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## Shop and save this weekend at Little Ones' Consignment Sale

By Sandra W. Plant  
Advertiser Feature Writer

Are you looking for great buys in children's clothing and accessories?

During these tough economic times, the Little Ones' Consignment Sale this Friday and Saturday at First United Methodist Church in Richmond is a sure way to help parents stretch their dollars while outfitting their youngsters in fashionable, functional clothing.

Many parents have learned over the years that these high-quality, slightly used items can be purchased for only a fraction of what you would pay at a store. With spring and summer just around the corner, now is the time to shop for your young ones at great prices. You will find infant sizes through size 16 at the Little Ones' Consignment Sale, so there is something for children of all ages.

Sharon Stone has been involved with this community-wide effort for most of the 22 times the Little Ones' Consignment Sale has been offered. She explained how the consignment sale works so well.

"We have over 150 sellers bringing in gently used children's clothing, shoes, toys, books, DVDs, sporting equipment, nursery items, maternity clothes, baby furniture, car seats and strollers," she said.  
The sale starts Friday at 8 a.m. and continues to 6 p.m. On Saturday, the Little Ones' Consignment Sale runs from 8 a.m. until noon with selected items marked down 50 percent.

"Many people shop both Friday and Saturday. They come in first thing Friday to get the most variety and come back again Saturday morning for those great half-price deals," said Stone.

Shoppers will find all sale items neat, clean, tagged and well organized. Clothing is hung on racks and categorized just as it is in retail stores, Stone explained. "And you will not believe the amount of items you can get for your money."

If a shopper needs help, there is always a trained volunteer worker who can assist. Stone commends the teamwork and the caring of all the volunteers.

"Hundreds of people do so much to

make the sale run smoothly. It is a true testament to the type of caring people that we have in our community. And having had the sale so many times over the years, we have done a lot to make everyone's experience with the Little Ones' Consignment Sale the best it can be, whether they are shopping, selling or working the sale," Stone said.

The rewards of the sale don't end on Saturday. The Little Ones' Consignment Sale committee, a team of more than 25 people from the community, is able to apply any profits from the sale to local ministries such as Home Meals Delivery, Paint Lick Clinic, Health Now, Habitat for Humanity and God's Outreach Food Bank. Money also goes toward statewide and international ministries, such as sponsoring children overseas and supporting the Galilean Children's Home in Liberty, Ky.

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LESSONS LEARNED

Officials examine ice storm response

By Bill Robinson  
Register-News Writer

"Many agencies and individuals coordinated efforts to get us through the severe winter storm at the end of January," Carl Richards, director of the Madison County Emergency Management Agency, said recently, "but we still want to see what we can do better."

Richards chaired a "hot wash" review of local agencies' response to the emergency at the county's joint information center.

A formal review, with recommendations for the future, eventually will be published, he said.

"We had no fatalities that could be attributed to the storm, and only one serious injury," Richards said, "but we still want to know what we can do better when the next emergency occurs."

Officials from Richmond, Berea, the Madison County Health Department, Eastern Kentucky University, the Daniel Boone Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Patten Regional Medical Center, Church on the Rock and others participated in the event.

Much of the discussion centered on care for people who were brought to the two emergency shelters set up for the emergency.

EKU's Begley Building was pressed into service as shelter for the Richmond area because the university's Alumni Coliseum was being used for the Touchstone Energy All-A Classic basket-

ball tournament. "I tried to get the tournament, postponed, but the sponsor was insistent that it go ahead," Richards said. "I told them we would end up with kids stranded in the coliseum or in hotels, and that is what happened."

No one asked university officials to intervene in the situation, Richards said. The governor, who had declared a state of emergency, also was not asked to step in.

The Begley Building was not well suited for use as a shelter, said Dr. Paula Maionchi, a Richmond physician who volunteered to provide medical services for shelter occupants.

Most shelter occupants were housed in a small gymnasium. Those with special needs, not requiring hospitalization, were placed in a smaller area.

"We had only 10 beds in the Richmond shelter for people with special needs," Richards said. "Fortunately, we never had more than eight. If there had been more than 10, we had made arrangements to transfer them to Lexington."

While much of Richmond lost electrical power, the university campus, including the Begley building, did not. If it had, shelter occupants probably would have been transferred out of the county.

Richards said his goal was to have four permanent shelters designated for the county, each equipped with an electrical generator and other supplies.

He has begun discussions with ECU officials to



Everett Johnson helps remove dead branches from a tree in a friend's yard on Barnes Mill Road during last month's ice storm.

determine the feasibility of using its College of Nursing and Allied Health buildings for a special needs shelter.

In addition to hospital-like facilities, the facility includes faculty nurses and graduate students with nursing degrees who could help provide care.

If the facility is designated as a shelter, Richards would like to see it provided with an electrical generator. Nurses from the Madison County Health Department's home health agency helped provide care at shelters during this emergency.

Many shelter occupants with special needs arrived without their medicines, equipment and other supplies, such as supplemental oxygen, Maionchi said.

"She wrote prescriptions for some who were taken to the Walmart Pharmacy by Richmond firefighters to get them filled. Some of those had no money to purchase prescriptions, and Richmond firefighters were prepared to make the pur-

chases "out of their own pockets," a firefighter said. When Walmart learned of the situation, the prescriptions were filled for free.

Maionchi also said the Begley Building was not easily secured.

"I saw people being let in one back door," he said. The ECU Police Department dispatched officers to the building to help keep it secure.

Church on the Rock set up a shelter at its facility north of Berea for use as a shelter. It became the primary shelter for the south side of the county after all of Berea, including a county elementary school that was to serve as a shelter, lost electrical power.

The church has members trained to provide security and first aid, said Dana Sarver, who represented the church at the meeting.

"We wondered about liability issues when some of our members took people

with special needs into their homes to get their medicine or other supplies," he said.

"Church on the Rock did such an excellent job. I'd like to see it be designated as the primary shelter for that end of the county," Richards said.

Sarver said the church might be able to do that, but it would need some outside assistance.

"We had only two outside volunteers during the emergency," she said.

The city of Berea set up its own emergency operations center, which caused some confusion for Church on the Rock, which was in contact with both the Berea and county EOCs, Sarver said.

"That's why I would like to have only one EOC," Richards said.

Berea Administrator Randy Stone said the city, which also operates the local electric and water utility, needs its own center to manage

issues that applied only to Berea.

"Our water plant came within six hours of going down," because the city's electrical feed from Kentucky Utilities was cut, Stone said.

In a separate interview, BMU Operations Manager Michael Erich said EMA secured a generator that kept the water plant in operation.

Richards missed the first two days of the emergency because he was in Washington, D.C., when the storm hit.

"I tried very hard to get back," he said. "But has hard as I tried, I couldn't get through."

Deputy EMA Director Michael Bryant was in charge on the scene, Richards said.

Richards stayed in touch by telephone to help direct the effort.

Richmond firefighters helped staff the EOC and handle the heavy volume of calls. Nearly 1,100 were logged, Richards said.

24-hour emergency pet care comes to county

By Renika Shannon  
Register-News Writer

Midnight emergency room runs are not just for humans anymore.

Richmond now is home to one of only two of the state's only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week pet care clinics in the state, the other being a similar facility in Louisville.

Advanced Animal Care, located off Exit 90 behind Frisch's Big Boy on N. Keeneland Drive, is a branch of the Waco Animal Clinic that provides 24-hour vet-

erinary medical care and after-hour emergencies.

The facility is the result of a long-time dream of Dr. Jim and Dinah Martin, who own and operate the Waco Animal Clinic located on Waco Loop Road off KY 52.

Pets' medical records are interchangeable between the two locations, but many more services are provided at the Advanced Animal Care facility that has been open since Dec. 17.

The 5,000-square-foot building features digital X-rays and an in-house laboratory for fast

test results, according to Jim Martin.

The clinic also has full surgical capability, including laser surgery, orthopedic repair as well as soft-tissue surgery.

"We have a trained staff of about 20 people," Jim Martin said.

The Martins are joined by doctors Byron Dozier, Jenny Putnam, Tara McCoy, Dianne Helwig and Jessica Estill.

McCoy is the only veterinarian who previously has worked at a 24-hour animal care clinic.

"I just want to visit it and it just had everything you could

ever want and then some," McCoy said. "I was really excited to talk to them about it after seeing the clinic. I felt like I didn't have a choice but to work there. The whole team atmosphere with the staff is just wonderful."

The clinic's capabilities put it above the rest, she said.

"We'll have the ability to give such wonderful care to pets that they haven't had in this area," McCoy said. "That's really exciting."

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# Prospect Streetscape plans revealed

By Ronica Shannon  
Register News Writer

**BEREA** — The Berea City Council saw plans recently for the Prospect Streetscape Renovation project, and it was the first time the plans have been made public.

Ken Sperry from the Frankfort-based HMB Professional Engineers Inc. laid out the details at the meeting of the council via a PowerPoint presentation.

The project, with an estimated cost of \$2,255,978, is set to be complete by the end of the summer, Sperry said.

Planning for the Prospect Street project began about one year ago, according to Berea City Administrator Randy Stone.

The federal project requires a 20-percent (\$400,000) match from the city.

Even though the project plans have been designed, residents of Prospect Street will get a chance to review the project once all the details are determined, Stone said.

"Input from (the council) and the public is what we're wanting," Sperry said. "As we go to the public, I want to tell each and every neighbor exactly what's going to be going on in their front yard."

Some of the plans for the Prospect Streetscape renovation include: 11-foot-wide street lanes, a new bridge that will feature a 5-foot-wide sidewalk and an 8-foot multi-use paved path; retaining walls; street and specialty lighting; and a "gateway" with walls and signage at the Berea College Entrance, just to name a few.

Maintaining traffic and working around existing utilities are expected to be the largest obstacles, Sperry said.

"For every negative, there are several positives," Sperry said. "It's a short-term pain for a long-term gain."

The project's next steps include the finalization of the design, a public meeting, bid-letting and finally, the start of construction.

## In other business:

The Berea Audit and Finance Committee met at 4 p.m. prior to the recent meeting to discuss recently submitted bids for fire station equipment. They agreed on both bids, which were unanimously accepted by the council.

The bids awarded include: protective clothing for the fire department; Lexington-based Bluegrass Fire Equipment Co. \$50,571, and a custom pumper for the fire department, Ohio-based Sutphen, \$357,595.59.

The council heard the first readings of two ordinance annexing property into the city limits. The property being considered for annexation includes 725 N. KY 25 and 290 Estridge Road. The annexations will not be voted on until the next reading, which will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 3 at the Berea Police and Municipal Building on Chestnut Street.

The "Drug-Free Workplace Policy" received its first reading in the form of an ordinance and, if passed, will apply to all regular and part-time employees.

The ordinance outlines the details of the policy that includes breath alcohol and urine testing.

According to the ordinance, a breath alcohol test would be done: after conditional employment; upon reasonable suspicion of prohibited alcohol use; following a work-related accident and also includes follow-up testing at least once per quarter for one year after the employee's successful completion of an employee assistance program for alcohol and other drug-related problems.

The policy for urine drug testing are the same as breath alcohol testing, except the ordinance includes an additional condition, being random drug testing.

Stone announced a Certificate of Emergency that is a result of the Jan. 27 ice storm.

The certificate was needed in order to purchase a brush chipper from Vermeer Sales and Service Inc. based in Elizabethtown. The chipper will cost \$27,400 and will be used for chipping and mulching downed limbs and branches.



Computer terminals were quickly occupied after the new Berea branch of the Madison County Public Library opened last spring.

# State contractors recognize public library in Berea

By Bill Robinson  
Register News Writer

**BEREA** — Appearance, functionality, conservation — Associated General Contractors of Kentucky have recognized the new Madison County Public Library building in Berea for all three qualities.

The \$2.1 million building, which opened this past April, was one of nine projects presented Build Kentucky Awards earlier this month by AGCK that represents more than 700 contractors and associates.

In addition to its attractive appearance, the 15,300-square-foot building is designed and equipped to reduce electricity demand.

Skylights provide supplemental natural lighting year-round, and the geothermal heating/cooling system taps the earth's constant underground temperature to help keep the building comfortable.

Double-flush toilets in the rest rooms mean less water down the library's drains.

Berea is becoming known for its environmentally friendly structures, and the library building contributes to that trend, according to the AGCK citation.

The building includes a cozy lounge that allows patrons to gather around a dual-sided ventures fireplace. Its faux stone rises to the ceiling.

A patio, or reading garden, allows patrons to sit outdoors in temperate weather to read or attend special events.

A 36-seat theater is available for lectures and video shows.

A teen room is provided for games and other activities so library staff do not have to remind patrons to be quiet.

Large windows in a reading area to the build-



The reading garden of the Berea branch of the Madison County Public Library was filled with authors during an AuthorFest featuring about 15 Madison County authors, including Jacqueline Burnside, left, speaking about their works. The event was part of the library's grand opening activities.

ing's back area are surrounded by trees.

"Some patrons have said it's like reading in a tree house back there," said branch librarian Abbie Harris.

The building also retains the in-tile ceiling from the site's original structure, erected in the 1920s.

The new facility has been popular with the public, said Sue Hays, the library system's director.

"Circulation has grown by leaps and bounds in the nine months it has been open," she said. "Circulation has jumped about 5 percent every month," she said.

In January, the branch, which houses about 40,000 items, circulated 14,750 items, Harris said.

While the library's Richmond branch may have more people in and out the door, Hays said patrons tend to linger longer in the Berea branch.

"I think the pleasant atmosphere of the building makes people want to

stay longer," she said.

The Berea library, along with the eight other AGCK recognized projects, represents the very best of Kentucky's commercial construction industry, said Richard Vincent, AGCK executive vice president.

Alliance Corp of Glasgow was general contractor for the project.

Chris Gutzgum of 5255 Design of Louisville

was its architect.

The library's Berea branch opened in a Chestnut Street store front 1989 and then moved into a renovated building on the current site the following year. Additional renovation work was done in 1996.

While the current project was under way, the library was housed in the former Dresser Industries building now owned by Berea Municipal Utilities.

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# Berea loses new car operations



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The display lot and showroom of Britton Chevrolet in Berea stands empty. With the apparent closing of the Chevrolet dealership, a Berea institution for nearly 60 years, and the consolidation of Berea Ford with Commonwealth Ford in Richmond as Madison County Ford, Berea has lost both of its new car dealerships.

By Bill Robinson  
Register News Writer

**Berea** — Berea appears to have lost both of its new car dealerships.

The Ford dealerships in Berea and Richmond have been consolidated under one ownership in Richmond.

Britton Chevrolet, a Berea institution for nearly 60 years, has liquidated its inventory and ceased operations.

Britton's lot and showroom are empty, and a person who answered the dealership's phone number referred questions to Danny Sweet, who was not available.

Britton Chevrolet celebrated its 50th anniversary in spring 2005, after being

named the Berea Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Year in December 2004.

Doug Cheek, who purchased Berea Ford in 2006, said he completed purchase of Commonwealth Ford at the end of January.

The new business opened its doors Feb. 2 in Richmond as Madison County Ford.

"We've consolidated all of our operations in Richmond," said owner Doug Cheek, who also owns a Ford dealership in Middlesboro and a Chevrolet dealership in Pineville.

The new business has about 20 employees, Cheek said — about 15 former employees from Berea Ford and about five from the former Commonwealth Ford.

Cheek said he had been making plans to build a new facility in Berea, but when he learned that Commonwealth Ford might be available, he decided to go in that direction.

"The central Kentucky market is a good place to be in the car business, and we think Madison County is a good place for us to be," he said.

Cheek said he also is confident about the Ford Motor Co.'s future.

Of the three domestic American car makers, only Ford declined to participate in the recent federal government aid to the industry.

In addition to Ford Motor credit, Madison

County Ford has relationships with "about 15 banks, who have money to lend to new car buyers," he said.

Looking at the display area filled with vehicles from two dealerships, Cheek said, "We'll be having a big inventory reduction sale soon."

Berea Chamber of Commerce President David Rowlette said, "I hate to see us lose both of our new car dealerships."

Both Britton Chevrolet and Berea Ford had been good corporate citizens of Berea, he said.

"While we have several very good used car dealers in Berea who move a lot of products, it looks like Ford and Chevrolet drivers may have to leave town to get their warranty

service done," Rowlette said.

Madison County Ford will honor any service agreements made with either Berea Ford or Commonwealth Ford, he said.

"With the ice storm and

getting moved, we've had a hectic time the past two weeks," Cheek said.

"After we get settled in, however, we look forward to upgrading our facilities and building a reputation for customer satisfaction in Richmond."

STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN THE FALL

# Board adopts controversial middle school plan

By Bill Robinson  
Register News Writer

With little discussion and no public comment, the Madison County School Board adopted a plan assigning students to middle schools in the fall, when the district will add a fourth middle school.

The plan was the subject of two public hearings at which numerous parents expressed opposition.

After the vote was taken, board Vice Chair Glyn Green complimented Floyd and his staff on the plan, "for which he took some heat from the public."

He said some opposition "was significantly reduced" after the forums, when parents got to tour the buildings and meet teachers and principals.

Most opposition at the forums came from Kit Carson Elementary parents, whose chil-

dren will be assigned to Madison Middle in Richmond. Kit Carson students currently are assigned to Clark-Moores Middle School.

Other opposition came from Kirksville Elementary parents, whose children will be divided between Madison Middle, Clark-Moores Middle and Foley Middle schools. In recent years, Kirksville students have been assigned to either Clark-Moores or Foley.

Several Kit Carson parents who attended Thursday night's meeting and did not speak said they were unaware that individuals had to submit their names prior to the meeting in order to address the board.

After the meeting, district spokesperson Erin Stewart said the requirement was mentioned at both public hearings.

The parents, some of whom asked not to be identified, said

they were disappointed that two board members, Doug Whitlock and Betsy Bohannon, who attended neither public forum, voted to approve the plan.

They also expressed disappointment that board Chair Becky Coyle, who attended both forums, was not present to vote on the plan.

"That makes it appear this plan was a done deal even before the forums," said one parent.

Parent Cathy Cornett said Clark-Moores, which boosted its Commonwealth Accountability Testing System score by 7.7 points last year to 98.7, had adopted the Renaissance school improvement program "four years ago."

Clark-Moores' score ranked it the top middle school in both the county and Berea independent districts.

Cornett serves on the Clark-Moores site-based council and should not be confused with the

Clark-Moores teacher of the same name.

She said the Madison Middle site-based council voted to adopt the Renaissance program at a special meeting called only hours before the forum conducted at the school.

"Schools (such as Madison Middle) that need to improve should be talking to schools (such as Clark-Moores) that have shown improvement," Cornett said. "But up to now, that hasn't been happening."

While the middle school assignment plan promises to achieve "equity" by not creating a "great school at the expense of others," Cornett said neither goal was achieved.

Madison Middle will have the largest projected enrollment at 545. With 34 classrooms, it also will have the highest student classroom ratio at 16.

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Michael Caudill Middle School have the best and newest facilities, with 525 students and 38 classrooms, it will have the lowest student-classroom ratio at 13.3.

Clark-Moores next year will have a projected enrollment of 448 students and 30 classrooms for a 14.9 ratio.

It other action, the board adopted an amended school calendar that kept schools in session on President's Day instead of observing the holiday. The district has missed nine days because of inclement weather.

If no additional days are missed, the school year is scheduled to end for students on June 3.

Green congratulated Floyd on completing superintendent's training and meeting certification requirement. Floyd was named superintendent in January 2008, succeeding former Superintendent Mike Caudill, who died the previous month.

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