Clyde "Red" Foley, Bradley Kincaid, Rosemary Clooney, Tom T. Hall, Bill Monroe, The Osborne Brothers and Ronald Hampton, Merle Travis, Grandpa Jones, The

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No applicants yet for RCHS principal

As of press time on Wednesday, no applications for the principal's job at the Rockcastle County High School had been received by Superintendent Larry Hammond.

Two weeks ago, current RCHS Principal John Hale announced he would retire on April 1st from the

school system after 34 years. Hale has been a teacher, coach, principal at Mt. Vernon Elementary, Rockcastle Middle School and principal at the high school for the last five years.

Applications for the top job at the high school will be taken until March 16th.

Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin



My friends and family tell me that I am a storyteller and I guess they are partially correct. I suspect that some of my telling of tales is a carry-over from my 30 plus years of teaching high school chemistry and some is the gift of gab that I inherited from my father, G. H. "Hobe" Griffin, of Rockcastle County. I have been thinking of several humorous events that occurred when I was a young boy and a teenager.

When I was very young living on the hilltop farm just outside of Mt. Vernon, our family did not have indoor plumbing. One hot August morning, my grandmother (Katie Stokes) took a stroll up "the path." She decided to sit with the door open because of the heat. It is important to note that Mommie Katie was a very private, self-conscious, Christian lady. Shortly after she was seated, a neighbor gentleman (whose name I will omit) happened to pass by following a morning squirrel hunt. He ever so calmly looked toward my grandmother and said with an even tone, "Morning, Mrs. Stokes." Mommie Katie almost fainted with embarrassment! She grabbed the outside door and slammed it shut without returning the salutation. This event happened approximately 50 years ago but I still knew I was publishing this story my grandmother would rise from the dead to take a switch to me. My grandfather (Eugene Stokes) got a big kick out of telling this story on Mommie Katie for many years.

When my brother Al went away to college, I was seven or eight years old. He took an archery class, and one weekend he brought home his bow and arrows. One of my friends and I couldn't resist the temptation and "borrowed" them, heading down the road to hide in a ditch beside old US 25. It took both of us just to string the bow. I suppose that we were attempting to be mature bow hunters. My friend dared me to try to shoot an arrow under the next car that passed by. I took the dare and placed

an arrow on the bow, ready for my shot. Because the bow was designed for an adult, I was shaking all over when my friend yelled from the ditch, "Here comes one." I pulled with all my strength and let the arrow fly. THUNK! I didn't like the sound that I heard. To my shock, the arrow had stuck in the driver's door of the passing automobile. Immediately the break lights came on and that is all my friend and I saw. We grabbed the bow and arrows, running as fast as we could for the woods behind my grandfather's farm. The owner of the car was steaming mad and chased us down the long driveway. I was frowning long time before finally giving up. We hid for hours thinking that he would be at my house when we returned because of the heat. He apparently never did figure out who the "renegade Indians" were.

One night while driving around Mt. Vernon in my '58 Chevy, several of my friends and I decided it would

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Points East

By Ike Adams

The temperature hit zero last Friday night on Lowell Branch when I made it the coldest night we've had here in at least a couple of years. A snowfall of maybe two inches was blamed for wrecks all around on Saturday morning but none were serious enough to cause much alarm.

Still, as I slid into town along highway 21 around 9 on Saturday morning, three different people flagged me down to see if I had a cell phone or they could call the state police or a wrecker. I told them I'd come as soon as I got to town. I didn't have a cell-phone and I wouldn't have worked if I had. There is no signal on most of 21.

I stopped at the edge of Berea, make the calls and then went on to drop off a rented movie and pick up some cat litter. Our inside/outside cat had patiently refused to come back out doors, much less consider digging a hole in the fencework to her business and then covering it with snow.

In the meantime she had made

good use of a ten-gallon flower pot which contains a tropical, palm-like, something or other that may soon perish or have an amazing spurt of new growth. In my humble opinion the plant was already flourishing but don't tell that to my wife. Suffice to say that it has been well fertilized and time will tell the rest of the story.

I never actually witnessed the flower pot to litter box conversion but the indisputable evidence was there and it surely must have been a sight worth seeing. Loretta had stuck dozens and dozens of toothpicks, sharp end up, into the soil for the express purpose of keeping the cats out of the pot. I'm talking about upwards of a dozen dangerous if not deadly looking spears per square inch of surface. The notion was that any cat who so much as dared to place a paw in the pot would immediately find said paw impaled. Squating on them was supposed to cause some damage to the posterior of rouge cats than sitting on a land mine. Apparently the fortification didn't slow the cat down.

Toothpicks were scattered all about in a six foot radius of the plant container.

When we arose on Saturday morning to let her out, the cat, a snow white, Turkish Angora, was stretched out next to a heat register in the kitchen, lazily licking the incriminating flecks of black potting soil off her tail and paws. There was not a speck of blood or any other indication that she'd been wounded. There was no evidence that the tooth picks had caused her the slightest inconvenience.

Loretta fussed and yelled at the cat who simply nodded nonchalantly at the door as if to ask, "Why don't you go outside and pee yourself and see what it feels like to have your tail frozen to the ground?"

I called Loretta from the store to tell her that I was apt to be delayed for awhile because wreckers and police were going to have the road blocked for an hour or so as they worked the accidents I had reported. "You'd better take the back roads and get that litter back here fast," I was advised. "If this cat so much as looks at my flower pot again, you'll have to take her to a taxidermist if you want to keep her sorry carcass in the house. By the way, don't we have a rod barred wire in the ga-

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T.J.'s Journal

by Tonya J. Cook



Stanley and I have begun a new endeavor. It's one that is quite fascinating, but quite time consuming, as well. It will not only require a lot of time, but some travel; very extensive travel, if we pursued this endeavor to the extent that it should be.

We have seriously begun the quest of our respective genealogies. We had for years dabbled at it, and were curious about our family trees, but hadn't actively pursued any investigation. What caused us to begin this active pursuit? It was the death of Stanley's cousin, Bentley Allen, recently. He was eighty-six years old, and was a storehouse of family genealogy, history, and stories. Not only do we miss him, but Stanley was so sorry that he had procrastinated in going to see him to record his wonderful memories.

Stanley is progressing slowly with his genealogy on his maternal and paternal sides. Fortunately, I have some wonderful "branches" in my family tree on my maternal side who have pursued our history for years. They have even produced a huge five- or six-inch thick book commonly known as the "Ponder book" where the Nortons tie in with the Ponders.

It's really going to be a challenge for me to find some information on my maternal grandmother's father. He was Henry Frank Price, and his mother was a Von Slagle, later shortened to Slagle. They came from Hamburg, Germany. Stanley's father's family came from Hamburg, as well. The original spelling of his family name was "Kooke" and was later changed to Cook, same pronunciation but different spelling.

As I said last week, Stanley and I both have roots going to the Tazewell/Johnson City area of Tennessee. We both have roots going back to Hamburg, as well. You would think we could be some kin. As it turns out, we probably are. Last year there was a lady from Springfield, Illinois who reads this column called us to ask about his Griffins and my Bussells. It seems that in about 1849, people from these two lines married. We would really like to find out more about this. If the same lady is reading this now, please give us a call. You might find us on your doorstep this summer.

I would really like to find out about my father's genealogy, of which I know very little. He was half-Lumbee Native American. The "Lumbee" tribe was the original Croatan tribe we remember from

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VIEW FROM THE BENCH

Kentucky Clean Water

This week the Supreme Court heard oral arguments in a case with far reaching implications for owners of wetlands throughout the United States. What is surprising to many is how broadly the term "wetlands" is defined under existing law.

John A. Rapanos, a Michigan businessman, sought to develop four tracts of land, none of which were adjacent to navigable waters, scattered across Saginaw, Bay and Midland counties. To make these tracts more conducive to development,



Judge David Tapp

Rapanos leveled and filled the sites

removing trees and brush in the process.

The federal government simultaneously filed a civil suit and criminal charges alleging violations of the Clean Water Act (the "CWA"). Rapanos was convicted during his criminal trial and ordered to pay a \$185,000 fine and was placed on probation for three years.

The Supreme Court heard arguments Tuesday in the appeal resulting from the civil case against Rapanos. In that case, following a thirteen day bench trial, the U.S. District Court determined that Rapanos had filled 54 acres of wetlands. What is at issue now is the expansive definition provided to "wetlands" by the CWA.

The CWA is a cooperative program in which, like so many other mandates, the federal government sets standards for pollution abatement while leaving the day-to-day enforcement and administration of those programs to the states. If the Court upholds a broad interpretation of the CWA, some fear that any construction on lands bordering small streams, man-made ditches, or surface waters, which themselves have an effect on downstream navigable waters will require prior government approval, which can be difficult to obtain.

Serious competing interests are at stake. Wetlands filter contaminants, control flood waters, and provide habitat for waterfowl and fish. Existing wetlands have steadily diminished. Their loss is said to contribute to the extensive damage caused by natural disasters such as Katrina; without wetlands to buffer flooding, the full impact is often felt by bordering urban areas.

Just as opposed against the environmental issues is the concern of landowners like Rapanos who rebel against restrictions on ownership rights to property which has no ap-

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Causes of Alzheimer's Disease

Presented by Dr. George W. Griffith

What causes Alzheimer's disease? People have blamed heredity, aluminum cooking bowls, viruses, and numerous other things.

Many comments have been made about the possibility of aluminum causing Alzheimer's. There are no studies that show that aluminum plays a role, and most experts state that there is absolutely no need to worry about using aluminum cooking bowls or aluminum-containing medicines and deodorants. Nor have other chemicals been proven to be a cause.

Alzheimer's Disease is definitely not the same as aging, although increasing age is the biggest known risk factor. The older a person gets, the more likely he will develop Alzheimer's.

The brain can maintain its capabilities throughout life much better than most other organs in the body. For a person who does not get Alzheimer's, his mind should continue to function normally, although perhaps slower and be a bit more forgetful.

Besides aging, we know that heredity plays a role at times. A few cases appear to run in families. And among identical twins, if one gets Alzheimer's disease, the other has a 40% chance of developing it. Persons with certain genetic abnormalities, such as Down's Syndrome, are much more likely to develop Alzheimer's disease. Yet, 90% of cases appear not to be related to any genetic factor and their cause remains unknown.

Researchers have found a protein, called beta-amyloid, that is elevated in Alzheimer's, but have not found its exact relationship to the illness. Medicines which may affect this beta-amyloid and other medicines that may be useful for Alzheimer's are undergoing trials but are not yet available.



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To The Voters of Rockcastle County:

I have been visiting other counties and find that each have several county parks. I believe with the right direction we can have a county park where our children and families can go for relaxation and recreation. I know we have the Brodhead Ballpark (which is usually busy), we have the Quail Community Park that is a good place (for families), the Mt. Vernon Park and Mt. Vernon Lake Park. But, I am thinking of a county park large enough to accommodate several different activities such as walking paths, baseball, softball, basketball, soccer and picnic areas.

I believe we must have a place for young people to go and enjoy themselves. The home farm is vanishing from our sight, back then young people had something to do and when they went somewhere it was a treat. It is a MUST for our young people to have a clean respectful place in our county for recreation.

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Obituaries



Blanche Brown Johnson

Mrs. Blanche Brown Johnson, 65, wife of Frank Johnson, died Friday, February 17, 2006 at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

She was born July 28, 1940, a daughter of Bennett and Ellen Smith Brown. She was a member of Broadhead Christian Church, a Kentucky Colonel, Broadhead Homemakers and the BHS Alumni Association.

She had previously held the position of compliance officer and vice president at Citizens Bank in Broadhead. Her hobbies and interests were her grandchildren.

Besides her husband of 18 years, Frank Johnson, survivors include her children, Tommy (Lynn) Baldwin of Florence and Melanie (Marvin) Daulton of Somerset; a sister, Dorothy Saylor of Reseda, CA; a brother, Glenn Edward (Wanda) Lewis of Cleveland, OH and four grandchildren, Madison Daulton, Bennett Baldwin, Jacob Baldwin and Macy Daulton.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 19 at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home chapel with Bro. Dan Gutenson officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Roger Carr, Keith Smith, Don Cash, Nelson Graves, Steve Singleton and Bobby Scott.

Condolences to the Johnson family may be made to her online registry at www.marvinowensfuneralhome.com



Haley Jane Williams

Haley Jane Williams, 91, of Livingston, died Saturday, February 18, 2006 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Broadhead.

She was born in Livingston, KY on December 29, 1914 the daughter of John and Maggie Hellard Williams. She was a homemaker and a member of the Livingston Pentecostal Church.

She is survived by two sisters, Rosetta Bryant of Fountain City, IN and Louise Farthing of Richmond, IN. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Hazel Stallworth and Marie Williams; and three brothers, Lawrence, Clarence, and Cecil Williams.

Funeral services for Miss Williams were conducted Tuesday, February 21 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Billy Medley and Jimmy Miller. Burial was in the Bales Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Brad Andrews, Jim Andrews, David Bryant, Mike Hains, Floyd Moore, and Doug Sowers.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Miss Williams' online obituary.

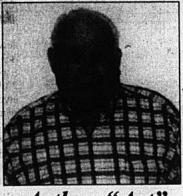
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Arthur "Art" Harrison, Jr.

Arthur "Art" Harrison, Jr., 77, of Broadhead, died Monday, February 20, 2006 at his residence.

He was born May 7, 1928 in Morningview, a son of the late Arthur Harrison, Sr. and Ollie Smothers Harrison. He was a retired tool and die machinist for Dalton Tool & Die in Richmond, IN. He served his country in the Korean War in the Army/Air Force, was a member of the Mt. Vernon Church of God, enjoyed playing the banjo, guitar and watching TV.

Survivors include his wife, Bon Helen Gilliam Harrison, whom he married November 18, 1954; four children, Walter (Marty) Wagers, Jr. of Gray Hawk, Bobby D. (Rita) of Annville, David Wagers and Satira Vance and Tabitha (Kevin) Halcomb, all of Broadhead; nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren which called him "Poppy" seven brothers, Robert Harrison of North Kingstown, RI, Everett (Agnes) Harrison, Willard Harrison, Melvin (Lela) Harrison, all of Broadhead, Norman (Betty) Harrison of Cincinnati, OH and Ervin (Carolyn) Harrison and Ronnie Harrison, both of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Lorene (Russell) Jones of Goshen, Ohio and Ruby (Avery) Wilson of Richmond, IN.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Dorothy Stevens and Mary Ruth Harrison.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 23, 2006 (today) at noon at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funeral chapel with Bro. Bobby Owens officiating. Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Casket bearers will be: Kevin Halcomb, John Bradley, Derrick Wagers, Jeremy Wagers, Matthew Wagers, Jonathan Wagers, Jason Wagers, Honorary casketbearer will be Danny Stevens.

Condolences to the Harrison family may be made to his online registry at www.marvinowensfuneralhome.com

Mary Alcorn Danner

Mary Alcorn Danner, 79, of Neely Court, Berea, died suddenly Wednesday, February 15, 2006 at her residence following an illness.

She was a lifelong resident of Madison County, born April 19, 1916, a daughter of Thomas and Carrie Collins Alcorn. She was a homemaker and member of the Holiness Faith.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Rose Mary Doan Danner; two grandchildren, Craig Danner and Cheryl (David) Matheny; two great grandchildren, Taylor Danner, Savannah Danner, both of Berea and several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Gilbert Danner; a son, Ronald Danner; a grandson, Ronald Kevin Danner; two sisters, Margaret Pearson and Blondie White and a brother, Johnny Alcorn.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 18 at Reppert Funeral Home with Bro. Cecil Burns and Bro. Bruce Alcorn officiating. Burial followed in the Berea Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: David Matheny, Bruce Alcorn, Wayne Pearson, Eddie Smith, John Wayne Alcorn and Bobby Gadd.

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Mary Cope

Mary D. Cope, 97, of Rockcastle County died Monday, Feb. 20, 2006 at the UK Medical Center. Mary is the daughter of the late Elijah and Ellen Eden Grant and widow of the late Willie D. Cope. She was a homemaker and long time member of the Fairview Baptist Church.

Mary is survived by: her children, Alice Shupe of Cleveland OH, Christine Barrett of Berea, William Cope of Eubank, KY, Mattie Jean (Frankie) Hayes of Winchester, KY, Helen Powell of Berea and Buddy (Mary) Cope of Rockcastle County; brothers-in-law Sylvester Cope; nine grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be Friday, Feb. 24, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the Fairview Baptist Church with Rev. John Dodson and Rev. Vaughan Razor officiating. Burial will be in the Seaford Cemetery.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, Feb. 23 from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. at the Lakes Funeral Home.

Register book online at www.lakesfuneralhome.com

Joe Harmon

Joe Harmon, 80, of Wilmore, Ky. and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday February 15, 2006 at the Thompson Hood Veterans Center in Wilmore after a long illness. He was born on June 4, 1925 in Rockcastle County the son of the late Benjamin and Vina Cromer Harmon. He was a retired clerk, a navy veteran of WWII, enjoyed reading, writing poetry, being in the company of others; various music, and was a member of the Christian Faith.

Survivors are: one son, Michael Jay Harmon of Lexington; three daughters, Mrs. Joni Maloney, Mrs. Jennifer Bringardner and Mrs. Jill Robertson, all of Lexington; one brother, Harry Harmon of Mt. Vernon; and one sister, Mrs. Ruby Stewart also of Mt. Vernon. Six grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by three brothers, B.F., Curtis, and Bentley Harmon, and by one grandson, David Harmon.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 18, 2006 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bros. Bro. Larry Harmon and Eddie Nation officiating. Burial followed in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Larry Maloney, Craig Robertson, Ed Bringardner, Stephen Maloney, Cole Abney and Martin Abney.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at web address www.coxfuneralhome.com

Jessie Lear

Jessie Lear, 88, of Copper Creek Road, died Sunday, February 19, 2006 at the Rockcastle Nursing and Rehabilitation in Broadhead. He was a native of Rockcastle County, a farmer and a member of the Valley Baptist Church.

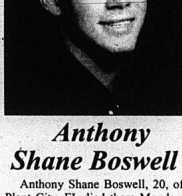
Survivors are his wife, Mayme Parson Lear; daughter, Beatrice Carolyn (Roger) Durham of Crab Orchard; sons, Kent (Patricia) Lear, Jessie Darrell (Della) Lear and Franklin Erwin (Carol) Lear, all of Berea; a sister, Flossie Murphy of Crab Orchard; seven grandchildren; four step grandchildren; five great grandchildren and 12 step great grandchildren.

Besides his parents, Joe and Minnie Tankersly Lear, he was preceded in death by a son, Royce Lear.

Funeral services for Mr. Lear were held Tuesday at the Davis & Powell Funeral Home with Rev. Ed Hubbard officiating. Burial was in the Robinson Cemetery.

www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com

Email obituaries to mvsignal@alltel.net



Anthony Shane Boswell

Anthony Shane Boswell, 20, of Plant City, FL died there Monday, February 13, 2006 as the result of an automobile accident. He was born in London, KY on June 21, 1985 the son of Mark and Tammy Hill Boswell. He was an employee of Child's Restaurant, a basketball coach in Lakeland, FL, and was a member of the Tampa Reform Baptist Church.

He is survived by: his wife, Miriam Rodriguez Boswell; daughter, Katlyn Hope Boswell; parents, Mark and Anthony Boswell of Plant City, FL; a brother, Jordan Boswell of Plant City, FL; maternal grandmother, Wanda Hill of Louisville; and paternal grandmother, Mildred Smith of Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services for Mr. Boswell were conducted Saturday, February 18 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home by Bros. Doug Ricketts and Gary Carter. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jordan Boswell, Shawn Boswell, Bryan Hansel, Jason Hansel, Thomas Hill, Brandon Nolan, Jonathan Nolan, and Nich Nolan.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Mr. Boswell's online obituary.

Barry Curtis VanHook

Barry Curtis VanHook, 56, of Ferguson died Saturday, February 18, 2006 in Frankston, VA.

Mr. VanHook was born in Somerset October 23, 1949, a son of Joe D. and Lura Bertha Pigg VanHook. He was a retired liaison manager for Tecumseh Products and a member of the Poplar Grove Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 29 years, Linda S. VanHook; daughter, Angie (Shane) Blevins of Monticello

and Stacy (Tray) Smith of Brooksville; a son, Wade Cox of Somerset; three brothers, Harold (Carol Ann) VanHook and Don (Mayerette) VanHook, both of Eubank and Clyde (Marty) VanHook; a sister, Lois (Loe) Ricketts of Lexington; and four grandchildren, Trey and Macy Blevins and Brittany Crews and Destin Smith.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Carter VanHook; two infant siblings and an infant grandchild, Taylor Shae Blevins.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 22 at the Lake Cumberland Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Rick Reynolds officiating. Burial followed in the Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Troy Smith, Wade Cox, Shon Ping, Shane Blevins, Mark VanHook, Gary VanHook, Perry VanHook, Lee Ricketts, Donnie VanHook and Jim VanHook.

Loretta Thomas

Loretta Thomas, 74, of Orlando, died Monday, February 6, 2006 at the Rockcastle Hospital in Mt. Vernon. She was born in Pine Hill on July 16, 1931 the daughter of Luther and Gracie Jones Kirby. She was a homemaker and a member of the Light-house Assembly of God.

She is survived by: four sons, Gary (Loretta) Thomas of Middleburg, FL, Martin (Sherry) Thomas of Kennesaw, GA, Ray (Kim) Thomas of Berea, and Jerry (Linda) Thomas of Blanchester, OH; six daughters, Vickie (Bobby) Hellard of East Bernstadt, Audrey (Alvin) Hamm of Broadhead, Patty (Danny Sell) Richards of Three Links, Nita (William) Gibbons of Orlando, Lori (John) Ferguson of England, WV, and Valera Thomas of Orlando; four brothers, James Robert Kirby of Somerset, Billy Joe Kirby and Wayne Kirby, both of Blanchester, OH, and Donald Ray Kirby of Congers, GA; and two sisters, Willetta Owens and Mildred Owens, both of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are fifteen grandchildren; four great grandchildren; six step grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis W. Thomas and a grandson, Jerry Michael Thomas.

Funeral services for Mrs. Thomas were conducted Wednesday, February 8 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral

Home Chapel by Bro. Tim Hampton. Burial was in the Maple Grove Cemetery.



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Our Readers Write

DARE concert a success...

Dear Editor,

The Rockcastle Sheriff's Department, on behalf of its DARE Program, would like to thank the following organizations, businesses, and individuals who helped to make the 2006 Winter DARE Benefit Concert: "An Evening With Elvis," a success: The Rockcastle UNITED Coalition for co-sponsorship of event; Rockcastle County High School Principal John Hale for use of the High School auditorium; Charlie Napier for selling the most tickets (42) and for fence duties during the performance; Ms. Lisa Hembree, Rockcastle County High School Chorus teacher for coordinating back-up vocals; Bentley Cromer for use of sound equipment; Gold Music in Berea for the use of sound equipment; the following businesses and individuals for the purchase of ten tickets or more: Rockcastle Host, Reynolds Food Packaging, David Hammonds Classic Cars, James Miller, Jailer Billy Reynolds, County Attorney, Norma Houck, County Court Clerk, Margaret Offutt, PVA; Town and County Motors; Rockcastle Kwik-Fit; Rockcastle Auto Parts, Mount Vernon Dealers, Roy and Anita Todd, Cleis and Rose Brown; Nathaniel King, "An Evening With Elvis" band leader; Sam Cornett, introductory voice track and lead guitar; Dave Davidson, Tyler Vauk, Amanda Blankenship, Samantha Anglin, Callie Thomas, and Ashley Marcum, back-up vocals; Josh Nation and Michael Cromer, effects lighting; Alan Penson, theatrical consultation; Barry Adams, Ron Bralley, Sr., Rem Bradley Jr., Rick Brummett, Shannon Franklin, Todd Hart, and Jason Kirby, the "Memphis Mafia"; Debbie Tanner, Linda Hasty, Tammy Hammons, and Francis Bailey, ushers; Raymond Carl, use of 1973 Cadillac; Cruck and Rosemary Baker, custodians.

Det. Matt Bryant
Rockcastle Sheriff's Department

You don't miss the water until...

Dear Editor,

Remember that old saying? After fighting a fire this week for several hours alongside volunteers from the Brindle Leage Fire Department and the Forest Service, that old saying kept running through my mind. A young neighbor was burning trash on a very windy day, didn't stay with the fire, and it got loose into the woods. Several neighbors came to help and despite our best efforts, several acres of woodland, some of them ours, ended up burned.

It took about 25 minutes for the first volunteer to arrive. The volunteers live all over the county and it takes a while for them to arrive at the scene. When it looked as though the fire might engender our house and out buildings, some of the volunteers questioned if they had enough water to wet down the area around the house and buildings. Fortunately, we had two ponds from which they could refill the truck's supply of water. They filled their truck tank twice and used about 3000 gallons of water. What if we hadn't had the ponds?

I learned that the fire department depends heavily on contributions from local citizens. They must buy utilities, including water, whether they fight a fire that month or not. The volunteers even buy their own

units and some of their equipment. Yes, we had made small donations every time they asked over the past 8 years.

Believe me, we're willing to contribute a lot more after the panic we've just gone through. We kept thinking, what if there was no one to call for help? What if it had just been neighbors and family to fight the fire? What if our home had burned and we were left homeless? We will never again take these guys for granted!

We hope that you never live through a similar experience. And we hope that you will consider making a donation to your local volunteer fire department. Maybe when you get your income tax refund and feel like you've got a little extra, you'll send them a few or twenty dollars, or more. We've already sent our donation. We'll continue to be on our "charitable donations" list every year.

Thanks to all of you folks (firefighters, neighbors, & kin) that fought the fire on Flat Gap this past week! And thanks to you folks who risk your lives volunteering to save the lives and properties of your neighbors in the county when fire breaks out!!

Joyce Begley
Berea, KY

Chili Cook-Off a success...

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank this opportunity to thank all the many people who helped make the Chili Cook-Off in Brodhead such a success. Thank you to the many local officials who attended to show support for this event. The Brodhead Homecoming Committee truly appreciates your generous contributions. I would also like to thank the Brodhead Fire Department for allowing us to use their facilities. I also appreciate everyone who brought their own special chili. I thought all the chili tasted delicious! I must say a special thank you to Mrs. Jenny Newland who helped organize the event.

Because of so many caring individuals the event was a huge success and will truly help contribute to a great Brodhead Homecoming Festival this year on Memorial Day Weekend.

Again, thank you to everyone who came out and supported this event.

Sincerely,
Travis T. Burton
Brodhead, KY

Thank you to former Citizens Bank employees...

Dear Editor,

I want to say thank you to Violet, Blanche and Deloris for all their years of service at Citizens Bank. They have been an asset to the bank and our community. They have always been very courteous and always went out of their way to help the customers.

In the last few years, most of their previous duties and loaning capacities were taken away from them and transferred to someone in the Mt. Vernon branch. Blanche was moved from one job to another. What I am thankful to them is a disgrace after their many years of service.

I have always gone to the bank in Brodhead, instead of Mt. Vernon, and Violet, Deloris and Blanche were a large part of the reason. There is a different feeling at Brodhead than at the other bank.

I am a stockholder of Citizens Bank but I am not one of the five directors. I found out about the firings the following day. I was mad, upset, furious and any other adjective you could use. The ladies were friends of mine and they certainly didn't deserve to be fired for any reason. They are well liked and respected in Brodhead and the surrounding communities. As a stockholder, I am so sorry.

I just want to let the board know that the Brodhead community is very upset with your decision. It also was handled very badly. I do realize the entire board was not in favor of the firings but it did pass.

If you are a stockholder and are unhappy with this decision, come to the April stockholders meeting and note when they elect the board. Don't sign your proxy card. Come and vote.

Charlotte Carrera
P.S. I was saddened to hear this morning that Blanche had passed away. I will miss our little talks together. She was my friend and a friend to all of Brodhead. She will be missed.

Americans must "move" more...

Dear Editor,

My colleague, Lynnmet Renner, and I recently attended the 2006 Physical Activity Conference sponsored by the Kentucky Department for Public Health and the Kentucky Department of Education.

It was great to hear and share all the innovative programs that are taking place across our state to get Kentuckians moving. It is common knowledge, as well as documented fact, that the American population moves less and weighs more than previous generations. In fact, for the first time in history, the lifespan of our children is projected to be less than that of their parents, primarily due to the effects of obesity. Kentucky ranks 4th in the nation for inactivity.

The state is addressing this issue through school wellness legislation and conferences such as the one we attended. But, there are things we as individuals and a community can do. First and foremost, we can, and must, MOVE. As a community, we can promote opportunities to do so.

Locally, plans are underway for a Longest Day of Play on the longest day of the year, June 21st. This opportunity for our community to play will take place at the track and field of Rockcastle Middle School from 7 to 8 p.m. The Community Health Council is spearheading this event

and we want and need your help and input. If you, as a citizen, club, business or community leader, wish to become involved in making the Longest Day of Play a great day, please contact Lynnmet Renner or Nancy Keber at the health department at 256-2242.

Nancy Keber
Nutritionist
Rockcastle Health Department

Building need for mission use...

Dear Editor,

We wanted to let your readers know the number to call for the Rock of Ages Mission... 606-758-4203 or our cell 606-231-9093.

We are still in need of a building, house, trailer or garage donated for mission use. We really need a place as soon as we can get one. If the public would like to help us purchase a metal building, please send \$1000 and specify where you want it to go. We also need non-perishable foods, foods, diapers, water (jugs or bottles), etc. Please call for a list of items we need if you would like to help us to help others.

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"TJ's Journal"

(Cont. from A2)

history of the "Lost Colony." They changed the name of the tribe about 1948. The colony was "lost" at all. The colonists intermarried with the Native Americans and their descendants still fill the Carolinas, and have spread throughout the United States from there. My father was William C. Oxendine, son of the Rev. Doc and Roxie Ann Hunt Oxendine. Both are from very old English families. There was even a knight, Sir Simon Oxendine who lived in the late 1600s.

Genealogy is a fascinating hobby; one that is growing by leaps and bounds daily. There is just no telling who you could be related to. I heard that one time, there was a man who was researching his family tree, only to discover that he was his own grandpa.

"Memories"
(Cont. from A2)

be fun to see how many teenagers we could get into the Valley Drive-In Theatre by purchasing only two tickets. We proceeded to have some of our friends lie in the floor of the backseat covered with blankets. Other friends packed tightly into the trunk of my automobile. We had to hold our mouths to keep from laughing all the way into the theatre. When we finally opened the trunk and allowed everyone to escape, we had an even dozen young people there to watch the movie. I think we made amends though -- we made several trips to the concession stand and ate constantly for the three hours that we were there.

How many of you remember how the floors at Mt. Vernon High School were oiled each weekend? It was almost impossible to stand up on Monday morning. One day our English teacher gave us an assignment of writing a brief composition in class. She positioned herself at the back of the room, leaning against the wall as

we struggled with the assignment. I just happened to be seated next to where she was standing. All of a sudden, her feet flew out from under her and she "plopped" on the floor on her behind. I almost fell out of my chair. From her position on the floor, she pointed her finger up at me and said, "Don't even smile David Joe!" The entire class was about to explode with laughter.

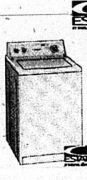
I am so thankful that I have fond memories as a young boy. As I grow older, the stories of my childhood become more valuable to me, and my joy in telling them increases with each time they are told.

I would like to thank you for the tremendous response to my column. I have been in touch with so many wonderful friends that are offering suggestions for Rockcastle Memories. Keep the e-mails coming -- you can reach me at: mtvsnm@tnt.net. I promise to answer each one personally.


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Renner, Carpenter and Bullock will lead local PRIDE Spring Cleanup

Your local PRIDE Coordinators already are preparing for the 2006 Spring Cleanup, which will be held April 8 through April 22. James Renner is the Rockcastle County PRIDE Coordinator, Katha Carpenter represents the City of Livingston, and Wayne Bullock is the Mount Vernon PRIDE Coordinator.

The PRIDE Coordinators will organize cleanup events for volunteers across the county during the two-week campaign. PRIDE will supply T-shirts, trash bags, gloves and safety vests for the volunteers.

"Everyone should volunteer during the Spring Cleanup because this is where we all live," said Renner, who is the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator and has volunteered as the county's PRIDE Coordinator since 2001. "You can make a difference. Give it a try!"

"I volunteer because I care about where I live, and it just feels good to be doing something positive for my community," Renner continued. "PRIDE is making a difference in Rockcastle County by providing the resources to put together an ever-expanding local volunteer base that cares about our communities."

"Volunteering for the Spring Cleanup gets the summer off to a great start with cleaner roadways and streets," said Carpenter. She works as a caregiver for an elderly lady and has volunteered as Livingston's PRIDE Coordinator since 2004. Carpenter said she enjoys volunteering with PRIDE because of the

exercise, good friends and "good clean neighborhood. I love the interaction with volunteers. We have a great time. Please clean up the area."

PRIDE Coordinators are volunteers who play a vital role in building PRIDE in their communities. The coordinators work with the PRIDE staff to organize cleanup activities, recruit volunteers and track cleanup results. They assist local officials with the PRIDE programs, including applications for grants. They also serve on the PRIDE Board of Directors.

PRIDE - Personal Responsibility in a Desirable Environment - serves 38 counties in southern and eastern Kentucky PRIDE links citizens with the resources of local, state and federal agencies to clean up the region, s waterways, end illegal trash dumps, and promote environmental education. The PRIDE initiative was started in 1997 by Congressman Hal Rogers (KY-5) and PRIDE Chairwoman Sandy Gray at the annual meeting of the PRIDE Board of Directors on Jan. 30 in Somerset. Wayne Bullock was unable to attend the event.

For more information about PRIDE in your community or volunteering during the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, call James Renner at 256-1902, Katha Carpenter at 453-3937 or Wayne Bullock at 256-0344. By late March, a list of the cities and county's Spring Cleanup events will be online at www.kypride.org



James Renner (below) and Katha Carpenter (above) were honored for their service as a PRIDE Coordinators by Congressman Hal Rogers (KY-5) and PRIDE Chairwoman Sandy Gray at the annual meeting of the PRIDE Board of Directors on Jan. 30 in Somerset. Wayne Bullock was unable to attend the event.



Church News

Prayer Requests

For all your confidential prayer requests, call 256-1034 or e-mail timeforpraying@aol.com or write Scaffold Care Baptist Church, Rt. 3, Box 197, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Spring Revival

March 12 through 14, First Christian Church will sponsor its Spring Revival. Our theme is "...Seek and You Will Find." Doug Platt, Minister of Outreach and Young Adults at Southern Acres Christian Church in Lexington will be our speaker.

Our Sunday morning meeting will begin at 11 a.m.; Sunday evening meeting will be at 6 p.m. with the Monday and Tuesday meetings at 7 p.m. Nursery will be provided and there will be snacks each evening as well as special events and special music.

For questions or more information, call Bruce Ross at 256-2876. We look forward to welcoming you to our meetings.

2006 PRIDE Spring Clean-up

The 2006 PRIDE Spring Clean-up will be April 8-22. "Be a super hero in your community and volunteer," said James Renner, Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator.

To volunteer, call Renner at 256-1902. Free T-shirts will be given to all volunteers while supplies last. A special door prize will be awarded to all groups that register by March 10, 2006.

Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Pick up and disposal of the trash will be provided by the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Management team.

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Cub Scout News

The Pack 409 Blue and Gold Banquet will be held Friday, February 24 at 7pm at the church camp. We have taken care of hot dogs, buns and cake for dessert, but everything else is still open. Call Suzanne if you need suggestions. We will begin at 7, but decorating will start about 6:15! All parents, grandparents and siblings are invited to help us celebrate. This will be our February pack meeting.

The Pinewood Derby will be held on Saturday, March 26 at 1pm at Somerset Mall. The top 5 finishers from our pack will be eligible to race, there. A "pirate" race will also be open to anyone (parents, siblings) that sign in at the actual scout race. The cost is yet to be determined. Our pack race will be held sometime the week of March 18-24 to decide our top 5. I will get more details out as I get them. Car kits will be available at the pack meeting. The cost is \$3.25 each.

Roundtables have been moved to First Baptist Church in Somerset, the second Tuesday of each month. 7pm. Call Suzanne for details. The theme for March will be Construction, with Webelos badges attire and engineer.

Email the Signal at mvsignal@alltel.net

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Legislative Update

State House acts on wide variety of measures

By Danny Ford
State Representative

More than half of the 2006 session is behind us, but much work lies ahead, including consideration of the session's largest bill - the budget - and dozens of other pieces of legislation being debated in committee.

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income Kentuckians may be able to afford.

After almost an hour and a half of debate on HB 86, it appeared HB 86 had passed by a vote of 49-48. However, the bill had an emergency clause, essentially language that requires legislation passed by the House and Senate would take effect immediately after being signed into law by the Governor. Bills with an emergency clause require a constitutional majority - at least 51 votes of the 100 House members so HB 86 actually failed by two votes. Those in favor of the bill, including the House Speaker, will most likely bring it up again next week.

I could not support the measure. I voted no because I do not believe we should further criminalize people who make a decision about their own well being, because I believe our police officers have enough challenges fighting crime and the epidemic of methamphetamine use and because I personally feel that we have to make decisions based on our state - not on promises from the federal government.

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The Brodhead Chili Cook-Off that was held this past weekend was a huge success. There was great participation and a great turnout. Winners that were voted on by the crowd included: Most Original-Dale Brummett, and Best Spicy-Republican Senator Candidate Albert Spencer, and Best Overall-Martina Achor. Brodhead Queen Neisha Taylor picked Billy Dowell and Curtis Brown's Chili as the Queen's Pick. In the above photo, Brodhead Queen Neisha Taylor presents Albert Spencer, republican primary candidate for the State Senate with the Hot and Spicy Award.

Soup Bean Supper and Pie and Cake auction

The Western Rockcastle Fire Department will hold a Soup Bean Supper and Pie and Cake Auction on Saturday, March 25 at their Quail station on Hwy. 70.

Soup Bean Supper will be served from 4 to 6 p.m. and immediately following will be the pie and cake auction.

Please bake your favorite recipe and bring it with you in a disposable dish. Any other items that you may want to donate for the auction will be greatly appreciated.

Menu for the supper includes: soup beans, fried potatoes, cornbread, onion, dessert and drink.

Carryouts available. Dinners will be \$5 per person.

All candidates are welcome to come and participate.

For questions or more information, call Shawn Brown, 606-308-5419. Louise Benge 606-308-4461, Dennis Lawrence 606-355-2906 or Amanda Owens 606-308-2108.

Cards of Thanks

Elmo Price
The family of Elmo Price wishes to express our sincere thanks to all the family, friends, neighbors who were there during his battle with cancer and with the family when he lost his battle on Feb. 5, 2005. We are very grateful for those who sent food, flowers, and donated money. We would also like to express our gratitude for those who sang at his service and to the pallbearers, we would also like to thank Marvin Cromer for speaking at his service it was a very good lesson. We would like to thank those who prayed with us for his recovery. MacFoe will be missed very much and will always be in the hearts of his family and friends. He was loved very much. Bernice Lawrence, Phillip, Anita, Sharon, and the rest of the Family

Sallie Sigmon
The family of Sallie Sigmon would like to say thanks to all who helped us through our time of loss. Many thanks to everyone for the visits, food and the beautiful flowers and cards. Thanks to the Mt. Vernon Ambulance Service and Mt. Vernon ER staff, a special thanks to Bro. Rick Reynolds, Billy Dowell and Roy Martin for their consoling words. Joyce Fay Gabbard and Jack Sigmon

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Extension Office Notes
One Pot Meals Class will be taught at the Extension Office March 2 at 10:30 a.m., followed by The Cake Doctor at 11:45 a.m. Both classes are free. Call 256-2403 for more information.

Redwood Embroidery will be taught at the Rockcastle Extension office by Mary Hinson, Garrard Co. Extension FCS Agent March 14 at 10 a.m. The class is free but registration is required. Call 256-2403 to register.

Attn: Retired Teachers
There will be a Retired Teachers meeting Monday, Feb. 27th at 6 p.m. at Kastle Inn Restaurant. We need an interested community member is encouraged to come and spend as much time as they would like. For more information, call 256-5307.

Space available for tour of Savannah's Hidden Gardens
A few seats are still available for the Rockcastle Garden Club's upcoming spring tour through the newly seen lush sanctuaries of Savannah, Georgia's hidden Gardens. The trip is planned for April 20-24. For more info, call 256-4252.

Free Bible Courses
Free Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and address to: R. 4, Box 297, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

Vaccine still available
The Rockcastle County Health Center still has the flu vaccine available. Call 256-2442 for more info.

Hot Rod Sign-ups
Hot Rod sign-ups, for 3, 4 and 5 year olds, will be held April 1st and 8th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Godfather's Pizza. Parent shirts will be available for \$10 only at signups. This is the 20th year anniversary for Hot Rods.

Directors Meeting
Daniel Boone Development Council will be having a board of directors meeting on February 28th at 6 p.m. in Jackson County at Opal's Restaurant. Public is invited to attend.

College Road Show
The College Info Road Show will be at the Christian Appalachian Project Adult Learning Center Friday, February 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone interested in information concerning the college process is invited to attend.

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"What Saith The Scriptures"
Let us notice today about the blood of Christ from Heb. 9:14, "How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" The blood of Christ is such an important theme in human salvation. Peter tells us it was precious blood that redeemed us "as precious as an elect gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." The blood of Christ purchased the church, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Ac. 20:28. Now some folks speak frivolously and without due consideration of the importance of the church. Now if the Jesus purchased the church with his own blood, was it not important and dear to him? We come in contact with the blood of Christ in baptism. "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?" Rom. 6:3. Notice Paul said that we are baptized into "his death" and what took place in his death? His blood was shed there! This is why we must be baptized, so that we can make contact with the blood of Christ and find forgiveness of our sins in becoming a child of God. Have you done what Paul said here? Let us know if you would like to study.
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Agricultural News

By Warden Alexander, FSA Director

FSA Meeting

The Rockcastle County FSA employees will be attending a meeting February 23rd and thereafter, the FSA office will have limited service through NRCS answering the telephone.

FSA to notify produce of inadvertent release of personal info

FSA has announced that a firm under contract with its Kansas City Administrative Office inadvertently released the social security and tax identification numbers of approximately 350,000 participants in the tobacco buyout program as part of a response to a number of Freedom of Information Act requests.

The social security and tax identification numbers, which are protected from release under terms of the Privacy Act, were inadvertently sent to eight recipients on January 19, 2006, along with program data authorized for release. FSA officials discovered the error on February 9, 2006.

All eight FOIA requesters who received the data have agreed to make no disclosures of the privacy protected information, to return the disks containing the information, and to destroy all copies of any records derived from the data.

FSA is also taking steps to notify affected tobacco producers and quota holders, and is recommending they access their credit reports to assure that their personal information has not been used improperly and that these inadvertent releases have not compromised their individual credit records. Individuals can find out how they may request annual free copies of their credit reports, as required by law, at www.annualcreditreport.com or through the Federal Trade Commission's website at <http://onguardonline.gov/idtheft.html>.

2006 DCP Sign-Up

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced enrollment for the 2006 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP) began Oct. 1, 2005 and will continue until June 1, 2006. Producers may request a direct advance payment applicable for the contract at the time of sign-up. If the contract was enrolled on or before February 8, 2006 producers may request up to 50% for the direct advance payment and if the contract was enrolled after February 8th producers may request up to 40% for the direct advance payment.

All owners, operators and tenants who share in the DCP payment on

the farm must sign the CCC-509. Forms with signatures obtained after June 1 but before September 30, 2006 will be accepted, but the farm will be assessed a late-file sign-up fee of \$100.00.

Farm producers must apply for DCP each year and can cancel for any year if they so choose either by visiting the FSA office or on-line. To access the service, producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account, which requires filling out an online registration form at <http://www.eauth.gov.usda.gov> followed by a visit to the local USDA Service Center for identity verification.

The form FSA-578, Crop Certification, must be filed before final payments can be issued.

Sales and Purchases of Land
Producers who have purchased or sold land should inform the FSA office of the change. A copy of the deed or land contract sales is required to update FSA records with correct ownership.

Producers are also reminded to inform the FSA office of any change of address and bank account changes.

REMEMBER: FSA's records are only as current as producers provide.

Important program dates
Farm Storage Facility Loan Program sign-up continues

Farm Storage Facility Loans interest rate for Feb. 2006 is 4.375%. LDP sign-up for 2005 crop small grains end March 31, 2006

NAP Application Closings by Crop:

Grass for Pasture-March 1st
Mixed Hay-March 1st
Vegetables-March 15th
Wheat-September 30th
Grassland Reserve Program Continuous sign-up continues
Conservation Reserve Program Continuous sign-up continues

TTPP Maximum Discount Rate for Feb. 2006 is 9.000%

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A male long-haired cream and white 8 year old Man Cooon cat. Lost near Sand Springs Baptist Church. Call 1859-986-6226. 16x1p



The members of Flat Rock Baptist Church of Orlando wish to congratulate their new church sweethearts for 2006, Justin and Leah Lunce. They have been married for nine years and make Mt. Vernon their home. We are happy to have them as brand new members of our church.

ASPI volunteers to be in county

Two groups of Appalachia-Spine in the Public Interest (ASPI) volunteers will be traveling to Rockcastle County to participate in March Commonwealth Cleanup activities in the Rockcastle Region. College students from Loyola University in Chicago will arrive on March 5th and students from Notre Dame University in Indiana will arrive on March 12th.

Each group will be in town for a week and will be participating in illegal dump cleanup and roadside litter pickup. On Monday of each week, they will work along Hammonds Fork in the Clear Creek Watershed and, on Wednesdays, they will work on Mullins Station Road along Roundstone Creek.

They would like to work with local volunteers so, if you can come out and lend a hand, please call Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator James Renner at 256-1902 or APP Executive Director Deb Bledsoe at ASPI (256-0077) for more details.

Cemetery Notices

Bids sought

Bids are now being accepted for moving McKinney Cemetery at Blue Springs. Please mail your bid to McKinney Cemetery, P.O. Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, no later than March 15, 2006. The committee shall receive the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Pine Hill Cemetery Note

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In Loving Memory of Andy Mason who was laid to rest February 26, 2005 The Mansion of Heaven

This world however beautiful was never meant to be. The place that we would call our home for all eternity. And though we would not choose to leave,

A loving God knows best. And in His time, He lifts us to a place of peace and rest. For He has built a mansion where His children will abide. Free from pain and sorrow, forever at His side. He said He'd never leave us to face our trials alone. And though sometimes we fail Him, He never fails His own. And even when our choices are less than He would ask, He knows when human courage is unequal to the task. We cannot judge what happens. Though tears and questions start - We only see what's visible. God sees into the heart... And though there may be many things

That we cannot explain, We can be sure it breaks His heart To see His children's pain. In loving arms, He bears us to a quiet place apart. Where He mends the wounded spirit And heals the broken heart. And though these ones we love so dearly

Have left our present sight, God knows of their resting place, and soon will be their flight. Someday we'll all go up together to our Father's home above. Where we'll thank Him for His mercy. And praise Him for His love. Dad and Mom, we want to tell you how much your family appreciates you! We could not have made it this past year without your love, encouragement, strength and never ending prayers for each one of us. Thank you for everything you do. We love you. Your children, dad and great grandchildren

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Senate Week in Review

By Ed Worley
State Senator

Some legislative observers are calling the 2006 session "The Year of the Soldier" because of our efforts to help service men and women and their families. We took another step in that direction last week, strengthening a House Bill to relieve their financial burdens.

When we received House Bill 286, it exempted dollars earned for active duty military service from state income taxes in cases where a soldier is killed in action. The Senate took that bill and applied it to all active duty military, Guard and Reserves. These brave men and women all deserve tax relief.

The bill would be applied retroactively, so that families could get a tax refund on their 2005 military salaries. In addition to helping military families, this bill could provide an economic incentive for soldiers near Fort Campbell to live in Kentucky, rather than Tennessee. This bill will now go back to the House, where we hope representatives will approve our changes and send it to the governor for his signature.

An important education measure also received unanimous support in the Senate this week. The eventual goal is for more young people attend college. Senate Bill 130 will require all high school juniors to take the ACT, one of the two major college entrance exams. The ACT has several major advantages, including the quick return of test scores and the ability to

compare scores to students in neighboring states. Two other states have similar programs and they have seen increased test scores and college enrollment across the board. If we want our economy to grow, we need an educated workforce. The bill requires individual assessments of how well our students are learning as early as the fifth grade. We need to ensure that when Kentucky children graduate they are prepared for college-level work.

Another bill we passed this week, Senate Bill 103, would increase the speed limit on interstates and parkways to 70 miles per hour, and allow the limit on other four-lane roads to be raised to 65 mph, if safety allows. Thirty-one other states have already taken this step.

A study has shown that we should not expect any more accidents with this slight increase in the speed limit because these roads were designed to safely handle these speeds.

Finally, we took an important step when we made human trafficking a Class B felony under Kentucky law. This gives our law enforcement officials an additional tool within our borders to stop this brutal international crime. The last day has passed for new bills to be written, so we will now turn our attention to the legislation already under review. If there is an issue that concerns you, I hope you will share your thoughts with me by calling the General Assembly's Toll-Free Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 or e-mail me at ed.worley@lr.ky.gov.

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Words of Hope

This past week we celebrated St. Valentine's Day. Love letters, cards, flowers, and heart shaped candies were all given as gifts to that special someone as a sign of love. The greatest gift of love ever given is found in the pages of the bible. In John 3:16 the bible says: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." While it's wonderful to give gifts as an expression of our love on this day, let us also remember the love that Jesus has for us everyday. Join us at Cornerstone Fellowship Church where we fellowship in the love of Jesus.

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So he sent his best Angel
When he called your name that night
But Mama you left us so fast
We didn't get to say goodbye.

"Dad"
We really needed you
After Mom passed away
But you were so sick with cancer
You didn't have much to say.
We tried so hard to please you
But we couldn't fill Mom's shoes
You said God took your only "love"
You were so sad and blue.
The old house was dark and lonesome
It would never be the same
So God took you home to Heaven
To be with Mom again.

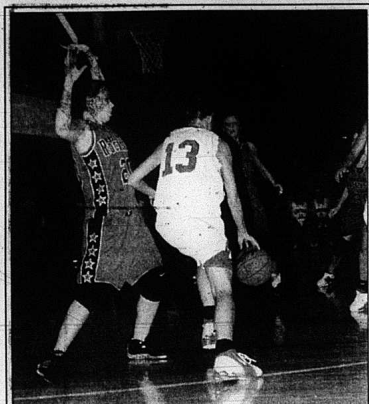
The Rockcastle Longbeards Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation announce

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Lady Rockets Ashley Lunsford, shown at left, in the Lincoln County game on Friday night and Sarah Rowe in the background play defense on a Lincoln County player. The Lady Rockets lost at Lincoln County, but easily defeated Jackson County at home on Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets are ranked high in the 12th region.

47th District Basketball Tournament at Casey Co.

Somerset		
Monday, February 27th * 7 p.m.		BOYS
Rockcastle County		
Casey County	Friday, March 3rd * 7:00 p.m.	Champion
Tuesday, February 28th * 7 p.m.		
Pulaski County		
Rockcastle County		
Wednesday, March 1st * 6:30 p.m. (Home)		GIRLS
Pulaski County		
Casey County	Saturday, March 4th at 7 p.m.	Champion
Wednesday March 1st * 8 p.m.		
Somerset		

Admission: \$5.00 General Admission - Coaches Cards Accepted - Coach plus one (oppose or child).

On Friday and Tuesday Boys and girls take turns winning

Girls lose to Lincoln, Boys beat Lincoln
Boys lose to Jackson, Girls beat Jackson

It was a one point game at the half, with the Rockets on top 28 to 27 and that was the margin of difference at the end of the game as the Rockets put one in the win column over Lincoln County last Friday night.

The Rockets and Patriots battled all the way and were down one with about a minute on the clock. They had the ball but senior Colby Brown committed a turnover, but then stole the ball back from the Patriots and Coach Benny Blanton called a time out with 25 seconds to go. He set up a play under the basket and senior Gabe Stallsworth was fouled on the play and coolly sunk both free throws to give the Rockets their one point lead with only 1.4 seconds left on the clock.

Brown led the scoring for the Rockets with 15 points; Coty Childress scored 10; Stallsworth and Kyle Mullins each got 8; J.C. McClure 3 and Weston Riddle scored 2.

Tuesday night, the margin of difference in the game was three but this time, the Rockets were on the short end of the stick against arch-rival Jackson County. The Rockets were down by one with 34 seconds left in the game and had the ball. But they were unable to get off a shot and lost the ball to the Generals. They were forced to foul and the Jackson County player hit both free throws with only four seconds on the clock.

Mullins led all scorers with 19 points; McClure came through with 13; Childress got 10; Riddle 8 and Stallsworth 5.

The Rockets last home game, also senior night, will be this Friday night against McCreary Central.

District tournament play begins February 27th at Casey County and regional action will be March 6-11 at Pulaski County.

The Lady Rockets didn't fare as well with their counterparts at Lincoln County. After trailing at the end of the first quarter 13-11, the Lady

Rockets went on to lose 48-34. Sarah Rowe led the scoring with 12 points which included six of six from the free throw line; Ashley Lunsford got 6; Jessie Asher scored 5; Mary Saylor 4; Rachel Killen 3 and Sara Hammond and Tonya Lunsford got 2 each.

The Lady Rockets breezed to an easy win over the Lady Generals from Jackson County Tuesday night, winning 71-33. 13 Lady Rockets got into the scoring column as Coach Chrysti Noble had a chance to clear her bench.

Rowe led the scoring with 12 points; A. Lunsford and Killen got 9 each; Saylor 8; T. Lunsford and Sarah Barnett 6 each; Katie Mattingly 5; S. Lunsford 4; Asher 3; Hammond, Jillisa Lay and Brooke Bowling 2 each and Nicole Locklear 1.

The Lady Rockets end regular season play this Thursday night at Madison Central.

They will also play their district tournament at Casey County but their regional tournament will be at Lincoln County March 6-14.

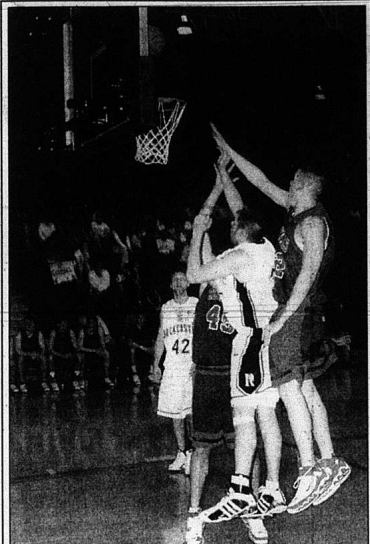
Church basketball tourney for Project Graduation

A Church Basketball Tournament for Project Graduation 2005 will be held at Rockcastle County High School Friday and Saturday, March 17 and 18. Entry fee is \$150 for the double elimination tournament. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded as well as individual trophies for first place.

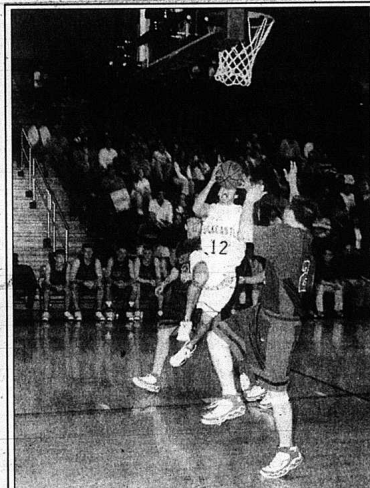
Rosters must be submitted at the beginning of your first game. No changes to rosters will be allowed after they are turned in.

Smaller churches may combine to make a team.

For more information, contact Jack Stallsworth, 256-0110, 308-1903 or jackstallsworth@yahoo.com



Rocket J.C. McClure is shown scoring two of his 13 points in Tuesday night's loss to Jackson County. Also in the photo is Weston Riddle who scored eight points. The Rockets will play their last regular season game on Friday night when they host McCreary Central.



Senior Gabe Stallsworth scored five points on Tuesday night in the Rockets 58-55 loss to Jackson County. The Rocket seniors will be honored on Friday night when they host McCreary County. The Signal will print photos from both the Lady Rocket Senior night which took place Tuesday night, along with the boys.



On January 9, 2006 Zachary McCracken, right, a student at the Mt. Vernon Karate Club, tested and received his second degree brown belt. He is shown here with his teacher and fifth degree blackbelt Master Eric Bullock after receiving his rank advancement certificate.



Treens Burdette, left, recently tested before her teacher Master Eric Bullock at the Mt. Vernon Shaolin Karate Club. She passed her test from white belt to yellow belt and received her new belt and rank advancement certificate.

Rockcastle County GIRLS Middle school Volleyball camp Applications 6th, 7th, and 8th GRADE

Rockcastle County Middle School Girls
Volleyball Camp

Date: March 6th-8th
Time: 3:30-6:00
Location: Rockcastle County Middle School
Cost: \$75.00
Host: Rockcastle County Lady Rockets with Head Coach Larry Lee

Three time defending 13th Region Volleyball champions Rockcastle County Lady Rockets will be hosting a closed volleyball camp March 6th-8th. Tryouts for the 6th, 7th and 8th grade teams will be the following week 13th-15th. The admission for the 3-day camp will be \$75.00.

During these 3 days the athletes will be introduced to the organized sport of Volleyball. They will learn skills in the areas of:

Overhand serving - Setting - Passing - Digging
Attacking - Blocking - Transitioning

Campers will need the following for participation:

Comfortable clothing (T-shirt, shorts)
Gym shoes (sneakers)

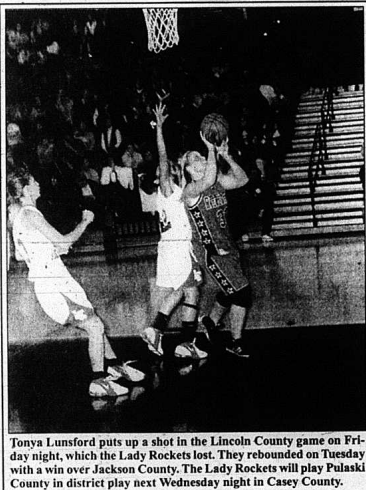
* If you have any questions please call (859) 314-7908

Please return with admission fee before or on the date of March 6, 2006 to Coach Larry Lee at Mt. Vernon Elementary School

I _____ give _____ permission to attend the Rockcastle County Volleyball camp on March 6-8th. I understand that attending this camp does not reserve a position on the 6th, 7th or 8th volleyball team. I hereby authorize the staff of Rockcastle Co. Volleyball Camp to act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention and I hereby waive, release, and agree to hold harmless The Rockcastle Co. Volleyball Camp, its staff, suppliers, sponsors, participants, and Rockcastle County Schools for any and all liability for any injuries or illnesses incurred while at Camp. I acknowledge that participation in this camp may result in accidents and/or injuries. Even though I know there are risks involved, I still give my approval for the above named player to participate in any and all camp activities and I expressly assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation. I have no knowledge of any physical impairment that would be affected by the above named camper's participation in the camp program.



* I understand that the admission price is **NON-refundable**.
* Individuals participating in camp should have current sports physical.
* Campers will not be permitted to participate until proof of physical is given.
* Please make checks out to Rockcastle Co. Volleyball Boosters

Name (camper) _____ Age _____ Grade _____
Parent/Guardian (print) _____
Parents/Signatures _____ Date _____

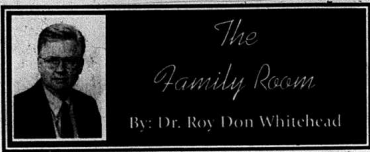


Tonya Lunsford puts up a shot in the Lincoln County game on Friday night, which the Lady Rockets lost. They rebounded on Tuesday with a win over Jackson County. The Lady Rockets will play Pulaski County in district play next Wednesday night in Casey County.

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The Family Room

By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

The following quiz, written by Stephanie Coontz, appeared in the February 19th edition of the New York Times. How much do you know about marriage?

1. Women are more eager to marry than men. TRUE FALSE

2. Men marry younger women. TRUE FALSE

3. There are more long term marriages today than in the past. TRUE FALSE

4. Americans have become much more tolerant of all sexual activity. TRUE FALSE

5. The growth in the number of couples living together and even having children without formal marriage ceremonies or licenses reflects a sharp break with centuries-old tradition. TRUE FALSE

6. Divorce rates in the 1950's were lower than at any other time in the 20th century. TRUE FALSE

7. The preferred form of marriage through the ages has been between one man and one woman. TRUE FALSE

8. Born-again Christians are just as likely to divorce as more secular Americans. TRUE FALSE

1. FALSE. "From 1970 to the late 1990's, men's attitudes toward marriage became more favorable while women's became less so. By the end of the century, more men than women said that marriage was their ideal lifestyle."

2. FALSE. "The difference in ages of men and women at first marriage has been narrowing for the past 80 years and is now at a historic low. By the end of the 1990's 39 percent of women age 35-44 lived with younger men."

3. TRUE. "Although divorce rates have risen, death rates have fallen even more steeply, so that more couples will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversaries now than at any time in the past. Furthermore, the divorce rate reached its height more than 25 years ago. It has fallen by more than 25 percent since 1981."

4. FALSE. "Americans are now more tolerant of consenting sexual relations between unmarried adults than in the past. But surveys show that disapproval of adultery, sexual coercion, rape and sex with minors has increased over the past 30 years and is now at a historic high. In 1889, a girl could legally consent to sex at 10, 11 or 12 in half the states, and in Delaware the age... was 7."

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6. FALSE. "Aside from a huge spike in divorce immediately after World War II, divorce rates in the 1950's were higher than in any previous decade aside from the Depression."

7. TRUE. "The form of marriage that has been approved by more societies than any other through the ages has been polygamy - one man and many women."

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"Budget"

(Cont. from front)

D.A.R.E. officer), in order to help the sheriff with his cash flow. Although turning down the offer when originally made in January, this time Sheriff Doan accepted the offer. Carlolifis then asked County Attorney Billy Reynolds to draw up a Memorandum of Agreement. The agreement simply states that the Fiscal Court will front these salaries and will be reimbursed monthly when funds are received by the sheriff's department.

The only other item of business on Friday's agenda was the approval of a 36 inch metal tile for Sinking Valley Road, off Scaffold Cane Road, in the 4th Magisterial district.

The county will pay for the tile and then it will be installed by the state.

"Indictments"

(Cont. from front)

and Jeffrey Debord, 41, of Rt. 1, Mt. Vernon for Flagrant Non-Support in the amounts of \$9,210.04 and \$4,983.90.

"Induction"

(Cont. from front)

Everly Brothers, Jean Ritchie and Loretta Lynn were all the first inductees into the Hall of Fame in 2002, the pioneer class.

In 2004 Jerry Clain, J.D. Crowe, Boots Randolph, Ricky Skaggs, Billy Vaughn, The Coon Creek Girls and The Happy Goodman Family were inducted.

Members are added to the Hall of Fame every two years.

More information is available about the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame & Museum by calling 877-356-3263 or by visiting www.kymuseum.com.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A-2)

rage? I'm reasonably sure that the glistening, snow-covered vistas on Frog Branch and White Lick Roads must have been stunning as I meandered my way home via the scenic route. Unfortunately I was too busy keeping my eye on the road and avoiding the slick spots on the road. I was not concerned at all about the tropical plant but I know that the car was in grave danger and prudent haste might be the only way to save her. I was unsure about how Loretta might be planning to use the barbed wire.

Rolling it up and making a barrier in the flower pot was my first assumption. Then it crossed my mind that she might be figuring out a way to actually hang the cat.

"Bench"

(Cont. from A-2)

parent wetland characteristics. In some Western states, patchworks of dry creekbeds, and seasonal moist soil areas would nevertheless be subject to the requirements of the CWA.

Kentucky has a unique hydrology. The area surrounding Mammoth Cave and its karst formations are susceptible to damage resulting from development. Closer to home, Rock Creek—a designated Kentucky Wild River—has historically suffered from upstream discharges which severely damaged aquatic life.

These areas and many more throughout Kentucky have benefited by clean water initiatives. Many more would benefit by vigorous enforcement of the concept underlying the CWA—environmental protection of navigable waters is useless unless the tributaries are also protected.

The nine justices of the U.S. Supreme Court will consider these weighty issues in the forthcoming weeks following last Tuesday's eighty minutes of argument by the lawyers representing both sides of the Rapanos dispute. Whatever the result may be, a direct impact will be felt by Kentucky landowners.

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By Marie McKinney

By Marie McKinney Our deepest sympathy is extended to all who have lost loved ones recently. May the good Lord bless each and everyone.

Floyd and Myrtle Kirby, C.S. and Marie McKinney, their daughter, Sharon Lovins and their son, Jack McKinney, and girl friend Martha all had breakfast together at Hardee's recently.

Those who have visited C.S. and

Marie McKinney recently were their son, Jack and girlfriend Martha, grandson Joe Lovins, Jr. and great grandson Dalton Blake of Eubank, their daughter, Sharon Lovins, their great grandson Wiley Groves, their granddaughter, Teresa Herbst and husband John of Florida, Mrs. Eunice Craft of Waco, their grandson Jack Lovins and wife Ann and great granddaughters, Samarah, Alexis and Marissa Lovins, all of Whitesburg.

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Second Section

Thursday, February 23, 2006

Joe Clark reflects on his 94 years

By Carrie Mullins

Joe Clark opens the door to his home like he is seventy years old. He can shake your hand like he is seventy, too. These things are worth noting because he is not seventy. Joe Clark will be 94 on February 27, 2006.

He was born in Rockcastle County in 1912, the "same year the big ship went down," he says. His father was a farmer, a magistrate, and a Holiness preacher. His mother was from Clay County. After he was born, the family moved to Jackson County. He went to school at Dry Fork where he stayed in good graces by keeping the teacher in chewing tobacco.

After finishing school, like so many young people of the era, Clark went north to find work. At sixteen he moved to Indiana to live with his brothers. There he worked for a building manufacturing company twelve hours a day, seven days a week, and "made a pretty good pay check" of \$28 per week.

At age twenty-nine he volunteered for the Marine Corps. World War II had begun and he was sent to the Pacific. He was wounded in the Solomon Islands. Like most veterans he says that of all the events of his life, his war service stands out the most.

He remained in contact with his executive officer from the Marines, Howell Hefflin, who later served three terms as U.S. Senator from Alabama and served as Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court.

After the war he returned to the Midwest and settled in Richmond, Indiana where he worked for International Harvester. Later he moved to Dayton, Ohio where he worked as an engineer for the B&O Railroad.

He drove the old steam engines, says he "just kept giving them steam," and they poured out black smoke on his route from Dayton to West Virginia. Although working for the railroad was his favorite job, when his father suffered a stroke back home, Clark

left that job and returned to Jackson County to take care of him and his mother.

In 1961 he started farming and buying land in Rockcastle County. He raised tobacco and cattle, and sold leases from coal properties he bought.

In 1978, at an age when most people slow down and stop taking on new responsibilities, Clark ran as a write-in candidate for county magistrate. He won but the election results were contested, and he had to counter a lawsuit brought by his opponent all the way to the Supreme Court of Kentucky. Eventually the case was decided in his favor and he was seated.

Clark liked to campaign and meet people, and he stayed in office for two terms, from 1978-1986. He is proud that he fixed roads in his district, including graveling and blacktopping Trace Branch. He enjoyed "always helping someone" in that capacity.

There were other, later campaigns as well. He ran for county judge executive with nine other candidates and lost to Hubert Thracker. He ran again for magistrate in 1994 and lost by only eight votes.

Clark has been married to Maudie (Carpenter) Clark, from Jackson County, for fifty-six years. For twenty of those years they lived in the house with the wrap-around porch on Highway 1955, down the road from Red Hill Church in southeastern Rockcastle County. Now live on Highway 1004, a couple miles from the Salpêtre Cave entrance, in a never brick ranch home.

Clark allows that during his ninety-four years he has not always "lived a clean life," but he does not elaborate. He does admit to che-

ating tobacco for 85 years, but he quit that habit at the age of ninety-three.

If he hasn't always lived a clean life, he has been generous, in opening his home to at least five nieces and nephews and raising them in addition to seven children of his own. And, as his granddaughter Amanda Clark says, he always "makes you feel right at home, whether it is six in the morning or nine at night. He is interested in your well being and achievements. He is always interested in my kids, my health, and other grandkids he may not have seen in a while."

Amanda also says that Clark spends more time with his nine grand-children than his grandchildren when everyone comes to visit.

He served his country in World War II, and served his county in elected office. He took in nieces and nephews to raise. Although he doesn't look it, he has lived a long time. And he's done his share of good deeds.



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News from the Rockcastle County Courthouse

Small Claims

Citizens Bank vs. David R. Newcomb, et al, \$26,337.40 plus claimed due. CI-00024.
Cabinet for Health & Family Services, ex rel Rose Barnett vs. Donnie Barnett, complaint for child support and medical support. CI-00025.
Cabinet for Health & Family Services, ex rel Ky. Foster Care vs. Elizabeth Morgan, complaint for child support and medical support.

CI-00026.
Brian Edward Burdette vs. Jacqueline Susan Barnett, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00027.
Bonita Gail Fleming vs. Jamey Dewayne Fleming, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00028.
Melony S. Carter vs. Jason N. Carter, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00029.
Community Trust Bank vs. Winfred Duerson Estate, et al, \$24,458.67 plus claimed due. CI-00030.

James Rice, et al vs. Calhoun Transportation Service, et al, complaint. CI-00031.
Jonathan Jones vs. Bradley A.

Blankenship, et al, complaint. CI-00032.
United Ins. Agencies, Inc. vs. Shrennath, Inc., dba Supersteep, \$4,476.46 plus claimed due. CI-00033.

NCO Portfolio Management, Inc. vs. Donna Gayle Smith, \$8,005.05 plus claimed due. CI-00034.
Madison Bank vs. William Lykins, et al \$127,782.91 plus claimed due. CI-00035.

Small Claims

Jackson Energy Coop. Corp. vs. Bobby Moore, Jr., \$335.70 plus claimed due. S-00011.

Mt. Vernon Motel vs. Darrell Mason, \$1,500 plus claimed due. S-00012.
Discover Bank vs. Jedediah Nathan Swartz, \$1,508.77 plus claimed due. S-00013.

Deeds Recorded

Edith Darrell Day, real property located at Gum Sulphur, to Wayne Donald and Paella Jean King. Tax \$74.

Arthur Harrison, Jr. and Bon Helen Harrison, real property located in Brothead, to Ronnie W. Harrison. No tax.

Bill and Retta Graves and Bob and Donna Lunsford, real property located in Rockcastle and Pulaski Counties, to Bill and Retta Graves and Billy Ray Graves. Tax \$47.

Steve Ponder Construction LLC, real property located in Eagle Creek Subdivision, to Jeffery K. and Delilah A. Blair. Tax \$15.

Russell and Ruby Bullock and others, Master Commissioner Deed for real property, to Wayne Lumber Co., Inc. and Cumberland Woodlands. Tax \$610.

Ruby J. Gentry, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Donna Kirby. Tax \$30.

Samuel W. and Betty Sue Halcomb, real property located in Albright Subdv., Brothead to Linda Burton. No tax.

James Winkler, Executive, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Janice Winkler. Tax \$125.50.

Cecilia Renner, real property located in Owens Subdv., to Michael S. Renner. No tax.

Steve Ponder Construction LLC, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Robert and Frances Gabbard. Tax \$15.

Larry Burgess and Rebekah Hammond, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Union Baptist Church. No tax.

Donald and Leora Moreland, real property located in Owens Subdv., to Robert Couch, III and Samantha L. Couch. Tax \$26.

Everett Wayne Wilmott and others, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Everett Wayne Wilmott, Linda Gail Bishop and Donna Silcox. No tax.

Otis Eugene and Tammie Lee Bradley, Master Commissioner Deed for real property located in Rockcastle County, to Community Trust Bank. Tax \$14.

Woodrow Grimes Estate and Geraldine Grimes and others, Master Commissioner deed for real property located in Rockcastle County, to Community Trust Bank. Tax \$8.

Marriage Licenses

Mary Ellen Carpenter, 27, Mt. Vernon, unemployed, to Phillip Brandon Barnett, 24, Mt. Vernon, factory. 1/31/06.

Maria Jeanette Thacker, 44, Mt. Vernon, waitress/cook to Larry Judson Holsing, 51, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon Plastics. 2/16/06.

Rita Ann Huff, 56, Rt. 3, Mt.

Vernon, disabled to Jackie Huff, 58, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, floor covering. 2/16/06.

Rita Lynn Johnson, 28, Berea, disabled, to Christopher Sharon Fleming, 31, Crab Orchard, carpenter. 2/13/06.

Grubb, \$158 total fine and costs; William W. Harris, \$164 total fine and costs; Matthew L. Polly: Operating on suspended operators license, \$100 fine.

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Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Speeding: Joseph M. Ferguson, \$135.50 total fine and costs; Tony D.

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Annual banquet nearing for Rockcastle County Longbeards

Submitted by Gerald Alexander
The annual banquet for the Rockcastle Co. Longbeards formerly the Wildcat Mountain Longbeards will be held on Saturday April 4th 2006 at 6:00 PM at the Rockcastle Co. Middle School cafeteria. Last years banquet was a big success, thanks to community involvement. Our heart felt thanks go out to the many businesses and individuals who responded positively to the commitment of the National Wild Turkey Federation. Through the efforts of everyone involved in the Rockcastle Co. Longbeards' banquet last year we were able to give three \$400 scholarships to the 2005 Rockcastle Co. High School seniors pictured below.
Last year our local NWTFF chapter gave out several hundred pounds of seed for food plots. We gave both clover and alfalfa seed to our local members to plant. We usually give away some kind of seed every year to the members. The chapter provided this kind of food plot seeds because it makes excellent food sources for the most widely hunted

wildlife. Deer, turkey, rabbits, plus many other smaller animals feed on clover and alfalfa during the critical summer months; when antler growth and adult animals are gaining fat plus the young also need the high protein provided by these fast growing plants.
The local chapter wants to emphasize that if you don't join by going through the local chapter then we have no record. The local chapter needs copies of the membership cards in order to have phone numbers to contact members to get local chapter fringe benefits such as seed.
This year we will give two or three scholarships away to RCHS seniors that meet the application criteria depending on the success of our upcoming banquet. Anyone interested in becoming a member but can not come to the banquet may contact a banquet committee officer to get a membership card. Committee members to contact are: Tony Mahaffey at 256-9955, Curt Cash at 758-9514, Tim Sweet at 256-9806, Joan Garrison at 758-8030, Gerald Alexander at 256-5606, Jerry Martin at 453-9906, Billy Cameron at 308-1382. Membership cards may also be filled out and turned in at Cummins Sporting Goods.



Matthew Whittaker, Derrick Hensley and Kara Martin received \$400 scholarships from the Rockcastle County Longbeards last year.

Library News



Pam Child and Kelly McKibben

The last two Tuesdays have certainly been eventful at the Rockcastle County Public Library! Ms. Darlene Martin's Child Development Class has been doing a great job, preparing for and doing the majority of the story hour activities with the children. Last week Mr. Allen Pensol and Ms. Rachel Johnson filled in for me during my absence, due to family illness. There were thirty children at story hour! Thanks Mr. Pensol and Ms. Rachel, and all of the girls from Ms. Martin's class! Our story hour will be @ the Teaching Learning Center across from the Board of Education Tuesday February 28th @ 1:00 p.m. The program will be the kick-off of Read Across America month which is in March.

We are still in the Books for Bikes Campaign which will be coming to an end this Saturday! Please be sure and have all of your Books for Bikes papers turned in by 4:00 p.m. Saturday February 25th! The Reading Social to give the bikes away will be held on Thursday March 2nd @ 5:00 p.m. We will have refreshments, and you must be present to win a bicycle! Be sure and check the Signal, and listen to WRVK for the latest information about the Books for Bikes. If you have any questions please call the library @ 256-2388. We intend to tally up the names that will go into the drawing for the bicycles and call all of the participants so they will

know to make an effort to be here for the Reading Social!

There are several new books that have been added to the library's collection. Come on by and see what is new! If you haven't patronized the library before we would be happy to sign you up for a library card so that you can start enjoying all of the free services and resources it has to offer. Make the connection, connect @ your library.

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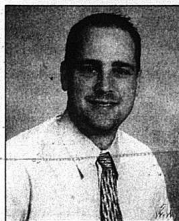
Niki Hacker from Ms. Darlene Martin's Child Development Class sings "The Wheels on the Bus" with the storyhours kids.



The children made a really cute puppy made out of hearts for Valentines Day. Thanks to all of you for the great job you are doing with the children!

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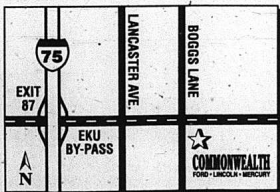
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Minds in the Middle

Congratulations to Mrs. Sadler's homeroom on winning the Assessment Theme Contest. For ten mornings, RCMS students were given core content related questions. Each answer was a clue to the theme. Each homeroom turned in their answers to the questions and their conclusion as to what the theme was. Mrs. Sadler's homeroom answered all questions and the theme correctly and was selected as the winner. The class won \$100 dollars to spend in their classroom.

The Third Annual Poetry Celebration, held by our sixth grade teams, was once again a tremendous success. Students and visitors shared original poetry or their favorite poems on Friday and enjoyed the Coffee House atmosphere. The event was a snapping success.

Congratulations to Ben Lake who has recently joined our student council as a representative for the Younger's team. Ben was selected by his peers and we are sure that he will do an excellent job in his new role.

If you have cattle that are missing their eyes, check Mrs. Smith's science class. The Comets have had a very interesting way of learning the parts of the eye. They greatly enjoyed dissecting each part. This activity was, definitely not for those

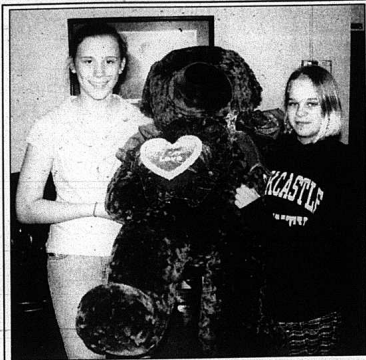
with weak stomachs. We are very proud of Mrs. Ballinger's homeroom for winning the attendance race last week with 100%! Mr. Abney's homeroom came in second place followed by Mrs. Bohannon's homeroom. We also very pleased that for the second month in a row, RCMS had the top attendance rate in the district. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to our boys basketball teams on representing RCMS this year. The 8th grade team racked up 20 victories this year and finished as runner-up in the conference tournament. They could not have finished so well without the support of the student body. 92 students showed up Friday evening for the championship game and did a great job cheering on the team.

Seventh graders who were scheduled to take the ACT may do so on Saturday, March 4th at RCHS.

There will be an after school party this Friday from 3-5:00 p.m. Proceeds will go to RCHS Project Graduation. Students should be picked no later than 5:15 p.m.

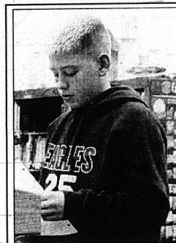
There will be a PTSA meeting on Monday, February 27th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The RCMS Choir will be performing and we encourage all students and parents to attend.



RCMS students are the best at helping others. Recently they brought in stuffed animals to be donated to Rockcastle Hospital. The RCMS Unite Club did an excellent job of heading up this drive. Each student who brought in an animal was registered to win a giant teddy bear. At the end of the teddy bear drive on February 14th, Unite Club president Cheyenne Hensley awarded the bear to the winning student, seventh grader Memorie Dooley.



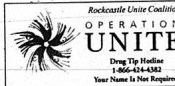
Sixth graders from Mrs. Venessa Bullock and Miss Gretchen Rolandon have a Coffee House every year to celebrate poetry. Many youth enter their poems in the 4th poetry contest.



Jadon Brock reading his poem at the Coffee House.



Assistant principle Chris Hendrickson, reading his favorite poem at the Coffee House.



Megan Martin a sixth grade at R.C. M.S. shown reading her poem at the Coffee House.

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Tiger Pause

The CATS team in the blue pod traveled to the Lexington Explorium last week. The classes of Mrs. Gina Bussell, Mrs. Sharon Ponder, Mrs. Vicki Sheffler, and Ms. Susie Carpenter toured the museum and then went to Fazozi's for lunch. Thanks to the chaperones for helping with this trip.

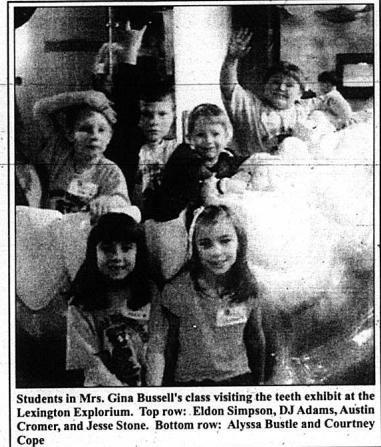
The BES teacher of the week is Mrs. Duina Arnold. Mrs. Arnold teaches 2nd grade in the orange pod. She is married to Ronnie Arnold and has two children, Tara and Josh Thompson. She has a dog named Little Bit, a cat named Skittles, and a classroom pet rat named Lizzie. Mrs. Arnold's favorite food is Cracker Barrel's grilled chicken, baked potato, and house salad. Her favorite TV shows are CSI and Home Improvement. Her favorite color is green. Mrs. Arnold has been teaching for 33 years. She enjoys rock painting.

February 28-Box tops are due.

March 2-parent/teacher conference: Girl Scouts meeting
March 8-Crusaders
March 10-4th & 5th grade bicycle rodeo
March 16-SBDM 3:30; Girl Scouts meeting; PTA 7:00
March 27 thru 31-SPRING BREAK



Duina Arnold



Students in Mrs. Gina Bussell's class visiting the teeth exhibit at the Lexington Explorium. Top row: Eldon Simpson, DJ Adams, Austin Cromer, and Jesse Stone. Bottom row: Alyssa Bustle and Courtney Cope

22 make Dean's List

Twenty-two Somerset Community College students from Rockcastle County were named to the Fall Semester 2005 Dean's List. They are: Robert L. Abney, Jessica Britney Alcorn, Jeffrey Hank Bradley, Amy K. Burdette, Devon M. Bussell, Rachel Elizabeth Falin, Kara Brooke Francisco, Susan Jenell Gray, Tawanna Lynn Hasty, Robert Lee Howard II, Paula Holbrook Kane, Jennifer D. Kirby, Gwendolyn B. Lay, Catherine Elizabeth Midkiff, Sheila M. Neal, Joshua Douglas

Prewitt, Stephanie Danielle Proctor, Theresa Gayle Thacker, Clinton R. Thompson, Sandra Kay VanWinkle, Tammy D. Weaver, and Adam A. Woodall.

In order to be honored as a member of the SCC Dean's List, a student must maintain full-time status and have a 3.5 Grade Point Average (GPA). To be considered full-time, a student must take classes totaling at least 12 credit-hours during a semester, excluding developmental classes.

School Menu



February 27 - March 3rd Breakfast

Monday, February 27th: French toast with syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Tuesday, February 28th: Sausage & egg biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Wednesday, March 1st: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Thursday, March 2nd: Chicken vintre or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Friday, March 3rd: Ham biscuit, or cereal, toast/jelly, juice, milk.

Lunch
Monday, February 27th: Pizza, garden salad, corn, fruit, milk.
Tuesday, February 28th: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, applesauce, milk.
Wednesday, March 1st: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, bread, peaches, milk.
Thursday, March 2nd: Submarine sandwich, lettuce, 'n' pickle, baked beans, baked chips, fruit, milk.
Friday, March 3rd: Soup, grilled cheese sandwich, veggies and dip, crackers, fruit dessert, milk.

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For Sale: 1997 Plymouth Grand Voyager, 3.0 engine w/cold a/c. 116,000 miles. \$2,500. mob. 256-5438. 15x3

For Sale: 2001 Chevrolet C10, 89K. 758-8864. 16x1p

For Sale: 1989 Buick Park Ave. \$1800 firm. 606-758-4309. 15x3

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Notices

Notice is hereby given that Janice I. Norvell, P.O. Box 57, Frisco, NC 27936 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Doreen McGuire, 381 C. Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on the 6th day of February, 2006. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law to the said Janice I. Norvell on or before August 7, 2006. 15x3

Notice is hereby given that Patricia Kirby, 210 Dailey Ave., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, Joel E. Kirby, 1250 Berdine Way, Lawrenceburg, Ky. and George T. Kirby, 180 Dailey Ave., Mt. Vernon, have been appointed administrators of the estate of Walter Keith Swinney, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 20, 2006 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 16x1

Notice is given that Cleggman Hamm has filed a final settlement of his accounts as administrator of the estate of Sue Hamm, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 21, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 16x1

Notice is given that Ciell Swinney has filed a Final Settlement of his accounts as administrator of the estate of Walter Keith Swinney, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 12, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 16x1

Karen K. King

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Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 05-CI-00295

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Washington Mutual Bank f/k/a Washington Mutual Bank, FA Successor by Merger to Washington Mutual Home Loans, Inc. f/k/a Homeside Lending, Inc. Plaintiff

Bobby Dee Barnes a/k/a Bobby Barnes, Katherine L. Barnes, a/k/a Katherine Barnes, Beneficial Kentucky, Inc. d/b/a Beneficial Mortgage Co. of Kentucky Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 23, 2006, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS AND 44/100 (\$82,340.44) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, March 10, 2006 Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.
Said property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:
A certain lot excepted off Jack Holt's original tract located off Lake Liville Road in Rockcastle County, Kentucky and further described as:
Beginning at an existing iron pin at the Southeast corner of Jack Holt's property and running with his South line, N 53 deg. 09 min. 39 sec. W 157.27 feet to a new lot corner pin; thence turning N 40 deg. 17 min. 49 sec. E 168.56 feet to an existing iron pin at the top of a steep hill; thence turning with Holt's original North line S 48 deg. 07 min. 00 sec. E 167.00 feet to an iron pin set and being the Northeast corner of this described tract; thence turning S 40 deg. 17 min. 00 sec. W 153.85 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.618 acre.

Bobby Dee Barnes and wife Katherine L. Barnes obtained title to the real property by deed executed by Jack Holt, et ux, recorded in Deed Book 184, page 245 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.
The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:
1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be remain a lien upon the property sold as additional security for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2006 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the co-plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold as is.

Willis G. Coffey, Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

Notice is given that Doris Blewins and William M. Barnett have filed a final settlement of their accounts as co-executors of the estate of Martha A. Barnett, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 20, 2006. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 16x1

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Found: Beautiful chocolate Lab with collar. Call 256-4737. 16x1

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Wanted

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Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 06-CI-00003

Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Inc. Successor By Merger to Kentucky Finance Co., Inc. Plaintiff

Angela Thacker, Greg Thacker, Rockcastle County, Kentucky Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 23, 2006, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY NINE DOLLARS AND 52/100 (\$106,729.52) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, March 10, 2006 Beginning at the Hour of 1:15 p.m.
Said property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:
Being all of Lot No. 25 and the following described portion of Lot No. 24 of Houston Point Estate of record in Plat Book #, page 95 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.
Beginning on an iron pin in the North right of way of Spring Hill Land and corner between Lot No. 24 and Lot No. 25 (Houston Point Addition); thence going with the line of Lot No. 25 and Lot No. 24 N 32 32' 32" W 200.03 feet to an iron pin corner between Lot No. 12, Lot No. 13, Lot No. 24 and Lot No. 25 (Houston Point Addition); thence going with the line of Lot No. 13 N 36 41' 30" E 87.00 feet to an iron pin in the hills of Lot 13; thence leaving the line of Lot 13 and going with a new subdivision line S 25 12' 15" E 237.87 feet to an iron pin in the North right of way of Spring Hill Land; thence going with said right of way S 65 15' 00" E 50.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.324 acre, by survey of C. Douglas Mullins, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2773.
Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.
Greg Thacker and wife Angela Thacker obtained title to the real property by deed executed by Jack H. Coffey, et ux, recorded in Deed Book 167, page 453 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:
1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be remain a lien upon the property sold as additional security for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2006 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Unpaid liens filed of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the co-plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold as is.
Willis G. Coffey, Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court