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Work release prisoner walks away Saturday at Livingston

Police are still looking for a Rockcastle County inmate who walked away from a work detail at Livingston last Saturday afternoon.

Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds said Tuesday he had written an arrest warrant for Dallas Clifford, 34, of Mt. Vernon, after he left his work detail while painting a wall in Livingston, Saturday evening around 7 p.m.

Clifford is serving a five year sentence without, possibly.

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Local man jailed after bruises, scratches found on step child

Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Shannon Franklin arrested a local man Sunday afternoon, after he received a report that he was abusing his 5-year-old step child.

Larry Dale Mink, 19, of Carter Drive, Mt. Vernon, was charged with three counts of criminal abuse, first degree and lodged in the Rockcastle Detention.

According to Franklin's arrest citation, the little girl had bruises and scratches when he interviewed her on Sunday.

Franklin said he documented the injuries to the child and took pictures.

According to the citation, Mink told Franklin he had

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Simpson says she is victim

By: Richard Anderkin

The owner of a house on West Street in Brodhead is speaking out about what she calls a "broken system."

"It is sad when the man who burned my home, is now trying to get me in trouble with the system," Sharon Simpson said last Thursday.

Simpson's comments came after a front page story in last week's *Signal*.

Simpson said this week that she believes her neighbor, Carlos Cromer and a friend burned her home on April 30th of 2003, after she left for work.

Simpson said she believed drug trafficking was going on at the Cromer home around the time of fire and Carlos Cromer thought she had turned him in to police.

"I told police all of that, but they never pursued the matter of arson and I think they

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Photo courtesy of Richmond Register

THIS.....

A wrecked tanker truck sits Friday morning in the southbound lane of I-75 just north of the Rockcastle-Madison County line near Berea after striking the concrete barrier, becoming airborne and colliding head-on with the tractor-trailer at left. The driver of the UPS Overnight truck was killed in the accident. Workers used sand to clean up about 4,000 gallons of sulfur liquid which spilled from the tanker truck.



Caused this.....

Southbound I-75 was completely closed from Berea to Renfro Valley for 15 hours and partially closed for 18 hours on Friday.



Which caused this.....

I-75 travelers were re-routed from Berea to Renfro Valley on U.S. 25 Friday. Above, traffic was barely moving on 25 late Friday afternoon and other routes in the county such as Hwy. 150 were also heavily congested by Friday morning's wreck.

Fiscal Court receives partial payment from state for jail

At a special called meeting Tuesday of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court, the magistrates got good news from County Treasurer Joe Clontz.

Clontz told the court that the

jail had received April's check from the state, following a "begging" call to them from Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis, for \$56,000 and this would enable the jail to repay the road department \$25,000 and to make the final payroll Friday for this fiscal year. And, of course, the best news was that the jail would not have to have any more funds transferred into it from the general fund this fiscal year.

The meeting was called primarily to open bids for asphalt. Only two bids were received,

from K&K Contracting and Greer Bros. Greer Bros. was the low bidder at \$41.75 per ton, as opposed to \$48.50 per ton bid by K&K and the court awarded Greer the bid, along with the bid for the cold patch mix at \$49 a ton. K&K did not submit a bid for cold patch mix.

However, Wednesday the court received a communication from K&K questioning the validity of the bid accepted. According to K&K, their bid was for the fiscal year 2007,

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Sheriff says no one is authorized to solicit funds for police memorial

Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters said several residents have called his office to find out if anyone in the county has been authorized to solicit funds for a police officer's memorial fund.

"We have checked with all of the police agencies that might be doing something like that and no one is. We just don't want people to be scammed," Peters said.

The Sheriff said whomever is calling these people is using a telephone calling card, which cannot be traced.

Anyone with any questions concerning the matter should contact the Sheriff's office at (606) 256-2022.

Houk says audit of her office for 2005 is wrong

By: Richard Anderkin

Rockcastle County Clerk Norma Houk is calling an audit of her books for 2005 "completely wrong."

The findings of the audit are being published in this week's *Signal* and show Mrs. Houk had a deficit of \$4,286 in her official fee account as of December 31, 2005.

According to a news release from Auditor Crit Luallen's office, the deficit was the result of undeposited deed transfer tax receipts, totaling \$1,979, and undeposited receipts totaling \$2,307 for December 30, 2005.

"I do not understand and I've told them there is no way possible their figures are correct, I do not owe that money. They have made a mistake," Houk said Tuesday.

Mrs. Houk said the audit showed receipts taken in by her office for 2005 of \$2,109,553, but her bank statement shows deposits into that account for over \$2,116,000.

"How can your audit show \$7,000 less than was deposited into the fee account," Houk said. "They cannot show me where the auditor came up with

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Friday wreck closes interstate from Berea to Renfro Valley

A Tennessee man was killed early Friday morning in a head-on collision on Interstate 75 just north of the Rockcastle-Madison county line.

The 3 a.m. accident completely shut down the three southbound lanes of I-75 for 15 hours, and partially closed the interstate for 18 hours because of a sulfur liquid spill.

Police said the left front tire of a northbound tanker truck, carrying the sulphur mix, blew out causing the driver to lose control and strike the concrete barrier separating the north and southbound lanes just south of Exit 76 at Berea.

The impact caused the tanker to go airborne and cross

over into the southbound lanes, slamming head-on into a double UPS tractor trailer, driven by Johnny L. Dopp, 35, of Jacksboro, Tenn. Dopp was pronounced dead at the scene.

The tanker was filled with 4,000 gallons of liquid, containing 70 percent of a water-based application product, according to Carl Richards, Director of Madison County's Emergency Management Agency, which cleaned up the spill.

The tanker portion of the truck was ripped apart by the concrete barrier, before skidding about 200 feet along the

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Suffered broken back Friday morning

Logger in serious but stable condition

A Rockcastle County man is listed in serious but stable condition at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, after a logging accident last Friday morning.

According to Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue Capt. Bryan Hansel, Randall Bowman, 46, of Mt. Vernon was logging on property owned by Roy Allen at Hummell Friday around 11:30 a.m., when a tree he had cut fell into another tree and lodged.

Hansel said Bowman was apparently cutting the tree that had lodged when the top of it dislodged, hitting him in the back and neck.

Hansel said it was apparent at the scene that Bowman had a broken ankle and back injuries.

"He said he couldn't feel anything from the neck down," Hansel said.

Family members said Bowman had a broken back and was scheduled for surgery on Wednesday morning.

Bowman was flown from a field near the scene by LifeNet to the medical center, after other loggers and members of the fire and rescue squad removed him from the area of the accident.

Family members said Bowman has been a logger all of his life and works for himself.



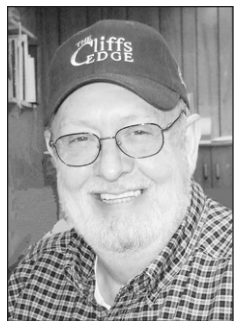
Rockcastle Ambulance Service EMTs Harry Harmon, left and Dennis Stewart are shown transporting Lester "Jap" Taylor to a waiting ambulance after he fell from a scaffolding at the Rockcastle Middle School. Mt. Vernon assistant police chief Eddie Delaney said Taylor, 47, a maintenance worker for the local school system, was running electrical wire in the building when he fell. Taylor suffered a broken ankle in the accident. School officials said Monday that work at the middle school was on schedule and plans are to still open for school as planned on August 9th. Behind Harmon and Stewart is Mt. Vernon police officer, Bill Barrett.



A ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Rockcastle's newest grocery store on Tuesday morning. Brodhead Hometown Market's Grand Opening Celebration is underway and will run through Sunday, July 8th. On hand to help with the ribbon cutting were from left: Rockcastle Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis, Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash, meat department manager Jason Lowery, co-owner Kris Hail, owner and store manager Scott Hail, Nash-Finch District Manager Charlie Collins, Sheila Lovell and Terina Helton, both with Citizens Bank. The new store is located on Hwy. 150 in Brodhead and is open Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Noon to 8 p.m. For more information call (606) 758-0073.

Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin



Anyone remember Joyland Park? I can fondly remember when I was old enough to move from the "kiddy-land" rides at the popular park to the adult attractions, such as the Wildcat roller coaster. It was a thrill to share the day there with a special friend and enjoy the rides. Somehow being there could make you feel like you were older and more independent than you really were.

Joyland Park was in operation in Lexington from 1926 until it closed in 1964. It was located on Paris Pike. My first visit to the park occurred when my uncle Charles took me with his family when I was around seven-years old.

My aunt Ruth prepared a picnic lunch, but I was so ex-

pected that I hardly had any appetite. The sound of the Merry-Go-Round organ playing the "oom-pa-pa" tune and the smell of the various food vendors made it impossible to concentrate on Aunt Ruth's picnic goodies.

Uncle Charles and Aunt Ruth sat in one of the Merry-Go-Round bench seats behind their daughter, Janis, and me as we rode the painted ponies. Janis and I both were so disappointed when the ride stopped, and we had to get off in order for someone else to get on our horses.

While I was a student at Mt. Vernon High School, it was customary for the freshman

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Points East

By Ike Adams

What I really need is a water tank that will hold say 200 gallons and still fit in the back of my pick up truck.

Either that or a few dozen 5 gallon buckets with lids on them so that I can haul water without the biggest part of it splashing out in transit.

There's a place just three miles or so from my house where I can drive right down into Paint Lick Creek and be in flowing water, ankle-deep, and there is where I would fill my tank or buckets.

I have a gasoline pump that would make short work of the loading and I am in the process of assembling a 75 foot-long section of conduit pipe, plugged on one end, in which I am drilling many holes spaced at about six inches. A length of garden hose is attached to the conduit so that I can attach it to the tank or to a master bucket which, along with Newton's wonderful discovery, will accommodate the unloading.

The only real work will also involve Loretta who will have to help me lift the conduit from row to row in the sweet corn patch where I have additionally just planted nearly a pint of

extremely rare, snow-white, old-fashioned, cornfield bean seed generously supplied to me by Edith Jones of London.

Water from the tank or buckets will flow through the conduit, drizzle out the holes I've drilled into it and allow me to lavishly irrigate my crop.

I'm already way past any notion of calling my garden organic simply because I've had to stingily satisfy its thirst several times from the county water line. Suffice to say that no tomato, cucumber, zucchini or whatnot plucked from it would test negative for chemicals. The goal, at this point, is to have sweet corn that does not taste like Clorox.

My corn variety is called Bodacious because it makes big ears but the reason we've been growing it for more than a dozen ears is because it tastes better than anything we've ever grown and comes out of the freezer in January tasting like it just came out of the garden.

It's also pale yellow in color under normal circumstances. If I use much more water from the public line I'm afraid that

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T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Dear Journal:

I don't know if it's a good thing or not. Stanley and I have finally achieved a very much-anticipated lull in our lives that we've wanted for a long time. It may not be such a good thing in that it may be just a step closer to being a couple of old, dull, "fuddy-duddies."

We've finally gotten the chance to begin work on re-decorating the house (again) that has been an on-going process for about three or four years. It has taken so long, as there would be days at a time we wouldn't have an opportunity, due to our schedules, to work on anything. We can't seem to get one room finished until we have to back up and do something on another so the whole house is pretty much of a wreck. Currently, we have three rooms, a bath, and hallway underway with remodeling. When they are finally finished, we'll begin the other rooms and maybe add on a couple of more rooms.

Everything that isn't being used, and some things that are, have found their way to the living room. When it's all sorted out, we may find Jimmy Hoffa down at the bottom of the pile. Meanwhile, during the reconstruction, there's just a trail meandering its way through the living room.

There has been some progress this past week. Stanley has painted and installed some "gingerbread" on the front porch. It's that fancy curlicue carving that people put on each side of their white posts near the porch roof to make the house look Victorian. I've always wanted to live in one of those huge, old, two-story Victorian houses. I don't guess I ever will, so I'll do what I can to transform a traditional

three-bedroom ranch.

Other than the "gingerbread" Stanley hung a big piece of stained glass that I had bought and had on hand for at least a month. It could be used in front of a fireplace as a screen, or hung in a window. We chose the latter. It had some chains already attached for that very purpose. We put it in our front picture window, and it makes a nice addition to the living room, as well as the near-complete Victorian front porch.

We've hit a few snags along the way. When we were at Lowe's, I had miscounted the number of "gingerbread" pieces that we would need. We had to go back and get two more. They were the last two that Lowe's had. While we were there, we went ahead and got some carpet for the living room, too. It is in twenty-four inch pre-cut and glued sections. All we have to do is put it down like tile. It is easy to install, and will be easy to take up damaged squares in case of accidents.

We may not have that lull, as we thought. It sounds like we've got a lot of work cut out ahead of us. We haven't attended either of our art classes for quite a while, and have tried to do the bulk of our shopping and other obligations on the weekend. We've really put forth an effort to manage our time wisely. That has saved us a lot of time that we spent away from home. We've also cut TV to a minimum. In the fall, I think we would like to get involved in the art class again if we can find any others with an interest in it. We both miss it quite a bit, and meeting each week with our fellow artists.

We hope to be finished with our projects before having to

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Coping With Colic

Presented by Dr. Kimberly Cornelius

Having a colicky baby can take much of the fun out of being a new parent. Attempting to soothe a baby that cries for a couple hours after feedings and flails his arms and legs about is a trying experience. Nothing seems to calm the baby for more than a few minutes.

Dozens of possible causes have been suggested, but no single cause is well-accepted. Everything from allergies to colon spasms and family tension to faulty feeding techniques has been blamed.

It is difficult for the new parents, who begin to doubt their ability as parents and feel like failures. Also, the physical and mental exhaustion can be a real stress on the family.

Fortunately, colic is self-limited and will improve with time no matter what you do. These babies are often good feeders who grow well. They are plump and healthy and there are no long-term effects or health problems for these babies.

There is no medical cure for colic, although many physicians will prescribe antispasmodics or sedatives to help the symptoms. An exam is always important to make sure that there is not another cause for the crying, such as hernias, thrush, or infections.

It is useful to try feeding the baby more slowly and in an upright position with frequent burping. Giving smaller feedings is often helpful. Breast feeding mothers should eliminate milk products from their diets and formula fed babies may try a soy formula.

If efforts to comfort the baby do not help in 30 minutes, leave the baby alone for 20-30 minutes. Remember, the most important treatment is giving the baby time to develop--the colic will eventually go away.



VIEW FROM THE BENCH

Modern Day Slavery

What do all of these news headlines have in common? "Couple Accused of Crimes

Against House-keeper," "Police Make 6 Arrests in Prostitution Bust," "Massage Parlors: Selling

Sex" and "Labor Scheme Extends from Europe to Kentucky." All of these recent articles appearing in Kentucky newsprint relate to "human trafficking"-- a modern form of slavery which law enforcement is learning to recognize as an all too familiar occurrence within the Commonwealth.

Most of us picture human trafficking as the illegal movement or smuggling of people across international borders which occurs in other parts of the world or along the southern U.S. border. Not so, say the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Kentucky's Division of Child Abuse & Domestic Violence Services. It is actually a fairly common occurrence within Kentucky.

Human trafficking is understood to be the process of using force, fraud, deception or other forms of coercion to obtain, recruit and transport people. Experts divide trafficking into two categories.



Judge David Tapp

Sex trafficking involves the recruitment or harboring of people for commercial sex purposes including stripping, pornography and prostitution. Labor trafficking involves the recruitment or harboring of people for involuntary servitude or debt bondage, usually in the context of sweatshop fac-

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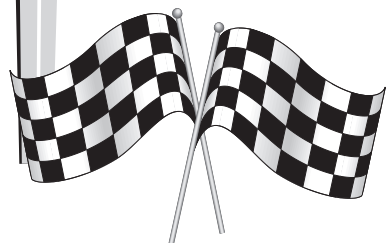
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Obituaries



James William Mink

James William Mink, 67, of Lexington, KY and formerly of Livingston, KY, widower of Barbara Taylor Mink, died Saturday, June 23, 2007 at his residence. He was born on August 19th, 1939 in Livingston, KY, the son of the late James Asa and Ruby Lee Mink. He was a member of the Pentecostal faith, Model Railroad Club, KY Colonel and Squires of the Roundtable, a 27 year retiree at I.B.M. in Lexington and a former teacher for the Rockcastle Co. School System. He graduated from Livingston High School in 1957 and Eastern Kentucky University with a degree in Education with an emphasis in Art. He was a loving and devoted father and grandfather whose hobbies and interests were in such areas as model trains, model cars/trucks, civil war history, as well as history in general, his greatest being that of Art. He sketched and painted many subjects from his childhood to his senior adult years. On January 26, 1963 he was united in holy matrimony to Barbara Taylor and from that union came two children, Glenn and Cathy.

He is survived by: his children, Glenn Stuart (Jennifer) Mink of Georgetown, KY and Cathy Lynn (James) Crank of Nicholasville, KY; a brother, Donnie (Joyce) Mink of Mt. Vernon, KY; a sister, Pauline (Paul) Waddles of Somerset, KY; four grandchildren, Cindy Lou, Stephanie Michelle, Emily Nicole and Madison Crank; two sister-in-laws, Vonie Mink of Livingston, KY and Betty Sowder of Pine Hill, KY; a brother-in-law, James (Ina) Taylor of Pine Hill, KY; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: his beloved wife of 38 years, Barbara, who passed away Sept. 4, 2001; a brother, Robert Jerry Mink; infant sister, Virginia Lee Mink; and a brother-in-law, Henry F. Cummins.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 26th, 2007 with Bro. Billy Medley officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Casket bearers were: Paul Waddles, Thomas Kirby, James Dean Taylor, Bobby, Butch, and H.A. Loudermilk.

Memorials may be made to the Diabetes Research Association in memory of James W. Mink.

Condolences to the family of Mr. James Mink may be made to his online registry at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

In Memory of Emory Chandler

With all our love on this Father's Day. We miss you a lot, From your children and wife, Rena



Lorene Manus

Lorene Manus, 90, of Mt. Vernon died Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born on March 4, 1917 in Rockcastle County the daughter of the late Jim and Bertha Whittaker Niceley. She was a housewife, enjoyed reading, and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are: three sons, Bobby (Ava) Harper of Cincinnati, OH, Jerry (June) Harper, and Wayne Manus, both of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Mrs. Jetta Gentry of Cincinnati, OH, and Mrs. Billy Jean Caldwell of Mt. Vernon; one sister, Mrs. Marie Sowder of Reading, OH; 13 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; and four great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: her first husband, Howard Harper; her second husband, Samuel Manus; and two brothers, Arvel and Powell Niceley.

Services were held Friday, June 22, 2007 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bros. Albert McKinney and Wayne Harding officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jim Gentry, Lee Duncan, Kenny Graves, Chris Caldwell, Howard Harper and Randy Graves.

Honorary pallbearer was Jeffery Harper.

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

**Early Deadlines
Next Week!
Classifieds
10 a.m. Monday
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4 p.m. Monday**



Donald Ray Carter

Donald Ray Carter, 55, husband of Sueko of Brodhead, KY died June 21, 2007 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born on October 8, 1951 in Berea, KY the son of Robert and Frances Baker Carter. He was a member of the Baptist faith, had been an employee of the Guildhouse (formerly American Greeting) in Berea

as a forklift operator and served his country as a Sergeant in the Armed Forces. His hobbies and interests included fishing and having cookouts. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. On December 9, 1971 he was united in holy matrimony to Sueko Gibo, and from that union came three children, Jason, Jody and Donna Jean.

He is survived by: his wife of 35 years, Sueko Carter of Brodhead; parents, Robert and Frances Carter of Mt. Vernon, KY; three children, Jason Neil Carter and fiancée Marie Delph of Brodhead, Jody Lee (Jamie Nicole) Carter of Mt. Vernon, and Donna Jean Carter of Brodhead; two grandchildren, Kaitlynn Sue Marie Santo and Savanna Rae Leigh Santo; two brothers, David Earl Carter and fiancée Amanda Booth of Mt. Vernon, and Jerry Wayne (Joann) Carter of Berea, KY; five sisters, Carol Ann Burton of San Antonio, TX, Lana Gay Sturgill of Mt. Vernon, Cherryell (Jeff) Bradley of Brodhead, Kathy Sue (Richard) Bobo of Ottawa, KY; and Treena Gail (Jeffrey) Burdette of Mt. Vernon; a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors; and special friend Terry Winkler.

Funeral services were Sunday, June 24, 2007 at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Nation and Bro. Luther Allen officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casket bearers were: Jeff Burdette, Terry Winkler, Jerry, David and Matthew Carter, Jeff and Hank Bradley, Richard Bobo and Cade Burdette.

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

Wallace C. Halcomb

Wallace C. Halcomb, 75, of Jamestown died Sunday, June 24, 2007 at his home.

A U.S. Army Veteran, he was born February 2, 1932 in Brodhead to Samuel and Elizabeth Adams Halcomb and was a retired ranger with the U.S. Corp of Engineers.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Collins Halcomb of Jamestown; a son, Darrell Halcomb and a daughter, Melissa Halcomb, both of Jamestown; two brothers, Dallas Halcomb and Preston Halcomb, both of Brodhead; a sister, Mildred Blevins of Mt. Vernon and three grandchildren, Samantha, Faith and Jacob.

A memorial service was held at H.E. Pruitt Memory Chapel in Jamestown on Wednesday, June 27.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society, 498 Bellevue, Reading, PA 19601.

Card of Thanks

Derick Rash

The family of the late Derick Rash would like to thank everyone for their loving support and kindness shown to us during our loss. A special thank you to everyone at Ottawa Church and Bro. Jim Craig for his wonderful message and to Rockcastle County Senior Citizens & Day Health Care for their caring kindness.

Derick was employed by Carter's Market and we would like to thank them for everything they did for our son and family.

Derick had many friends and it really meant a lot to us that you were there for him. We would also

like to thank Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals for their concern and kindness during this most difficult time.

Again, words cannot express the thankfulness and love we feel for all the things you, our family and friends, have done for us during our time of loss.

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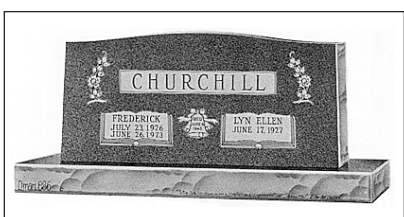
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Our Readers Write

Thank you...

Dear Editor,
On June 1st, my home caught fire. My three daughters and I lost everything we owned. We want to thank everyone who has helped us during these difficult times and may God bless you all.

Thank you,
Debbie, April, Michelle and Jessica Bullock

"Free From Kings & Popes"...

Dear Editor,
Next Wednesday will mark the 231st anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4th.

I heard a comment one time what that day means. It is a day to celebrate being made "Free From Kings & Popes." Indeed what an apt description of why people left the old world, risking life and limb, leaving family and homeland, going to an undeveloped land for the most part. The main reason for most was to be "Free From Kings & Popes."

How many were persecuted and hindered from worshipping God as they read from the scriptures. People had such a longing for freedom to worship God and practiced what they believed to be right. How many Kings and Popes sought to force people to believe and act certain ways?

I'm happy to live in a country that allows me to practice New Testament Christianity and not forced to be in the Church of England, to be Catholic or to be in some other denominational church. That is why most came to the new world -- to be "Free From Kings & Popes."

People were longing for religious freedom and they found it here. Later, people may have sought to come for economic opportunities and reasons -- the land of opportunity. But, the main reason many came at first, was to be "Free From Kings & Popes."

What a blessing it is to live in a land of religious freedom. May we pray for the rulers to continue to have such freedom, to be "Free From Kings & Popes."

I Tim. 2:1-4. The desire of men is to have tyranny over

others, either politically or religiously. But for me and my house, we desire that the Lord be the ruler over us, to let him have control.

This 4th of July, let us remember what this day truly means in the history of our country. A day to celebrate being "Free From Kings & Popes."

--Dan McKibben
dan.mckibben@juno.com

Thank you for kindness following accident..

Dear Editor,

The purpose of this letter is twofold. First, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the wonderful people who came to our aid after we experienced a serious accident with our car and trailer, about six miles south of Mt. Vernon on March 30, 2007. We were very fortunate to walk away from this accident and, ever more fortunate to have caring strangers, including a doctor and two nurses, come to our aid. Unfortunately, we were in shock and did not ask for their names but hope they read this letter and know how much their concern meant to us.

We are so grateful too that none of the other vehicles on the road were involved nor were there any other people injured. The accident spanned most of the three lanes on our side of the six lane divided highway and the fact that no other cars were involved is nothing short of miraculous.

We also appreciated the exceptional service we received from Iris Parker and Melissa at Days Inn, where we spent four days recuperating; the staff at Rockcastle Hospital's ER and Dynette, the very helpful pharmacist at Rite Aid. This experience gave new meaning to the words, "Southern Hospitality."

Although our physical scars have healed, and we're thankful that there were no permanent injuries, the emotional scars are taking longer, mainly because we're not certain what happened. So, in addition to thanking all of these "Good Samaritans," we would like to take this opportunity to ask anyone who witnessed the accident to help us understand what happened. It was a beautiful, calm day when, approximately 1 p.m., for no apparent reason, our car and trailer went out of control. Even though we have settled with our insurance company, and purchased a new car, we can't put this to rest until we know what happened. So, we are appealing to anyone who can provide any piece of this puzzle and help us find some closure.

Any information you could share with us would be greatly appreciated. You may contact us at 847-669-5942 or 847-830-8328 or email us at dennysandnancyj@sbcglobal.net. Dennis and Nancy Jaynes

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"TJ's Journal"

(Cont. from A2)

go to the nursing home, and have a few years to enjoy sitting around living an old "fuddy-duddy" lifestyle. I guess we're well on the way, at best. I was rather tired, and my arthritis was flaring, so I rode one of those electric shopping carts through Lowe's. I had ridden one only once before very briefly. Thankfully, there was a minimum of injured customers at Lowe's.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

not only will the taste be spoiled but it may wind up looking whiter than Silver Queen.

There's no telling what it will taste like when I switch to creek water but it has to be better than bleach and besides that it should be safer. The creek is full of thriving small mouth bass. I'd be willing to bet that the bass would not survive for long in a tank full of so-called city water which is what we locals call our water supply if it does not come from a well or out of a rain barrel.

And, of course, its been weeks since anything other than a thirsty spider came out of a well or rain barrel on Lowell Branch. (Incidentally, I am told by folks who ought to know that Lowell got its name not from some person but that it's a shortened version of "low well" because early settlers here found it impossible to have productive water wells.)

Anyway, if you pass an old red Chevy pick late in the day on Gillespie Pike with the grill way up in the air and the back bumper nearly dragging the ground, looking like all it needs is wings to take off in flight, that'll be me on the way home to water my garden.

The Bodacious should be full and firm come late July. Tender, sweet and juicy and if Paint Lick Creek does not go dry it should also be a nearly-natural yellow.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

class to go to Joyland Park during the second semester, just before school closed for the summer. I vividly remember boarding the bus with my classmates to make the trip up US 25 (no interstate road in those days) to spend the day enjoying the rides, eating all the fair-like treats, and just being together having fun.

All the way to Lexington we sang continuously, "99 Bottles of Beer on the Wall" -- to the dismay of the poor bus driver and our accompanying chaperones. One of the ladies said, "Don't you all know any other songs?"

Weeks before the trip, the guys would choose a special girl who would agree to ride the amusement park rides as his date. I recall being in a group with Carla, Sandy, Gary, Marion, and Charlotte, as we stood in line for the Tilt-A-Whirl. It was one of the most

popular rides -- along with the Octopus, Bump-um cars, the Merry-Go-round, and of course the Wildcat.

The guys in my class were thrilled to get into one of the Bump-Um cars with that special girl and ride for what seemed like hours, slamming into a car with another guy and his "date." I suppose we were pretending that the cars were actually "hot-rods" and that we were old enough to drive.

The old wooden roller-coaster, called the Wildcat, was one of the hallmarks of Joyland. You could hear the beams creak and sway as the ride slowly climbed up the track and dived to the ground on the other side. The girls squealed with both delight and fear as the car rocked back and forth each time we started over the next hump.

By the end of the day, we were tired and could barely get back on the bus waiting to take us home. Instead of singing and yelling, most of us slept all the way back to Mt. Vernon. The day was one of great adventure, fun, and bonding with our classmates.

When I graduated from high school and moved to Lexington to attend UK, lots of weekends were spent at Joyland. They had a great swimming pool and also had dancing on weekends. In those days, name rock and roll bands would perform for large crowds on Saturday nights. It was a cool place to take a date and dance the night away.

When Joyland Park closed in 1964 it was to the dismay of lots of teens as well as many of their parents. The bygone amusement park was enjoyed by visitors from all over Kentucky and adjoining states. Its memory lives on in the minds of countless former park attendees -- including mine.

(You can reach me at mtmnan@mis.net I am grateful for your comments and suggestions.)

"Bench"

(Cont. from A2)

stories and migrant farmwork. Most victims are fulfilling contractual obligations to repay loans or services to criminal organizations. And anecdotal evidence suggests that Kentucky is both an intended destination and travel route for human traffick-

ers. Hence, the increasingly common media coverage of stories which relate to this international criminal enterprise.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services contends that after drug trafficking, human trafficking is tied with the illegal arms industry as the second largest criminal industry in the world. The U.S. Department of State estimates that about 5,000 trafficking victims are brought into the United States annually primarily from Asia, Central and South America, and eastern Europe. International figures suggest that nearly 80% of all victims are female adults and children.

Though little domestic data is available, international health care data indicates that trafficking has a significant impact, including higher incidences of HIV/AIDS, abortion, suicidal depression, alcoholism, drug addiction, bacterial infection, and cervical cancer. Presumably, these adverse health consequences affect domestic trafficking victims as well and thus impact local health department and medical care providers.

A variety of federal legislation exists directed at human

trafficking. The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) is designed to prevent overseas trafficking, assist

victims by providing special visa rules and assistance with housing, education, health care, and job training programs, and provide enhanced criminal penalties.

Kentucky also has recently enacted legislation directed at curbing human trafficking. Persons who intentionally traffic are guilty of a Class C felony punishable by 5-10 years imprisonment, unless the offense involves serious physical injury or involves a victim under the age of 18, at which case the penalty is increased to 10-20 years imprisonment. Promoting trafficking, a much broader offense, is punished as a Class D felony punishable by 1-5 years imprisonment. Human trafficking victims are also entitled to receive special government assistance, including emergency medical assistance, emergency shelter, and even counseling and legal assistance.

We are moving toward and anxiously awaiting headlines that read "Human Trafficking Industry Busted!"



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Hayes Reunion

The Thomas C. Hayes, Jr. Family Reunion will be held at the Logan Hubble Park Shelter #2 on Sunday, July 8th. All family and friends welcome. Bring a dish and join us for lunch at 1 p.m.

Mink Reunion

The 10th Annual Mink Family Reunion will be held Saturday, June 30, 2007 at the

Quail Community Park. A potluck lunch will be served. Bring a covered dish and your favorite handmade quilts, paints, musical instruments or photographs for display.

We hope to see all the Minks at this year's event.

Stewart-Leger Reunion

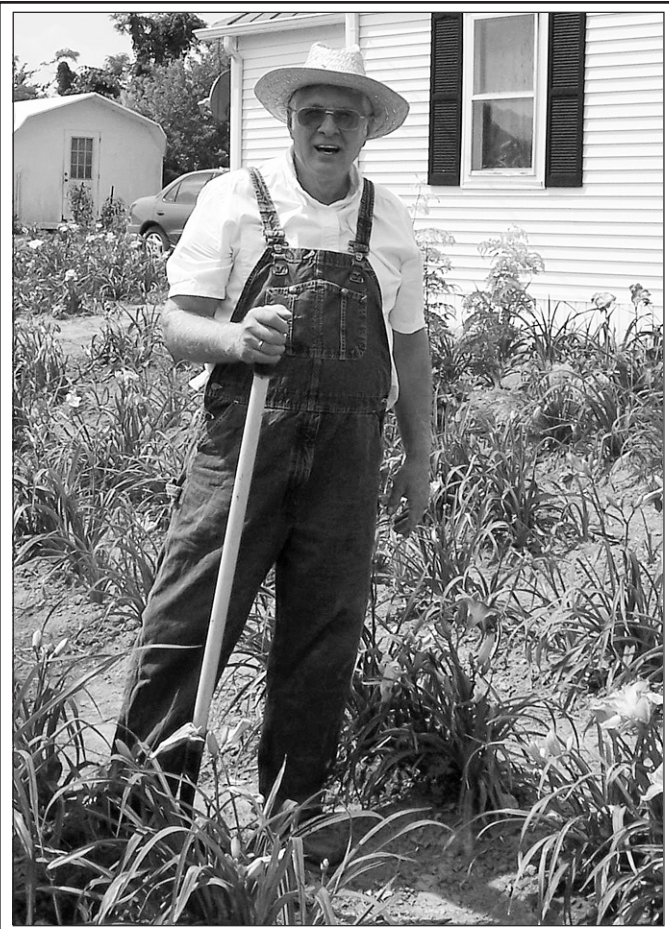
The Stewart-Leger Reunion will be held at Flat Rock Fellowship Hall Sat., July 7th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Broyles/Brown Reunion

The Broyles/Brown Family Reunion will be held Sunday, July 8th at Quail Park on Hwy. 70. Bring a dish and drinks. All family and friends invited.

Hansel Reunion

The Hansel Reunion will be held July 14th at 6 p.m. at the Quail Community Park. Bring a covered dish.



Ermon Hayes



Pictured are from left: Pat Kirby, Anita Todd, Amy Todd, Ermon Hays, Hazel Parker, Mckinzii Todd, Megan Parker, and Retha Thompson

Let's go see the Lily Man

Submitted by Barbara Castleberry

Perched on a hilltop near the site of his birth Ermon Hays has been growing daylilies for many years. Over the years his hobby has grown to a collection of more than 500 different cultivars. They produce row after row of beautiful blooms that surround his home.

Daylilies have their roots in the familiar orange and yellow "flags" scattered throughout the county. They have been hybridized to create blooms with a wide variety of colors and characteristics. Some have "eyes" created by circle of bright contrasting color at the center of the bloom. Others have ruffles, which form a curly border on the petals. Others have a strip of contrasting color down the center of each petal. Some have lacy double blooms. A really spectacular plant may contain several of the characteristics all in one plant.

On a recent hot Sunday afternoon a local group went to see the lily man. In spite of the heat they wandered through the rows savoring the blooms, one prettier than the other.

Just when you thought you had found your favorite, someone squealed "ooh, look and

this one" and everyone was off to see the new favorite.

Ermon delights in giving a tour. He rattles off the names of the plants as if they were his children. He sometimes pauses to spend a little extra time with one of his personal favorites. With a shovel in his hand Ermon is ready to dig up your selection. He sells his plants for prices, which begin at three dollars with most in the three, five or ten dollar category.

This year has been unusually difficult with the hard freeze in the spring followed by the recent drought. A seasoned veteran like Ermon expresses disappointment that many of the blossoms are smaller than usual but everyone found several plants to take home with them.

Not every plant is for sale because some are the only one of its kind in the garden. Never fear, Ermon is hoping to be able to divide the plant into several plants in the fall thereby providing a reason for the visitors to return to see the lily man next year. Hays Daylily Farm is located near the northeast border of Rockcastle County near the Jackson County line at 306 Cave Spring Road, phone 606-965-3633.



Free Bible Courses

Free Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and address to 3168 Quail Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

Freedom Celebration 2007

Northside Baptist Church will have free fireworks, food and live music Sunday, July 1st from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Brodhead Fairgrounds.

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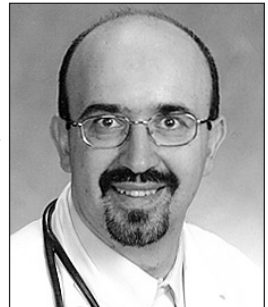
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Freedom Celebration 2007

There will be free fireworks, food and entertainment provided by Northside Baptist Church at their annual Freedom Celebration 2007 on Sunday, July 1st, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the Brodhead Fairgrounds. Everyone is cordially invited to come and enjoy this fun, free event.

VFW Fireworks

The VFW Fireworks will be held Wednesday, July 4th at dark at Lake Linville. The event is sponsored by the VFW, Mt. Vernon Lion's Club, Mt. Vernon Fire Dept. and Renfro Valley Boat Dock.

Pongo Fire Dept. Fish Fry

The newly-organized Pongo Fire Dept. will hold a fish fry at Buffalo Baptist Church July 14th, from 5 to 8 p.m. All proceeds go to the fire department. For more info, call Kevin Blevins 256-0389 or Tony Bullock 256-8545.

Family Support Program Meeting

Are you caring for a loved one over the age of sixty? The Family Caregiver Support Program is designed to provide caregivers with the support and services they need in order to care for loved ones at home. For more information, contact Cumberland Valley Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-795-7654.

Grandparent Support Program Meeting

Are you a grandparents providing primary support for a grandchild under the age of 18? The Family Caregiver Grandparent Program can provide grandparents with the support and services they may seek. For more information, contact Cumberland Valley Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-795-7654.

Fish Fry Canceled

The July Fish Fry for the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department has been canceled due to the holiday weekend. We greatly appreciate everyone's continued support of all our fundraising efforts. The fish fries will resume on the first Saturday in August, followed by the Little World's Fair August 13-18. We look forward to seeing everyone at these events. Thank you for your support from the members of the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department.

Saddle Club Meeting

The Rockcastle County Saddle Club will hold their monthly meeting Monday, July 2nd at the clubhouse. Potluck will be served at 7 p.m., followed by the regular monthly meeting. Everyone welcome.

Crab Orchard July 4th Celebration

The Crab Orchard 4th of July Homecoming Celebration will be held Thursday, June 28th - Saturday, June 30th. This celebration is in its 32nd year and is one of the largest parade and car shows in the area.

Alzheimer's Caregivers Meeting

A meeting for Alzheimer's Caregivers will be held Monday, July 9th at 7 p.m. at the Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center in Brodhead. For more information, contact the group leader, W. Anne Harris at 606-758-4286

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous meets Thursday nights at 8 o'clock behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

SWAT Team Meetings

SWAT (Servants with a testimony) group support meeting for anyone dealing with addiction or alcoholism on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon. Meetings are also held Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays at noon at the church.

H.O.P.E. Meetings

H.O.P.E. Support Group Meetings are held Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church. HOPE is a support group for anyone who has a friend or family member dealing with addiction or alcoholism. Please come join others who are or have gone through the agony and frustration you are experiencing. Do not suffer alone. It helps to talk with others who understand. Any discussion is kept confidential. Call 256-5577 for more information.



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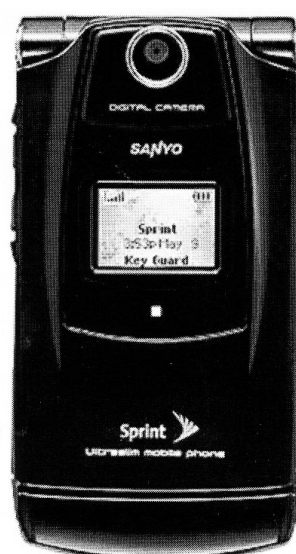


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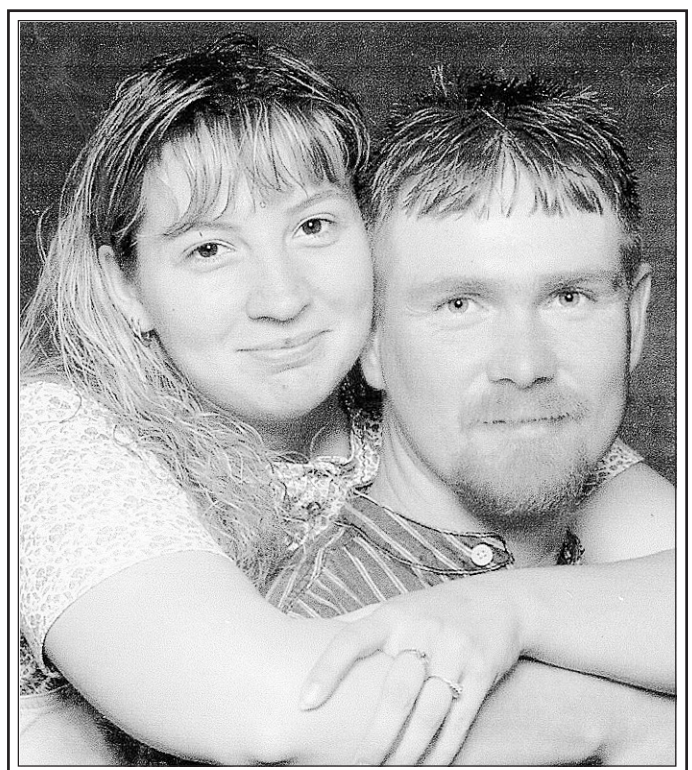
Greg and Linda Osborne, of London, would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Heather Michelle Osborne, to Joshua Dale Bray, son of Roger Bray of Brodhead and Peggy Hurd of Mt. Vernon.

The wedding ceremony will take place July 7, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at Corinth Baptist Church in London. Reception will immediately follow at the Barn at Sweet Hollow Golf Resort in Corbin. Formal invitations have been sent.



50th Wedding Anniversary

Ray and Charlotte Bullock are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary June 30, 2007 at the Ottawa Baptist Church from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.



Abney - Powell

Scott Powell and Joanna Abney, along with their parents, Bobby and Irene Powell of Berea, Ralph Ambrose of Mt. Vernon and Mary Brewer of Mt. Vernon, wish to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

The wedding will take place on June 30, 2007 at Conway Baptist Church at 1:30 p.m. There will be a reception immediately following. All friends and family are invited to attend. No invitations have been sent.



30th Wedding Anniversary

Then - June 22, 1977, Karlene Robinson, daughter of Helen and Vincent Robinson and Bruce Alcorn, son of Johnny and Rebecca Alcorn, were united in marriage at the home of Reverend Lamb on Gabbertown Rd. in Berea. Karlene was 16 and Bruce was 19.



Now - Karlene and Bruce Alcorn live at 44 Neely St. in Berea. He is the pastor of Cartersville Holiness Church and is employed at Boone Tavern. Karlene is employed at Kingston Elementary School. They have two daughters, Tonya Alcorn and Tosha Sparks. They also have two granddaughters, Skyler and Alexis. *Happy 30th anniversary and many, many more.*



Lear - Glovak

Doug and Billie Sue Lear of Brodhead and Frank and Janet Glovak of Brodhead would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, Jennifer Lear and Michael Glovak. Jennifer, the mother of Brady Lear, is a 1985 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and is currently employed at E.W. James in Richmond. Michael, the father of Chad Glovak, is a 1982 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and is self-employed.

The wedding ceremony will be held July 7, 2007 at 2:30 at Brodhead Baptist Church. A reception will immediately follow in the fellowship hall. All friends and family are invited to attend. After a honeymoon, the couple will reside in Richmond.

Classified Deadline for next week is 10 a.m. Monday

"What Is Written"

Paul in 1 Tim.6:6-8 says, "But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content." One of the great dangers living in the USA is the problem of materialism and discontentment. It seems we have so many that are so discontent, unhappy, dissatisfied about the life they live. We are like the proverbial horse that is trying to get that carrot, that is dangling out in front of it, but never able to reach it. If we could ever learn the lesson that Paul speaks about in our text, that having food and clothes let us therewith be content. Contentment would carry the idea of: Satisfaction, sufficiency, peace of mind, happiness, serenity, tranquillity, be enough. Living in a land of plenty, we never seem to have enough. We are always wanting more, more, more, and are not happy with what we do have. "Let your conversation (conduct, NKJ) be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Heb.13:5. Let us take note, that we came with absolutely nothing, and we will leave this world with absolutely nothing! If we can ever learn to be godly, and have contentment, we shall be rich spiritually. When will ever learn?

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Survivor Dinner will be July 27th Cancer survivors to be honored at Relay For Life

They are role models and sources of inspiration. That's why the American Cancer Society is inviting all area cancer survivors to participate in the Relay For Life Survivors Celebration on Friday, July 27, 2007 starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Middle School track. All cancer survivors will receive a "medal of recognition" and will be acknowledged for their strength and courageous battle in the fight against cancer.

Relay For Life is a team event that brings the community together to raise awareness and remember those who lost

their fight to the disease and celebrate the victories of all cancer survivors.

Cancer survivors are invited to share their courage with the community and kick off the overnight event by leading the first lap of the Relay For Life. "When you see the faces of the survivors and the unbelievable courage that they possess, it is truly amazing," said Melissa Brock, Relay For Life co-chair.

A Survivor Celebration Dinner will also be held on the evening of July 27th from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Location of the dinner and registration details will be available in next week's Signal.

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The beautiful dining room on the first floor of the home of Joe and Joyce Cummins is decorated in purple and green.



Joyce Cummins and her daughter Stephanie gave tours of Joyce's home during the Home and Garden Show last week. Joyce and Joe Cummins' home was one of three featured on this year's tour of the local homes and gardens. The annual event raises money for the Rockcastle County High School band.



Ruth Masten stands in the balcony of the beautiful large living room at her home, which is the Singing Hills Bed and Breakfast in Renfro Valley. Mrs. Masten owns and operates the Inn with her husband Joe. The Mastens were one of three homes featured on the Home and Garden Show last week.

From DeBoard Oil Company

Local businessman retires after 29 years

Johnny DeBoard retires as owner of DeBoard Oil Company in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky after 29 years in the home heating fuel business. Johnny recently sold DeBoard Oil Company to the Lykins Oil Company in Milford, Ohio. The company will continue the same quality service that it's customer's have trusted for over 29 years, operating as DeBoard Oil Company.

Johnny DeBoard (wife Carol), one of fourteen children of the late Charles and Birdie DeBoard graduated from Brodhead High School in 1961 and married wife Carol Roberts DeBoard in

1962. Experience in the oil business came early with his partnership in 1962 with brother Al DeBoard as owners of DeBoard Pure Oil Company in downtown Cincinnati, Ohio, purchased from their brother Arthur DeBoard. Al and Johnny later owned a DeBoard Pure Oil Company-Phillips 66 Station in Groesbeck, Ohio and remember receiving the Beautification Award from the City.

R.H. and Audrey Hamm originally built the bulk plant located on West Main Street in the late 1940's. Johnny began working for R.H. servicing furnaces, where he was often referred to as "the service man," during his time off from Parker Seal in Berea, where he was employed for 13 years. Johnny began DeBoard Oil Company in December 1978 with a one-fuel truck and 220 gallons of fuel picked up at Somerset Oil and emptied to his first customers before returning to Mt. Vernon to the plant then located on Hwy 150. Johnny's first customers included the late Verne Lewis, Casper Jones, and Dewey and Lola Roberts (parents of wife, Carol). It has always been very important to Johnny that his customers come first. Many individuals

will share stories of Johnny coming to start a furnace during the middle of the night or during a major snowstorm. Winter months at the DeBoard Household were always extremely busy, especially if the community had received a major snow storm or extremely cold temperatures Johnny and Jerry would be out working to ensure that homes of customers had heat but would drop-in for dinner and then back out to work most of the night.

Both Jerry and daughter Jenny (Sweet) agree that their parents instilled in them the importance of honesty, integrity, dedication, and "to just always treat others as you would want to be treated." Carol has worked in the field of nursing for over 43 years and continues to work at Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center. Jerry will continue to work at DeBoard Oil Company where he has over 25 years experience in the business.

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Tips to safely can and freeze fruits and vegetables

Family and Consumer Sciences

Hazel Jackson

Rockcastle County Extension Office

Many people would like to preserve fresh fruits and vegetables from their own gardens or from local farmers' markets to savor when the items are not in season. To preserve produce safely, the U.S. Department of Agriculture provides time-proven canning and freezing procedures.

Blanch vegetables before freezing them. Blanching is the process of heating or scalding vegetables in boiling water or steam for a short time. This slows or stops enzymatic action that reduces flavor, color and texture. It also removes dirt and organisms from vegetable surfaces; helps retard vitamin loss; and wilts or softens vegetables, making them easier to pack in freezer containers.

Use a wire blanching basket and covered saucepan or a wire basket in a large kettle with a fitted lid. Use 1 gallon of vigorously boiling water per pound of prepared vegetables. After putting vegetables into the basket, lower it into the container and begin blanching time as soon as the water returns to a boil, usually within one minute. If it takes longer to return to a boil, you're using too much vegetable for the amount of water. Be sure to keep heat high for the total blanching time.

Quickly and thoroughly cool vegetables to stop the cooking process. Otherwise, they'll be overcooked and lose flavor, color, vitamins and minerals. Inadequate draining before freezing, slow freezing or temperature fluctuations above 0 degrees Fahrenheit might cause this. It can also affect a frozen vegetable's texture and appearance.

Frozen food is only as good as the quality of the fresh food. So choose high-quality products at optimum maturity and freshness. Although freezing doesn't kill all bacteria, yeasts and molds in food, it does keep them from rapidly multiplying when the food remains at 0 degrees F or less. However, surviving organisms can multiply when the food is thawed.

When canning foods, wash

and blanch them before filling jars. Do not over pack jars as this can cause inadequate processing and result in unsafe food. Nearly all fresh vegetables must be processed in a pressure canner for the required USDA processing time. Pickled foods, such as acidified tomatoes and pickles, can be safely processed without pressure in a boiling water bath.

It's very important to allow steam to escape for 10 minutes before closing the valve or putting the weight on the vent of the pressure canner. This allows the inside temperature to correspond to that of the pressure gauge.

If you discover an unsealed jar within 24 hours, the food can safely be re-canned. Remove the lid and check the jar sealing surface for tiny nicks. Change the jar if needed and add a new, treated lid; then reprocess using the same original processing time.

Properly canned food will retain optimum eating quality for at least one year when stored in a cool, dry place. Canned food might lose some quality in a few weeks or months if stored in a warm place (near hot pipes, a furnace or in direct sunlight), depending on the temperature. Dampness might corrode cans or metal lids, causing leakage and food spoilage.

Free canning and freezing publications with recipes are available at the Rockcastle County Extension Office at 1050 W. Main Street in Mt. Vernon. For more information, contact the Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension Service at 256-2403.

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Community Health Fair and Longest Day of Play

The Annual Community Health Fair and Longest Day of Play was a great success on June 20, 2007 at the Mt. Vernon Elementary School. It was estimated that 500 people were in attendance. The event was sponsored by the Rockcastle Community Health Council. The Council is made up of key members from business, education, faith-based, health and social agencies who work together to do community health assessment, identify health problems and work toward goals for health improvement.

In our community as well as across the country we are seeing the rates of chronic disease grow at an alarming rate. Many of the risks for the developing chronic disease can be lowered by our lifestyle choices. Lack of exercise and poor nutrition choices has such a huge impact on our overall health and quality of life. Considering these implications, the Community Health Council has for the past two years has

focused the theme of the health fair on ways to encourage our community to be more physically active.

The event was packed with fun as well as informative activities. From the inflatables, rock wall, corn hole, dancing, fishing and water games, and a two-mile scavenger hunt, we also had Miss Kentucky 2006 available to sign autographs, free fat-free hot dogs and water, tons of door prizes, free health information, skin damage screenings, and a youth worship service conducted by Jon Burdette, Northside Baptist and Brian Phelps, First Baptist.

We would like to say a special thank you to all the exhibitors at the Health Fair, Community Trust and Citizens Bank for sponsoring the purchase of three elliptical exercise machines for door prizes, to Mr. Leon Davidson, Principal of Mt. Vernon Elementary, and to WRVK and Charlie Napier who provided a live broadcast the entire event.

**Early deadline next week
Classifieds 10 am Monday
News and Adv. 4 pm Monday**



Winners in the NRAA were: Unlimited Class - 1st James Marcum, 2nd Kevin Bullock, 3rd Matt Marcum. Cubs - 1st Namen Helton, 2nd Tanner Nicely, 3rd Dylan Nicely. Bowhunter - 1st Bobby Kirby, 2nd Donnie Helton, 3rd Brett Adams. Traditional - 1st Tommy Renner, 2nd Ray Kirby. Unlimited - 1st James Marcum, 2nd Kevin Bullock, 3rd Matt Marcum.



Miss Kentucky 2006, Rachele Phillips, signed autographs and provided copies of a children's book she wrote and was recently published.



Jason and Reese Coguer, and Charlie Napier play a round of corn hole.



Dreaema Cromer, Merita Martin and Sherry Hansel, with the Rockcastle Health Department, register participants for the Longest Day of Play as well as handing out free gift bags.

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Emergency loans available

Farmers in 120 counties of KY are eligible for Federal disaster assistance, including low interest emergency (EM) loans from USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) provided eligibility requirements are met.

On June 1, 2007, Secretary Johanns declared the counties eligible for Emergency Loans due to damages and losses caused by extremely cold temperatures that occurred from April 5, 2007 through April 10, 2007.

Farmers in eligible counties have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for loans to help cover part of their actual losses. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

Farmers interested in applying for assistance should contact their local FSA county office.

Crop Disaster Program

The National Crop and Livestock Disaster Program in the Iraq Supplemental Appropriations legislation provides crop production loss assistance in a manner similar to previous disaster programs for crop losses occurring from natural disaster and related conditions that occurred in 2005, 2006 or 2007. With losses for the 2007 crops only crops planted prior to February 28, 2007 are covered.

Payments for quantity losses are to be provided the producer had crop insurance or NAP coverage.

Address changes

Is your address correct on FSA records? With Rockcastle County addresses having been updated according to 911; it's possible we do not have your current address on file.

Call 256-2525 and let us know!

Bank account changes

If your bank account number changes or there is a

change in your banks name notify FSA immediately to ensure payments reach your account timely.

This is very important to those receiving FSA payments as payments can be delayed if we are not aware of changes to your account or routing numbers.

Important program dates

July 16th - Deadline to file crop acreage report (Tobacco, Corn, Hay, etc)

August 3rd Deadline to file for DCP

June 2007 Maximum Discount Rate for TTPP=10.000%

Farm Storage Facility Loan Program signup continues

June 2007 interest rate=4.625%

Conservation Reserve Program Continuous signup continues

Milk Income Contract Program Extensions continues

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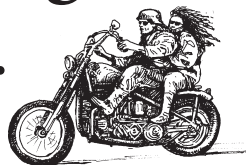
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•Judging at 4 p.m.



(Entry fee for bike show is \$5 per bike.)



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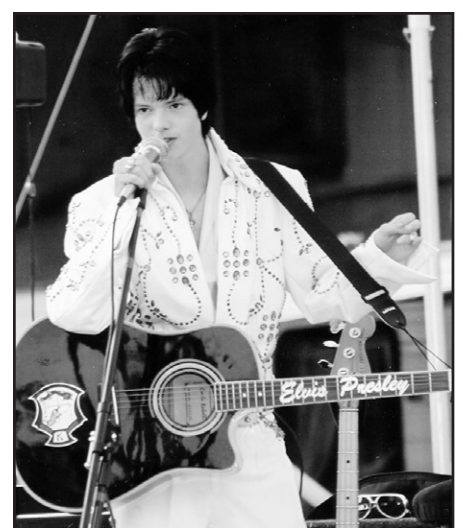
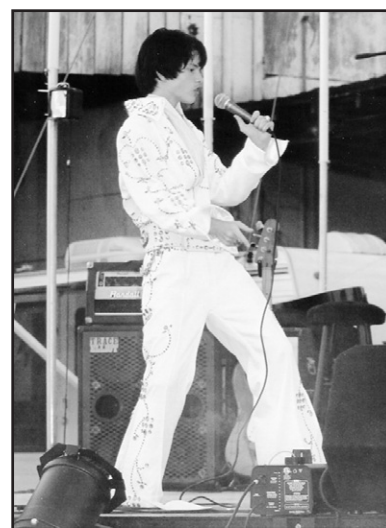
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cleftRock Leadership Training

cleftRock Retreat Center invites you to participate in a Leadership Training Retreat for junior high and high school students.

The retreat will be in two sessions, July 9-14 for junior high students and July 16-21 for high school students.

The theme of the retreat is "Growing my Kingdom Life in a hurting world."

cleftRock is located in the Daniel Boone National Forest on the Rockcastle River. "A natural setting for "being still and experiencing God's presence," according to Eddie Field, a director of

cleftRock.

Leaders of the retreat will encourage discipleship through Biblical material and personal experience.

Christ centered leadership training for the youth is the core ingredient of this retreat. Application of truths learned from low ropes experience, camping, work projects, followed by processing of each activity is the method used. All retreatants will be divided into teams for the events.

The atmosphere of the retreat will be great fun, wonderful food and creating

lasting friendships.

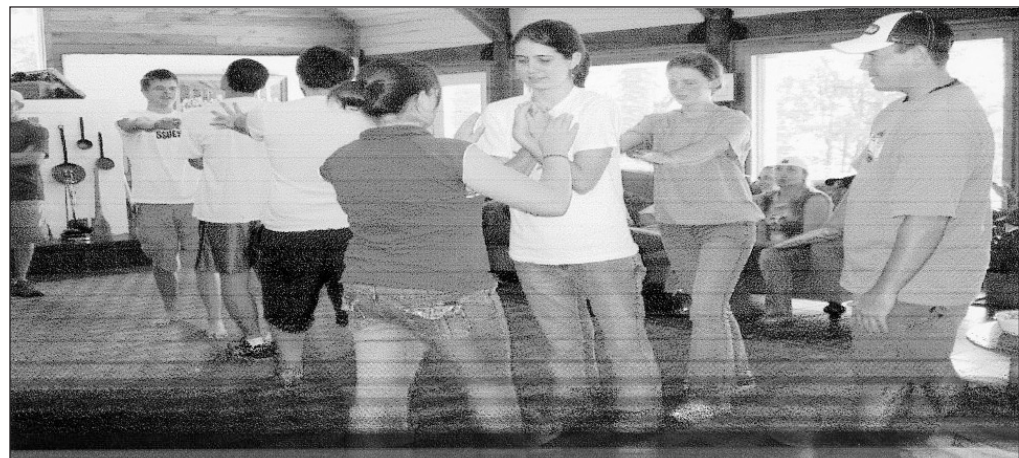
A typical day at cleftRock Youth Leadership Training Retreat will include one or more of the following events: hiking, canoeing, fishing, swimming, building wigwams, critter hunt (cameras), rope course, rock climbing, rappelling and zip line.

Cost of the retreat is \$300 per person and includes food and lodging. Scholarships are available.

For reservations, call the office at cleftRock 1-800-719-0600 or 1-606-2562336 or visit www.cleftRock.org

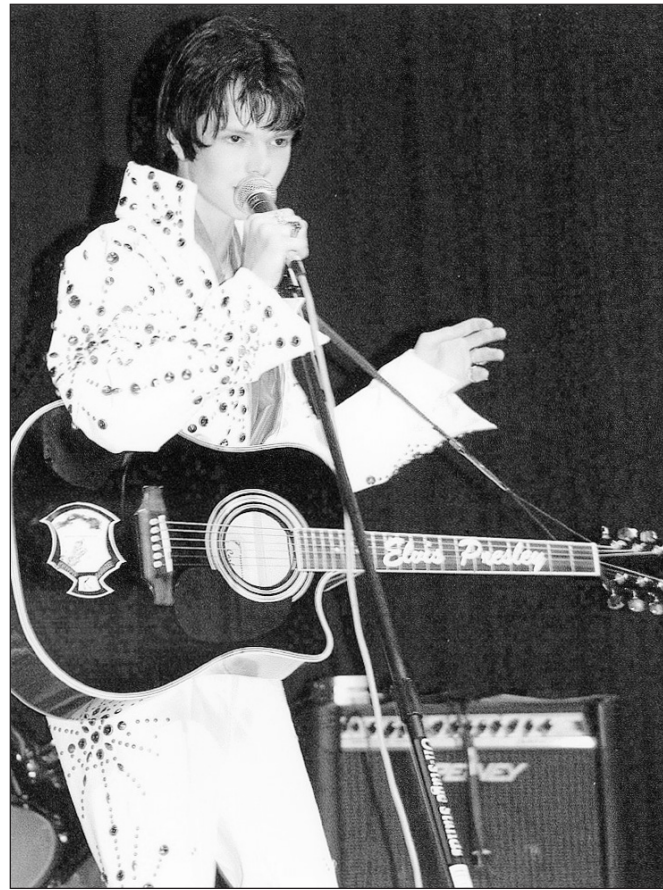


Activities at the Leadership Training at cleftRock include rock climbing, rapelling and building wigwams. Above, Bob Fields instructs campers on the art of building wigwams.



Numerous indoor activities during the Leadership Training are held inside the beautiful Brookfield Lodge at cleftRock.

WRFD 4th of July Celebration is June 30th



Will Reynolds as "Elvis Presley"

There will be a 4th of July celebration at Western Rockcastle Fire Department's Quail Firehouse on Hwy. 70 on Saturday, June 30th, beginning at 5 p.m.

There will be singing, clogging, concessions, door prizes and, of course, fireworks.

The evenings' entertainment will begin with Mary Laswell singing at 5 p.m., followed by the Bittersweet Cloggers performing. Bentley Cromer will provide the musical entertainment from 6:30 to 7:15 and from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., Will Reynolds as "Elvis Presley" will entertain.

Following that, Cromer will again provide more musical entertainment until time for fireworks.

Concessions available will include: hot dogs, chili dogs, chips, water and Pepsi products.

Come on out and enjoy some good musical entertainment and lots of great family fun and fellowship.

Congratulations to

Johnny DeBoard on your retirement!



Johnny DeBoard with grandson Trevor Sweet who was recognized by the Rockcastle Kiwanis receiving the "Spiritual Aims Award". Congratulations to you both!

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--Johnny DeBoard



The Family Room

By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

The following poem appeared in the Spring 2007 issue of "Ironweed," the newsletter of The Appalachian Women's Alliance. It was written by Carolyn Bertram-Arnold. A friend of hers passed it on to me.

ONE WOMAN PARADE

The beat up Chevy moves slowly down Main Street, Two flags of red, white and blue wave – One from each front window. I watch for marching bands and colorful floats, But none follow.

As the car chugs and circles the courthouse, I see the huge GOD BLESS AMERICA banner on the back windshield. Scribbled in defiant letter in the dust underneath is: "AND GOD HELP BATTERED WOMEN!"

Then I recognize the one woman parade, A neighbor recently liberated from a husband who had beaten her black and blue for years.

While he awaits trial in jail for attempted murder (hers), she drives his car – A part of the divorce settlement.

I blow my horn in support. She waves and smiles like the grand marshal of her own parade for justice and freedom.

As the United States of

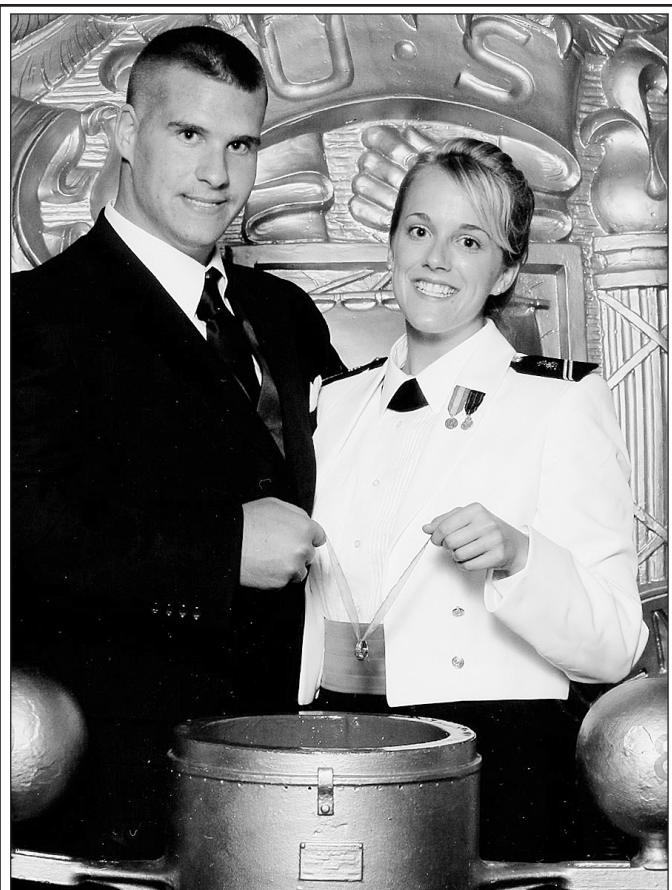
America celebrates Independence Day this year, some individuals will be celebrating personal independence days. Most will not have a parade, unlike the woman in the poem, but their thankfulness will be just as genuine and heartfelt as hers.

Some victims of domestic abuse would be glad to join her parade, for they too have shed the shackles of an abusive relationship and feel free for the first time in many years. Some victims would watch her in envy, knowing that they want to be free but not yet having found a way to escape from the abuse. With their abusers close at hand, they would not be able even to applaud for her achievement. If they did give a sign of approval, their abusers would make them pay.

Some victims have escaped the abuse of parents, so that this year marks a special time of independence for them. Others have escaped the tyranny of an abusive boss who made their lives miserable. Some have said goodbye to "friendships" in which they were controlled by their so called "friends."

On this Independence Day, let us celebrate freedom in all its many forms.

[If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, call Family Life Abuse Center at 800-755-5348 for help.]



Anna Guilfoil and Gabe Guilfoil are shown at the United States Naval Academy's "Ring Dance" on May 19, 2007. The event is for midshipman as they become seniors, "firsties" or First Class. In this photo, Gabe and Anna dipped Anna's class ring in waters from the Seven Seas.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

While many homeowners are investing in backyard kitchens, retreats outback of various types, there is also a drive that is gaining ground to achieve greater curb appeal.

Everybody knows that first impressions are lasting impressions. When somebody drives up to a strange house, it is pretty important that they get a positive feeling. It tells much about the occupants, fairly or not.

Most of us normal folk would like to have people feel good, even comfortable and fuzzy, about approaching our front door.

You want the thought "nice folks live here" to come to mind.

Likewise, the curb appeal is the final impression a visitor takes away with him. Realtors, home buyers and sellers, neighborhood associations are some of the folks greatly aware of a home's curb appeal.

Good landscape designs, plus keeping the front yard well trimmed and maintained are consensus items to good curb appeal. Clutter and neglect detract even when there is a good overall design to your landscape.

Things like cracks in driveways, falling stones in retaining walls, unkempt annual or perennial beds, sparse mulch, weeds, bad co-ordination of colors, or just an appearance of neglect are some items that exhibit to guests a negative impression when it comes to curb appeal.

A giant old stump may be transformed into an asset by a creative landscape designer, but dead limbs in trees that appear ready to crash in the next storm need to go.

Abatement of problems, though, leads you back to "average" on the street, or back to neutral.

Supposing you might like to stand out above the neighbors, how do you get visitors saying "WOW" when they get to your house? Let's explore this concept and see how you might could put some "WOW" into your home's front yard!

A clean green lawn, a fresh coat of housepaint and some new shutters can go a long ways toward a good first impression by visitors. But a new mortared stone sidewalk or stoop, or a cute natural looking pondless

waterfall near the entry of your home can result in some "ah's and oooo's".

Getting rid of clutter, holiday lighting, broken toys, putting gardening tools away all are good ideas if you want to create a good impression while someone is pulling into your driveway, or waiting for you to answer the doorbell.

A big rock or piece of wood with a freshly carved house number on it can "wow" someone. So can the smells of roses, gardenias, fragrant hostas.

Sights, sounds, smells...the more of the senses you can titillate, the more awed a visitor will be!

A green lawn (or a yard with little or no lawn if you want to go for the low-watering natural option) is desired.

This may mean it would be money well invested to buy and install new sod if your lawn is patchy looking.

Something blooming! Put out a couple really nice planter pots full of flowering annuals if you don't have the time do a whole landscape. And, fresh mulch is a given. For a small cost, you get a lot in instant good looks.

Now, if your object is to improve curb appeal to sell your place, you want to keep it somewhat simple and in return get your money back (and then some, hopefully) at the closing. But, if you want keep your place for many years to come and want to make a statement—then the sky's the limit so to speak. Be dramatic. Perhaps do a theme.

(Themes might be Tuscan, Grecian, Japanese, Spanish, etc.) Or the cottage garden or the Victorian look.

Since we are talking about making your place stand out from the neighbors, since we are looking for a

WOW effect, let yourself dream. Even consider groundcovers and wildflowers instead of grass. Sculpt the land for a new look. Create a stream where one does not exist. Forget the hummingbird feeders, plant some shrubs and trees that bloom at all times. Let your imagination go wild making a personal statement in your landscape!

A well-landscaped place may require spending dollars equal to 10 percent the home's cost. To really get a "wow" from passers-by, plan on paying one or several landscape designers to help with a plan. Then plan to invest more than the average for your neighborhood on landscaping.

Landscaping is indeed an investment, and immediately will usually return dollar for dollar or more in increased value. Longer term, as new landscaping matures, it can return much more than what was initially spent.

The value of a specimen tree at maturity or the pleasures of a giant shade tree in just the right place to relax in; how does one attach dollar signs to them.

Rather than merely keeping your home from being a neighborhood eyesore, consider doing something spectacular so that visitors are impressed. Creating some WOW will do you proud!

The author is a landscaper specializing in watergardens. Contact www.rockcastles.com

Fireworks prohibited on national forest

Due to the severe drought conditions, Forest Supervisor Jerome Perez has issued an emergency forest-wide order that prohibits "possession, discharging or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device" on the Daniel Boone National Forest. The order is effective beginning June 27 and will extend throughout the next 120 days.

"The use of fireworks has never been permitted in our developed recreation areas, but the emergency order extends the prohibition of fireworks and other incendiaries to the general forest area," said Perez. "I felt this step was necessary to ensure the safety of our forest visitors. We are urging all visitors to use extreme caution with fire on the forest during this severely dry weather period.

"We've had an unusually high number of wildfires on the forest for this time of year," said Perez. "In spite of some recent scattered showers, the forest ground fuels remain exceedingly dry."

Since May 1, outside of the typical fire season, the Daniel Boone National Forest has experienced 13 wildfires. During this same time last year, only one wildfire incident occurred.

In Kentucky, the official fire hazard seasons run from February 15 - April 30 and October 1 - December 15. Wildfires in Kentucky rarely occur out-

side of these timeframes unless drought conditions are in progress.

According to Charles Greif, Senior Forecaster with the National Weather Service in Jackson, Ky., portions of the state are more than 15 inches below normal rainfall since November 1, 2006. Last month was documented as the driest month of May on record by a half inch.

At this time, the Daniel Boone National Forest is continuing to allow campfires on the forest. The drought situation, however, is being closely monitored with the National Weather Service.

"Only one of the recent fires on the forest has been attributed to an escaped campfire, so I think it would be premature to prohibit campfires on the forest as long as the public uses safe campfire practices," said Perez.

Most of the recent wildfires on the Daniel Boone National Forest remain under investigation, but suspected causes of the fires include lightning and arson.

Forest Service regulations do require that campfires must be attended at all times. The agency also recommends that campfires be kept to a minimum and contained in designated fire rings and grills within developed recreation areas.

Berea Welcome Center marks third year of musical celebration

The Berea Welcome Center is about to mark its third year of preserving the rich musical traditions of the Bluegrass state.

The Berea Welcome Center Jam, which celebrates its third anniversary in July, happens every Thursday night, rain or shine, fall, winter, spring or summer. The music starts at 7 p.m. and continues to about 9:30 or 10 p.m.

"We move inside in the winter months so that holds the crowd to about 50," says Belle Jackson, executive director of the Berea Tourism and Convention Commission. "During the summer the crowd can reach a hundred."

Donna and Lewis Lamb, winners of the 2007 Governor's Award in the Arts, host the jam. All musicians, regardless of ability or experience, can participate, Jackson says.

"Folks can hear traditional music with fiddle and 'claw hammer' style banjo to bluegrass and gospel," she says.

"We average about a dozen, sometimes more, musicians, and each gets a turn to do a 'number.' All are welcome to join in."

The jam generally attracts participants from the Berea area and several surrounding counties. But the event is also open to visitors and gives them an evening experience that is a true piece of Kentucky tradition as well as a reason to stay overnight in Berea, Jackson says.

"We have had musicians from around the world join us for the evening, sharing our Appalachian musical heritage, and of course they share a world music culture with us," she says.

"It is an amazing exchange. Whenever you attend, you will hear bluegrass, but also gospel and old timey, whatever players bring to the jam," Jackson says.

For more information, contact Belle Jackson at 859-986-2540 or belle@snapp.net.

Free Lunches for Children in July

Children, ages 3-18, can eat a free lunch at the extension office at 1050 W. Main St., Mt. Vernon on July 11th.

Children should arrive by 11:50 for the noon meal and should plan to stay for games following lunch.

Children, ages 3-18, can eat a free lunch at the Brodhead

Fairgrounds parking lot on July 3, 10, 17 and 24.

Children should arrive at the parking lot at 11:50 for the noon lunch and games will follow lunch.

These lunches are provided through the Rockcastle County Schools summer reading program.

Mt. Vernon Personals

By: Marie McKinney

Those visiting C.S. and Marie McKinney recently were their son, Jack and girlfriend, Martha, grandson Jeff McKinney and wife, Shelly, Bobby Renner and wife, Diane, all of Ohio; Doris Williams of Lexington, Pete Burdine of Ohio and C.S.'s niece Rena Jane Chestnut and husband, Chuck, of Williamston, Michigan.

Marie's nephew, Jim Sowder and wife, Dot and

granddaughter of Ohio had breakfast with Marie and C.S. at Hardee's last Saturday morning.

Marie and daughter, Sharon, attended the Kirby reunion in Sharonville, Ohio last Saturday. They also visited Marie's other daughter, Lillian Renner, in the hospital there and is improving every day.

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

Yard Sale

Huge 5 family yard sale at State Farm.
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David Gabbard gets ready for the Dolphins in Tuesday's swim meet.



Bryan Clontz prepares for his heat in the Cedar Rapids Dolphins' meet against the Lakewood Marlins Tuesday night.



Keeley Goff helped the Cedar Rapids Dolphins in their win over the Lakewood Marlins Tuesday.



Izak McQueary represented Rockcastle County in the Kentucky East/West All-Star Game on Sunday, June 24 at the University of KY. Izak's East team defeated the West in two games, 6-4 and 10-9. He is the son of John and Shelia McQueary of Mt. Vernon.

Relay for Life golf scramble raises \$2,000

The first annual Relay for Life Golf Scramble was held on June 16th at Cedar Rapids Country Club. The scramble was sponsored by employees of

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. The golf scramble was a real success raising over \$2,000 for the American Cancer Society.

We would like to thank all the teams and hole sponsors for their participation in this event. American Cancer Society Mt. Vernon "Relay for Life" will be held on July 27th beginning at 7 p.m. and lasting throughout the night.

Sponsors for the event included: Burkman Mills, Brodhead Pharmacy, Mt. Vernon Drug, Mt. Vernon Scrap, Citizens Bank, Coffey and Ford Law Offices, Billy Reynolds, Rockcastle County Attorney, Nephron (Ashley Thompson), Nightingale-Alan Medical, Inc., Seneca Medical, Community Trust Bank, PBK Bank, Circuit Clerk Teresa Vanzant, County Clerk Norma Houk, Margaret Offutt PVA, Jailer James Miller, Circuit Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette, District Judge Katie Wood, Rockcastle Hospital & Respiratory Care Center, Rockcastle Health & Rehab, Rockcastle Medical Arts, Rockcastle Hospital Home Health, Bissell's Inc., Bluegrass Biomedical, Sleep Disorders Centers, State Farm Insurance, Ky. Farm Bureau, Central Ky. Surgery, SPC Home Medical and Allergy Asthma & Immunology.



First place in the Relay for Life Golf Scramble were Jake Woodall, David Woodall, Ronny Lee McClure and Ronnie McClure. The team was sponsored by PBK Bank and shot 21 under par.



Doug Leger, of Mt. Vernon, doubled up this past weekend at the London Dragway winning the "Alternate Quick 8" and "The Pro Class" with crewman Delbert Mullins. These guys are enjoying what they do best, come see the action at London Dragway. Hope to see you there!



Second place in the Relay for Life Golf Scramble were Aaron Cash, Matthew Brown, Spencer and Paige Bengel. The team shot 18 under par.



Third place in the Relay for Life Golf Scramble were Derrick Bussell, Matt Smith and Paul Abney. Not pictured is Mikhael Shaffer. The team was sponsored by Nightingale-Alan Medical, Inc. and shot 16 under par.



If you want to learn about Jesus Christ and play soccer, then come register Thursday from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm or this Saturday between 9:00 am-12:00 pm. The evaluations and registration will take place at First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon. Anyone entering kindergarten through sixth grade this fall can participate. Cost is \$25.00 per participant. Any questions or need a registration form please contact the church at 256-2922.



Congratulations Red Sox! 2007 Minor League Tournament Champions. Pictured are front row left: Jacob Bullock, John Harris, Thomas Burdette, Bryan King and Ryan Bullock. Back row from left: Coach J.B. King, Isiah Scarborough, Brandon Shearer, Head Coach Mike Jones, Jordan Helmsley, Lucas Jones, Alex Turner, and Coach Jeff Burdette. Not pictured: Zebediah Davis



Shown above are the 2007 Hot Rods, front row from left: Kaleb Mosier, Kara Mosier, Ryan Wilmont, Logan Sowder, Noah Parkey, Alexa Bussell, Laurel Yates, Caleb Cameron, Gentry Phillips, Kyle Coffey, Thomas Ramsey, Alyssa Martin, Nate Allen, Dylan Cromer, Jason Puckett, Kaden Fletcher and Xander Fletcher. Second row from left: Taryn Powell, Ben Hamm, Jaylon Ponder, Seth Sizemore, Garrett Hamilton, Madison McIntosh, Halek Payne, Silas Shaffer, Noah Fain, Blake Halcomb, Alissa Lunsford, Eric Sparks, Taylor Sloat, Silas Durham, Dylan Miller, Aaron Femming and Hunter Spivey. Third row from left: Micah Sparks, Brayden Robinson, Braydon Owens, Sydney Owens, Jeriann Price, Kaleb Whitaker, Jacob Collinsworth, Ethan Fain, Logan Bullock, Jacob Adams, Jonathon Howard, Katessa Hughes, Alexis Alcorn, Sarah Powell, Isaih Dehart and Sydney Carrera. Fourth row from left: Hunter Miller, Drew Hopkins, Ty White, Rylee Denny, Elijah Miller, Matthew Barker, Taylor Mink, Mitchell Buckner, Dallas Kirby, Doogie Shields, Jarred Bugg, Josh Thacker, Faith Harris, Lindsey Jones, Brooke Renner and Dalton Lefler. Fifth row from left: Haley Thacker, manager Doug Proctor, base coach Shannon Merrick and field coach Dennis Halesy. Not in picture: Haliee Barnes, JJ White, Reese Sherron, Robert T. Mullins, Kaden Kidwell, Jonathan D. McKinney, Makenzie McKinney, Hunter Miller and base coach Dakota Williams.



It was another great season of T-Ball in Rockcastle County. Everyone had lots of fun and the players learned something about the greatest sport ever -- baseball. Pictured above are the Blue Jays. "This is a great bunch of kids and we are very proud of them," said team manager Glen Smith. "I would like to thank everyone involved for their time and support." Blue Jay team members are, first row, from left: Ethan Saylor, Dusty Pingleton, Josh Mason, Jacob Loudermilk, Hunter Sargent and Emma Smith. Second row: Tanner Elam, Breonya Napier, Courtney Wren, Kaitlyn Smith. Back row: Manager Glen Smith and Coach R.J. Smith. Not shown Coach Jerry Saylor.

“Houk”

(Cont. from front)

her figures and they won't send me another auditor or have an independent auditing firm do it," the clerk said.

Mrs. Houk went to Frankfort to challenge the findings of the audit with state officials, telling them she strongly disagreed with them.

"It makes me so mad every time I think about it, it is just wrong," she said.

According to the news release, the findings of the audit have been sent to the Attorney General's office for further investigation.

Before the 2005 audit, Mrs. Houk had had 18 previous audits that were without blemish and the audit for her office for 2006 has also been completed.

Mrs. Houk said she was told by the auditor that the 2006 audit was fine.

"The problem is the auditor who did the 2005 audit was too young and inexperienced," Houk said. "I'm not even sure if she realized there are 15 exemptions for deed tax in Kentucky - which could have caused the discrepancy - and they couldn't show me either way," she said.

"I don't owe it but I paid it, because they really did not give me any other choice," she said.

Besides saying the clerk owed the county \$4,286 in excess fees, the auditor also wrote Mrs. Houk up for not issuing receipts in triplicate, exceeding the change fund of \$200 in her cash register and staying open after business hours to accommodate customers who needed something done after office hours.

"We gave the customer a receipt, we kept a receipt for our records and we had a cash register tape, for the third receipt," she said.

"We operated just fine with one cash register and, yes, we had more than \$200 in change because we couldn't run to the bank every 30 minutes," Mrs. Houk said.

"The county has bought another cash register, which we don't use very often, and they both have \$200 change in them and we have bought pre-numbered triplicate receipt books," Mrs. Houk said. "Those are expenses the county should not

have had to pay," she said.

And, as for telling Mrs. Houk that she can't stay open late and wait on customers who have asked her too, the six-term clerk simply said that was not going to change.

"I don't care what their audit says, 'I'm going to help people when I can, I promise you that will not change.'" "If I want to stay open late for somebody or come in a little early that is my business, not theirs," she added.

Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis said he too believes the audit is wrong and he is also upset with the auditor's office for the amount of the bill to do the audit.

"They sent us a bill for over \$11,000 for the 2005 audit, which is more than twice what it normally is," Carloftis said.

"We have not paid it and we are going to protest it," he said.

County Treasurer Joe Clontz said the state does their own audit every three or four years and over 350 hours was spent on the 2005 audit.

"The average time a private firm takes to do the audit is about 150 hours and the cost is usually around \$4,500," he said.

"The length of time it took to do the 2005 audit doesn't make sense either," Clontz said.

“Prisoner”

(Cont. from front)

bility of parole, after pleading guilty in February to fleeing and evading and being a persistent felony offender, second degree.

Rockcastle Jailer James Miller said Clifford's work detail was under the supervision of Livingston Mayor J.C. Griffin when he decided to walk away.

Miller said he and Griffin searched the area after Clifford walked away and checked with family members, who said they had not seen him.

Miller said KSP Detective Gary Lane is handling the case and Clifford is facing up to five more years in prison for the escape.

The jailer said that Clifford had asked several times to be on a work release detail and that he was classified by the state department of corrections as eligible. Miller said he wasn't sure why the state said it was okay, except that Clifford was certified as a non-violent offender.

"Even if the state was to say it was all right for him to be on work release again, I wouldn't let that happen," Miller added.

The jailer said that if Clifford does not turn himself in very soon, another charge of persistent felony offender would be filed against him.

“Jailed”

(Cont. from front)

spanked the child on Sunday. The citation also stated the mother said her child had been spanked by Mink.

Mink was released on a \$15,000 property bond and is due back in court for a preliminary hearing on Monday.

Mink is not allowed to have any contact with the victim or be at her residence.

Community Based Services has been called into the case.

“Simpson”

(Cont. from front)

should have arrested three people on suspicion," Simpson said.

In January of 2004, Cromer was indicted for trafficking in meth and operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

On September 20, of 2004, he pled guilty to possession of methamphetamine, driving under the influence and received a two year probated sentence.

"He knew my son was in the academy to be a police officer and he did not want us around his drug-making and drug deals," she wrote in a five page letter to the *Signal*.

"He knew we knew too much on him and it was a matter of time before he would be exposed," Simpson wrote.

Simpson said she had not been to the house since April of 2004, the day WLEX-TV in Lexington did a story about the house being burned.

"I had no insurance on the house, no money to get started and no money to do anything to the house and I am afraid for my life," Simpson wrote.

"My son said 'let it stand there so the arsonist would have to look at it everyday,'" she added.

Randy Cromer said Tuesday he could not remember if his father had been convicted of any crime because he was on the road working, but that his mother and father were at home the night of the fire.

"She has always accused dad of setting that fire, but he didn't, that is the bottom line," Cromer said.

"Just like the rest of our neighbors we just want the property cleaned up," Cromer added.

Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash said Tuesday he would likely bring up the matter at the council's monthly meeting on July 9th.

"No matter what might or might not have happened up there, this is really a dispute between land owners and we don't have anything on the books to deal with it, but I will

still bring it up to the council," Cash said.

Cash and County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis both received letters from Simpson this week about the matter and neither had a comment on their contents.

A Diamond in the Rough

This poem is for a very important person who can be heard all around the diamond. He smiles and talks to everyone and knows all the kids by name.

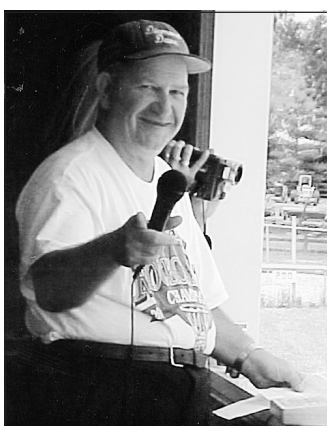
He really doesn't need a lineup, but he does appreciate one before every game.

If the systems are not working sometimes just right, he will be content to watch the kids play baseball all night.

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--submitted



Diamond Dave Brock
"The Voice of Thacker Field"



Mark and Lori Parsons are proud to announce the graduation of their daughter, Tasha Lyndel Parsons, from Somerset Community College. She received an Associate Degree in Medical Information Technology and is currently employed at Rockcastle Hospital.

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Gear Up

Don't neglect Internet safety

Radios, television, movies all make information and entertainment more accessible to the consumer but along with positive implications, there can be negative implications as well. Computer technology is no different. While computers have become valuable tools in schools and homes, they have also introduced another way that for students to be drawn into dangerous situations. Students have increased access to computers in order to complete homework and research, making it increasingly important that teachers and parents be aware of safety issues.

As students are become more adept at technology use, they are also faced with the temptation of exploring what's available through the internet while they are supposed to be using the computer for classroom assignments. Even with constant teacher supervision, students can often surf the internet while word processing.

One of the biggest temptations for young people today is social networking sites. These sites make it easy to communicate electronically with known friends and unknown strangers who become "friends" through the Internet.

At Rockcastle County Middle School, technology assistant Jay Noe says students are becoming socially dependent upon technology and losing some of the social skills required for personal interaction. "They choose to use chatting and the internet as the 'New Social Scene'," he says

Doris Settles has provided a number of workshops for students, teachers and parents through the Kentucky Center for School Safety. She familiarizes people with www.i-SAFE.org, a federally funded internet safety education program. The workshops address critical-thinking and decision-making skills that can help young people avoid dangerous or illegal online situations. The workshops are available to schools and community groups as well as online.

"We are sending our kids out into a world almost completely without adult supervision. Just because they are in their room upstairs doesn't mean they're safe," Settles says.

What are the dangers? According to i-SAFE, 61 percent of students admit to using the internet unsafely or inappropriately. Twenty percent of middle and high school students have met, in person, someone they first encountered online. Twenty-three percent of students know someone who is the victim of online bullying.

One of the basics of online

safety is keeping personal, identifying information private. Do not share name, address, school, etc. It's possible to do this by creating a generic username and making online profiles anonymous. It's also important to avoid sharing photographs with people online.

Parents need to stay aware of evolving technologies their children are involved with. Noe says there are multitudes of books, seminars and classes parents can access. He also recommends asking individuals who are knowledgeable with technology to find needed information.

Many communities offer classes that can help parents become more familiar with computer technology. There are also resources available online specifically aimed at keeping children safe, such as www.WiredSafety.org. In addition, monitoring and filtering software like www.iambigbrother.com or www.cyberpatrol.com is available.

Today's evolving technology requires everyone - students, parents and teachers - to stay aware of safety issues so the internet can be used as a positive tool.



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Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, left, talks with United States Congressman Harold Rogers of Somerset, before Saturday's ribbon cutting and dedication at Renfro Valley. The ribbon cutting, which was sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce, was for the completion of the multi-million dollar Streetscape and Tunnel project in the valley. In the background is State Representative Danny Ford, who along with Rogers, spoke during the ceremony.



Congressman Rogers, left, and Don Evans, owner of the Renfro Valley entertainment complex, took time for a picture at Saturday's event in Renfro Valley.



Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce vice-president Jerry Pensol was the Master of Ceremonies at Saturday's ribbon cutting. About 75 people attended the event. Photos by Richard Anderkin.

“Wreck”

(Cont. from front)

concrete barrier before skidding about 200 feet along the southbound lanes and striking the UPS tractor trailer.

The driver of the tanker, Arthur L. Mays, 54, of Blakely Ga., was not injured.

“There was almost nothing left in the tanker,” Richards said. “It leaked almost all of its contents.”

The back trailer of the UPS truck was empty and the front trailer was carrying only cargo.

The wreck caused terrible traffic congestion from Lexington to Mt. Vernon, and especially along U.S. 25 from Berea to Renfro Valley.

“It absolutely killed our business,” said Mary Ramsey who runs Aunt Polly's House in Renfro Valley.

“People didn't get off the road because they were afraid they couldn't get back on,” Ramsey said.

One Mt. Vernon resident, who works at Tokico in Berea, said it took her five hours to get home from work, after she unknowingly got on the interstate at exit 77, where Tokico is located.

Blake Lovell, who lives on Freedom School Road off U.S. 150, said it was very difficult to even get out onto Hwy. 150 on Friday afternoon.

Police reported that traffic on Hwy. 150 was backed up from Main Street in Brodhead to the traffic light on Hwy. 461 in Mt. Vernon, where unknowing motorists were trying to get on I-75 at Renfro Valley.

“Some of them went on through the light and down to Burr to get on, but most of them waited at the light to turn left which caused the major backup,” said Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters.

State police reported that I-75 was backed up to Exit 104 in Lexington around 7 p.m..

There were several minor accidents in the county and in Madison County, but no serious injuries.

“Court”

(Cont. from front)

with no changes in price. However, Greer's bid was for the current price of blacktop, \$41.75 a ton, but was “indexed” which means that it will rise with price increases to Greer for manufacturing the blacktop. K&K asked that the bids be thrown out and they be given the chance to rebid, using the same method as Greer.

Bids for culverts were accepted from both Bengé Farm Supply and Lumber King. Carloftis said that about \$10,000 is spent by the county annually on culverts but that about 40% of this is reimbursed to the county by property owners on whose property the culverts are installed.

The court also approved a payment of \$10,000 to the Main Street Renovation committee.

Carloftis asked the court to approved this expenditure, which will be taken from the Local Government Economic Assistance Fund, to help Mt. Vernon spruce up Main Street.

Carloftis said that the city of Mt. Vernon had submitted an application for a \$50,000 grant to do the enhancement project but did not receive it. He said one of the main reasons noted, by the state, for not approving the grant was that there was no history of the city and county cooperating on a project. “This will demonstrate clearly to the state that there is cooperation between the city and state to aid tourism and development on Main Street,” Carloftis told the court.

The money will be used to paint the trim of buildings on Main Street and make some architectural additions. The paint will be bought from Porter Paint who has a program to provide paint at a 50% discount for buildings on the National Register of Historical Buildings.

Carloftis and the court agreed that if the other two cities in the county wanted to undertake a like project, that the court would also contribute on a population percentage basis.

In other business, the court reappointed Steve McKinney and Cloia Collins to the library board and Iris Parker and Jerry Pensol to the Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission.



Board members of the local Chamber of Commerce and others helped Congressman Harold Rogers and other elected officials cut the ribbon recognizing the completion of the Streetscape and Tunnel project in Renfro Valley on Saturday. Above from left are: Ralph Allen, 5th District Magistrate; Lynn Tatum, Chamber Director; Robert Lawson, Ky. Music Hall of Fame Director; Bob Mitchell, Chief of Staff for Congressman Rogers; Susan Tomes Laws, Rockcastle Tourism Director; Gary Mink, Chamber Director; Tom Clouse, transportation cabinet; Bob Beattie, transportation cabinet; Judy Duerson, Cumberland Valley Area Development District; Congressman Rogers; J.C. Griffin, Livingston Mayor; Cynthia Rogers; Clarice Kirby, Mayor of Mt. Vernon; Buzz Carloftis, County Judge-Executive; Danny Ford, State Representative; Sue Ford; James Miller, Jailer; Don and Vera Evans, owners of Renfro Valley Entertainment Center; Vicki Kidd, Southeastern Kentucky Tourism Director; Teresa Vanzant, Circuit Clerk and Connie Hunt, President and Chief Operating Officer for Renfro Valley Entertainment.



Among those who attended a ribbon cutting and dedication of the Streetscape and Tunnel project at Renfro Valley on Saturday afternoon were from left: Mrs. Ann Henderson, Susan Tomes Laws and Dr. Joe Henderson. Mrs. Henderson's father, John Lair, founded the Renfro Valley Barn Dance in 1939. Mrs. Laws is an entertainer on the Barn Dance and is Tourism Director for Rockcastle County.

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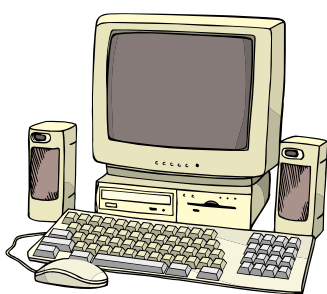
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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, June 28, 2007



Approximately 500 people attended the annual Community Health Fair and Longest Day of Play at the Mt. Vernon Elementary School last Wednesday. The event, which was sponsored by the Rockcastle Community Health Council included 35 exhibits.

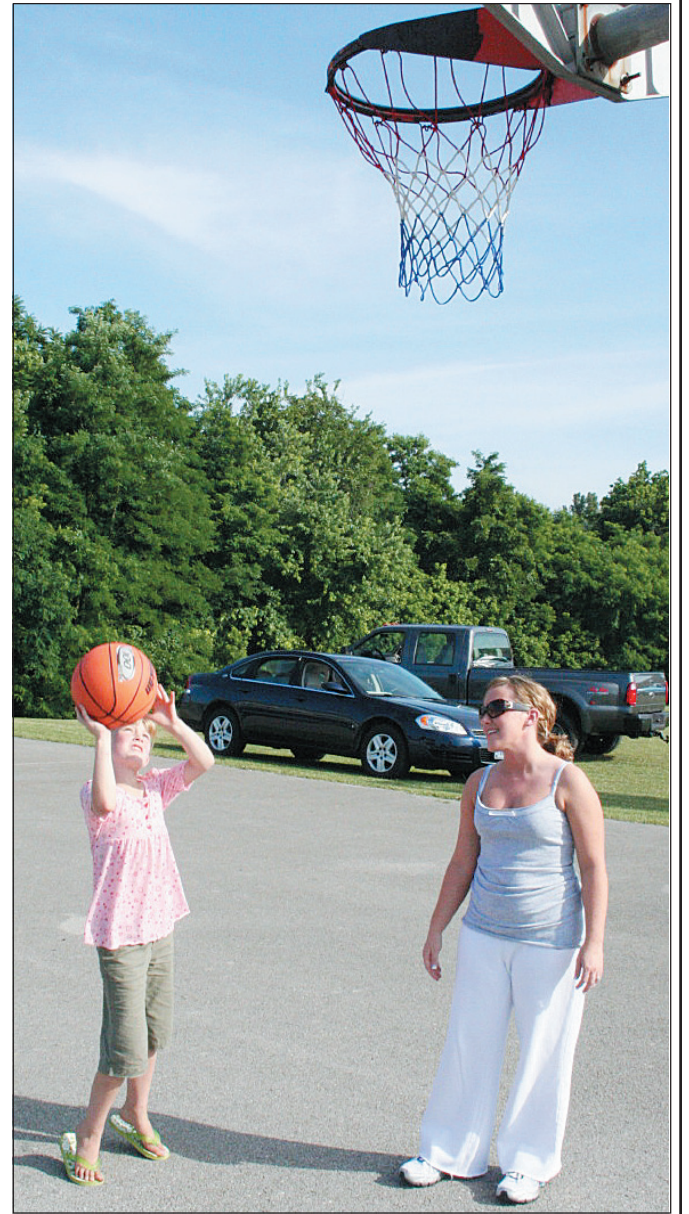
At left, Caleb Dillingham and Aaron Blevins scale the Army National Guard's Rock Wall on a hot Wednesday afternoon.

Above, 7-year-old Alexa Smith takes part in the obstacle course about the heart and lungs, set up by staff members of the Occupational Therapy Department at Rockcastle Hospital. Helping Alexa test out her lungs was Speech Pathologist Brandie Middleton.

At right, Erica Dick shoots a little hoop with the help of Leslie Preston, also a member of the Occupational Therapy staff.

Other photos and a story about the event appear in the A-section of this week's Signal.

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District Civil Suits

Elite Recovery Services, Inc. vs. Edna J. Bullock, \$1,366.96 plus claimed due. C-00092.
 White Acre Enterprises LLC vs. Lisa Mackey, \$369.74 plus claimed due. C-00093.
 Capital One Bank vs. Sheila A. Collins, \$1,822.46 plus claimed due. C-00094.
 Erin Capital Management LLC vs. Veronica Robinson, \$1,136.46 plus claimed due. C-00095.

Circuit Civil Suits

Sheila McGuire vs. Stoney McGuire, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00146.
 George Curtis Dean Richards vs. Miranda Nicole Richards, verified petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00153.
 Kimberly Sue Lovell vs. Robert Dean Lovell, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00154.
 Billy Bullens, et al vs. Wil-

liam Bullens, et al, petition for permanent custody. CI-00155.
 Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Daniel R. Carmack, \$12,140.71 plus claimed due. CI-00156.
 Discover Bank vs. William B. Castleberry, \$7,263.06 plus claimed due. CI-00157.
 GE Money Bank vs. Robert Ramsey, Sr., \$12,794.22 plus claimed due. CI-00158.
 State farm Mutual Automobile Ins. vs. Phillip Cromer, \$30,831.25 plus claimed due. CI-00159.

Deeds Recorded

Julian and Elaina Cromer, property in James Noe Subdv., Mt. Vernon, to Dennis C. and Linda Britton. Tax \$72.50.
 Linda Proctor, property on Breezy Hollow Rd., to James C. and Crystal Baker. Tax \$57.50.
 Gwendolyn M. Hall, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles K. Hall. Tax \$55.
 Larry R. Bradley, property in Valley Manor Subdv., to Josh and Sarah Linville. Tax \$71.
 Bobby Joe Stinson and Joyce Prince Chaney, property

in Rockcastle County, Joyce Prince Chaney. Tax \$5.
 Joyce Holtzclaw, property in Rockcastle County, to Earl Brent Kirby. No tax.
 Carolyn Durham, property on Locust St., to Mortgage Corp. No tax.
 Patsy Ann Ramsey, property in Carter Heights Subdv., to Dwayne F. and Traci A. Ramsey. Tax \$8.
 Charlene Gentry, property on Ky. 461, to Marian Cable and Jennifer Neeley. No tax.
 James Edward and Linda Earline Smith, property on Brush Creek Road, to David Edward Smith. No tax.
 Nona McFerron Cromer, property in Rockcastle County, to Daryl and Barbara McFerron, and others. No tax.
 Deborah Bustle, property in Rockcastle County, to Dennis Smith and Wayne Corona. Tax \$8.

Edgar and Verlene Wesley, property in Renfro Valley, to Martin C. and Frances G. Marrone Brooker. Tax \$106.50.

Marriage Licenses

Alicia Monique Chaney, 37, Mt. Vernon, data entry operator to Steven Douglas Greiwe, 43, Somerset, truck driver. 6/21/07.
 Lola Mae Wright, 48, Berea, factory, to Charles E. Hubbard, 60, Berea, retired. 6/18/07.
 Christina Louise Wright, 19, London, customer service rep to Brandon Lee Thomas, 21, London, customer service rep. 6/18/07.
 Stephanie Robin Caldwell, 22, Harrodsburg, appointment specialist to Jason Robert Elder, 27, Harrodsburg, police officer. 6/15/07.

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District Court

June 18, 2007

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Roger D. Alcorn: failure to wear seat belts \$25 fine.
 Speeding: Melissa Boyle, William C. Hayes, Jr., paid \$30 plus \$128 costs; Randy G. Brumley, \$30 fine plus costs/sts authorized; Stanley C. Burton, Arnim A. Collins, Christopher R. Edwards, Robin C. Honeycutt, Matthew E. Paugh, Annette Reynolds, Matthew K. Shotwell, Veronica R. Daniel, license suspended for failure to appear; Jessica A. Childress, Morris D. McCowan, Ronny D. Price, action slip; Susan B. Cursesey, Robert Coolman V. Lewandra Y. King, Gerard J. Norris, paid; Thomas W. Daugherty, \$38 fine and costs/sts authorized; Richie J. Hutton, paid \$28 fine plus \$128 costs; Jonathan L. Karr, paid \$52 fine and \$128 costs; Kimberly A. McNiel, \$40 fine and costs; Clinton D. Nobles, paid \$34 fine plus costs; Jessica E. Saucedo, paid \$34 fine and \$128 costs; Stacy R. Torres, paid/sts authorized; Paul A. Eggleston, paid \$60 fine plus \$128 costs;

Keri D. Bell: theft by deception, sentencing order entered (two counts); operating on suspended/revoked operators license, sentencing order entered.
 Gregory S. Lewis: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Justin R. Pinto: speeding and improper passing, action slip.

Bonnie J. Tate: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine plus costs.

Tameka L. Chadwell: faulty equipment, \$25 fine and costs/fine suspended.

Jackie N. Coffey: faulty equipment, \$25 fine and costs/fine suspended.

Manuel H. Correll: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.

Andrew T. Ramos: Speeding, and other charges, license suspended for failure to appear.

Dallas R. Petrey, Jr.: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Wayne R. Owens: possession controlled substance, 2nd degree and driving on suspended license, sentencing orders entered.

James T. McClure: no/expired registration plates and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for failure to appear.

Charlene A. Johnson-Daise: speeding and failure to wear seat belts, paid.

Francisco G. Jose: speeding, \$60 fine plus \$128 costs; no seat belt, \$25 fine.

April B. Johnson: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt/plates, and other charges, license suspended for failure to appear.

Christopher D. Epperson: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for failure to appear.

Kenneth B. Evans: operating motor vehicle and failure to wear seat belt, bench warrant issued for failure to appear.

Cynthia A. Fletcher: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for failure to appear.

Kari C. Gibson: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for failure to appear.

Tomas Guerrero: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for failure to appear.

Elizabeth Dillard: failure to use child restraint device in vehicle, \$50 fine and costs.

Darrell Brown: one headlight, \$25 fine/suspended on condition; improperly on left side of road, \$25 fine.

Daniel R. Cummins: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

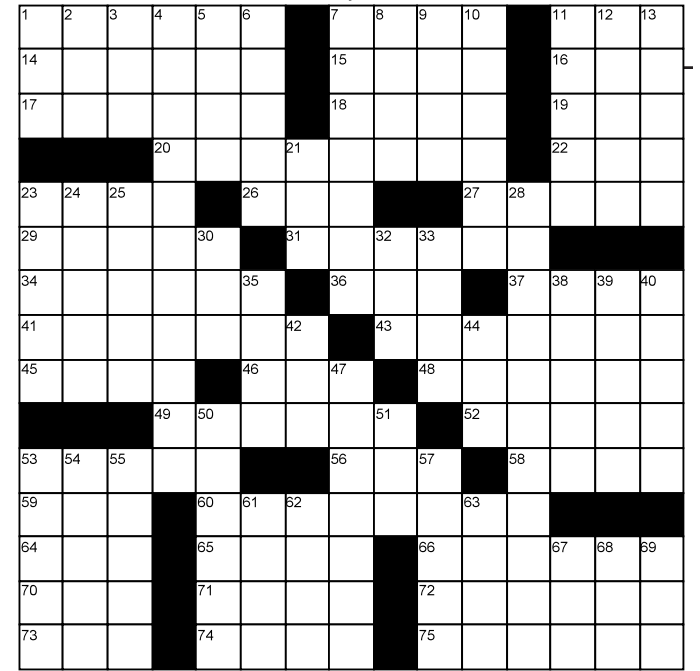
Latanya D. Staley: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for failure to appear.

Allen K. Stanley: public intoxication controlled substance, \$100 fine and costs.

Karen E. Swinney: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine/suspended on condition of costs payment.

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ACROSS

- 1 Effect
- 7 Title for Joe Survant: Abbr.
- 11 "Kentucky Monthly", e.g.
- 14 Pulaski Co. native, KY Gov. Edwin P.
- 15 Uncommon
- 16 Ordinal number
- 17 Mill about
- 18 Prayer ending
- 19 Dined
- 20 Cynthiana, KY is this county's seat
- 22 Uproar
- 23 S. Am. nation
- 26 For each
- 27 Boot out
- 29 Warning
- 31 WKU's basketball arena carries his name
- 34 Added on
- 36 Always
- 37 Heroic tale
- 41 Forever
- 43 KY's 100th county, formed from Henderson, Hopkins and Union
- 45 Johnson Co. spot, or a Roman emperor
- 46 Desert feature
- 48 Vile person
- 49 Coal mine bird of lore
- 52 City
- 53 Tan color
- 56 Conger
- 58 Marshall Co. area, Possom __, or jogging gait
- 59 Former UK basketball Wildcat Mercer

- 60 Kentuckian, hit a home run to clinch game 7 of 1965 World Series
- 64 Fall mo.
- 65 Rested
- 66 Geronimo, for one
- 70 Employ
- 71 Beige
- 72 "Kentucky's Public Ivy University"
- 73 Call up
- 74 Wicker basket
- 75 Smart

DOWN

- 1 UN agency
- 2 Cow sound
- 3 Not amateur
- 4 Glasgow, KY native, multiple Pulitzer Prize winning journalist
- 5 Pepsi
- 6 Simple person
- 7 Grassland once common in KY
- 8 Jampacks
- 9 Cookie brand
- 10 Aromatic herb
- 11 Main Street in the seat of this KY county leads directly to the Ohio River
- 12 Kentucky author Robert Penn Warren's "Circus in the __"
- 13 Carroll Co. hamlet, named for a Belgium port city
- 21 River that rises in eastern Wolfe County
- 23 Priest's article

- 24 Thrill
- 25 Mascot for 72 Across
- 28 Kentuckian, his first novel was "Trees of Heaven"
- 30 Males
- 32 Morning moisture
- 33 Sketched
- 35 Fix the socks
- 38 Essential oil
- 39 Lizard
- 40 Type of Buddhist
- 42 Pasture
- 44 Sis's sib.
- 47 Native KY county of 28 Down
- 50 Passageways
- 51 Even so
- 53 Fermented cabbage, for short
- 54 Kentuckian, author of "The Coal Tattoo"
- 55 KY author Teresa Medeiros wrote, "Once An __"
- 57 Camel-like animal
- 61 Silly
- 62 Ireland
- 63 Musical composition
- 67 French vineyard
- 68 Floyd Co. community, Hi __, or beret
- 69 Hurricane center



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Vehicles: 1998 Ford Contour 44K miles, 1978 Step Side Dodge Pickup Truck

Household & Collectibles: Buckeye 135 Coal Stove, small coal stove, coal, 2 Frigidaire chest freezers, almond Frigidaire refrigerator, almond Magic Chef electric stove, white Speed Queen Washer, white Hotpoint Dryer, 2 fuel oil stoves, red top Dazey churn, 3 metal utility kitchen cabinets, cast iron skillets & muffin pans, wood arm chair, amber Purex bottles & jugs, milk glass pedestal cake plate, 3 pc. Crookesville with red trim, wall pockets, punch bowl & cups, salt crock, aluminum coffee pot, old tins including Tom Moore cigar box, Premium cracker box and other tins. Linens and flour sack materials, Singer electric sewing machine, Brother portable electric sewing machine, Sears electric sewing machine, several old twin and full size metal beds, white wood twin size bed, dressers, chest, lamps, 2 large homemade wood tables, dish pans, wash pans, numerous pots & pans, several granite and enamel pieces, lawn chairs, wash tubs, wash boards, old wringer washer, galvanized buckets, milk/cream cans, blue Ball fruit jars, lead jar lids, Coca Cola & other brands of wood crates, canner, pressure cookers, Tappan microwave oven, iron grate covers, retro wood kitchen sink, some old toys including a Flex Flyer red wagon, lunch boxes & and other items too numerous to mention.

Farm Equipment: Tractor equipment includes 2 Ford bottom plows, boom, 3 point lift hitch disk, bush hog (needs repair) and cultivators. Horse drawn equipment includes plows, 2 hay rakes and 2 disk harrows.

Farm & Hand Tools: Large wall unit drill press, Rockwell 9" motorized table saw, aluminum extension ladder, several weed eaters, 2 table mount vise grips, iron anvils, 2 cross-cut saws, shovels, hand saws, hammers, files, screwdrivers, & numerous old hand tools of all kind. Log chains, 2 aluminum shovels, 2 garden spades, mallet, garden hoes, metal gas cans, Stihl chain saw, Poulan chain saw, Roto-Tiller, leaf & yard rakes, pitch forks, wheelbarrow, pruning shears/clippers, 3 tobacco presses, tobacco cutting knives & spears, axe, hatchets, post hole diggers, post tamper bar, 2 hand seed-spreaders, various size wood nail kegs, old wood boxes, 3 old metal foot lockers, scythe, old upright kerosene shop heater, horse collar, unique metal calf muzzle, 2 antique corn shellers, sheets of tin roofing, etc.

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Reduced

Where Neighbors Are Still Neighbors... you will find this 1994 Doublewide with 2 acres in the country. This 24x60 home features 3 BR, 2 full baths, a formal dining room, kitchen, living room, and a fireplace. There is also a large back deck and beautiful landscaping. The oven, range, refrigerator and two storage buildings stay. Asking price \$85,500. M2187

Drastically Reduced

Bold in Brodhead! Make your appointment today to see this beautiful home. Home is only 8 years old, has been well maintained and offers just over 1,800 sq. ft. of living space. There are 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, a living room and a kit/dining combo. The home's amenities include: washer/dryer hookups on both levels, a jet tub in the master bath, ample closet space and a security system. Price reduced to \$99,900. M2173

SOLD

Prime Location. This bedford stone country home is conveniently located on Little Clear Creek Road and is situated on 1.83 acres of wooded land. Home consists of 4 BR, 2 BA, LR, DR, Kit, Den, utility room and cellar. Other amenities include: central heat/air, full walkout basement with patio, 2 stone fireplaces and city water. Priced to sell at \$70,000. M2229

Fine Living... Can be yours in this vinyl sided two story home. Located in the Mareburg section of Rockcastle County this home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen, entry hall and utility room. Home has central heat and air and a nice deck for your relaxation. \$138,000. M2248

Reduced

Privacy in Town! This ranch style home overlooks Mt. Vernon. Features include: 3 BR, 1 Bath, living room, eat-in kitchen, utility room and a carport. Water and sewer available. This home and a great view all for only \$55,900. M2188

Reduced

Must See! This home has 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, a spacious living room w/ a fireplace, new windows, new roof and carpet and vinyl flooring. The range, refrigerator, washer and dryer stay. There is a detached garage and building. Must see for this price...reduced to \$55,000. M2223

4 1/2 Acre Mini Farm! Located north of town, this basement vinyl front home has spacious kitchen and living areas (open), 3 bedrooms, bath, utility and 2 car carport. Property also features a paved drive, a 50x60 metal barn and a storage building. \$115,000. S1406

Country Living at its Best! This beautiful vinyl sided home is situated on 10 acres +/- and features a LR, Kit/Dining room combo, 3 BR, 2 BA and utility room. Other amenities include 2 car attached garage, a two-car detached garage, 24x36 shed, 2 pond, central heat/air, wood burner for backup heat, rear deck, front porch, city water, septic system, plus a propane generator for back-up electric. \$129,900. M2267

Drastically Reduced

Portrait of Peace! Gentle thoughts come easy in this 2,160 sq. ft. log home situated on 3.8 acres featuring a living room with fireplace, kitchen-dining room combination with ample cabinet space, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and a utility room. Other amenities include: hardwood flooring throughout, thermo pane windows, heat pump, central air, city water, 2 septic systems, extra septic system and electrical hookup. \$174,900. M2190

BUY TODAY... MOVE TOMORROW! This brick ranch style home features a living room, large family room, kitchen/dining room combination, 3 bedrooms, and 2 baths. Other amenities include: 16 x 24 barn, rear deck, front porch, city water, septic system and is situated on a beautiful 1 acre lot (+/-). Call today for your appointment to view this lovely home. M2201

WOW! Impressive! That's what you'll say in this unique, one owner home. Check out the gorgeous views from the deck, relax with the family in the full finished basement or head out to the yard for some football. Home has 3 levels with a bath on each level. Skip the maid, this home is spotless. Owners are relocating and must sell. Call today for your showing! \$179,900. M2252

48 acres located on Slate Branch Road in Crab Orchard. Nearly new, unfinished house that features 2 BR, LR, Kit, and BA. Large pond, 18 acres cleared, some marketable timber, all of this for only \$124,900. M2250

Country Living! This home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, new oak cabinets and hardwood flooring. Situated on 10 acres privately at the end of McMullin Road in Crab Orchard. Plenty of privacy in a beautiful home. \$129,000. M2245

Hidden Retreat...near Crab Orchard. 75 acres (45 acres wooded, 30 cleared) - cabin with barn - morning shed - great for hunting or farming. Priced at \$149,900. M2249

104 Rainbow Court, Berea. Surprise! You won't believe the inside of this one! Very well maintained and updated with hardwood floors, paint and fixtures. Super location, come by and see it! A fully fenced backyard and a great storage building complete the property. Come on and you will be surprised. Priced at \$137,500. M2253

Come and Get it... This ranch-style home is situated on a 1/2 acre m/l lot and features a Living room, Kitchen/Dining room combo, Family room, 2 Bedrooms and 2 Baths. Other amenities include heat pump, central air, above ground pool, rear deck, enclosed front porch, city water and septic system. Priced to sell at \$85,000. M2258

Beautiful 1 1/2 Story Brick Home conveniently located just off Highway 46! Be minutes from Somerset, Mt. Vernon, I-75! This home features 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, living room with fireplace, large kitchen, dining room and utility room. Amenities include heat pump/central air, 2 car attached garage, rear deck, landscaping and more. \$199,000. S1021429

Convenience! Convenience! Convenience! This home is located within the city limits of Mt. Vernon and has so much to offer: 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, kitchen, living room, dining room, and a two-car garage. The home sits on a beautiful wooded lot and is ready for immediate possession. Call today for your showing. M2083

Move to your own land... This 2002 mobile home is ready to be moved! Features include 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths and approximately 1,056 sq. ft. \$36,000. Call for more details today! M2246

Possibilities are endless...in this affordable home. Nice lot with plenty of trees, 2 car garage and 2 storage buildings complete the property...don't just drive by this one—call today! \$39,900. M2264

Looking for a Home in the Country AND close to Town? This 1 1/2 story vinyl sided home situated on 76 acres more or less, features LR, DR, Kit, 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, a Utility room, and a Full unfinished basement. Other amenities include a gas furnace, central heat and air, city water, septic system, 2 Barns, storage building, a pond and a private drive. If you are looking for a private country setting to call your own then contact us today for your appointment to view this property. \$160,000. M2196

215 Ford Drive - Convenient living in town. This bedford stone home has 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, a living room, dining room and kitchen, plus there's plenty of room in the full unfinished basement. The home has central heat and air and a nice lawn for you to enjoy. \$109,000. M2222

Country Living and Close to I-75 - This love home situated on a lot consisting of 1.422 acres +/-, features include: a living room, family room, kitchen, 3 BR and 2 BA. Other amenities include: heat pump, central air, city water, septic, plus a 24x40 detached metal garage building. Call today! M2265

Home Sweet Home! Find comfort in this ranch style brick home. Located on a dead-end street in Brodhead you are sure to appreciate this convenient, quiet and comfortable home. The home features 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, a kitchen/dining room combo, a carport and a large yard. Very convenient. Only \$59,900. 100% owner financing possible. M2182

Nice, Affordable Home! This 3 BR, 2 BA doublewide home is situated on 2.93 acres. Features include: LR, dining area, kitchen, utility and large walk-in closets. This 1,456 sq. ft. home has central heat/air, a great country view, and the asking price is only \$59,900. M2230

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! This doublewide is situated on a corner lot consisting of 2 acres +/- and features 3 BR, 1 1/2 BA, living room, family room, dining room, kitchen and utility room. Other amenities include: electric heat, wood stove in the FR, double-pane tilt windows, stove, refrigerator, city water and septic system. M2266

SALE PENDING

Looking for a deal? Look no further! This vinyl sided, newly built beautiful home is situated on 3 acres +/- and features 3 BR, 2 BA, Kit., DR., and nice LR. Has hardwood flooring and a large Master Bedroom. Other amenities include: Oak cabinets, central heat/air, detached garage, small storage bldg., spacious front porch, and a large driveway. Priced at \$137,500. M2269

There is NO Catch! This is a good home that has been well maintained. Features include: 3 or 4 bedrooms, beautiful sunroom, nice kitchen, good neighbors. Property also comes with 10 acres and a 14x30 detached garage. Only \$58,500. R65976

Investments! Opportunity is knocking at your door... purchase these five mobile homes (already rented out) with city water, city sewer and electric heat. Property is easy to access with blacktop drives. 2 garages with concrete floors and 3 acres +/-, Call today! M2218

SALE PENDING

Need Your Own Space... Check out these two 5 acre tracts located along Roundstone Creek. Some restrictions apply. Priced at \$34,900 each. M2139

Loaded With Charm! This beautifully decorated home is situated on 1.3 acres and offers a floor plan of 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, kitchen and separate dining room. Features include central heat/air, gas log fireplace, all appliances, plus some tile and more! In addition, this home has a 2 car attached garage, front porch, rear deck, paved driveway! \$129,900. M2209

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70 Acre Farm! Approximately 2 miles from Mount Vernon city limits on Purr Rigby Road. Property has a house, 2 barns, a garage, two springs, and a creek. This is one of the county's best farming areas or development possibilities. Convenient yet private! M2235

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Quiet in the Country! Enjoy this fantastic mountainous view. Property includes a small barn with **SALE PENDING** neighbors the National Forest, is minutes from the Rockcastle River and is mostly fenced. M2208

Classy! Make your appointment today to see this home located at 55 Hysinger Hollow Road. Newly remodeled features are throughout the home. The home consists of a living room, dining room/kitchen combination, bathroom, laundry room, and a small office space on the first floor. There's one bedroom and one bath upstairs. Plenty of storage opportunities outside as well as a large yard for your enjoyment! M2238

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2 Lots... located in the beautiful Lear Crest Subdivision. Consists of 1/2 acre each and have city water available. The lots are ideal building lots and are convenient to Lake Linville, Mt. Vernon, Brodhead and Berea. Priced at \$9,900 each. M2260

Looking for a deal? Try this one out...6.05 acres which includes marketable timber. There is a 14x70 immaculate mobile home situated on this property. Features include: 3 BR, 1.5 bath, heating/cooling and all electric. Only 5 minutes from Renfro Valley, Ky, Music Hall of Fame and Lake Linville. Asking price is \$85,000. R64875

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Great Building Lots... if you are looking for a nice building lot in the city limits of Mt. Vernon you have four to choose from! These lots range from 3/10 acre to 0.49 acre. Priced at \$9,000 each. Call for details. M2262

Need Space to Call Your Own? This commercial metal garage building situated on 2 ac +/- features a waiting area, office, bathroom, upstairs storage and a 3-bay garage area. Other amenities include: city water and sewer, oil heat, concrete floor, chain link fence, and two 9,000 lb. Magnum Lifts. \$109,900. M2225

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Some Timber. Property joins National Forest. Creek runs through this property. M2203

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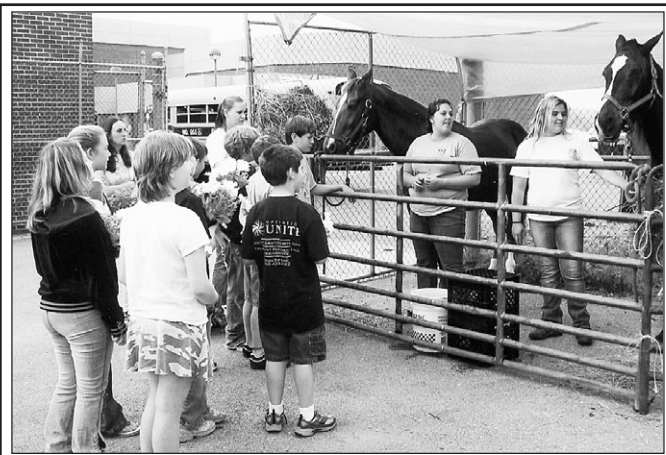
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Acres For Sale

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LOTS FOR SALE



Ashley Cash and Kayla Bishop explaining horse safety tips to Mt. Vernon fifth graders.



Derek Adams and James Leger presenting ATV safety to a group of fifth graders.



Lance Baldwin and Chris Hurst presenting a Food for America program activity to fifth graders.

Safety Day held at RCHS

**By: Alexis Brown
Rockcastle County FFA
Chapter Reporter**

On Friday, May 11th, the Rockcastle County High School's Horticulture II Class held their annual Safety Day. Local 5th grade elementary students were invited by Roy Reynolds, class teacher.

Safety Day not only teaches young students about farm safety but also gets them more involved with agriculture.

Safety Day consists of different varieties of safety stations, such as animal safety, ATV safety and a fire safety station. The fifth-graders that attended were also able to take a tour of the school's greenhouse and purchase flowers for their mom, since Mother's Day was just around the corner.

The first station was animal safety and Ashley Cash and Kayla Bishop brought two of their beautiful horses to demonstrate basic horse safety tips to the students. Tanner Bray brought chickens and rabbits. The students' personal favorite was Katie McClure's Sugar Glider. Students got to pet each of these unique animals, learn what kind of habitats they live in and the foods they eat.

Cody Robinson brought a nanny goat and her kid. T.J. Singleton explained some basic tips about goats to the students. Matthew Hayes, from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture brought Kentucky Kate, a replica cow that allowed students to learn how to

milk a cow. Mr. Hayes walked students through the procedure of milking a cow and the importance of sanitation for yourself and the cow. Students were able to receive hands-on experience on how to milk a cow. Next was the ATV and tractor safety station. Derek Adams, Donovan Pigg and John McCreary ran this station. Derek and Mr. McCreary took turns explaining the importance of four-wheeler safety and displayed safety devices that should be used when riding, such as a helmet. Donovan briefly explained some basic safety tips about tractors, such as safety equipment on the tractor, how to prevent rollovers, etc.

At station three, Mark Dyehouse presented fire safety to the students. He discussed how to evacuate a burning building in an orderly fashion and what to do in case of a fire.

At the next station, Lance Baldwin, Chris Hurst and Hillary Proctor presented the Food for America program which educates students about where food comes from. Students learned how important food production and agriculture is to Rockcastle County and Kentucky.

We want to say thanks to the Mt. Vernon fifth graders, teachers and assistant for their help in making this program possible. Rockcastle County High School really enjoyed hosting this event and hope to have more people involved next year.

TEAMWORK Student Spotlight

Tasha Blanton is a 2007 graduate of RCHS and is the daughter of Tanagene and David Blanton of Brodhead. Tasha has successfully completed 54.75 hours of combined leadership training and community service through the TEAMWORK program this school year. She has participated in a variety of community service projects including the creation of the TEAMWORK mural for Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center residents, Unite to Read, and 911 Training for second graders in Rockcastle County. Tasha was also one of five student selected to attend the Youth Service Institute in Frankfort for training concerning Global and National Youth Service Day. During her four years at RCHS and RATC, Tasha was a member and secretary for the Math Club as well as the secretary for the TEAMWORK program. Tasha's hobbies include art and she was an extremely valuable artist of the mural creation team. Thank you to Tasha Blanton for her contributions as a leader during her time at RCHS and RATC. We look forward to seeing the leader Tasha will become for Rockcastle County in the future! Congratulations Tasha!



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ASPI hosts Teacher Extern

Appalachia: Science for the Public Interest (ASPI) located in Mt. Vernon, hosted Rebecca Schwab a science teacher at Foley Middle School in a teacher externship sponsored by the Berea College GEAR UP Partnership.

While at ASPI, Schwab spent time in the organic garden and education center along with spending time with ASPI's Executive Director, Deborah Bledsoe, to learn more about the environmental issues facing Central and Eastern Kentucky. Schwab will use the knowledge she's gained at ASPI to educate her middle school students regarding the types of skills and interests needed to be successful in a non-profit environmental advocacy organization.

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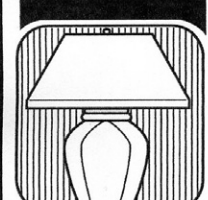
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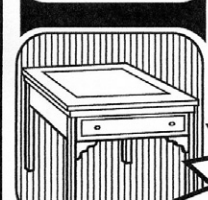
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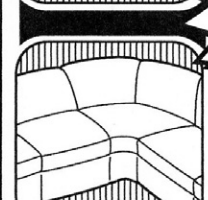
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Library News



Pam Chaliff

Summer Reading is almost over; only one week remains. This week several exciting events happened at the library. Tuesday, Ms. Carla had 17 preschoolers for story hour and 7 older children for intermediate crafts. The preschoolers enjoyed a story hour all about colors and afterwards painted their own paintings. The older children did their own fingerprints and made their own snacks consisting of spiders and a coke float. On Thursday, a magician visited the library. An audience of 43 people was amazed by his tricks of magic. Several children were able to participate in the program and do some magic of their own.

Polly Kettle the story teller (otherwise known as Norma Eversole) wants to clarify to readers that it was the RED COATS who were coming; not the Red Baron! He had to wait another century or two before he could make a nose dive into history. Also if you think that possum hat of Daniel Boone's was great, you should see Paul Revere's lantern and the left-over red material from Betsy Ross...And just to clear-up matters so that people aren't up-in-arms too much: come to find out it wasn't our Lexington, Kentucky where that shot

"heard around the world" was fired; we weren't even a state then. Oh well, even in 1776 you couldn't believe everything, you read in the newspaper. If you want to know the rest of the story, try the Rockcastle County Library this Thursday at 5:00 pm when Danny Hinton will be there to tell you more about colonial times in Kentucky.

This week a bulletin board was put up in the teen area thanking all of our sponsors for their support in summer reading this year. The library would like everyone to know that without the support of local businesses the programs the library has during summer reading would be impossible. The library appreciates every local business for their dedication and support to the library.

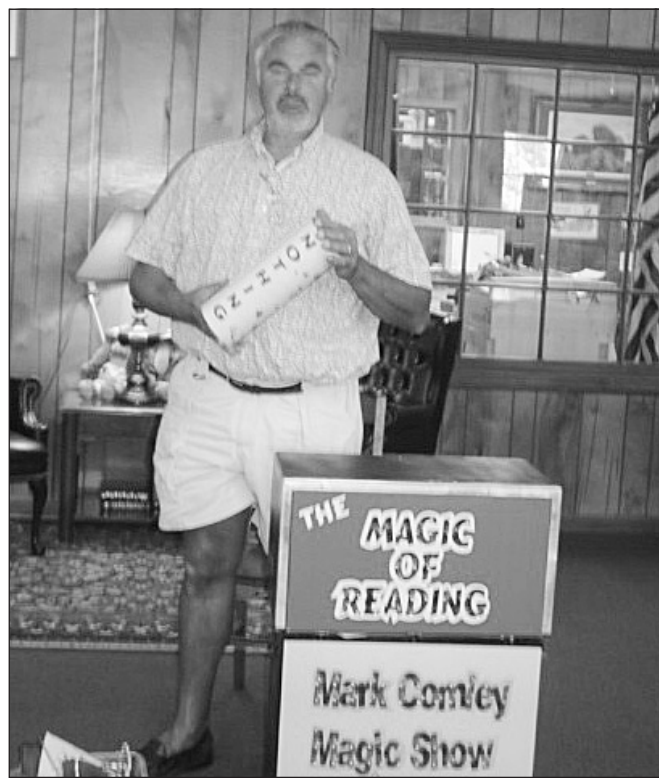
Also, please remember that book logs for summer reading are due Saturday, July 7th and no later. Thursday, July 12th at 1:00 pm., Ronald McDonald is coming to the library and their will be a pizza party afterwards. Plus all prizes for the summer reading winners will be given out after the program. So remember your reading logs so you can possibly win some great prizes.



Jasmine and Callie enjoy painting at storyhour.



Dalton Dick enjoys his coke float he made at intermediate crafts.



The magician, Mr. Mark Comley.

Read the Middle First

By Lesha Cromer, RCMS Guidance Counselor

Choosing a really exciting section from the middle of a book is one strategy that Mrs. Detrina Owens, our middle school librarian, uses with our students to try to get them interested in reading the book. RCMS had a renewed focus for the joy of reading this past school year and we hope that this enthusiasm is carrying over throughout the summer months.

We are in the process of organizing another one of our great book giveaways and plan to give each middle school student a new book when school begins. We have also recently joined the Scholastic Literacy Partners program in an effort to keep such events as the book giveaways ongoing.

Throughout the school year, we shared some ideas for promoting reading in your homes and hope that our families have been trying some of those strategies this summer. At the beginning of last school year, our students participated in a Pennies for Pages effort in which they raised \$670 for the Rockcastle Public Library to use to purchase new books. The staff at the library has put those funds to use and have purchased several new titles for all ages. If you haven't visited the public library this summer, now is a great time to do so!

I also encourage you to check out the Scholastic, Inc. homepage at web address www.scholastic.com for some more good ideas to encourage

reading in your home. There is a link specifically tailored to middle schoolers and special pages for parents and children of all ages. My son and I have joined the Scholastic Summer Reading Buzz. This allows him to log every book that he reads this summer. For every four books he reads, Scholastic donates one free book to RIF (Reading is Fundamental), the program that provides new books for school age children like those in our county. There is also a closely monitored Buzz Board where children and youth can share information about their favorite books or ask other kids about what they are reading.

If you and your children haven't taken much time out for reading this summer, consider these facts that the Scholastic Literacy Partners program shared with me. Studies show that by reading four or five books during the summer, students can avoid reading achievement losses. 50% of kids who read more during the summer say that their reading abilities are better than that of their peers.

Being a good reader can also help your child improve in other academic areas. Remember to keep books available in your home so that the next time your child says, "I'm bored," you can hand them (or read with them) a good book. Books are also great for travel time or wait time in doctor and dentist's offices. Magazines work too! As we always say, "Families that Read Together, Succeed Together!"

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"What Is Written"

Paul in 1 Tim.6:6-8 says, "But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content." One of the great dangers living in the USA is the problem of materialism and discontentment. It seems we have so many that are so discontent, unhappy, dissatisfied about the life they live. We are like the proverbial horse that is trying to get that carrot, that is dangling out in front of it, but never able to reach it. If we could ever learn the lesson that Paul speaks about in our text, that having food and clothes let us therewith be content. Contentment would carry the idea of: Satisfaction, sufficiency, peace of mind, happiness, serenity, tranquility, be enough. Living in a land of plenty, we never seem to have enough. We are always wanting more, more, more, and are not happy with what we do have. "Let your conversation (conduct, NKJ) be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Heb.13:5. Let us take note, that we came with absolutely nothing, and we will leave this world with absolutely nothing! If we can ever learn to be godly, and have contentment, we shall be rich spiritually. When will we ever learn?

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Relay For Life Luminaries

During this year's American Cancer Society Relay For Life, participants will have the chance to remember loved ones and honor those battling cancer with a special luminaria ceremony. This ceremony will be held at Rockcastle County Middle School Track on July 27, 2007 at 10:00 p.m.

Luminaries can be ordered for a minimum donation of \$5.00 before the event by calling Kaye Rader at 256-4823, Kelly McClure at 256-4122 or Gwen Lay at 256-2195. Luminaries can also be purchased by mailing your check with the attached form to any of the following: Kelly McClure at 496 Doc Adams Road Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 or to Gwen Lay at PO Box 1310 Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. Luminaries will also be available at the event on July 27th.



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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of revenues, expenditures, and excess fees - regulatory basis of the County Clerk of Rockcastle County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2005. This financial statement is the responsibility of the County Clerk. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the County Clerk's office prepares the financial statement on a regulatory basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the laws of Kentucky, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the revenues, expenditures, and excess fees of the County Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2005, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement of the Rockcastle County Clerk. The schedule of excess of liabilities over assets is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statement taken as a whole.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 6, 2006 on our consideration of the County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying comments and recommendations, included herein, which discusses the following report comments:

- The County Clerk Should Pay Excess Fees Of \$2,661 As Determined By Audit
- The County Clerk Should Eliminate Fee Account Deficit Of \$4,286 As Of December 31, 2005
- The County Clerk Should Improve Internal Controls Over Deed Transfer Tax Transactions
- The County Clerk Should Improve Internal Controls Over Cash Receipts
- The County Clerk Should Maintain Adequate Documentation For Accounts Receivable
- The County Clerk's Office Lacks Adequate Segregation Of Duties

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the County Clerk and Fiscal Court of Rockcastle County, Kentucky, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit Luallen

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Auditor of Public Accounts

December 6, 2006

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Posted: No hunting, trespassing or four wheeling on property belonging to Warren and Linda Berry on Wildie Road. 23x12

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on Smarie and Eugene Wynn's farms. 33x2

Posted: No trespassing on Crawford Place - Old Brodhead Road. Danny Smith. 47ftn

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Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Wilson Land - WWW (better known as Doc Wolfe Farm) at Wildie. 32x52p

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Separate Sealed BIDS for the construction of Level Green - Hansford Road (KY 1152) Water Line Relocation, consisting of approximately 1,200 LF of 3-inch water line, and appurtenances will be received by the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association, Route 2 Box 595, PO Box 540, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456 until 10:00 a.m. local time, July 13, 2007 and then publicly opened and read aloud at the Kastle Inn Restaurant, US Highway 25, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

Eastern Rockcastle Water Association, Route 2 Box 595, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

Monarch Engineering, Inc., 556 Carlton Drive, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of Monarch Engineering, Inc., 556 Carlton Drive, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342, upon request in writing and payment of \$100.00 non-refundable for each set. Bidders must purchase plans from the Engineer and payment shall be made via check in the name of the Bidder. Plans purchased by one party and bid by another party shall not be accepted.

Each bidder must accompany his bid with a BID BOND in amount of not less than five (5) percent of the base bid. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of 90 days. The bidder awarded the CONTRACT shall execute a 100% PERFORMANCE BOND and a 100% PAYMENT BOND and shall furnish insurance as required in the GENERAL CONDITIONS. CONTRACTS shall be completed within 30 calendar days after date of authorization to start work. Liquidated damages will be \$1,000 per calendar day.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Title VI, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246. Local firms, minority firms, small and female businesses are particularly encouraged to participate. Also, if BIDDER anticipates the use of subcontractors as a part of this project, the use of local firms, minority firms, small and female businesses is encouraged. Any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected. The Eastern Rockcastle Water Association reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive informalities.

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Eastern Rockcastle Water Association
By: Dell Ponder, President

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Notices

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Notice: Brodhead Water Department PWSID #1020889. The Brodhead Water Department published the 2006 Consumer Confidence Report in the Mt. Vernon Signal on June 21, 2007. Copies of this report will not be mailed unless requested by the consumer. To request a copy, you may call 606-758-8635 or write to Brodhead City Hall, P.O. Box 556, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 or stop by the office at 7 West Main St., Brodhead, Ky. 40409. A copy of the Consumer Confidence Report is also posted at the following locations for your convenience: Brodhead City Hall, 7 West Main St., Brodhead, Ky. 40409; Castle Village Apts. office, Castle Village Drive, Brodhead, Ky. 40409; Brodhead Elementary School, Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center, Brodhead Elderly Apartments and Brodhead Post Office. For questions or concerns, call: Brodhead Water Department, Roger Bray, 606-758-8635. 33x1

Bids Wanted: Bids are now being accepted for restoration of the Jones Building, 170 Main St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Scope of work includes: Masonry @ roof and chimneys, new roof, restoration of windows. Bid packages may be picked up at the courthouse, 3rd floor development board office. Submit bids to: Main Street Manager Lynn Tatum, P.O. Box 781, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 (3rd floor of courthouse). Bids must be submitted by 3 p.m., Tuesday, July 31, 2007. 33x4

In its ongoing efforts to maintain reliability and public safety, Jackson Energy will be clearing right-of-way areas associated with our primary lines, beginning June 25, 2007. Specific areas where right-of-way crews will be trimming are associated with the Three Links Substation service. Areas include - Hammonds Fork, KY Hwy. 1787, Scaffold Cane Road, Frank Thacker Road, Clear Creek, Roy McCollum Road, US HWY 25 from Grace Chapel north to, and including, Flat Gap, Lambert Road and Old State Road. For more information on right-of-way activities, contact Jackson Energy Forester Gavin Wilson at 606-364-4056. 33x2

Notice is given that Peggy C. Kearns has filed a Final Settlement of her accounts as executrix of the estate of Eugene P. McBee, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held July 19th, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 33x1.

Notice is hereby given that Jeffery J. Robinson, 323 Bandy Rd. Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed administrator of the estate of Paul Gilbert Robinson, Sr. on the 4th day of June, 2007. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Jeffery J. Robinson or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Dec. 5, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. 31x3

Notice is hereby given that Patricia Dianne Fain, 7769 N. Wilderness Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Bobby Wayne Fain on the 13th day of June, 2007. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Patricia Dianne Fain or to Hon. William D. Gregory, 240 East Main St., P.O. Drawer 220, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Dec. 17, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. 32x3

Notice is hereby given that Lester Scott House, 45 Shorthill St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed guardian of Victoria Grace House on the 13th day of June, 2007. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Lester Scott House or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before December 17, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. 32x2

Notice is hereby given that Dianna Michelle Pigg, 463 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed

guardian of Brandon Scott Roberts on the 13th day of June, 2007. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law to the said Dianna Michelle Pigg or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Dec. 17, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. 32x2

Notice is hereby given that Stephen Eric Childress, 251 Woodland Lane, Mt. Sterling, Ky. 40353 has been appointed administrator of the estate of Stephen Childress on the 8th day of June, 2007. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Stephen Eric Childress or to Hon. Jerome S. Fish, 236 E. Main St., P.O. Box 1850, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Dec. 19, 2007 @ 9:30 a.m. 33x3

Yard Sales

99c Yard Sale: Fri. & Sat., 9 to 3. Housewares, toys, men's, women's and children's clothing -- all 99c. Antiques and other items priced individually. 5th house past Jean's Restaurant on Hwy. 1004 at Sextons.

Yard Sale: 2 families, home of Betty Cain, Hunter St., 6th house on left. Housewares, men's, women's and children's clothing, lots of boys' stuff, Pokemon cards, action figures, toys. Saturday.

Yard Sale: Sat., 8:30 to ? 1 mile past Cedar Rapids. Name brand clothes -- Gap, Old Navy, Tommy, etc., little boy's sizes 4-5, girls' 14-16, women's and men's clothes, John Deere comforter, TV, toys and more.

Yard Sale: Fri., June 29th, 8 to 4 and Sat., June 30, 8 to ? 285 West Main St. Men's brand name clothing, t-shirts - lg. to x-lg., women's brand name clothing - sizes 6-10, women's and men's shoes, infant clothing, toys, T.V., Army desk/file cabinets life jackets, bedding, glassware and other misc. items. Given by Donna Hopkins and family

Portrait Fundraiser - Yard Sale: Believers House of Prayer will be hosting a portrait fundraiser-yard sale on Friday, June 29, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Items include boy's clothes - sm, med & jr., girl's clothes - sm, med, lg., ladies clothes, other misc. items. All items will be half-price with purchase of 8x10 family portrait or "Puttin' on the Ritz" child package, either for \$9.95. For more info on portraits, call 758-4973 or 256-0108 or stop by and see us at jct. of Hwy. 150-70 in Brodhead at Western Rock. Water building.

5 Family Garage Sale: Home of Mattie Miller, 148 Spring Hill Lane, Houston Point Estates. Fri. & Sat. Lots of men and women's clothes and shoes, recliner, lots of glassware - old pieces, some Fenton, some good jewelry, lots of crystal and CDs. For more info 256-4601.

Community Yard Sale: Fri. & Sat., 9 to ? Take Hwy. 461 and go 7 miles to Hwy. 1152. Go app. 1/2 mile to Sunnyside Estates. Lots of Home Interior pictures etc. Something for everyone.

Estate Yard Sale: June 29, 30 and July 1, 2, 3 and 4. Comforters, quilts, household items, glassware and other items too many to mention. 515 Old Somerset Road.

Two Family Yard Sale: 50 Lovell Lane, next to Saylor's Furniture. Lots of treasures, canning jars, clothes, toys. Fri. & Sat., 9 to ?

Garage Sale: At the home of Jon and Breanna Adams on Purr Rigsby Road in Brodhead. Fri., June 29th, 8 to 3 and Sat., June 30, 8 to 1.

Yard Sale: Senior Citizens Center Fri. and Sat., next to Lumber King. Fri., 8:30 to 7 p.m. - rain cancels. Sat., 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., if rain will be held in the center.

Yard Sale: Mon., Tues. & Wed., 1763 White Rock Road (old 461 off 150). Tools - carpenter/electrical, furniture, misc., dishes, clothing.

Garage Sale: June 29 and 30, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 562 Sayre School Road. First road on right after passing Hamm's Auto Sales on 1250, last house on right t end of road, app. 1/2 mile off 1250. Pictures, bedspreads, light fixtures, counter (new), ladies clothes - sz. 8 to

12, men's XL, many other items. First sale in years.

Yard Sale: McGuire Sisters. Thur. & Fri., June 21 and 22. Clean house - lots of bedspreads, pillows, clothes, misc. items. Come and see. 2 miles from Jean's Restaurant on 1004. Follow the signs. Rain cancels.

4 Family Yard Sale: Fri. & Sat., 9 to ? Turn right at Brodhead Fire Department, 3/4 mile on left. Signs will be posted. Girls', boys', men's, women's clothes, quilts, curtains, fabric and 16 inch wheels and tires for a Dodge truck. Something for everyone.

Yard Sale: 255 Hunter St. Fri., 9 to ? Boy's 2 to 4, girl's 7 to 10, baby girls', 9 mos. and other misc. items. Given by Ashley Rush and Crystal Childress.

4 Family Yard Sale: Sat., June 30th at the home of David and Tina Gibbs. 2nd house on left on Purrgsby Road off Hwy. 1326. Boys clothes - size 3 mo.-5T, girl's clothes, men's and women's clothes, household items, digital camera and much more. Also 2001 Chev. Monte Carlo and furniture. Given by Tina Gibbs, Megan Noel, Marie Smith and Libby Burdette.

Yard Sale: Monday, July 2nd and Tuesday, July 3rd at home of Debi Moore, US 25 north across from McNew Monuments at Green Hill. Clothes, ladies 5-12, mens jeans size 40, large, Xlg, boys 5-7, collectible Barbies and dolls, toys, X Box games, movies, books, glassware, houseware. If rainy call 256-2411.

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