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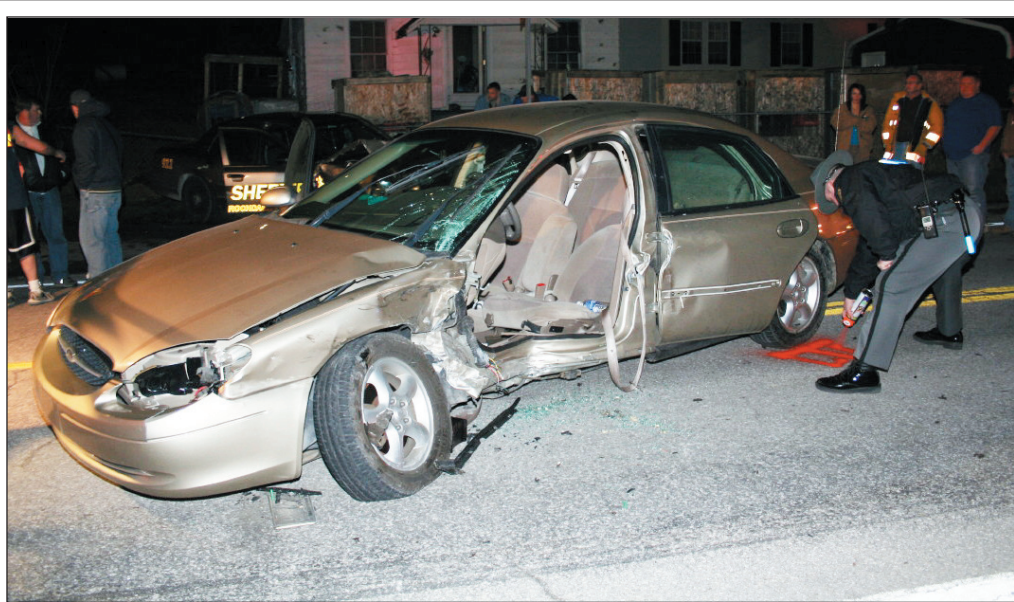
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Delphy and Vernon Price of Mt. Vernon were injured in a two vehicle collision on Sunday night at the intersection of Grace Loop Road and U.S. 25 at Roundstone. The Prices' Ford Taurus, right, was hit by the above police cruiser, driven by Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Ronnie Bradley, Sr. around 6:45 p.m. According to State Trooper Jason Vanhook, who investigated the case, Bradley was answering a domestic violence call at Flat Gap when the wreck occurred. Bradley, nor his son, Deputy Ronnie Bradley, Jr., a passenger in his vehicle, were injured in the collision.



Deputy Sheriff's car involved

Local couple badly injured in Sunday wreck

By: Richard Anderkin

A Mt. Vernon woman is still listed in critical, but stable, condition at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington, after a Sunday evening wreck on U.S. 25 at Roundstone, that also seriously injured her husband.

According to Kentucky State Trooper Jason Vanhook, Delphy Price, 57, and her husband Vernon, also 57, of Chestnut Ridge Road, were injured after they were hit by a police cruiser, driven by Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Ronnie Bradley, Sr. around 6:45 p.m. Sunday evening, as he attempted to go around them at the intersection of Grace Loop Road and U.S. 25. The lights and sirens on Bradley's cruiser were in use at the time of the wreck, Vanhook said.

Family members said Wednesday that Mrs. Price would undergo surgery on Thursday at U.K., after she re-

ceived a broken back and fractured rib as a result of the crash. Her husband, Vernon, suffered a broken collarbone in the wreck and was treated at Rockcastle Hospital and released the night of the wreck.

According to Vanhook, Bradley was responding to a domestic violence call on Flat Gap Road when the wreck occurred on Grace Loop Road, as he attempted to pass the Prices, as they headed up the hill to Grace Baptist Church.

The trooper said Deputy Joe Rush had already passed the Prices and a van, as he headed to the same call, and the Prices apparently did not see Bradley's cruiser, when they turned left in front of him.

Bradley and his passenger, his son, Deputy Ronnie Bradley, Jr., were not injured.

Vanhook said both the cruiser and the Ford Taurus the

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Jones to write Attorney General

City of Mt. Vernon receives good audit report for 2007-08

By: Richard Anderkin

At Monday night's regular monthly meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council, auditor John Craft told Mayor Clarice Kirby, and members of the Mt. Vernon City Council, that his firm's audit of the city's finances for last fiscal year were "very good."

Craft spent about 20 minutes going over the audit for 2008-09 and told council members that the city's assets had grown by nearly \$1 million during the 2008-09 fiscal year and that each of the city's accounts had a positive balance.

He also told council members that each of the city's employees, especially city clerk Jeanette Robinson, had fully cooperated during the audit process and the city's finances were in order, according to state law.

Although he wasn't as vocal as he was at his first meeting of the council in January, member Don Jones had some questions and opinions on Monday night.

Jones told the Mayor and council members he was drafting a letter to the Kentucky Attorney General's office, asking for opinions on recent council actions.

Jones said he would ask for the attorney general's opinion

on several matters including: if the council acted properly after they accepted a deed to Faith Mountain Road, which leads to Northside Baptist Church; if the city acted properly when they agreed to borrow \$750,000 for the Rockcastle/Mt. Vernon Tourism Commission and whether or not the city should pay for flowers, or send money in lieu of flowers, for any funeral.

Jones said he would also ask the attorney general's office to give their opinion on whether he should be reimbursed for classes given by the Kentucky League of Cities for a training event in Lexington and whether or not the city should have donated \$200 to the local National Alliance on Mental Illness Chapter (NAMI).

Jones said he would also ask the attorney general's opinion on whether or not the city should have paid the All American Club \$600 for litter control in the city.

Jones said he would note that the All American Club was a very worthy volunteer group and that council member Wayne Bullock was a member of the All American Club and NAMI.

Jones said he would also ask

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For outstanding community service

Napier receives Everett C. Brown Award

Longtime Rockcastle County educator and community volunteer, "Country Charlie" Napier was honored on Tuesday night's as the latest recipient of the prestigious Everett C. Brown Memorial Award for Community Service in Rockcastle County.

Napier received the honor during the 49th annual Farmers-Business Banquet at the Rockcastle Middle School.

The well-known Rockcastle resident currently serves on the Rockcastle Development Board of Directors and on the UNITE board, where he served as vice-president for several

years. The local WRVK radio personality, began his teaching career at the one room Johnetta School, after becoming the first college graduate from a family of ten siblings.

The 60-year-old Napier, went from Johnetta to Mt. Vernon Elementary School where he taught 5th grade for 24 years and then onto RCMS where he taught 6th grade for two years.

Napier began serving as Migrant Coordinator for the Rockcastle County School System in 1997 and served in that position for eight years.

Napier was also a member of the Renfro Valley Barn Dance from 1974 to 1987 and was the last Master of Ceremonies hired by the Lair family before the entertainment center was sold.

Besides working at WRVK Radio Station for many years, Napier also worked at KIX

Radio Station in Berea.

Napier has personally spearheaded several benefits for local families in need and he also serves as a committee member for the annual Cystic Fibrosis Benefit.

Besides serving as emcee

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Grand Jury returns five indictments

The Rockcastle County Grand Jury handed down five indictments on Friday for alleged crimes ranging from first degree assault to bail jumping.

Duane Kendall, 41, of Red Hill Road, Livingston was indicted on one count of first degree assault. He is charged with shooting Mark Mahaffey with a firearm on August 16th, 2008.

According to police, Kendall alleged that Mahaffey was assaulting him, when he (Kendall) shot Mahaffey in the chest during the altercation which occurred on the bridge in Livingston.

Kendall is currently free on a district court bond.

A man, accused of threatening Brodhead Elementary School Principal Carolyn Graves on October 21, 2008 was also indicted.

The Grand Jury handed down an indictment of terroristic threatening against Tho-

mas L. Bullen, 23, of Silver Street in Brodhead.

Bullen is also free on a district court bond, but was ordered by Circuit Judge Jeff Burdette to have no contact with Graves or any other member of Brodhead Elementary School while court proceedings take place.

Melinda G. Higgins, 32, of McBee Street, Mt. Vernon was indicted on one count of second degree burglary and one count of theft by unlawful taking. She is also free on a district court bond.

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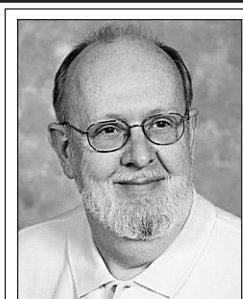
Country Charlie Napier, right was presented with the prestigious Everett C. Brown Memorial Award for community service by Rockcastle School Superintendent and Kiwanis Club member, Larry Hammond, at the Farmers-Business Banquet on Tuesday night.



Among the approximately 225 people who attended Tuesday night's annual Farmers-Business Banquet at the Rockcastle Middle School, were from left: Donnie Parsons, Glenn Coffey and Brenda Parsons. Numerous awards were presented Tuesday night and photos of those awarded winners will appear in next week's Signal. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin).



The 49th annual Rockcastle Farmers/Business Banquet was held at the Rockcastle Middle School on Tuesday night. 25 students from the Rockcastle Area Technology Center, involved in SKILLS USA, FBLA and HOSA, worked at the banquet. Above, Michelle Craig and Matthew Durham are shown serving Angie Adams, left and Thelma Adams, right. The two were among approximately 225 people who attended the banquet, which was sponsored by the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

Neighbors

During our recent trials and tribulations from the ice/snow storms, I was reminded once again of the blessing of good neighbors. I became consciously grateful for the fact that I live in a rural small town where people really care about one another and, as a result, will do whatever it takes to help one another.

When I was a youngster, our neighbors were always helpful and considerate, and we looked for ways in which to return the favor. Living on that small farm, we depended on the folks who lived near, and they depended on us.

Particularly because of my grandmother (Mommie Katie), we were taught to be considerate to neighbors and friends just as we would for family. Mommie would literally give the shirt off her back if she had any indication that someone needed it.

There was one elderly lady who lived on the road next to our farm, and she needed our assistance on numerous occasions. Her name was Charity Barnes, and she lived alone. Even when I was very young, Mrs. Barnes came by our house often to enlist me to carry water because she did not have indoor plumbing.

I fondly remember having

wonderful conversations as I slowly walked with her – a pail of water in each hand. She told me of her experiences with her deceased husband and her children. I loved hearing the stories she told of her life.

In early summer, when Mrs. Barnes' cherry trees were filled to the brim with fresh fruit, she had me climb into the limbs of her trees to pick the berries. Each time I filled a pail, she handed me another until all the cherries were gone. I am quite certain that I must have eaten as many as I picked.

Usually on the following day, Mrs. Barnes could be spotted carefully walking to our house carrying a small box of cherry turn-over pies. I can see her now – coming up the yard adorned with her bonnet and apron, both of which were clean and properly starched. Her back was slightly bent with age, and she moved guardedly. She always remarked to my grandparents about how well-mannered I had been at her house. I actually loved to be in her presence because she made me feel important.

Of course, our entire neighborhood was extremely thoughtful when someone in the family was ill or not feeling up to par. It was common

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Points East

By Ike Adams

Dry land fishing is just around the corner and my thoughts turn to the late William McClure who was the best finder of morel mushrooms that I have ever known. Actually, if somebody was keeping records of this sport, William was probably a World Champion.

When the first warm rains in March start trickling down and the first hint of green starts to tint the forest canopy, there will be secret places in the woods where the elusive and short-lived morels appear overnight and this will finally end when the last dogwood has shed its blossoms in early May.

Morels, often called dry land fish, are the ultimate gourmet delicacy of the woods and they only grow wild, mostly in hardwood forests stretching from Southern Canada to the moderate latitudes of the eastern United States. Finding them requires an intimate knowledge of their habits and a well-trained eye because they are better at camouflage than the shrewdest chameleon.

I have wasted many a dollar trying to start morels from mail-ordered spore and have yet to talk to anyone who actually produced a single mushroom from one of those high dollar kits you may have seen advertised in name your favorite gardening catalogue.

William used to tell me that the only way to do it (make

them reproduce) was to crumble the base of the schroom and toss it about near where you plucked it. He figured that might make them come back another year and allowed that he had no proof it worked but it didn't hurt to try. But he said that "saving seed" had never worked in the hundreds of times he'd tried it.

"It's like planting marbles," he once told me. "They just won't come up."

William McClure, who lived there in Blue Springs which is just past Sand Springs there in the most beautiful part of Rockcastle County and, in my opinion, of the entire state of Kentucky, is the only man I've ever known who nearly always wore bibbed overalls and made the three-piece, Brook's Brothers crowd of bankers and lawyers with whom he frequently associated feel like they were underdressed for whatever occasion they were mutually attending.

William could have worn his overalls under a tuxedo and not a soul would have said that he was not properly dressed.

"I've had many a lawyer ask me where I got my britches," he once told me. "And I told them not to worry about finding anything that would fit because they were already way too big for the ones they were wearing and I didn't figure they could find my brand in their size."

William McClure, as I have said here in this column several times before, never once in his life gave a thought to style nor substance in his attire.

Well--- let me take that back. When William was out and about in public, his wife, Rena, did make sure that his overalls were clean, if not starched, and that his ever plaid shirt was also clean and comfy. Had his fashion been more popular, there were times he might have made Gentleman's Quarterly if a rep from high fashion had shown up at the right business meeting, funeral or Church service.

But nobody, not a soul I've ever known, ever tried to dress up to William McClure because they didn't dare. He did not try to make a fashion statement, but, on the other hand, his fashion made a huge, huge statement about the man he was because William's attire, however understated, was absolutely perfect for his persona. There's never been another

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Farming worth the hardships

Coy Davis slips on his boots, puts an extra-heavy brown work coat over a faded blue sweater and steps from his warm home into weather conditions unfit for man or beast.

But this man has beasts needing attention.

Like all good farmers, he isn't about to neglect his daily chores despite facing sub-zero temperatures and a thick layer of ice coating his 73 acres.

Winter's wrath this year has been harsh enough to make anyone have second thoughts about living the life of a farmer.

But not Coy. To him, this is just another day in paradise.

The Louisville native says he and wife Shirley do have one major misgiving about farming, and they discussed it "just last night."

"We both said we regretted the fact we had not farmed full time all our lives," says the 71-year-old retired fork lift operator.

Their only income from the farm comes through selling feeder calves, and that does well to cover the cost of feed and insurance.

"It's just a hobby for us," says Shirley, "and a great lifestyle for teaching your children how to be responsible."

All three of the Caneyville couple's offspring were keeping tabs on their parents as they endured one of the worst ice storms in the history of the state.

At one time, more than 700,000 people were without power, with Grayson being one of the counties with the most severe damage.

Conveys of National Guard troops scattered throughout the state, going door to door accessing needs and delivering food, medicine, and fresh water.

Guard units from neighboring states and even as far away as Florida contributed manpower and equipment for the clearing of roadways and infrastructure restoration.

Their help wasn't necessary on the Davis farm.

Coy and Shirley's oldest son, the owner of a landscaping business in Louisville, arrived the day after the storm with a work crew.

They cleared the more than 100 trees, and repaired fences that had separated cattle from woods before being flattened by falling limbs.

Most importantly, trees were cleared from the lane leading to the farm house, allowing Shirley to be taken to critical medical appointments in Elizabethtown.

Their youngest son, Jason, 34, pitched in to help during the period the Dollar General store he manages in nearby Big Clifty was without power.

The store was doing a brisk business when power was restored, in particular selling batteries to people still without electricity, plus lamp oil and gasoline cans.

Business increased "about a third" on the Sunday following the storm, says Jason.

"When the storm hit, you couldn't find a C or D battery between here and Louisville," he says. "So my boss and I went down to the distribution center in Scottsville and loaded up 2,000 packages."

"Moving merchandise" and helping people are what motivates the Western Kentucky graduate.

He was only two when his parents purchased their farm just off Falls Of The Rough Highway.

Farming doesn't hold the same appeal for him as it does his parents.

"I have two acres I have to mow at my house, and sometimes I wish I didn't have that," says the muscular 6-3 former basketball player.

"We (he and his siblings) want Mom and Dad to give up farming, but maybe it's what keeps them going," he says.

Coy, who readily admits he's about as stubborn and "set in his ways" as his lone mule Willie isn't at all looking forward to ending what he considers a fulfilling, if not so luca-

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Iron Deficiency Anemia in Children

Presented by Dr. Callie Shaffer

What is the most important part of a child's vitamin pill? Usually it is not one of the vitamins, as you might guess, but rather the iron. Minerals such as iron, fluoride and iodine are essential elements and are much more likely to become deficient in children than are vitamins.

Infants grow rapidly and triple their weight in the first year. Because of this rapid growth they need extra iron to form red blood cells and produce enzymes that require iron.

A baby is born with enough iron stores to last for 4-6 months, but after six months iron supplements are needed to prevent anemia. Without supplemental iron, many infants will develop some degree of anemia.

Most of a baby's iron comes from milk. Breast milk is low in iron, but the iron is well-absorbed. Cow's milk contains more iron, but it is poorly absorbed. Iron-fortified formula is a good source of iron and provides a greater amount of absorbable iron than cow's milk.

As a child becomes older, he can start iron-fortified cereal and later begin foods containing more iron such as meats. It is also helpful to add juices because vitamin C helps the body absorb iron.

Iron also appears to be important in brain function and behavior in children. Studies have shown that when anemic children were treated with iron they showed greater ability to concentrate and were less irritable. Treating anemia also improves a child's resistance to infections.

Even though iron supplements are necessary, an accidental overdose of iron is very dangerous. The vitamins must be kept safely out of the reach of children.



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Obituaries



Zachary Lee Taylor

Zachary Lee Taylor, 34, of Brodhead, died Monday, Feb. 9, 2009. He was born on July 28, 1974 in Mt. Vernon, a son of L.P. and Gracie "Dolly" Payne Taylor. He was an antique dealer whose hobbies and interests included guns, baseball cards, comics, old toys, records and music.

Those left to cherish his memories include: fiancée, Patricia Begley of Brodhead; parents, L.P. and Gracie "Dolly" Taylor of Brodhead; stepson, Kevin Begley of Brodhead; a brother, Merle Taylor (Heather) of Mt. Vernon; a sister, Susan Taylor (financee Matt) of Michigan; an uncle, Tom Taylor (Bev) of Somerset; aunts, Angel Taylor of Brodhead, Wanda Wilson of Eubank, Marcell Taylor of Michigan, Tina Taylor of Berea and Irene Taylor of Harrodsburg; and a host of friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by: three uncles, Dave and Moscoe Taylor, and Jimmy Payne; aunt, Wannie Lee Lawson; great aunt, Dona Givens; and grandmother, Martha Alice Hacker.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Steven Bowman officiating. Burial was in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

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Lesley Diane Gibbons

Lesley Diane Gibbons, 30, of Orlando, died Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. She was born in Lexington on October 20, 1978 the daughter of William Ray and Nita Thomas Gibbons. She was a homemaker and was of the Baptist Faith.

Besides her parents, she is survived by: husband, Donald Couch, Jr. of Orlando; a sister, April Couch (Christopher) of Orlando; two nieces, Shala and Shelby; and a host of aunts, uncles, and other family.

Funeral services were conducted February 14th at the Lighthouse Assembly of God by Bros. Tim Hampton and Chris Johnson. Burial was in the Couch Cemetery in Manchester.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



In Memory of Sadie would have been 65 on February 19, 2009. Loved and missed by Sis Lois Bussell

Virginia Mullins

Virginia Maude Mullins, 96, of Livingston, died Monday, February 16, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Steve McKinney and Billy Medley. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's *Signal*. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.



Sarah Murphy

Sarah F. Purcell Murphy, 85, of Tucson, Arizona, and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died at the Hospice Center in Tucson on February 12, 2009.

Mrs. Murphy was born in Mt. Vernon on December 31, 1923, the daughter of Ben and Maude Adams Purcell. She made many friends after moving to Tucson fifteen years ago. She was a devoted Christian, full of love and kindness which she extended to everyone.

Survivors are her husband, Conn, of Tucson and one son, Jack of Gilbert, Arizona.

A Memorial Celebration of her life will be held Friday, February 27 at 10 a.m. at the Pantano Christian Church in Tucson.

Please note our new e-mail address mvsignal@windstream.net



Dave E. Phelps

Dave E. Phelps, 56, of London, died Friday, February 13, 2009 at his home. He was born November 16, 1952 in Gary, Indiana the son of William Earl Phelps and stepson of Reta Phelps of Mt. Vernon. He was a member of the Baptist faith.

Survivors besides his parents are: two sons, Mike and Tim Phelps of Cincinnati; one brother, Phillip and wife Marlene of Mt. Vernon; one grandchild, Damion Phelps of Cincinnati. He was preceded in death by one sister, Yvonne Phelps.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 17th at the Bowling Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Phelps Cemetery.

This obituary courtesy of Cox Funeral Home.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You

The family of David Rowe wishes to thank everyone who attended the fundraiser and put forth efforts to make the event a success.

The David Rowe Family
Ida Miller Hurd

The family of Ida Miller Hurd would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for the love and kindness shown during the loss of our loved one.

Thank to all who sent flowers, cards, gifts, brought food and spent time with the family.

Thanks to Bible Baptist Church for your love and support, the food you prepared for us and to the ladies for serving us.

Thanks to Dr. Saylor and Dr. Bullock for taking care of our loved one and to Home Health for the care you gave.

Thank you to Bro. Don Stayton and Bro. Tommy Miller for their words of kindness and to the girls for singing the beautiful songs. Also to the pallbearers and Dowell and Martin Funeral Home for the good job they did.

May God bless you all,
The Family of
Ida Miller Hurd

In Loving Memory

Marvin Hensley, Sr.

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It doesn't seem like 20 years should have come and gone since you left us. There is not a day that goes by that our lives are not moved by the impact you left upon us. However, it's not just our family that has been impacted, it's been a community. You live on in the lives of everyone you met, everyone you touched, everyone you loved. From the poorest of the poor to the richest of the rich you were uncompromised in your love but most importantly your love for the Lord. We continue to hold on to your words, "I know that I know that if I left this world today I'd be in heaven."

What a glorious reunion that will be.

We love you and miss you every day.

Martha

Marty and Patricia, Zach, Jacque, Jacob, Dwight and Wanda, Tyson, Leighton, Alana, Denise and Dan, Gabrielle, Noah and Hillary

McKinney Cemetery accepting bids

Bids are now being accepted for the maintenance and upkeep of the McKinney Cemetery.

The maintenance shall include: - mowing and weed eating the entire fenced area, including the sub-fenced portion; - a strip shall be mowed on the outside of the fence cleaning the fence line; - all stones shall be trimmed around and all grass clippings shall be swept away; - weed eating shall be done around the cemetery entrance sign; - all flowers shall be removed at said times.

If interested please mail your bid to: PO Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. All bids must be received by March 6, 2009. No sub-contracting can be done. The McKinney Cemetery has the right to reject any or all bids.



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Our Readers Write

New council member is no "yes man"...

Dear Editor,

Finally, an elected member of the Mt. Vernon City Council that can actually say something besides "Yes, Mayor." Way to go Mr. Jones!! You and I both know you are out-numbered but I'm positive you can hold your own. Thanks for standing up as the voice of the people. Maybe the rest of the council will realize they work for the people that voted to elect them and not the mayor.

Rick, you also did an outstanding editorial. Some of the facts you stated were facts that I'm sure very few people knew, myself included.

Mr. Courtney, please keep on writing your opinions and information. I especially liked the part about the jobs of the council and that of the mayor. Keep up the good work and, just maybe, the council will get the message eventually.

I'm sure, by now, everyone knows the story of "The Castle." The mayor intends to borrow the money because the tourist commission can't and let them pay it back from their share of a restaurant tax. With the economy getting worse every day, this is no field of dreams and there is no guarantee that if we build it, they being the tourists, will come.

I wish the council members would ask questions before they hand the mayor a blank check.

Would someone answer the question of who gets stuck with this debt if the tourist commission dissolves and defaults?

This castle is not like the ones in the fairy tales. There will be no knight riding in on a white horse to save the day, only the taxpayers.

Nancy Burton
Mt. Vernon

Watch out for scams...

Dear Editor,

In the past, I worked within the Better Business Bureau building in Lexington for two years. I learned that scams happen all the time. The only recourse for most victims is to report the experience to their local newspaper, as even many reputable businesses are not a member of the BBB, subsequently, it makes it impossible to check their accountability.

The recent Ice Storm 2009 caused damage to homes and landscaping in many Richmond and Berea neighborhoods. During this time of stress, power outages, despair and heartache, at least one company out of Mt. Vernon roamed the streets soliciting paid work from disabled, retired or elderly residents to cut up and remove debris, trim broken tree branches and remove from the residence, cut down the remains of broken trees to clear the threat from power lines and nearby dwellings and remove the remains from the property. Due to the 'raw conditions' after the ice storm, they asked for at least half of the money up front or more for their gas, chain saw chain replacements, to pay crew members, etc. Much of the work was not completed but they had the resident's money. When residents repeatedly

called them about resolution of the incomplete work, they received the same response: members of the company will be out the next day to finish the job. But, of course, they never show up or come by days later and complete a small percentage of the work. Then they were gone, again. This can go on for weeks after the initial contact with a company.

During a disaster, older residents do fall prey to unscrupulous people, who lead them to believe they are reputable and there to help. They usually quote a much lower price for services to lure these residents into accepting their 'assistance.' These type of companies count on the fact that power and telephones may be out of commission so their references cannot be checked properly. Also, references for a company like this is usually extended family members or friends, who supply a positive reference in order to procure the job for the individuals involved.

Pat Thompson
Berea, Ky.

Special thanks...

Dear Editor,

On Thursday, February 12th, the RCMS Leadership Team held their second annual cancer survivor dinner. A Night of Hope featured delicious food, superb musical performances by RCMS students Brian Miller and Angel Spurlock, and an inspirational speaker, our own Markita Mink. The night was made even more special with an outstanding invocation by Addison Atkin, the reading of a poem by Samantha Payne, and door prizes galore. Many thanks to students from the Leadership Team who served at A Night of Hope, including Avery Bradshaw, emcee for the event.

Special thanks to the following, who made A Night of Hope possible: Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc., Mt. Vernon Signal, WRVK, Southern Kentucky Area Health Education Center (AHEC), Main Street Deli - Somerset, and GEAR-UP.

We also thank those heroic cancer survivors and their families for allowing us to celebrate with them.

Sincerely,
RCMS Leadership Team and sponsors

In response to letter about complaints toward mayor...

Dear Editor,

I write to respond to Jennifer Shelton's 2/5/09 letter claiming that "nearly every week, someone is complaining about our mayor" and "any other petty subject" and telling "little children that there may not be a Santa?"

First, between putting lives of volunteer firemen in danger, taking property that is not hers using city workers, eventually dumping it in Lake Linville, censoring political groups she disagrees with, numerous interactions that fall far short of international diplomatic standards, and excessive, wasteful spending, I am surprised that more is not written. Most of these activities would be legiti-

mate matters for public discussion if they were committed by private individuals, much less a public official.

Second, many of the letters about spending are just that, letters about the excessive and wasteful spending of city government. They mention the mayor in passing, if at all. For example, a 2/5/09 letter mentions "the city council has run roughshod over the people spending money that the city does not have," my 12/15/09 letter notes that "The city and county jointly deserve blame for whizzing away another \$36,000 [for fireworks], and does not mention the mayor at all. Neither did the 12/8/08 letter about annexation costs. If such letters are associated with the mayor it is only because she is the prime advocate of the spending.

Third, these are not "petty subjects." The city budget listed expenses of \$4,807,000 (and did not include any of the roughly \$280,000 restaurant tax). This is \$7418 (\$7634) for an average family of four. Can our families continue to afford this? We don't need over \$5000 worth of kitchen equipment much less a walk in freezer costing over \$2000. Furthermore, government waste of any amount is a legitimate matter of public concern. My grandfather was always very generous with gifts to his grandchildren. But he would have taped my hand to the light switch until the next morning if I left his lights on all day, every day, as the city did with the Bittersweet lights.

Fourth, I want to respond to the attitude that unless you are spending gobs of money you aren't "trying to do something for our children." I hear this, and similar attitudes, repeated endlessly in the national media. It is the most common lie ever told. Every year the city continues to spend like a drunken sailor is another year that families, including children, are denied access to \$7418 dollars that they worked for. Spending someone else's money is easy. The hard work is helping our town and our country by cutting government waste.

I've never been blessed with children of my own. But for six years I volunteered and ran a group that took homeless children to various events each weekend, including Santa at Christmas time. I never told the children there wasn't a Santa. But I knew that if they expected \$110 dollars of toys every week, plus a new walk in freezer costing over \$2000, that at the end of the year there wouldn't be \$7500 for things like rent, heat and food, much less presents from Santa.

Sincerely,
Dr. Michael Sheliga
Mt Vernon, KY

Stimulus Bill will put country further in debt...

Dear Editor,

"The unscrupulous group absconded in a cloud of dust and much shouting." That was the last line of a WANTED Poster for a train robbery I saw on the wall at Cracker Barrel. Congress had just passed President Obama's stimulus bill, and I saw an analogy to the 1,000+ page bill chock full of wasteful pork spending and social manipulation. The "stimulus" bill, that none in congress actually read before passing it, has been

crammed through by the "progressives". There's no money for the \$800B price tag - the country will go further into debt to China, the Saudis, billionaire speculators... who knows; and the Treasury will print more money which will devalue our currency. That is unacceptable and frightening for the strength and sovereignty of our nation.

I've written a couple times about the financial demise that our congress is largely responsible for by promoting - even imposing - unstable lending practices of our banking system in the name of "equality and fairness". Republicans and democrats both share the blame for this, they all saw it coming. The sound principles of lending to those with good credit and the ability to repay were discarded decades back. People also, willingly took on too much debt with houses, cars, boats, RVs... and they used their house like a "credit card" - borrowing against the equity in their home to buy things they couldn't afford. Debt became too great, and the economy couldn't sustain it any longer. It's ludicrous to think we can add nearly a trillion more debt and get back on track - it's simply insane - but that's exactly what we've done with the stimulus bill. The vast sum is in the hands of bureaucrats and their appetite for more won't end with this bill. One blogger aptly asserted - politicians and bankers are criminals with a fancy title.

But equally disturbing are the social projects woven throughout this legislation that will further erode the ethics and morality of our nation. Nobody knows the full extent of what is embedded in this thing. President Obama and the liberals in control of congress have chosen the shroud of an "economic emergency" for social engineering. The welfare reforms of the Clinton Admin have been reversed in the stimulus bill. This maneuver is designed to increase welfare rolls, and amounts to WELFARE quid-pro-quo. In other words, for Kentucky to get some parts of the stimulus money we must sign up more people on welfare. It reminds me of our state legislators' argument for expanded gambling - that it will increase the budget for education - never mind the poverty, organized crime and other social ills gambling perpetuates. It's terribly destructive social policy, and lawmakers know that and dismiss it; because they love the power and control social manipulation brings them.

John Adams said, "Our Constitution was made for a moral and religious people, it is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." Guess what - we are no longer a moral and religious people. Our founders knew that absent people of sound ethics to wield the power of congress, the Constitution itself wasn't worth the paper it was written on. Adams also said, "Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of fact and evidence."

Allison Reynolds

The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



All aboard! This week's "history train" finds me at the home of Albert E. and Eva Ann Machal-Griffin, located along West Main Street. Albert is the son of Hobert "Hobe" Griffin and Ruby Stokes-Griffin. Eva Ann is the daughter of Charles and Lena Machal.

Albert was born February 22, 1934, in Mount Vernon and graduated from the local high school in 1952. As a junior, he and my cousin, Melba Norton-Mize, were voted by the senior class to lead them in on graduation day. He graduated from Georgetown College in 1955 with a major in history and a minor in music. He has a Master of Divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. Later, he attended Georgetown College again, and earned a counseling degree in 1969. In 1982, he attended Marshall University and received a Clinical Psychology degree.

He and Eva have two daughters, Debra Ann Lambert, and Denise Haddix, and he has pastored a number of churches in Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia.

The home where they live is filled with many memories, as it is Eva's childhood home. The Machals bought it when Eva was about eleven years old from the pastor who was instrumental in building the current First Baptist Church, J.W. Mahan. It was, at one time, the parsonage. In fact, prior to living there, Charles and Lena Machal were married by Brother Mahan in this very house.

As Albert Griffin explained to me, the L&N Railroad played a very unique and intricate part of building and establishing the city of Mount Vernon, and her sister cities of Brodhead and Livingston. The L&N (Louisville to Nashville) Railroad was created on March 5, 1850, or at least a charter was granted. The first train to operate over the newly-constructed railroad was August 25, 1855 when some three hundred people traveled eight miles from Louisville at a speed of fifteen miles per hour. It took until October 27, 1859 until the first train ran the entire route from Louisville to Nashville.

As the years passed, the railroad expanded, and that expansion eventually came to Rockcastle County. The railroad connected the towns of Mount Vernon, Brodhead, and Livingston. Back then, in the 1800s, small towns such as these were established and grew around the community church, which was often the first public building built, and usually served as the school, as well. Here, I'll take direct quotes from the history of First Baptist Church that Albert Griffin has compiled: "In the late 1860s, a powerful impact was made on Rockcastle County

when the railroad came through the rural community, and the people began to acknowledge the change that would make us different: from a rural setting toward a more cosmopolitan community. The railroad created a new landscape: from a many-disjointed community concept to a localized mentality of towns that were distinct with distinct personalities."

"It was into that developing central thinking that a group of church members, who had their foundation in the rural community that lay along Skeggs Creek in southern Rockcastle County, Hopewell, developed the idea of a mission in distant Mount Vernon. (At this time, Skeggs Creek was somewhat of a small town itself with a post office and a few stores- Author's note) John Caldwell Carmichael, pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church envisioned a needed church in that growing town where the railroad had brought a new emphasis. Our earliest history of First Baptist Church begins there at Hopewell."

When this new mission was established, November 28, 1887, there was no formal church available for church services to be held, so services were held in the courthouse, sometimes only once a month. Sometime later, a building or church was constructed near where the Lambert law office is now located at the corner of 150 and Church Street. I understand that other denominations perhaps shared the same building. Later yet, a church was constructed on Williams Street, across from Thompson's Guitar Shop and Sylvia's Beauty Shop near where Rhoda Woodall lives. Finally on September 15, 1929, the first services were held at the present location of the First Baptist Church at West Main and Craig Street.

To further quote Albert Griffin again, concerning the church history: "On the east side of the present property of First Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, Kentucky on property that was the Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon is a small cemetery almost forgotten. The pastor/founder's remains are still there just a few feet from the present First Baptist Church..."

At this point, I will close this week's issue of The Roots of Rockcastle, as I have far too much information from Mr. and Mrs. Griffin to continue farther. Next week, I hope to pursue covering such topics as the Mount Vernon High School, local businesses and places of interest, and the effects of World War II in the community.

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“Points East”

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quite like it, nor will there ever be. And hogwash to that old saying that “clothes make the man”. William was a walking, talking example that exactly the opposite is true.

If William had not passed on over to the other side last year, he’d have his peas planted by now and he’d have some greens sowed and his tater patch would be plowed waiting for the ground to get dry enough to plant them. He have several pounds of onion sets in the ground

I don’t expect to find any more dry land fish this year than I ever have, but I will go back to some secret places that William led me to a few decades back and hope that my eyesight is half as keen as his once was. I will sit under the high cliff overhangs and look down on the rebuds and dogwoods below me and I will remember---

“Ike, how on earth did you miss this one? Ike! Watch out!! You’re going to step on another

one!

Ike, you better get in behind me here and let me point em out so you can pick em. IKE, ike, are you sure you don’t need glasses?”

And all the while with the ever present grin and the remarkable twinkle in his eye. William already had 13 children but sometimes he made me feel like I was the wayward 14th that he didn’t want to fess up to. And what an honor that feeling was!

I’m also going to be visiting with Rena sometime soon to see if there is a bean or gourd or squash from which William saved seed from year to year that we can re-establish with his name on it. All I know for sure right now is that I want something in my garden this spring that I can name for William McClure and I’m reasonably sure that I won’t be able to start any dry land fish.

“Ken & Tucky”

(Cont. from A2)

tive way of life.

Money has never been a mo-

tivator, he explains.

“We’ve always gotten by, mainly because we’ve always lived within our means.”

Coy sites a recent experience with Dish Network to drive home his point about being thrifty.

Seeing an offer that might save him money while improving TV reception he called a salesperson who explained all the information needed to seal the deal.

Things were going well until the salesperson requested credit card information.

“What credit card? I have never had a credit card that I know of,” he told the representative.

“I’ve always lived by the saying that ‘if you can’t pay cash for something, then you don’t need it.’”

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“Memories”

(Cont. from A2)

for them to come by with food and offers of prayer for the family member who was “under the weather.”

As I said, the recent storms brought all of this to mind because I again became a recipient of the benefits of good neighbors. The day after the ice storm hit and the power had been off for at least 24 hours, my neighbor, Faye, called to see if we had enough to eat. Aware that my wife and I eat out more than we do at home, she surmised we probably didn’t have a lot of food in the house. (She was right.)

I explained to Faye that our home is electric except for a small propane fireplace and that, as a result, we had been eating peanut butter sandwiches. She immediately invited us to her house for dinner that evening. We were so glad to learn that she had a gas kitchen range!

Her sister, Nancy, who also lives in the neighborhood, called that same day. She said, “I have lots to eat but no way to cook what I have!” Evidently, Nancy and Faye combined their efforts into a scrumptious meal. When my wife and I arrived, we learned that we were sitting down to scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, and a large skillet of fried potatoes.

I cannot tell you how good that simple meal was to us following the meager food we had been salvaging from our refrigerator. Faye fed us again the next evening as well, and we all enjoyed each other’s company.

Another of our neighbors, Rog Matthews and his wife, Poodle, also checked in on us. The people of Furnace Road were so thoughtful during the trying times. The experience made me ever so glad to live where we do.

Since that time, several people who live further up the mountain have stopped to see how much damage the trees in our yard suffered. Some actually offered to assist us with the removal of downed trees. Bugsy Lairson, who lives next to our property on up the road, noticed that we had a lot of trees down in our woods. One of the larger ones even took our gate down with it. He offered to cut up the trees so that we could access the road into our woods.

I am extremely grateful for the thoughtfulness of our friends and neighbors. This is the reason we decided to move to Powell County from Lexington many years ago. We both wanted to live in an area where people are good to one another. It is the kind of environment that we grew up in. And the more mature we became, the more we missed it. You just don’t find that in a city.

Even when Mother Nature strikes with a vengeance, the place to be is anywhere like this: where good manners have no boundaries and people really do care about one another. Good neighbors are a blessing.

I’m so very happy to be living in Powell County. It may be a very small community. It may not be a very prosperous place. But when push comes to shove, we have an abundance of good people.

(You can reach me at mtnman@mis.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927 – Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

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MVHS Class of 1969 Reunion

An organizational meeting will be held, for the Mt. Vernon High School Class of 1969 Reunion, at the home of Roy Adams Monday, March 2nd. All class members, who would like to help in organizing the event, please attend. If you plan to attend and need directions, call one of the numbers below. Also, if you plan to attend the reunion, scheduled for Sat., June 6th, please call one of these numbers: Roy Adams 606-308-3797; Loretta Powell 859-302-8411 or Howard Saylor 256-4938.

Extension Service News

The Rockcastle County 4H Sewing Projects are underway at Roundstone Elementary Feb. 17-20 and Mt. Vernon Elementary Feb. 23-26. **Hunter Education Course:** March 5, 6 and 7 at Rockcastle County High School auditorium. **Feb. 20th - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.:** Sit-n-Sew at the Extension Office. Come and join the group in sewing turbans that will be donated to cancer patients. **Feb. 23-26 - 3 to 5 p.m.:** 4-H After School Sewing Projects at Mt. Vernon Elementary.

DBCAA Meeting

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency will have a board of directors meeting Tuesday, Feb. 24th at 6 p.m. in Laurel County at the Cumberland Valley ADD office. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Beginning Beekeeping Video

Southeastern Kentucky Beekeepers will be showing a video titled “Beginning Beekeeping” at the Laurel County Extension office on Thurs., Feb. 19th and Fri., Feb. 20th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested in beekeeping or becoming a beekeeper is welcome to attend. For more information, call the Laurel County Extension Office at 606-864-4167.

UNITE Meetings

UNITE monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be Feb. 11th at noon at Pizza Hut.

CRRC Membership Meeting

The annual membership meeting of Cedar Rapids Recreation Center will be Thursday, February 19 at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse.

New Hours for Historical Society

The Rockcastle Historical Society will be open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building. Monthly society meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Vernon.

RCIDA Meeting

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority holds its regular meeting the first Monday of each month at noon on the third floor of the courthouse.

NA Women's Meeting

The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting - non-smoking.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Renfro Valley Lodge.

Women's Narcotics Meeting

There will be a Women's Narcotics Anonymous Meeting every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, sponsored by Christian Appalachian Center. For more information, contact the Healing Rain Center at 256-5810.

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.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church was established in 1867

One of the oldest churches in the county, Mt. Zion Baptist, was organized on May 4th, 1867.

The meeting took place at the A. K. McClary School House. Early records show that

some members in attendance were Alfred and Nancy Mullins, Miran and Elizabeth A. Burdine, A. J. and Mary A. Henderson and Mr. McDaniel.

The early members also had guidance of deacons from Freedom and Hopewell Churches.

One acre of land was purchased from Levi and Charity Smith in 1880 for six dollars and a church was built on that property in 1881.

Elder A.J. Pike was the first preacher at Mt. Zion and A.K. McClary was church clerk. A.J. Pike served until 1889.

According to records of the time, church discipline was strictly practiced and members were excluded for dancing or swearing and for joining other churches.

Construction on the new building began in 1950 and, in May of 1952, Mt. Zion held

dedication services for their new building.

A side addition was built in 1973 and in June of 1975 a groundbreaking ceremony was held at the church for an addition of a pastor's study and six new classrooms.

The parking lot was black-topped in 1987 and bathrooms were built and vinyl siding added in 1989.

The congregation is also currently in the process of doing some remodeling for the beautification of the church.

During the life of the church, 37 pastors have served the con-

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Shown at church services at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Sunday were Minnie Stewart, left, and Gina Halcomb who helps serve as church clerk.



Pastor Darren Cupp, who brought Sunday morning's message, has been at Mt. Zion Baptist Church since 2003.



Mt. Zion Baptist Church is located on Mt. Zion Road near Lake Linville. Dedication services for the current building were held in 1952.



Some of those in attendance at Mt. Zion on Sunday morning were from left: Helen Abney, Glenda Bullock and Ken Abney. Helen Abney is a former church clerk.



Some of the many members who attended services at Mt. Zion Baptist on Sunday morning are shown above, from left: Roger Bullock, Jessica Bullock and Sharon Bullock. Standing is Irene Hale. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Some of those in attendance in the adult Sunday School class at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Sunday are shown from left: Ken Abney, Elvin Bowman, Judy Wilson and Gale Osborne.

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Sunday School Director
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606-256-2829

Cornerstone Fellowship
50 Lovell Ct. - Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Terry Fletcher, Pastor
606-256-1645

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Stephen Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Dixie Park Cornerstone Baptist Church
700 N. Powell St.
Berea, Ky. 40403
859-623-8292 • 859-985-2484
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Gene Smith, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
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Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Raser, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church
Thursday Worship 7 p.m.
Sunday Worship 6 p.m.
Pastor: Benton Hurd

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Virgil Bustle, Pastor

First Baptist Church
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606-256-2876
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Kenny Shubert, Youth Pastor

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
James Poynter, Pastor
606-256-3969

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky. 40460
859-925-4048
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Thursday Night Visiting 7 p.m.
Contact: Doris Brown
606-256-0188
burtonpromos@prodigy.net

Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting & Youth/Children Classes 7 p.m.
Pastor: David Sargent
606-256-2968

God's Church of Zion
35 McFerron St.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Wed. Night 7 p.m.
Sunday School 2 p.m.
Sunday Worship 3 p.m.
Pastor: Fred Hecker

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Lighthouse Assembly of God
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Little Country Church
Jarber Rd.
Turn left off Rev. Green Loop onto Jarber Rd.
Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livingston Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Adult & Youth Classes Available
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Meeting 7 p.m.

Bro. Steve McKinney, Pastor
606-758-4097
email: stevemc64@alltel.net

Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
606-256-1709

Maple Grove Baptist Church
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. 40460
606-256-1873

Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Maretburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 6 p.m.

Sunday Youth Missions 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
www.maretburgbaptist.org
maretburgchurch@yahoo.com

McNew Chapel Baptist
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

Mt. Vernon Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene
40 Fair Street • Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wallace Thornton, Sr., Pastor

New Hope Baptist Church
Jet. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd. Orlando
Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

Northside Baptist Church
777 Faith Mountain Rd.
(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
www.nbcnet.org

Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Hispanic Services 4 p.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
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Pastor: Bro. Chad Burdette
Youth Pastor: Bro. Jon Burdette
Hispanic Strategist: Bro. Ken Roberts
Minister of Music: Bro. Tony Renner

Ottawa Baptist Church
1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training/
Youth Mission Groups 6 p.m.

Wednesday Services
Youth Choir 6 p.m.
Children's & Youth Bible Study 6:45 p.m. • Service 7 p.m.
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Holy Days 5 p.m.

Father Nick Pagano, Pastor
Sister Joyce Moeller,
Pastoral Associate

Philadelphia United Baptist Church
834 Bryant Ridge Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-256-9724

Pine Hill Holiness Church
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Allen Hensley, Pastor
453-4801
www.pinehillholinesschurch.com
email: pinehillhc@aol.com

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
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Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church
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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

Contact: Casey McClure
606-308-4570
email: jcmclure@aol.com
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every second Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. • Brodhead
Bro. Jimmy Perkins, Pastor
606-355-2734
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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758-8524 or 758-9316
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Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Rose Hill Church
Pastor: Bobby Barnett
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Roundstone Baptist Church
Rick Reynolds, Pastor
606-758-8095
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Sand Springs Baptist Church
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go exactly 5 miles, church on right
Bob Bradley, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Scaffold Cane Baptist
Chris Cobb, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Union Chapel Pentecostal Church
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Ralph Reynolds, Minister
606-355-2638
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Wildie Christian Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Kenton Parkey, Minister
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
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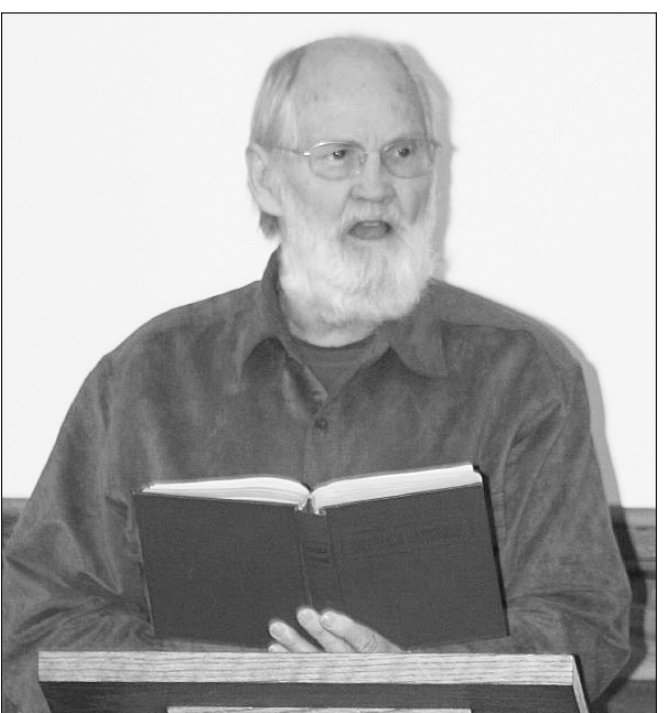
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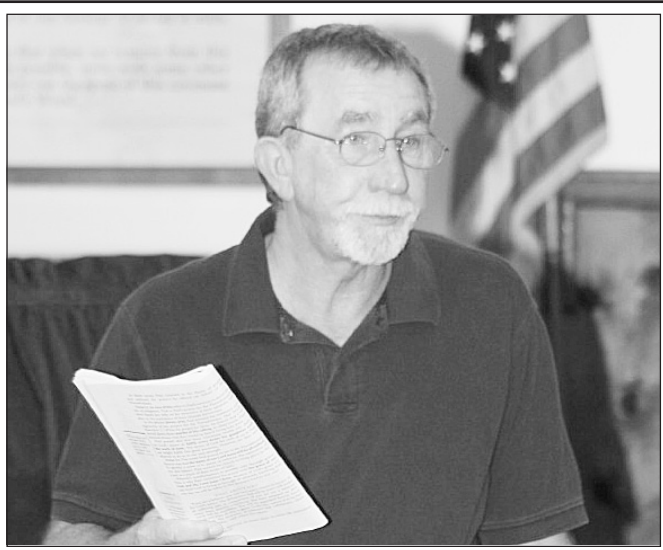
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Deacon John Holbrook led the singing and sang a special during services at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Sunday.



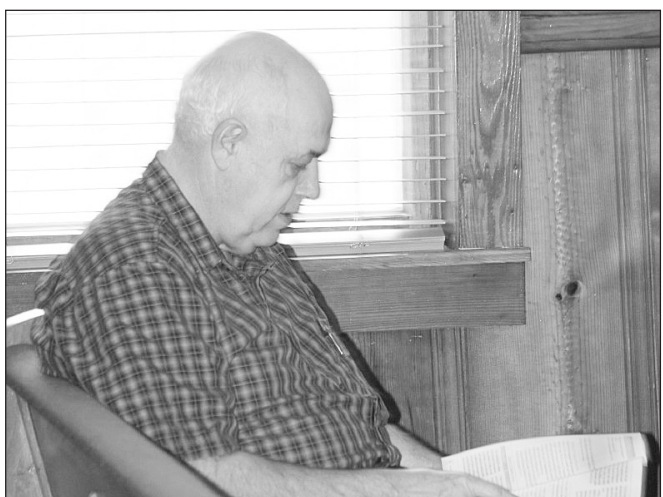
Mt. Zion Baptist Church member Terry Osborne taught the adult Sunday School class at Mt. Zion Baptist on Sunday morning.



Sunday School Superintendent Brian Houk put up the attendance and offering numbers on Sunday at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.



Those in the young children's Sunday School Class at Mt. Zion Baptist on Sunday morning were standing from left: teacher Sonya McGuire, Devon McGuire and Audrey Cupp. Sitting, from left: Drew McGuire and helper Rebecca Richards.



Mt. Zion Baptist Church member and Deacon, Russell Houk, was one of several in attendance in the adult Sunday School class on Sunday morning.



Member Damon McGuire worked to prepare a video presentation at Mt. Zion on Sunday morning.



Deacon Carl Sargent made announcements on Sunday morning at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.



Between Sunday School and Worship Service on Sunday morning at Mt. Zion Baptist, Carl Sargent, left, talks with Suzanne Cupp, little Maddox Cupp and Audrey Cupp. In the background is Carolyn Durham. The church has an average attendance of about 50 each Sunday. Photos by Richard Anderkin.



Bobby Halcomb served as one of the ushers on Sunday morning at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.



In attendance in the children's Sunday School class at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Sunday morning were from left: Blake Halcomb, Kaleigh Richards, helper Norma Houk, teacher Kacee Houk and little Jacob Houk.

"Mt. Zion"

(Cont. from A6)

gregation. Currently Bro. Darren Cupp, from London, is the church's pastor.

He and his wife Suzanna, along with their three children, have served at Mt. Zion since 2003.

There are three deacons at Mt. Zion, John Holbrook, Russell Houk and Carl Sargent.

Brian Houk serves as Sunday School Superintendent, Sonya McGuire is the pianist and Bobby and Gina Halcomb are church clerks.

Church services at Mt. Zion Baptist, which is located on Mt. Zion Road near Lake Linville, are Sunday School, 10 a.m., worship service at 11 a.m., Sunday night Bible study at 6 p.m. and Sunday night worship service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night service is at 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH NEWS

Wanted

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TOPS Meetings

TOPS #KY 0476 are held Thursdays 6 to 6:30 p.m. (weigh-in/meeting times) at

Brodhead Christian Church, Hwy. 150 W and Main St., lower level.

Gospel Singing

There will be a gospel singing at Crossroads Assembly of God Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. The church is located on Hwy. 150 in Brodhead. Everyone is invited to come worship with us in music and prayer.

3rd Saturday Service

Climax Holiness Church, and pastor Darrin Slone, invite all to our 3rd Saturday Night Service on Feb. 21st at 7 p.m., weather permitting. Bro. Artie Alexander will be preaching. Guest singers will be The Pennington Family.

Bible Baptist Church has Cookbooks for sale

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Organizational Meeting

For the Mt. Vernon High School Class of 1969 Reunion

The meeting will be held at the home of Roy Adams on Monday, March 2nd at 7 p.m. All class members, who would like to help in organizing the event, please attend.

If you plan to attend the meeting and need directions, please call one of the numbers below. Also, if you plan to attend the reunion, please call one of the numbers listed.

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"What Is Written"

In the scriptures we are warned and cautioned many times that about being deceived. In Matt.24:4-5, we read, "And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many." The ASV translates the phrase "lead many astray." The NAS translates the phrase "mislead many." In 1Cor.6:9-10, "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? **Be not deceived:** neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God" We could cite other verses like, 1 Cor.15:33, Gal.6:7-8, Jm.1:16, etc, that warns us about being misled. Now being misled is a common problem among men, back then as it is today. People are misled on moral issues, as well as in spiritual, doctrinal topics. Jesus gives the reasons why people get misled, "Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God." Matt.22:29. Either people don't know the scriptures or they simply deny what God says. All error that people are misled in, is one or the other or a combination of both! To avoid being misled, know what God says in his word, and believe what you learn, it keeps you on the right path, in the strait and narrow way!

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FFA Chapter celebrates 2009 National FFA Week

Rockcastle County FFA Chapter will celebrate National FFA Week Feb. 21-28, 2009. Step Up, Stand Out is the theme this year and more than half a million members around the nation will participate in National FFA Week activities at the local and state levels. Stepping up and standing out is not only a way of life for FFA members, but it's also a call to action for others. FFA members set a positive example with their leadership, work ethic and community service activities.

The focus of National FFA Week is to tell America about the great opportunities available for youth in agriculture. From its beginnings in 1928 as the Future Farmers of America, the National FFA Organization today reaches out to all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. From urban to rural schools, FFA is committed to developing character and leadership skills and preparing members for a lifetime of success in one of the 300 careers in agriculture.

As a part of National FFA Week, Rockcastle FFA members are planning the following

special events:

- Agriculture Quiz Question on WRVK each day. Winners will receive a free pizza from Pizza Hut.

- Rockcastle County High School will announce FFA quiz questions over the intercom system each day throughout the week.

- Making posters to display around the high school.

- Public Service Announcement on WRVK each day.

- Giving treat bag to all the teachers at the Rockcastle County High School.

- County judge executive signing proclamation declaring FFA Week.

- Teacher Appreciation Breakfast for the teachers at Rockcastle High School.

FFA members are success-oriented students who are driven to achieve their goals and be the leaders of tomorrow. They stand out by recognizing the importance of being active in their schools and communities and are urged to step up when volunteers are sought, friendship is needed and leadership is required.

Through classroom instruction and hands-on learning, agricultural education and FFA are making a positive difference for members every day. FFA members have opportunities to attend national leadership conferences, develop a supervised agricultural experience project, learn life skills and serve their communities with civic engagement. For example, we fixed fruit and candy baskets plus Christmas cards to give to the long term care patients at the Rockcastle Hospital for Christmas. We have also fixed candy baskets and made poster to put in the hallways of the long term care patients at the Rockcastle Hospital for Valentine's Day.

FFA members are our future engineers, scientists, teachers and producers. One of every five Americans is employed in the food, fiber and natural resources industries of agriculture, and Rockcastle County FFA members are the future of these important industries.

National FFA Week is sponsored by Tractor Supply Co. and Carhartt as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

The local chapter encourages students to dress-up and promote awareness of the organization and the contributions the local chapter makes to the community and school.



County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis signed a proclamation declaring National FFA Week February 21-28, 2009. FFA members present were, front from left: T.J. Singleton, Judge Carloftis, and Kristen Bullock. Back row from left: Alexis Brown, Skylar Holcomb, Brittany Adams, Megan Cromer, and Nichole Roberts.

Students celebrate FBLA Week February 9th-13th

In the second week of February each year students at Rockcastle County High School and Rockcastle Area Technology Center recognize Future Business Leaders by celebrating FBL-PBL Week. FBLA week was recognized during the week of February 9th-February 13th.

The local chapter encouraged students to dress-up and promote awareness of the organization and the contributions the local chapter makes to the community and school.

FBLA was founded upon the ideas of showing young students the importance of good leadership. FBLA also concentrates on proper business etiquette and business procedures. The local officers chose to create awareness during the school day this week by having a theme each day (reminder school dress code must still be observed throughout FBLA Week):

- Monday (9th)-PJ Day: Wear your favorite PJs to school.

- Tuesday (10th)-Crazy Hair Day: Wear your hair in some crazy fashion.

- Wednesday (11th)-Western Day: Dress up like a cowboy or cowgirl

- Thursday (12th)-Blue/Gold/Dress-up Day: Wear FBLA colors or dress up in

business attire.

- Friday (13th)-Red or Hearts Day: Wear red and/or hearts.

Members made posters to display throughout the hallways, and had it announced each day during the morning announcements. Members who participate will get points for the point system (prizes will be awarded at the end of the year for the members with the highest points).

Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc. is a nonprofit student business organization with nearly a quarter million members and advisors in 12,000 chartered high school, middle school, and college chapters worldwide. Its mission is to bring business and education together in a positive

working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs. The association is headquartered in Reston, Virginia.



Local chapter president Regina Rice dresses up for red/hearts day.



Inmates at the Rockcastle County Detention Center have been offered GED® preparation and classes for many years. Pictured above are: Paul Stage (instructor), Scott Price holding his KEC, Jennifer Napier (Adult Learning Center Manager) and James Miller (Jailer).

Education Station

Submitted by Jennifer Napier

Would you consider hiring a person who has spent time in jail? Inmates at the Rockcastle County Detention Center have been offered GED® preparation and classes for years. Completing a high school level of education though, does not appear to provide enough of an advantage to overcome all the barriers to employment associ-

ated with being a former inmate. The trend of a more skilled and highly educated workforce makes it difficult for recently released inmates, with only a high school diploma or GED®, to compete for jobs that offer wages capable of supporting themselves and a family. Without current job skills and adequate wages, the cycle of poverty and crime tends to increase, as individuals struggle just to meet their basic needs in a tough economy.

WorkKeys® may help to provide an advantage. WorkKeys® is a series of assessments designed by ACT®. These assessments demonstrate employee skill levels, in a variety of subject areas. Employers can utilize this information for hiring, promoting and reducing training costs. In Kentucky, the result of passing the assessments in Mathematics, Reading and Locating Information leads to the attainment of a Kentucky Employability Certificate, otherwise known as a KEC.

In April 2008, Christian Appalachian Project's Adult Learning Center announced that history had been made as Elisha Jasper was the first inmate ever to earn a Kentucky Employability Certificate (KEC) at the Rockcastle County Detention Center. In January 2009, history was made again as Scott Price became the first male inmate to successfully earn a Kentucky Employability Certificate. Earning this state recognized certificate, signed by the governor of Kentucky, provides inmates with current documentation of their employable skill levels and could assist them in re-entering and competing in the workforce, upon release from jail.

"This educational rehabilitation program has produced 12 Kentucky Employability Certificates at the jail during the past year. Paul Stage and Therese Tackett are wonderful instructors who work diligently with inmates who want to attend class and learn. These students can increase their educational and employable skill levels, while preparing themselves to re-enter the community, ready to work" states Jennifer Napier, the manager of the Adult Learning Center.

Napier challenges local employers to ask potential new hires for proof of a Kentucky Employability Certificate. "A KEC can identify current skill levels and help employers reduce costs associated with training and turnover."

Minds in the Middle

On Wednesday our students participated in Rachel's Challenge and learned of the life story of Rachel Joy Scott. Rachel was a student who was killed in the shooting at Columbine High School in Colorado. She lived by her own code of ethics to be kind and compassionate to all of those around her. Our Leadership Team also received a training to help start a chain reaction of kindness among our student body. We know that we have a true family at RCMS and will be able to meet this challenge with excitement.

Next Wednesday our students will be viewing the PATH

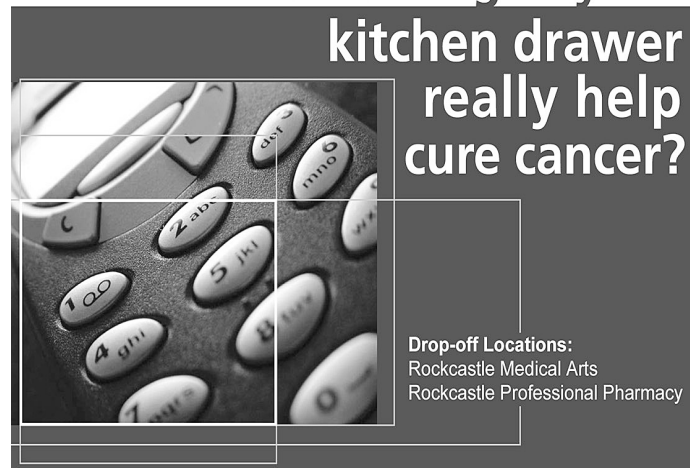
program. This will consist of prisoners who share their stories about drug use and where bad choices lead.

This Thursday students will be participating in our CATS scrimmage. This is like a practice day for the actual assessment window and is a good checkpoint for the students. We need all students to be present on Wednesday!

Mid-term reports will be sent home on Thursday.

The RCMS Media Center would like to thank the local Kiwanis Club for their donation of \$160. The funds will be used to purchase books promoting diversity. Thank you!

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Lady Rockets win; beat Southwestern and North Laurel

With only one game left in the regular season, the Lady Rockets seem to be the team to beat in the 47th district and 12th region tournaments.

After wins over Southwestern and North Laurel the Lady Rockets have won 13 straight and have a stranglehold on the top spot in the 12th region.

Last Friday night, the Lady Rockets had little trouble with the 16-9 Lady Warriors of Southwestern Pulaski.

The Lady Rockets jumped out to a ten point first quarter lead of 19-9 and never looked back, winning 75-50.

Sophomore Angie Lawrence led her team in scoring with 21, fellow sophomore Sara Hammond scored 15, Ashley Robinson had 11, Mary Saylor 9, Jillisa Lay 6, Katy Mattingly 4, Jackie Alexander and Kristen Abney 3 each, Nicole Locklear 2 and Ella McQueary 1.

At North Laurel, the Lady Rockets found themselves in a close game early on, but pulled away in the second half, winning, 65-46.

Hammond and Alexander led their teams in scoring with 15 each, Robinson and Lawrence both got 13, Mattingly and Locklear each scored 2 and Abney had 1.

The Lady Rockets final regular season game is Friday night when they play at South Laurel in a doubleheader with the boys.

The first game in London is at 6 p.m.

Lady Rocket JVs win two

The Lady Rocket JV team has won their last two games.

Last Friday night they defeated Southwestern 46-14.

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Lady Rocket junior Jackie Alexander drives to the basket against North Laurel on Monday night. The Lady Rockets easily defeated North Laurel after beating Southwestern on Friday night.



Lady Rocket JV player, Michaela Hunter puts in two of her 11 points against North Laurel on Monday night. The JV won, 44-23.

Regional tournament begins March 2nd

District tourney begins Monday

The 47th District basketball tournament will begin next Monday in Somerset with the Lady Rockets and the Rockets both being the number one seeds.

The Lady Rockets, who have been ranked first in the state much of this season and are currently ranked first in the 12th region, will take on Pulaski County, who is ranked last in the 12th region, in the first round.

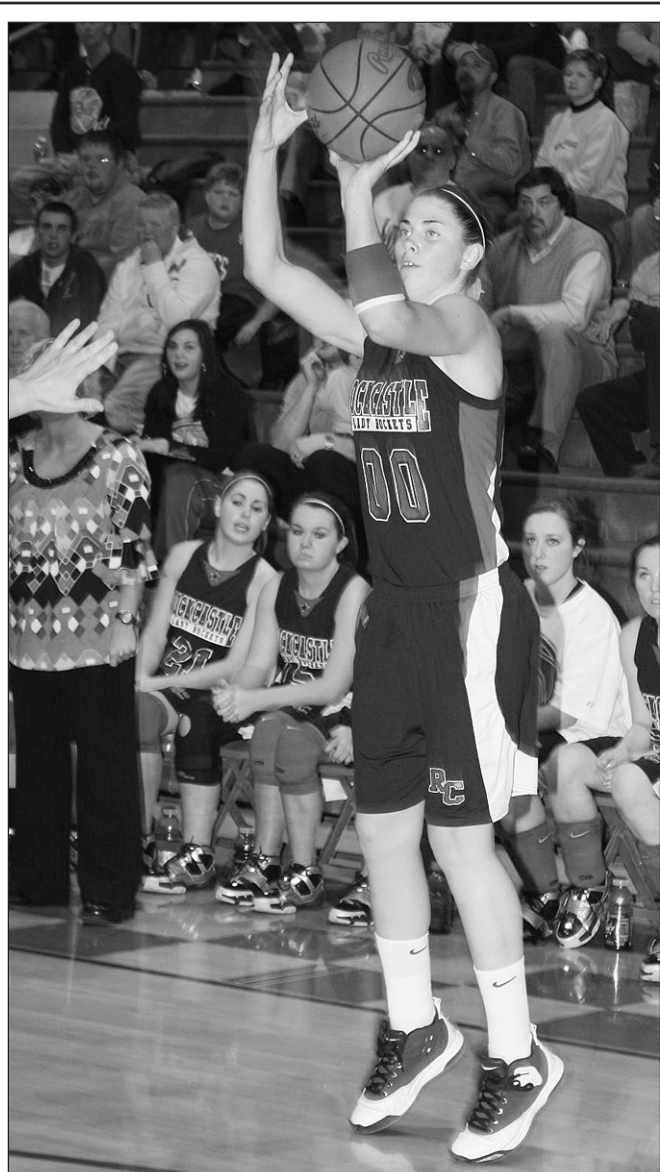
The Lady Rockets and Lady Maroons will square off in the first game of the tournament at 6:30 p.m., next Monday night.

The Lady Rockets are currently 23-4 on the season and the Lady Maroons are 3-20.

The championship game of the girl's district is Thursday night at 7 p.m.

The Rockets, who are now 11-14 on the season, after five

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Sophomore Sara Hammond puts up a jump shot against North Laurel on Monday night. Hammond had 15 points in the contest. The Lady Rockets play at South Laurel on Friday night.



Senior Spencer Mullins puts in two points against Whitley County on Tuesday night. The Rockets final game of the regular season is Friday night against South Laurel in a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets.

Smith, McKinney ranked #1 in all three state classes

RCHS girls' track team wins at Mason County

The RCHS girls' track and field team competed at Mason County's indoor facility this past weekend. Sixteen teams were present for the competition including last year's Class 3A State Champion Louisville Ballard, along with Class A private school powers St. Henry and Bishop Brossart. Perennial Class 2A power Lloyd Memorial was also on hand. The RCHS girls' team had an amazing competition, despite having only two high school athletes and three middle school competitors. They defeated Mother of Mercy, a girls' private school from Cincinnati, Ohio, 64-59 for the win. Louisville Ballard finished 3rd with 58. Lloyd Memorial finished 8th with 27 points.

RCHS junior Samantha Smith led RCHS with 24 total points and had an outstanding meet. Currently, she ranks first in the state in all three classes in long jump and triple jump. She easily won the triple jump competition, leaping an impressive 33'7.75". In long jump, she finished 2nd overall with a great effort of 15'0.75". Samantha also posted her best 55-meter dash time this season with a 4th place finish in an amazing Class 2A best time of 7.71 seconds.

Senior Sarah McKinney ranks first in the state in all three classes in the 55-meter hurdles. She won the event with an incredible season's best effort of 9.18 seconds, just missing her RCHS record in the event by two-hundredths of a

second. Sarah also finished 8th in high jump with a season's best jump of 4'4".

8th grader Michaela Hunter competed in her first meet of the indoor season for RCHS. She had several impressive performances. In long jump, Michaela finished 5th overall with an exceptional effort of 14'8.75". In triple jump, she also excelled finishing 2nd overall with an impressive effort of 32'8". Michaela also ran the 400-meter dash and finished a close race in 2nd place overall with a fast time of 1:05.48.

8th grader Amy Johnson continued to show improvement in the shot put competition. Amy threw very well and

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Rockets lose at Mercer and to Whitley County

The Rockcastle County Rocket varsity boys basketball team dropped two more games this week, first to Mercer County on Friday night and to Whitley County on Tuesday night.

Friday night the Rockets lost to Mercer, 70-58.

Mercer County never trailed in the contest, jumping out to an 8 point lead at the end of the first quarter, 16-8 and extending the lead to as much as 14 in the final period.

The Rockets were led in scoring by junior Derek Thacker who had 21, juniors Matt Bullens and Jamie Todd each had 10, Dustin Reynolds had 7, Jarred Smith and Spencer Mullins each scored 5.

On senior night at RCHS, the Rockets lost to the 14-11

Whitley County Colonels, 50-41, after leading by nine at the end of three periods.

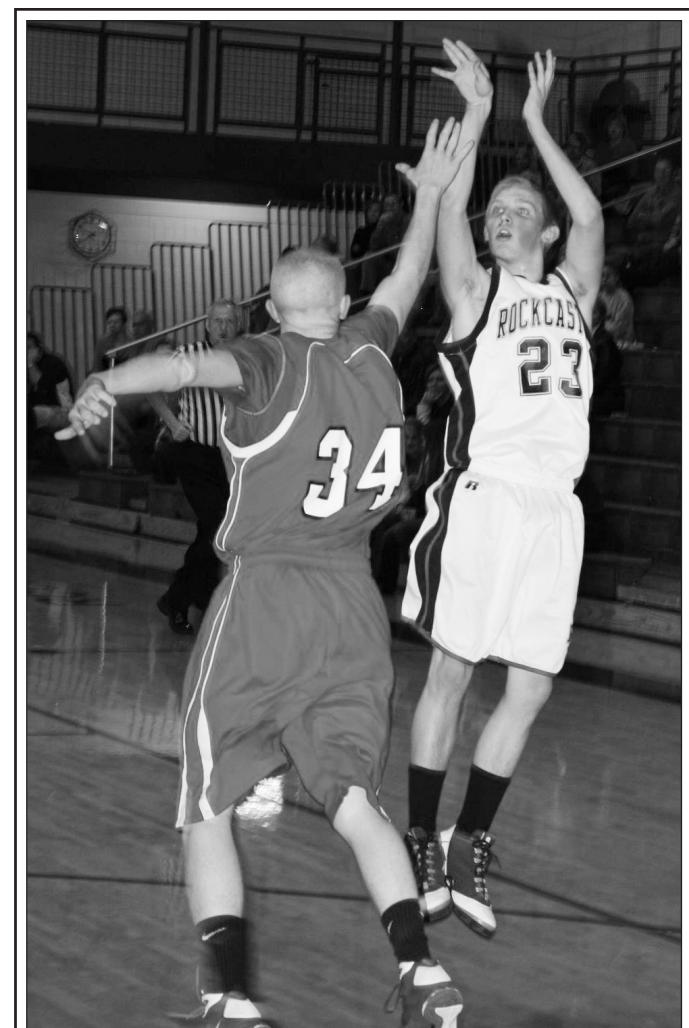
The Rockets had also led at half-time 23-19. Thacker had 13, Mullins 10, Reynolds 7, Travis Carpenter 5, and Bullens Todd and Matt Lunsford, 2 each.

The Rockets play in a doubleheader with the Lady Rockets on Friday night at South Laurel. The Lady Rockets play the first game at 6 p.m.

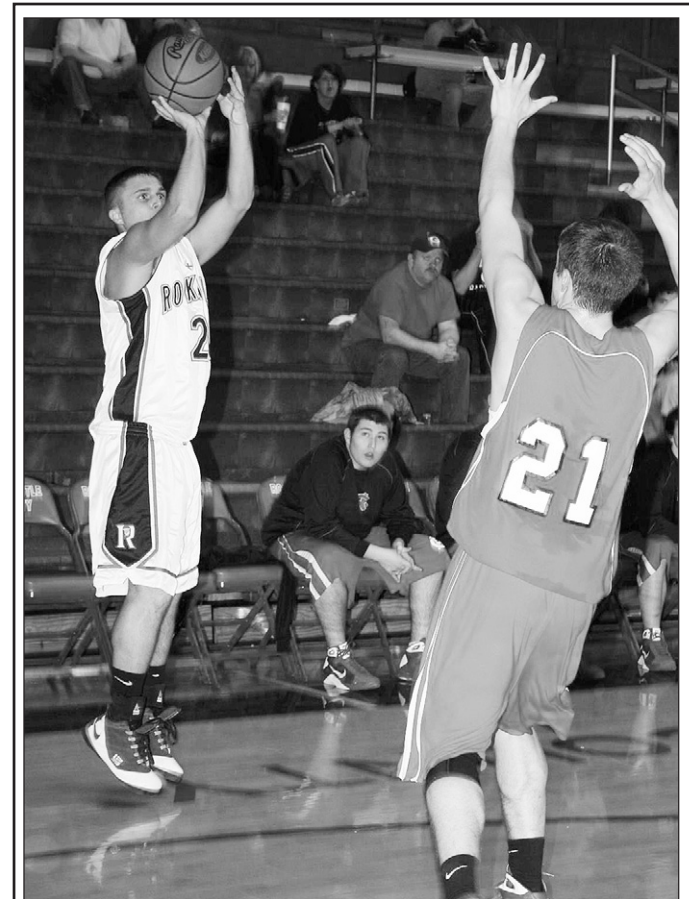
JV loses

The JV Rockets lost to Whitley County 50-36 on Tuesday night.

The JV team was led in scoring by Travis Carpenter with 16, Brandon Burdette had 12, Zach Reams 4 and Jordon Whitaker 2.



Rocket junior Matt Lunsford puts up a shot against Whitley County on Tuesday night. The Rockets lost 50-41. The Rockets who have lost five straight, will play at South Laurel on Friday night in a doubleheader with the girls. (Sports photos by Richard Anderkin and Kevin Canterbury).



Rocket sophomore Travis Carpenter, who scored 16 points in a losing effort in the JV game against Whitley County on Friday night, puts up a jump shot.



The RCHS girls' track team won the Mason County Indoor Meet this past weekend, defeating Mother of Mercy, a girls' private school from Cincinnati, 64-59 for the win. They also defeated Louisville Ballard, last year's Class 3A State Champ. Pictured from left, Samantha Smith, Michaela Hunter and Sarah McKinney accounted for 57 of the team's total points.

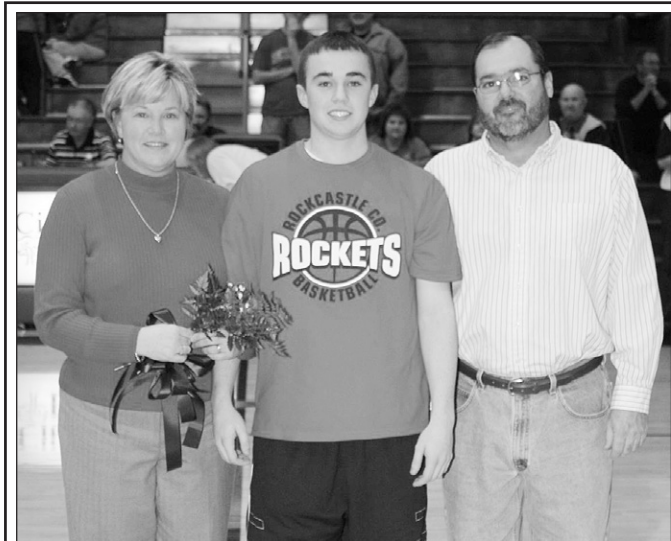
Senior Lady Rockets and Rockets honored



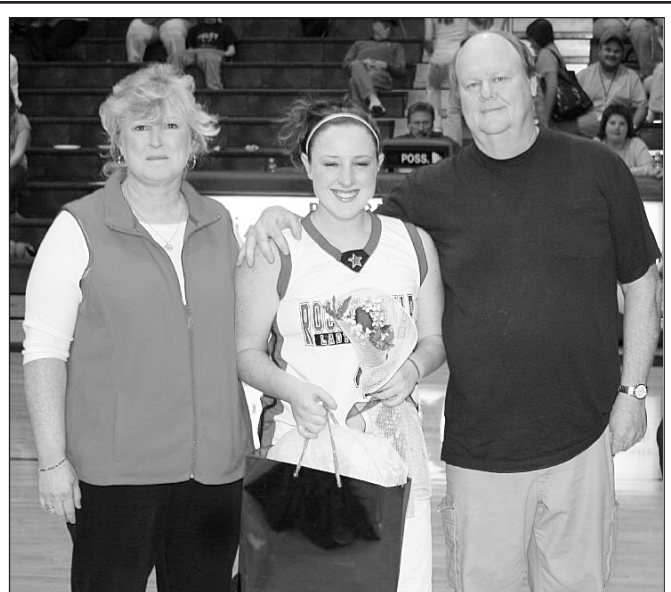
Senior night for the RCHS Lady Rockets was held before the McCreary Central game on February 9th. The first of the seven seniors honored was Sasha Bullock, who is shown above with parents, Celena and Ricky Bullock.



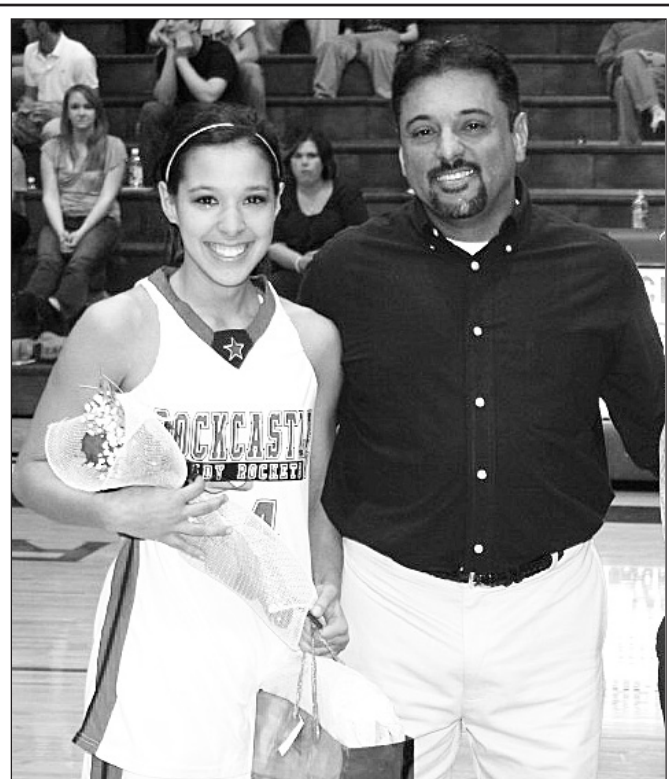
Lady Rocket senior Katy Mattingly, with father, Ken and mom, Jennifer.



Senior Rocket point guard Bryan Clontz was honored along with parents, Linda and Joe Clontz on senior night at RCHS, this past Tuesday.



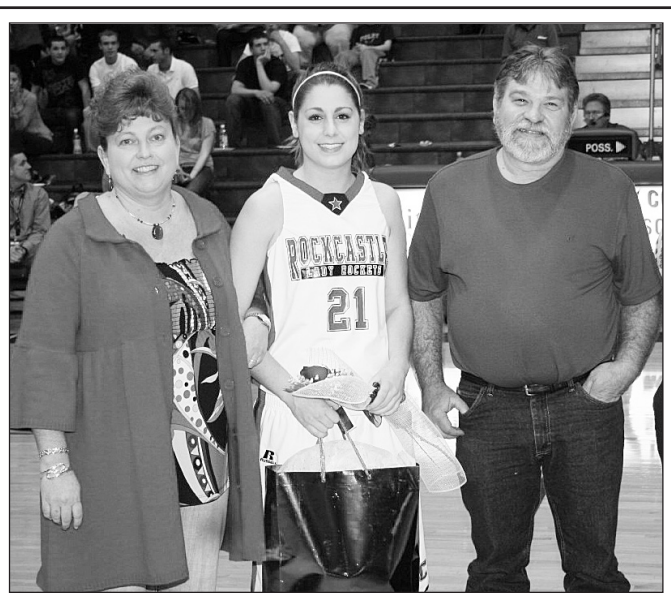
Lady Rocket senior Mary Saylor shown on senior night at RCHS with father, Johnny Boone Saylor and mom, Dr. Karen Saylor.



Lady Rocket senior Nicole Locklear, shown on senior night with father, Perry Locklear.



Last December, while on a hunting trip in southeast Ohio, a total of seven deer were taken - two bucks and five does. Shown from left are: Phillip Doan, Jake Vanover, Scott Miller and Tim Cameron.



Lady Rocket senior Jillisa Lay was honored on senior night at RCHS. She is shown with dad, Robert and step-mom, Regina.



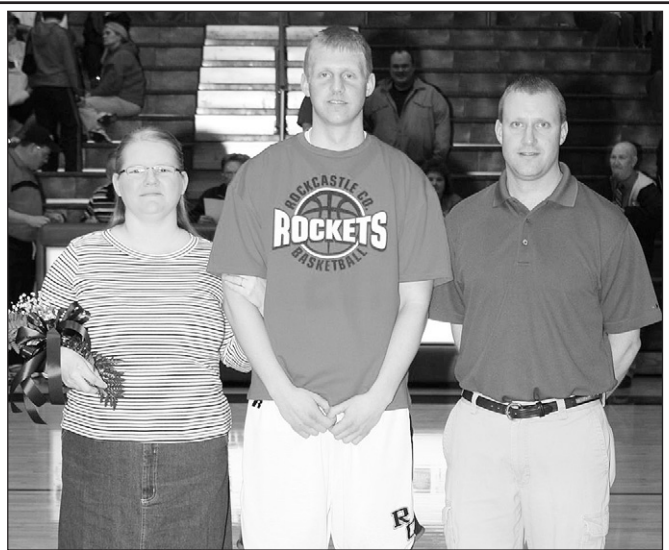
RCHS cheerleader Megan Baker, the only senior on the RCHS cheerleading squad, was honored along with senior RCHS varsity basketball players on senior night at RCHS this past Tuesday night. She is shown above with parents, Angela and Brent Baker.



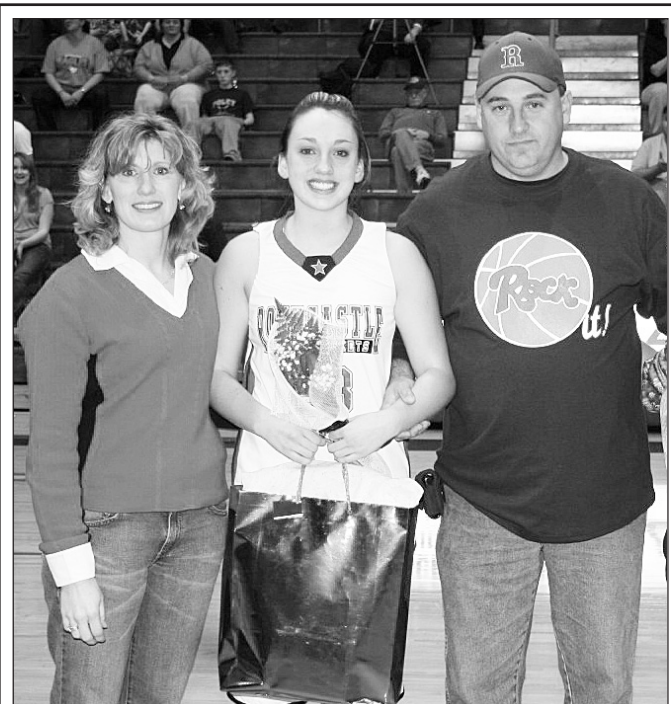
Jake Vanover, 14, killed this 9 point buck last December while hunting in southeastern Ohio.



Senior Morgan Collins, who has been hampered by an injury all season, is shown with mom, Traci on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Rocket Spencer Mullins and his parents, Kevin Mullins and Natasha Brown, were honored on senior night at RCHS.



Lady Rocket senior Ashley Robinson, with father, Dale and step-mom, Roxanne.



Rocket senior Jarred Smith was honored along with the other three senior basketball players on Tuesday night. He was escorted by his uncle and aunt, Tim and Glenda Wolfe.

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“Track”

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finished 3rd overall with an impressive season's best effort of 27'7".

Sarah, Samantha, Michaela, and 7th grader Lacey Gastineau ran a blazing fast time in the 1600-meter relay. The group finished 5th overall with an awesome season's best effort of 4:41.61. Samantha led the team with a 1:06 split.

The RCMS girls' track team won their third consecutive indoor meet of the season and remained undefeated. They defeated five other teams including 2nd place finisher John Hardin Middle by 56 points. Most of the RCMS girls' team showed vast improvement over the past week.

7th grader Alyssa Allen led RCMS in scoring with 30.5 points and several outstanding performances. She finished 1st in the high jump competition (3'4"), 1st in the 55-meter hurdles (11.14), and 2nd in long jump (12'6.75").

6th grader Kira Deatherage shared much of the scoring load for RCMS with 30 points of her own and several amazing performances. She won the 55-meter dash (8.22), 400-meter dash (1:10.86), and long jump (13').

6th grader Cynthia Deaton had a personal best performance in the shot put competition. Cynthia threw an amazing 25'6" to capture 1st place.

The 1600-meter relay team of 8th grader Bryonna Cromer, 7th grader Lyndsey Abel, Alyssa Allen, and 8th grader Brooklyn Blanton dominated the competition, placing 1st overall in 5:14.14. The team of 4th grader Ileana Miller, 7th grader Holly Bradley, 7th grader Bridget Pittman, and 6th grader Kendra Dees ran very well and placed 3rd in 5:42.41.

6th grader Rachel Cain led RCMS in the distance events with two outstanding performances. In the 800-meter run, Rachel finished 4th (3:31.37); Alyssa Cox - 5th (3:31.40); Kristen Brown - 6th (3:34.91); Cheyenne Gilliam - 7th (3:46.21).

In the 1600-meter run, Rachel finished 3rd in a personal best time of 7:01.08, while Alyssa finished 4th in a personal best time of 7:08.21.

Others placing in the top ten for RCMS in the 55-meter dash out of 39 competitors included: Bryonna Cromer - 5th (8.63); April Mason - 6th (8.68); Kelsey Bullock - 7th (8.72); Kendra Dees - 8th (8.73); Lacey Gastineau - 9th (8.89); Lyndsey Abel - 10th (8.90). This was a very successful return to the track for 7th grade sprinter Kelsey Bullock after several months of therapy following knee surgery resulting

from a basketball injury sustained last February.

Others placing in the top ten for RCMS in the 400-meter dash out of 26 competitors included: Lacey Gastineau - 3rd (1:15.09); Brooklyn Blanton - 4th (1:16.57); April Mason - 7th (1:20.49); Bryonna Cromer - 8th (1:21.04).

In long jump, other RCMS top ten finishers included April Mason - 3rd (12'0.75"); Brooklyn Blanton - 4th (12'0"); Bryonna Cromer - 5th (11'7.25"); Gabby Miller - 7th (10'9.75"); Bridget Pittman - 8th (10'8.75"); Amber Woodall - 9th (10'4.5").

Both RCMS and RCHS will be off this weekend and will return to action on February 28 at Mason County for their last tune-up before the Mason-Dixon Games Indoor State Championships.

“Tourney”

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straight losses, are still the number one seed in the district and will take on the Somerset Briarjumper.

The host team is 11-16 on the season and the two teams have split their games this year with the Briarjumper winning in Somerset and the Rockets winning at home.

The Rockets and Briarjumper will play the first game of the boy's district at 7 p.m. on Tuesday night.

The championship game of the boy's district is at 7 p.m. on Friday night, February 27th.

The 12th region tournaments begin on Monday, March 2nd with the girl's tournament being held in Pulaski County and the boy's tournament being held in Lincoln County.

The Lady Rockets are the defending 12th region champs.

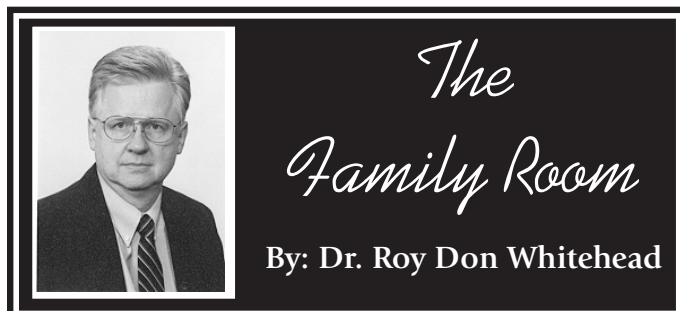
If the Lady Rockets are successful in defending their regional championship they will play in the first round of the state tournament on Wednesday, March 11th at 8:00 p.m., Central time, against the winner of the 15th region.

“JV”

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Michaela Hunter led the JV in scoring with 10, Ella McQueary had 8, Shanlee Burton 7, Katie Cowan 5, Sydney Arvin, Alexis Chasteen and Cheyenne Hensley each scored 4 and Bri Tillary and Sara Adams both had 2.

At North Laurel on Monday night, the Lady Rocket JV won, 44-23. Hunter again led her team in scoring with 11, Arvin had 8, McQueary 5, Burton, Cowan, Hensley and Chasteen all had 4 each and Holly Hamm scored 2.



The Family Room
By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

These are some of the most frequently asked questions about domestic violence.

1. What exactly is domestic violence? It is the physical, sexual or emotional abuse of an intimate partner. An Aintimate partner@ is a husband, boyfriend, wife or girlfriend.

2. What is emotional abuse? Emotional abuse is when the abuser uses words, threats, power plays, intimidation, isolation or money to control the victim.

3. Why do some men abuse their partners? Some abusers were themselves abused as children. Growing up in a violent home can make some men abusive. Watching Dad abuse Mom can teach boys to be violent toward women. Most abusers are very insecure individuals. They feel they must use violence and threats to keep the victim under their control. Other abusers seem to have no conscience and some even enjoy inflicting pain. Some feel they are entitled to everything they want.

4. Why would a woman marry a man who abuses her? Abusers usually do not hit on the first date. They seem caring, loving and concerned at first. Abusers may treat their victims better than the women have ever been treated in their lives. This may be especially true for victims who were abused as children.

5. Why doesn't she leave him when he becomes abusive? Besides the fact that she "loves" him, there are many other reasons she stays. He may have threatened her life or the lives of her children if she leaves. She may be financially dependent on him. She may think she cannot make it on her own. He may have convinced her that the abuse is her fault, so that she spends her time trying to "be good" so that he will not abuse her. Also, she may not know that there is help available to her.

6. Can abusers change?

The chance for change is slim, but there are some who do succeed. Most abusers refuse to admit that they have a problem. They see the victim as causing the abuse and claim that they are not to blame. Refusing to acknowledge the problem means they will not willingly seek help.

7. Should the victim believe the abuser when he promises to change? When the victim leaves or even threatens to leave, the abuser may make many promises. He may say that he will never hit her again, will stop drinking or using drugs, will go to church or will go to counseling. Many victims do believe the promises and go back home. Often the situation improves for a time but eventually the abuser reverts to his old habits.

8. What should her family and friends do? They should not try to tell her what to do. They should not encourage her to Agive him another chance, because she may have already given him many chances of which they are not aware. They can point out the signs of abuse that they see. They can lovingly support her as she makes her decision.

9. Do women ever abuse men? Yes. Women are the primary abuser in approximately 5% of the cases. The other 95% of the time the man is the abuser.

10. What is Family Life Abuse Center? FLAC is a safe shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children. Victims are given shelter, meals, counseling, help with job hunting and referrals to other community organizations. Call 1-800-755-5348.

Rockcastle Chapter, DAR, Celebrates Lincoln's birthday

The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met February 10th to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the sixteenth president of the United States, Kentucky's own Abraham Lincoln.

Regent Ona Kay Owens introduced Allen Pensol, Arts Coordinator for Rockcastle County Schools who, in turn, introduced middle school student Ashton Arvin as "A Young Abraham Lincoln."

In his monologue, the eighth grader chose not to appear as a barefoot young rail splitter, nor as the somber man often seen in photographs, but as a foppishly dressed young man who charmed his Illinois constituents with his homespun tales

and caught the eye of Lexington socialite, Mary Todd.

In his role as a young Lincoln in his twenties and thirties, Ashton reminisced of his early years, moving from Kentucky into southern Indiana and finally to Illinois. He spoke of the death of his mother and the love and respect he held for his stepmother who nurtured his love for learning.

This young man's narrative held the audience captive in much the same way young Lincoln must have enthralled his own assemblies.

The Chapter was pleased to welcome its newest member, Carol Cummins Pybas, and also special guests Mrs. Rebecca Arvin and Mr. and Mrs. John Hale.

Parents and students “Connect-Up” with Gear Up Program

The Berea College GEAR UP Partnership with Rockcastle County High School recently gave parents of freshmen students the opportunity to "CONNECT-UP" with their students in learning more about being successful in high school and getting ready for college.

During the Connect-UP sessions, RCHS Guidance Counselors Dale Whitaker and Janice Miller discussed student learning styles, goal-setting, and study skills. Parents learned about preparing for college, helping students choose a college, getting into college, and applying for financial aid and scholarships. Each parent received a notebook of materials to use with their students throughout high school and two books to read along with their students.

One of the Connect-Up sessions, sponsored by Dwain

Harris and AHEC, was held at the Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Center. Parents and students received a tour of the hospital and learned about career opportunities and scholarships available through our local hospital. Another session was held in conjunction with Rocket Madness at RCHS. The last session was a college visit to Somerset Community College for both the parents and their children. SCC provided a tour of their facilities and presented information about all the programs offered at SCC.

Each student whose parents attended and participated in all the "CONNECT-UP" sessions received a graphing calculator.

For more information about the GEAR UP program at Rockcastle County High School, you may contact Nancy Hale, GEAR UP Coordinator for Rockcastle County Schools at 256-4816.



Each student whose parents attended and participated in all the "CONNECT-UP" sessions received a graphing calculator. Pictured are, front from left: Janice Miller - Guidance Counselor, Danna Derr, Taylor Greens and Will Walker. Second row from left: Dale Whitaker - Guidance Counselor, Jordan Whitaker, B.B. Cameron, Caitlin Mullins, Rachel Woodall and Ruth Hamilton - Asst. Principal. Third row from left: Tyler Holman, Tim Kirby, Robert Reynolds, Carly Asher, Mark Berry and Matthew Brown - Freshman Academy teacher.

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Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
In a Landscaper's Idle Moments: Musings about "Correctness" and Sensibilities

Recently our nation observed the birthday of one of our greatest presidents, Abraham Lincoln.

President Lincoln is famous for much, but today I am going to choose a couple of his quotes and go from there with some musings for today. Some have connections with landscaping, some do not. If you end up meditating as I do on some of these points, perhaps you'll become a more informed person, a more concerned citizen and homeowner and neighbor.

"In the great journal of things happening under the sun, we, the American people, find our account running...we find ourselves in the peaceful possession of the fairest portion of the earth" A.Lincoln.

"I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States...to set apart and observe the last Thursday in November, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise of our beneficent Father who dwelleth in Heaven." With that, Thanksgiving became an American holiday.

Slavery was something that needed to go in our nation long before it did. We now have a president with partial African stock. We can hope and pray that that works out for good.

Yet, I get so weary of the few who have the biggest voice, the biggest megaphones, or who have jobs using their pencils (of computer keyboards as the case is these days) who try to make the rest of us conform to "political correctness". I still sing the Kentucky state song the same way I did when I was in elementary school.

"The sun shines bright on my Old Kentucky Home, 'tis summer, the darkies are gay...."

Why should we have to make "everyone" gay? The same folks now want to be progressive and take God's name out of the pledge to the flag, and off our currency. I guess I am just politically incorrect?

Why is it murder if a drunk causes a woman to miscarry a child, but it's OK if a doctor in a abortion clinic does it? Why is it an adult can't contract with a minor, but if a minor commits a crime they want to try him (or her) as an adult? Talking with a forked tongue and government with a double standard it seems to me.

And since the term "ship-shape" comes from a boat load of black Africans being in shape for sale, when will it become politically incorrect to use that term? I'm getting carried away I suppose; but, let's do take this to another subject while we're on somewhat of a roll today. (And, I should add quickly, I don't have any more problems with law-abiding folk of color than I do whites.)

We have evolved, not from monkeys, but from a nation of people who worked for an honest living and knew the difference from right and wrong. In the Word of God, a man is a fool who beats the animal who serves him so hard that it dies. In our society today, the guy can be considered a criminal. The Book says you hate your child if you don't correct him, yet today you can have your child taken from you for giving him a "whuppin". I believe much of what's politically correct today is both un-American and non-Christian.

I saw the other day how many people have "pet insurance" on cats and dogs. When appointments to some of the biggest jobs in our land get in trouble for not paying Social Security taxes—not to mention not paying health insurance—for their workers, it seems our society puts animals and their so-called "rights" ahead of the rights of freedom to our peoples as guaranteed by our Constitution. (And when we have another major war, not just a skirmish against a weak foe in some distant land, and our satellites are knocked from the sky, and the gas stations and grocery stores are not open for business...will people eat the cats and dogs, or perhaps each other because it's a crime to eat the pets?) With doctor aided suicides, with genetic selection, with killing of babies just because we don't want them...one has to wonder what changes are around the corner for us all?

One thing that may be in danger just around the corner, speaking of losing one's freedoms, is private ownership of guns. I'll let quotes from three or four of our Founding Fathers echo my thoughts.

"None but an armed nation can dispense with a standing

army." Thomas Jefferson.
"Firearms stand next in importance to the constitution itself. They are the American people's liberty teeth and keystone under independence." George Washington.

"If the representatives of the people betray their constituents, there is no recourse left but the exertion of that original right of self defense....." Alexander Hamilton.

"No free people shall ever be barred the use of arms. The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government." Thomas Jefferson.

"Who are the Malitia, they are the whole people....." George Mason.

The tenth commandment...er, I mean our 10th freedom in the Bill of Rights, is another freedom we are losing swiftly.

Do you have a copy of the U.S. Constitution? I do. You should read it sometime. The second freedom in the Bill of Rights; just as, arguably, the fourth of the Ten Commandments, may be the most important—at least it causes the most controversy.

When someone says "they ought to pass a law against...." my reaction is, we could get by just fine if someone took a black magic marker to about 90% of the laws we already have. Didn't we get along better fifty or a hundred or two hundred years ago when there were a lot fewer laws?!

You cannot legislate morality. Another way we have lost our way as a society is drug abuse. But, obviously, to anyone who does not already have an opinion or has not already made up his (or her) mind on the subject, our governments's approach is a greater failure than Prohibition. Look at the money we would save, at the jail cells taxpayers would not have to pay for, at the municipal budgets we could trim, etc.

I mean, if they just let people who wanted the stuff grow a plant or two, marijuana would be just like tobacco. There would be no need for laws against "laundering" drug money. There would be no more, hopefully, "guilty until proven innocent" presumptions like you are if police were to find a pack of "roll-your-own cigarette papers" in your possession or a single pot plant were found growing on your property. Just as the concept of "dry" areas don't keep alcohol out, so it is with drug laws. I don't advocate drug abuse. But, I am positive, as Americans, we would be better to forget the national "war on drugs" and probably the "war on terror" as well.

For they are wars we will not win. Just as our beloved Abraham Lincoln knew it was God who gave us this land we call America,

Just as when king Robert the Bruce (remember the movie Braveheart?) knew when he commissioned the penning of the Scottish Declaration of Independence in 1320 that it was God who gave him his crown, (ever wonder where the concept of Divine Right of Kings you heard about in history class came from?), so we, today ought to put our God back into the center of our country and our lives.

Today it's "politically correct" to leave any mention of God or religion out of everything. I fear that unless this changes, we will lose the blessings we've known in this beautiful land.

I refuse to be easily "squashed" into a little box and put off in a "correctness" corner somewhere. So long as our schools use a "cookie-cutter" approach to learning, there'll be no more Albert Einsteins or Alexander Bells. Creative genius has been stifled. I am grateful we can still have the freedom to live as we believe right, and that I can still express myself without fear of going to jail. I am grateful for my readers.

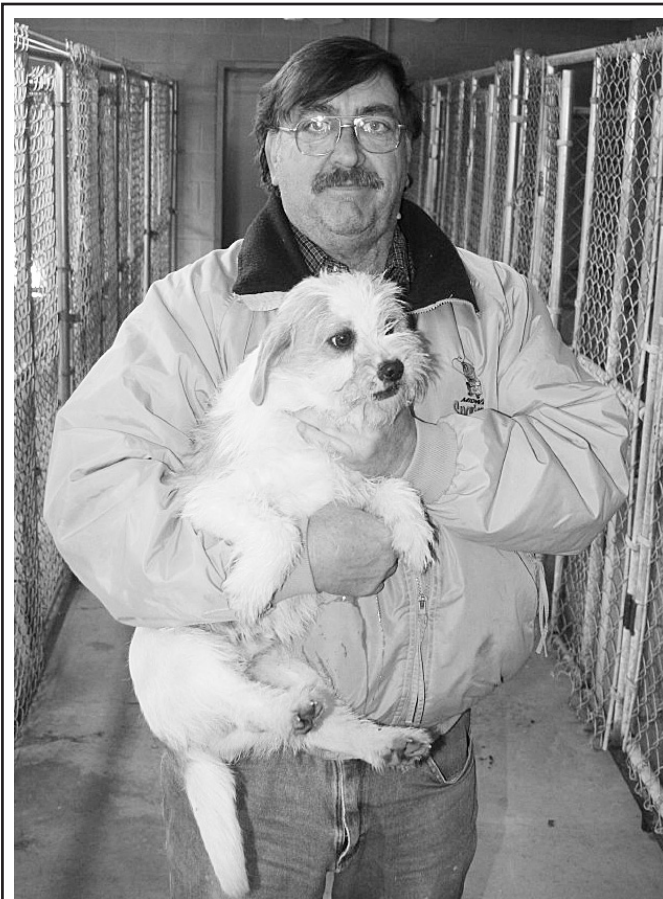
I hope that each of us may have a profitable 2009, enjoy our physical blessings (for indeed, as they say, you can't take 'em with you when you die), and be grateful to live in a land that is still relatively free. And no matter how soon the current economic stress eases, landscaping will continue to be a good investment, and I would hope watergardens remain a popular feature.

Creating paradise for folks one yard at a time has been the theme of this column for eight full years now. I hope I can continue it, and also to continue earning a living doing what I love.

The author is a freelance writer and a landscaper specializing in waterfalls. Visit on the internet at www.rockcastles.com



Abraham Lincoln came to MVES to speak with 5th graders on President's Day. He is pictured above with school secretary, Pat Allen.



Still one more Shih-tzu

The above 8-month-old Shih-tzu pup is the last of four who were among the dogs and pups up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmom Road, at Roundstone, this week. There are still several other dogs and pups now up for adoption. The adoption fee is \$20. The animal shelter is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except for Tuesday when it is closed from noon to 2 p.m. For more information call (606) 256-1833 or go online at www.pets911.com.

24 local students earn Dean's List at SCC

Twenty-Four (24) students from Rockcastle County earned the Somerset Community College Dean's List for the Fall 2008 Semester. The enrollment at SCC is more than 7,300 students. Only 570 SCC students or about eight percent (8%) made the SCC Fall 2008 Dean's List.

The students are: Adrienne Paige Lovell, Li Chen, Brandon DeBorde, Kimberly L. Preston, Megan H. Alcorn, Janice Renee Barnett, Starla Sky Bengé, Ashlee Brooke Bradley, Matthew C. Bray, Gary K. Caldwell, Laura M.

Childress, Brenda Marteen Cottrell, Kimberly G. Cottrell, Marcus Bentley Fultz, Ashley Danielle Harrison, Tawanna Lynn Hasty, Jessica L. Lunsford, Phillip M. McFerron, Elizabeth M. Midden, Christopher D. Mullins, Becky L. Prewitt, Emily Faith Renner, Brandy Nicole Scaff, Stacy S. Thacker, and Rachel Katherine Wright.

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

Somerset Community College is a comprehensive two-year institution of higher education. SCC has campuses in Somerset and London, centers in Clinton, McCreary, Casey, and Russell Counties. The website is www.somerset.kctcs.edu.

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Jessica L. Lunsford, a first year Respiratory Therapist at Somerset Community College, has been placed on the Dean's List. Students must be classified as a full-time student and have a GPA of at least 3.60 for the semester. Jessica is the daughter of Donald Lunsford of Richmond and Teresa Amis of Mt. Vernon, the granddaughter of Vivian Amis and the late Jesse J. Amis and Edith Lunsford and the late Raymond Lunsford and aunt to Zachary L. Lunsford. Jessica works as a SRNA at The Terrace Nursing Home in Berea.

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Judges Burdette, Lawless appointed to Chief Judge positions for region

Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr. has appointed Chief Circuit Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette to the post of vice chief regional circuit judge for the Cumberland Region. He also appointed Chief District Judge Jeffrey Scott Lawless as chief regional district judge for the Cumberland Region. The appointments were effective Jan. 1.

"I am honored that Chief Justice Minton has chosen me for this position," Judge Burdette said. "I look forward to working with my fellow circuit judges in this part of Kentucky and with Judge Lawless as the chief regional district judge. These positions give us a unique opportunity to work together to ensure that the court system is fair, efficient and responsive to the citizens in circuit and district court."

Chief regional judges are responsible for assigning special judges in cases of conflicts of interest or vacancies and may serve in the absence of any judge within their region. These judges supervise the administrative business of the courts in their region and provide general direction and supervision to the nonjudicial personnel assigned to those courts.

The Cumberland Region for Circuit Court consists of Adair, Bell, Casey, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, Harlan, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, Leslie, Lincoln, Marion, McCreary, Monroe, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Taylor, Washington, Wayne and Whitley counties. The Cumberland Region is the same for District Court ex-

cept that it does not include Lincoln County but does include Nelson County.

Judge Burdette is chief circuit judge for Kentucky's 28th Judicial Circuit, which is comprised of Lincoln, Pulaski and Rockcastle counties. Judge Lawless is chief district judge for Kentucky's 28th Judicial District, which is comprised of Pulaski and Rockcastle Counties.

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Judge Jeff Burdette



Judge Scott Lawless

"Accident"

(Cont. from front)

Prices were driving were totaled in the accident.

Delphy Price's sister, Zannie Robinson, said doctors have told family members that her sister could be paralyzed as a result of the accident, but that they could not determine that until after the surgery on Thursday (today). The Prices were using their seat belts at the time of the accident.

Members of the Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue, Brindle Ridge Fire Department and Rockcastle Ambulance Service responded to the wreck.

Rescue workers had to use the Jaws-of-life to free the Prices from their vehicle.

"Indicted"

(Cont. from front)

Elliott Dooley, 29, of Gregory Street, Berea was indicted on one count of receiving stolen property. He is currently being held in the Madison County Detention Center on other charges.

Kevin McFerron, 19, Mt. Vernon was indicted on a charge of bail jumping, after he failed to appear on a felony charge in Rockcastle Circuit Court on January 23rd.

McFerron has not been arrested on the indictment.

Arraignment dates have not been set in any of the five cases.

"Council"

(Cont. from front)

if the items he mentioned in his letter would fit into the "scope of public purpose spending."

Jones asked other council members if they would like to sign his letter, but none of the other five council members opted to do so.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the council is March 16th at 7 p.m. at city hall.

"Napier"

(Cont. from front)

for the Mt. Vernon and Berea Christmas Parades, he also is emcee of the annual Cruise in Valley Car Show, which benefits each of the county's three city governments.

Rockcastle County School Superintendent Larry Hammond, who presented the award to Napier on Tuesday night on behalf of the Rockcastle Kiwanis Club, told the crowd that he did not know anyone more deserving of the prestigious reward.

"He (Napier) has a free spirit and has given of himself freely over the years and continues to do so. By both actions and testimony he truly loves the community of Rockcastle County. He is a most worthy recipient of the Everett C. Brown Community Service Award," Hammond told the crowd.

Freshman Academy visits local radio station

During the month of January, three freshman students from RCHS paid a visit to WRVK. The students were eligible for the trip because they were selected as students of the month for the month of December. The students, April Montjoy, Ben Lake, and B.B. Bradley were chosen by their teachers in the Freshman Academy, based on their overall classroom attitude for the month. The students were accompanied by Freshman Academy teacher Dusty McClure.

While on the short trip, up U.S. 25, the students were able to get a good look as to how a radio show was produced. Each student also had their turn at being interviewed, live, on the Community Matters program that is broadcast on 1460 am. Mr. Charlie Napier, the host of Community Matters, asked the students questions about the Freshman Academy at RCHS, as well as

questions about their personal future plans. Before leaving the station, the students had their picture taken with radio personality Mr. Pete Stamper.

After leaving WRVK the students were able to take a tour of the Country Music Hall of Fame Museum at Renfro Valley. The students were allowed to take their time to look at artifacts and read passages about much of the music history of Kentucky.

The final leg of the trip was a visit to Pizza Hut. The students were rewarded with a meal, paid for by the Rockcastle County UNITE Coalition. After the meal the students had the opportunity to participate in a UNITE meeting where the students were recognized by name and were given a chance to ask or answer questions. The students really enjoyed the trip and they look forward to having their classmates receive the same recognition.

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Steve Casebolt	Terry Tyree

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Second Section

Thursday, February 19, 2009



RCMS 7th grade Language Arts teacher Markita Mink was the featured inspirational speaker at Thursday night's Cancer Survivor's Dinner at the middle school. Mink is a cancer survivor herself.

RCMS Leadership Team holds "A Night of Hope"



Teacher Vanessa Bullock, left, a RCMS Leadership Team sponsor, presented employees of the Rockcastle Hospital Chemotherapy Department with a Mitchell Tolle Print, on Thursday night at the Cancer Survivor's Dinner. The print will be put on display in the Cancer Center at the hospital. Members of the Chemotherapy staff are shown above, from right: Debra Stanley, Renee Miller, Gayle DeBorde and Melissa Brock.



Some of those in attendance at Thursday night's Cancer Survivor's Dinner at RCMS are shown above, from left: Geraldine McGuire, Joann and John King and 7th grader Brian Miller. Miller sang two special songs and played the piano as part of the entertainment for the dinner, which honored all cancer survivors and remembered those who lost their battle with the disease.



Approximately 70 cancer survivors and their families attended the second annual "Night of Hope" in honor of cancer survivors last Thursday night at Rockcastle Middle School. Some of those in attendance were, from left: Judy Maples, Vester Maples, Darrell Allen and Darlena Allen. Both the Maples are cancer survivors, as is Darlena Allen.



RCMS 8th grader Samantha Payne led a "Moment of Silence" for all those who lost their battle with cancer, during the Night of Hope at the Rockcastle Middle School on Thursday night.



RCMS student Angel Spurlock sang a special song on Thursday night at the Night of Hope at the Rockcastle Middle School. Spurlock was one of about 25 RCMS Leadership team members who participated in the night's events.



RCMS 7th grader Kellan Coffey gives Doug Hamm a rose at the Night of Hope on Thursday night at RCMS. Each cancer survivor who attended the night's events received a gift from the Leadership team.

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District Civil Suits

Baptist Healthcare System, Inc. vs. Patricia Hobbs, \$561.85 plus claimed due.

Baptist Healthcare System, Inc. vs. Roy Scarborough, \$3,102.10 plus claimed due.

MRC Receivables Corp. vs. Anthony Smith, \$984.87 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Larry T. Logue, \$922.55 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Penny Bishop, \$1,060.05 plus claimed due. C-00028.

Circuit Civil Suits

Whitaker Bank, Inc. vs. Bonita Kendrick, et al, \$16,979.32 plus claimed due.

DH Capital Management, Inc. vs. Louisa G. VanHoose,

\$11,790 plus claimed due. Jackie Renae Mahaffey vs. Burt Richardson, complaint for child support. Jacqueline Michelle Smith vs. Jason Allen Hiatt, complaint for child support. CI-00039.

Small Claims

Jeffrey R. Hayes vs. Deborah Brumett, \$150 claimed due. S-00002.

Deeds Recorded

Suzanne E. Willis, property in Rockcastle County, to Louis A. Pavad. No tax.

Ronnie L. Roark and Bonnie Roark, property in Rockcastle County, to Ronnie L. Roark. No tax.

Charles and Mildred Artley, property in Rockcastle County,

to Rockcastle Raceway, Inc. Tax \$2.50.

Bruce Van and Lillian A. Owens and Ralph Wayne and Nora L. Henson, property in Rockcastle County to Rawlph Wayne and Nora L. Henson. Tax \$7.

Ariel Chelan Eversole and Damien Ashley Eversole, property on waters of Roundstone Creek, to James E. Eversole. No tax.

Marriage Licenses

Mary Estep, 39, London, housewife to Jeffery Conn. Sr., 34, Mt. Vernon, Domino's Pizza manager. 02/09/09.

James Lynn Weaver, 22, Mt. Vernon, unemployed to Dallas Ray Clifford, 36, Mt. Vernon, carpenter. 2/10/09.

Brenda Adams, 53, Mt. Vernon, disabled to Donald Burgess Abney, 54, Mt. Vernon, contractor. 2/11/09.

Lora Mae Scott, 32, Harrodsburg, homemaker, to Billy Jason Lucas, 37, Harrodsburg, factory. 2/13/09.

District Court

Court News Feb. 9-11, 2009

Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
Dennis R. Bowman: possession open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, \$50 fine; no operators license in possession, \$100 fine.

Keith E. Carpenter: theft by unlawful taking, sentencing order entered.

Alonzo E. Denny, Jr.: public intoxication, \$100 fine; possession of marijuana, \$100 fine.
Daron L. Dooley: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$10 fine and costs.

Tabetha S. Kates: wanton endangerment, 60 days/probated 2 years on condition plus costs.

Nicole E. Piccola: disorderly conduct, \$100 fine; resisting arrest, \$100 fine.

Juan J. Alarcon: fines/fees due (\$808), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), 17 days or payment.

Solache Mora Armando:

fines/fees due (\$193), bw issued for fta/5 days or payment.

Speeding: Stacie E. Blue, license suspended for fta; Perry T. Wheeler, paid \$188 total fine and costs; Nachell K. Smith, paid total \$148 for fine and costs;

Cassie Bradley: fines/fees due (\$162), bw issued for fta/4 days or full payment.

Ricky J. Callahan: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, and other charges, bw issued for fta.

Paul D. Clark: fines/fees due (\$256), bw issued for fta/8 days or full payment.

Stefan L. Drye: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/5 days or full payment.

Kolan P. Durham: fines/fees due (\$203), bw issued for fta/5 days or full payment.

Jeremy Holt: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/4 days or full payment.

Treva L. Kinner: fines/fees due (4663), bw issued for fta/15 days or full payment.

Logan R. Lewis: fines/fees due (\$243), bw issued for fta/6 days or full payment.

Jeffery F. Marlow: reckless driving, \$300 fine.

Tabetha S. Martin: fines/fees due (\$208), bw issued for fta/5 days or full payment.

Stephen E. Morrison: fines/fees due (\$158), bw issued for fta/4 days or full payment.

Christopher Mudd: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/4 days or full payment.

James E. Renner: criminal littering, \$250 fine and costs.

Ina M. Robinson: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

Maggie St. Ives: theft by deception, bw issued for fta.

Christopher Stewart: terroristic threatening, bw issued for fta; fines/fees due (\$153), bw issued for fta.

Alicia D. McGuire: alcohol intoxication in public place, \$50 fine and costs.

Tammy Jean Alexander: op-

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Dustin Cody Cameron: possession controlled substance and possession of marijuana, sentencing orders entered.

Anthony C. Ekwenugo: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for fta.

Ernest W. Hoskins: violation of Kentucky EPO, bw issued for fta.

Mary Hoskins: operating motor vehicle under influence

of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta.

Jeffrey B. Little: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Mellisa K. Mason: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, and other charges, bw issued for fta.

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- Land measure
- One of seven counties formed during KY's first legislative session
- Snack since 1912
- Match for Ali
- Administer oil
- Lincoln's number order in the US presidency
- Light bulb units
- Put away
- Marion Co. hamlet, ___ Cross, or hallowed
- Youngster
- Tibetan priest
- Fatty
- Prefix with profit
- Lincoln's wife's maiden name
- Tops
- UN agency
- Halogen salt
- Aid's partner
- Flower in Whitman's great elegy for Lincoln
- Lab eggs
- More honest
- Sinister
- Give away
- Genetic material
- Type of seat Lincoln aspired to in 1855
- Kind of lily
- Swindle
- Leftover

DOWN

- Radio brand
- Stage solo
- Student's book
- Traveler's stop
- Focus of this puzzle, for short
- Debate side
- Famous Frankfort chocolate factory co-founder
- Cultural values
- One of Lincoln's occupations
- Stop ___ dime
- Site of Lincoln's famous speech
- Choir part
- Hatchling's home
- Maternal
- Playwright Clare Booth
- Farm sound
- Annex
- Spree
- Kentuckian,

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- KY Gov. William Fields, aka "Honest Bill of ___ Hill"
- Waterway beside Lincoln's Hodgenville home
- Kentuckian, and Lincoln's southern counterpart (1861-65)
- Microscopic
- Guitar attachment
- Spud
- Winged
- First name of Lincoln's father
- 18-wheeler
- Script type
- Kentuckian, impressionist artist Helen
- Suit
- Host
- Room divider
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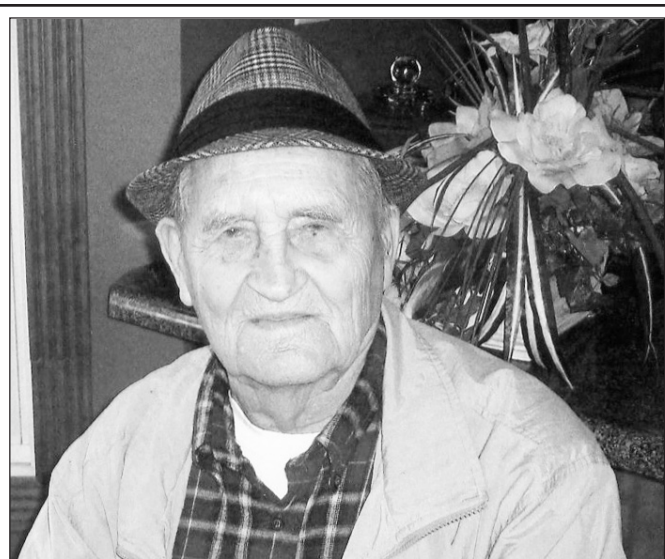
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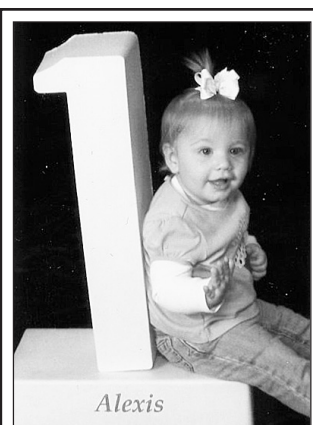
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90th Birthday Celebration

Sherman McKnight celebrated his 90th birthday January 23rd with a surprise party at the home of his daughter. Sherman wishes to thank those attending his party and the gifts he received.

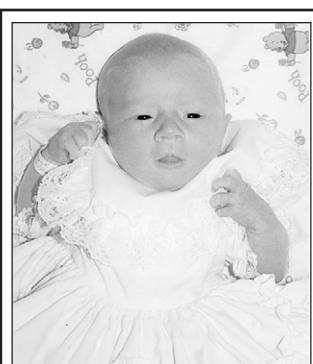


Alexis

Happy 1st birthday Alexis Nicole Martin. We love you so much. Mommy and Daddy.



We would like to wish our little Wildcat cheerleader Tiffany Lynn Renee King a happy 10th birthday on February 20th. Love you - Nana - Loretta Mink, Papaw - Doug Mink, Brothers - Justin and Tyler, Mom - Joni and Aunt Tanya



Nevaeh Hazel Elaine Daniels, daughter of Angel and Bobby Daniels of Mt. Vernon, was born on Friday, April 11, 2008 at the Fort Logan Hospital in Stanford. She weighed 6 lbs. 13.1 ozs. and measured 20 1/2 inches at birth. The new Fort Logan Hospital, on Metker Trail in Stanford, had been open only a few hours when the first cries arose from the obstetrics unit. Nevaeh christened the unit with her arrival that day at 12:51 p.m. Her maternal grandparents are Willmalene Singleton of Mt. Vernon and William Singleton of Casey County. Her paternal grandparents are Robert Daniels and the late Patty Daniels of Brodhead. Great grandparents are Lizzie and the late Clinton Singleton of Casey County and Margie and the late Colston Blanton and the late Hazel and Henry Bryant and the late Mattie Norton, all of Mt. Vernon. She joins a brother - Anthony Blake Kelley, two sisters - Natalie Jamaica Danielle Singleton and Jasmine Glenna LaShaylene Daniels and a special cousin, Dalton Dick. She has two namesakes, her great grandmother Hazel Bryant and her grandmother, Patty Elaine Daniels.

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The chili supper will begin at 5:30 and the auction at 6:30. Chili supper tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5 each. FFA students are also selling tickets.

Silent bids on auction items will be taken until 6 p.m. Proceeds from the event will be used to help students attend regional, state and national contests and help defray camp expenses.

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Big & Beautiful! This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln Co. line has much to offer. Its floor plan could be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two-car garage and additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. Call today to view. M2423

165 Acres more or less by survey. This property is improved with a 1 1/2 story home (fixer upper), barn and water falls. If you're looking for acreage for hunting, recreational or a get-away then be sure to call today for an appointment to look at this property! M2415

Farmer's Paradise! House and 38.19 acres. This vinyl sided home features 3 BR, 1 BA, Kit/LR/DR combo, city water and septic system. Other amenities include 2 barns, spring fed pond, creek and some timber. M2428

A Beautiful Home in a Convenient Location! Here is a 1 1/2 story home with a half basement that is conveniently located within minutes of everything in town. This 3 BR, 2 BA home has appealing hardwood flooring throughout and a swimming pool and nice deck to enjoy in the summer season. Other amenities include KU electric, beautiful landscaping, 1-car garage, city water/sewer, central heat/air, and all appliances stay. M2398

Reduced

Indulge in the value of this quality brick home. This home offers an open living area consisting of living room, kitchen and dining area. There are 2 spacious bedrooms and 2 baths. Other amenities include new central heat/air system, fireplace in the living room, 2-car garage, and a partial basement with plenty of storage area. Call today to see this home located in the Mt. Vernon city limits. M2407

Reduced

Beautiful.... all brick ranch home located conveniently to Brodhead and the city of Mt. Vernon. This home consists of 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and is like new. This is a sweet deal. Call today! M2416

Take a look at this immaculate split level home located in Woodland Place. This home has 3 BR, 1.5 BA, and large bonus room. Closets are spacious and all appliances stay including washer/dryer. Sellers are motivated and will consider all offers. Priced at \$105,000. M2427

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Well Kept! Located just outside Mt. Vernon on Carter Ridge Rd. This doublewide in country setting has 3 BR, 2 BA, DR-Kit. Combo, LR and Utility room. Larger master bedroom and bath with large tub and separate shower. Also includes kitchen appliances, washer and dryer, central heat and air, and is affordable at \$43,900 with immediate possession. M2409

Reduced

Gorgeous! This newly built home is absolutely gorgeous and is situated on a nice lot in the Lear Crest Subdivision. Features include 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room. This is a newly built two-story home with central heat and air, with a deck that measures 12x16. Close to Berea, Brodhead and Mt. Vernon. Call today! M2385

Reduced

Under Construction! This new 1,500+/- sq. ft. home will feature a LR, Kit/Dining combo, 3 BR, 2 BA and Utility Room. This home is located in the beautiful Lear Crest Subdivision. Other amenities include a 2-car attached garage, heat pump/central air, city water, septic system and patio. Priced at \$94,500. Call today! M2422

New Listing

Quaint Country Living! This property has approx. 1.12 acres and a 3 bedroom, 1 bath aluminum sided home. Amenities include heat pump/central air and city water. Plus, there's a one-car detached garage and a creek to boot. M2432

Lots For Sale

If you're looking for a getaway or camping spot then check out this lot by the lake. Approximately 1,000 feet from Lake Linville with city water available. Call today. Priced at \$15,000. M2433

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

Great View! Near Cedar Creek Lake. 1 acre nearly level lot with restrictions. M2357.

Nice and Convenient! Nice level lot in the city limits of Crab Orchard with water and sewer available. Just \$5,900. M2360

Great Opportunity! Building lot located in Lear Crest Subdivision. This lot has blacktop roads, city water and underground utilities. Restricted for your convenience. Priced at only \$11,900. M2355

Lots Available! Now in the Lear Crest Subdivision. There are 8 lots to choose from so hurry to take your pick. M2346

Make this your building site. - Measuring 0.73 of an acre this lot is located in Cedar Point Subdivision. \$6,500. M2345

They're Going Fast! - Conveniently located between I-75 and 461, there is over 100 restricted building lots in the newly developed Rainbow Ridge Subdivision. Newly blacktopped roads - city water - some lake views. Prices range between \$7,900 - \$16,900. M1798

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

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

"A" Rated! Prime and almost perfect is the best way to describe these well-located lots! Located in exclusive neighborhood between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead on Highway 150, these restricted lots are ideal for your new dream home! Prices range between \$10,000 and \$14,500. A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaits you here! M1941

Lots! Lots! Lots! Several large country lots with a great view - Holbrook Estates in the Brindle Ridge section - Convenient to either Mt. Vernon or Berea. City water - Cable TV - lots range in size from 3/4 acre to 1 acre. M1796

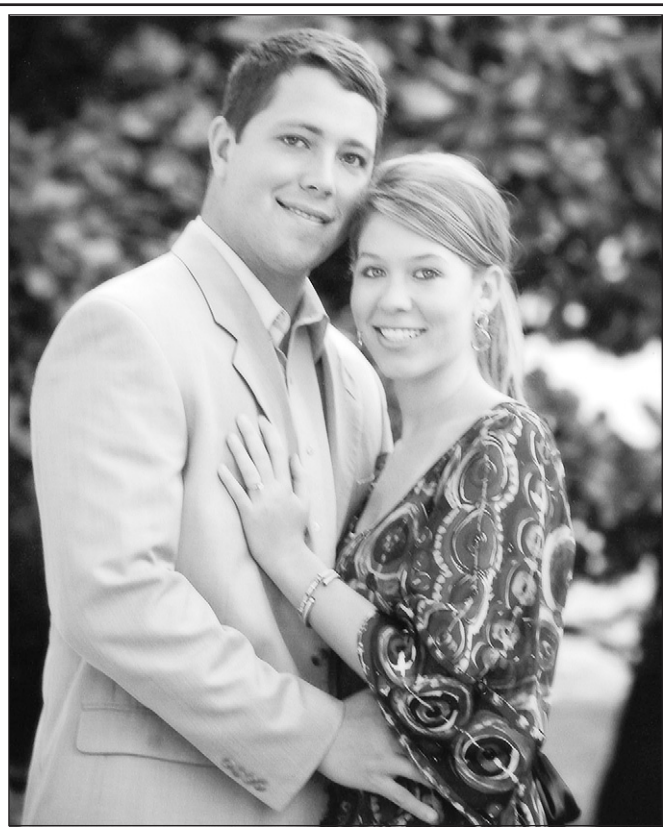
Future Auctions

Auction of Ms. Jessie Murray's Beautiful Mountain Retreat - Two Story Log Home with 15 Acres, Guest House/Duplex with Three Car Garage, Unfinished Cottage, 16 1/2 Acres Tract with Lake, Furniture
Saturday, February 21st at 10:00 a.m. • Renfro Valley, Ky.

28th Annual London Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, February 28th at 9:30 a.m. • Laurel County Fairgrounds, Hwy. 229, near Levi Jackson State Park, London, Ky.

34th Annual Brodhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, March 7th at 9:30 a.m. • Brodhead Fairgrounds, Hwy. 150, Brodhead, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hart's House and 5.5 Acres
Saturday, March 14th at 10:00 a.m. • 435 Sandidge Road, Eubank, Ky.



Oberst - Anderkin

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Oberst, of Lexington, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Ashley Oberst, to Aaron Taylor Anderkin, son of Rick Anderkin of Mount Vernon and Cindy McCullough of Berea.

Lauren is a graduate of Lexington Catholic High School and Transylvania University. She received her BA in Education and currently teaches at Saint Peter and Paul Middle School. Aaron is a graduate of Rockcastle County High School and Transylvania University where he received his BA in Political Science and currently works for the Kentucky YMCA.

The wedding ceremony will be held Saturday, June 20, 2009 at Saint Peter Church. The reception will follow at the Carrick House.



Mr. and Mrs. Micah Wyatt

Napier - Wyatt vows said

Jessie Napier and Micah Wyatt were united in marriage November 29, 2008 at the New Beginning Worship Center in Barbourville.

Parents of the bride are Ray and Rosemary Napier of Barbourville. Grandparents of the bride are Albert and Emily Napier and the late John and Kathleen Blakely. Parents of the groom are Earl and Rosemary Wyatt of Livingston. Grandparents of the groom are Franklin D. and Wanda McGuire Mason and Gladys Mason, of Orlando and the late Hobert and Lottie King Wyatt.

The wedding was a Unity Candle Ceremony, with the

bride's father, Ray Napier, officiating. Escorting the bride down the aisle was Steven Napier. The maid of honor was Alena Carnes, the bridesmaid was Christina Gonzalez and the flower girl was Amelia Napier. The best man was Ryann Wyatt, groomsman was Kevin Cawood and the music was by Jacob Carnes. Jessie and Micah sang a special song together.

After the ceremony the guests joined the bride and groom in a celebration of their marriage with a beautiful wedding cake and plenty of food. The bride and groom have made their home in Livingston.



Croucher - Riddell

Kelly Ann Croucher and Russell O'Ray Riddell would like to invite friends and family to join them as they unite in marriage. The ceremony will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the Russell Acton Folk Center in Berea, KY. A reception will follow.

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NWTF Banquet and membership drive

Submitted by Joan Garrison

The local chapter of the Rockcastle County Long Beards of the National Wild Turkey Federation, is in its eleventh year of establishment. About the local chapter and how to join.

The Rockcastle County Long Beards, local membership drive is on. Some of the projects in the past that the local chapter has helped with were Toys for Tots, Food for the Hungry, school programs presented to JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge and Sportsmanship, two JAKES days, WOMEN IN THE OUTDOORS day, and hunting seminars with speakers from Knight and Hale, and of course our scholarship award to deserving high school seniors to further their education. This award will be presented at our annual heritage banquet to a deserving high school senior.

We are working on the upcoming Annual Hunting Heritage Membership Banquet, which is planned for Saturday, March 7th, 2009, at the Rockcastle County Middle School. A wonderful meal will be provided by the Rockcastle County Young Farmers Association. Doors open at 6:00 with games, a delicious meal, silent auction, auction of NWTF Banquet Items such as prints, some furniture, and up to ten guns will be given away.

If you are interested in joining, or have any questions, please contact one of the local members listed below.

We look forward to seeing you. For questions and ticket information please give one of these members a call: Tony Mahaffey (606) 256-9955, Curtis Cash (606) 758-9514, Gerald Alexander (606) 256-5606, Jerry Martin (606) 453-9906 or Joan Garrison (606) 758-8030, Matt Martin 606 308-1455, or Matt Bray 606 758-9800

What is the National Wild Turkey Federation?

Thirty-six years ago, when the National Wild Turkey Federation was founded in 1973, there were only 1.3 million wild turkeys throughout North America. Now, the number of wild turkeys has increased to more than 7 million birds thanks to state, federal and provincial wildlife agencies, the NWTF, its members and partners.

The NWTF, headquartered in Edgefield, S.C., is a national 501(c) (3) nonprofit conservation and education organization dedicated to conserving wild turkeys and preserving hunting traditions. Growth and progress define the NWTF as it has expanded from 1,300 members in 1973 to 545,500 today.

With that growth has come impressive strides in wildlife management as the NWTF has forged dynamic partnerships across the country. Together, the NWTF's conservation partners and grassroots members have raised and spent more than \$230 million upholding hunting traditions and conserving more than 11.3 million acres of wildlife habitat. The membership of 545,400 members and 2,250 NWTF Chapters, are in all 50 states, Canada, and Mexico and 14 other foreign countries. Here is the breakdown of members. There are 181,000 regular members, 33,000 sponsor members, 217,000 JAKES and XTREME JAKES members JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship), is the NWTF's program dedicated to informing, educating and involving youth in wildlife conservation and the wise stewardship of our natural resources for members 12 and younger. Extreme JAKES, the NWTF's newest program, was developed for teens ages 13-17. There are 44,000 Women in the Outdoors members.

The Women in the Outdoors program is about learning outdoor skills, meeting new people and spending time with friends and family. At Women in the Outdoors events, women ages 14 and older build skills to help them better enjoy the outdoors and learn the importance of wildlife management and the role hunter's play in conservation.

There are 19,500 Wheelin' Sportsmen members. Wheelin' Sportsmen NWTF is dedicated to providing all disabled people the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors through local chapter events nationwide, such as hunting, fishing and shooting activities.

Last but not least, are 51,000 Hunting Heritage Club members. NWTF Hunting Heritage Club Program — this new membership program focuses on bringing all types of hunters into the fight to maintain our right to hunt and manage our lands.



Francisco - Philpot

Linda Francisco of Livingston and Victor Francisco, also of Livingston, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Brooke Francisco, to George Travis Philpot of London. Travis is the son of George and Ruby Philpot, also of London. A wedding date has not yet been set.

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Saturday, February 21st - 10:00 a.m. • Renfro Valley, Ky

Location: Turn off US 25 at Renfro Valley just past the Lodge onto Lake Linville Road. Travel approximately 2.6 miles to the property. Watch for auction signs.

Since Ms. Murray has moved, she has authorized our firm to auction this property for the high dollar.

Tract 1: This lovely custom-built Log Hearthstone Home is nestled in the center of rolling hills with beautiful view from every room. The first floor has a large living room with cathedral ceiling and stone fireplace, sun room/dining room combination, fabulous kitchen adjoining the family room with stone fireplace, bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, and utility room. The second floor has a balcony overlooking the living room, two spacious bedrooms, and a large bath with spa. The basement area is finished with a kitchenette, living room, large bedroom, and bath plus a utility room and one car garage. Complimenting the house are hardwood floors and tile throughout, city water, a wrap around porch and deck offering fantastic views of the Kentucky hills. The home is situated on approximately 15 acres more or less with privacy, professional landscaping, circular drive and a stone fountain.

Tract 2: Contains approx. one acre lying on the west side of Tract 1 and offers a three car garage and guest house/duplex. The first floor offers an efficiency apartment with kitchen/dining area, living room, one bedroom, bath and a three car garage. The top level has kitchen, living room, two bedrooms, and a bath. Other amenities include: heat pump, wall to wall carpet, kitchen cabinets with automatic dishwasher, and a deck offering privacy galore.

Tract 3: Consists of 16 1/2 acres more or less with a 2 1/2 acre lake. This tract has some woods and some open land which makes it a great place to retreat and relax.

Tract 4: Offers an unfinished 11/2 story cottage (somewhat primitive) to finish as you like situated on approx. 1/2 acre lot.

In addition to the real estate, we will be selling the following antiques and personal property: Two Pc Timberlake entertainment center (solid cherry) ~ Solid Cherry Bob Timberlake computer cabinet ~ Solid Cherry with inlay top Table/Book case storage area combo ~ Cherry curio cabinet glass front, side and glass shelves (lighted) ~ Bob Timberlake slant front desk (Architect desk) ~ Cherry entertainment center ~ Solid cherry King size Bed ~ Modern side board ~ 5 foot glass top round wrought iron dining table with chairs ~ Heavy duty room divider (upholstered) ~ 2 dining chairs with Queen Anne legs ~ Wrought iron etagère ~ Mediterranean style Oak bedroom set w/ bed, 2 night stands, 8 foot chest of drawers ~ Cedar lined Chiffonier ~ Walnut Bed (very old) ~ Ethan Allen white Chenille Loveseat ~ Indiana Hoosier Cabinet ~ Campbell Kitchen Co. ~ Indiana Etching on doors flower etch pattern ~ Lexington Green Corduroy Sofa ~ Loveseat Bed with matching Swivel Rocker ~ Queen Size Bed ~ King Size Bed ~ Chest of Drawers with Tongue and Groove Drawers ~ Glass square display cabinet/coffee table with 3 shelves ~ Ethan Allen end tables ~ 2 Clerk chairs one with ottoman (matching chairs) Red linen covering ~ Upholstered side chair w/ cane sides - off white linen color ~ Spindle back Rocker ~ Duncan Phyfe corner cabinet ~ Duncan Phyfe what-knot shelves ~ Stereo cabinet glass front ~ Pie safe type cabinet ~ Windsor style side chairs ~ Leather Recliner ~ Living room sofa ~ Twin beds ~ Cane headboards ~ Dressing screen ~ 5 Rockers ~ Old Hickory Bottom chairs ~ Chest of drawers ~ Serving Cart ~ GE Profile Double door refrigerator w/ ice maker ~ Maytag heavy duty Washer and Dryer ~ Washer and Dryer like new (less than a year old) ~ Kitchen Table & Chairs Set (4 chairs) ~ GE Refrigerator (like new) ~ Phillips color TV ~ Oak Kitchen Cabinet ~ Trash compactor ~ Potato Box ~ Brass floor lamp ~ Several odds and ends lamps and Framed prints ~ Oak wash stand ~ Several flower arrangements ~ Several Boyd's Bears ~ Several quality wall Mirrors ~ Oak end table ~ Antique mirror ~ Many Kerosene Lamps ~ Wooden book shelf ~ Various Quilts ~ Side table w/ magazine holder ~ Floor lamp ~ Various Paintings ~ Bookshelf ~ End tables ~ Antique school clock ~ Willow table ~ Old Egg basket ~

Auctioneer's Note: When Ms. Murray built this house, she spared no expense in creating this retreat. From the landscaping to the buildings, quality is the one word that best describes the property. This home was operated as Cedar Ridge Bed and Breakfast and could still be used in that capacity or for a private dwelling. Located only 5 minutes from I-75 and 45 minutes south of Lexington in the heart of Renfro Valley.

Terms: Real estate: 10% down day of sale, balance upon delivery of deed. Tracts 1, 2 and 4 will be selling subject only to confirmation by mortgagee and Tract 3 is selling at absolute auction. Personal Property: Cash or check in full day of sale.

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For Rent: Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 9 a.m. til 12 noon. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

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Property For Sale

Price Reduced: Land for sale by owners. Level lot. Over 1/2 acre in Rainbow Ridge Subdv. KU electric. Call 256-8708. 12x1p

For Sale: Lot on Fairground Hill. For further information, call 256-9697. 11x2p

For Sale: House and trailer. Good rental investment. 3 BR, 2 BA new home. 2 BR 1 1/2 BA trailer. Approx. 2 acres. Permanent foundations. New development. Asking \$149,000. 606-256-4240 or 440-520-5974.

For Sale: 2,397 sq. ft. 3BR/2BA home w/CHA, storm cellar, lg. barn and a 38x72 metal

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For Sale: (1) Lot - 6 acres wooded on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$23,500. (2) 7.7 acres cleared on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$29,900. (3) Two lots on Breezy Hollow, 1.4 acres, to be sold together, \$8,500. 256-3213 or 308-2953. 16xntf

Lots For Sale: Castle Ridge Subdivision. Use same entry way as Bible Baptist Church. All lots have city sewer and underground utilities. starting at \$12,900. 606-256-5692 • 256-4504 • 308-3730. 20xntf

For Sale: Mobile home lots, located in Sunnyside Mobile Home Park. 1.2 acre lots - \$500 down and \$100 per month. Call 606-256-5692 or 606-256-5648. 43xntf

Posted

Posted: No trespassing on property of Darrell and Helen Whitaker, located on East Fork of Skaggs Creek and Cut Gap. Keep out!! 32(08)x51p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATV riding on surveyed property of W.L. and Charles Sturgill (former Steve and Alice Sturgill and Robert Floyd property) and adjoining property of Charles Sturgill (former J.W. and Bessie Mahaffey

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Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm, 5320 Hummel Road, Wildie. 44(08)x52p

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 42(08)x25p

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

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Victoria Reese at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25ftn

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm at Maretburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Hensley Farm, Lakes Farm.

Posted: No trespassing, ATVs on land belonging to Billy Whitaker on Skaggs Creek.

Miscellaneous For Sale

For Sale: Seasoned firewood. \$45 large pick-up load, \$55 delivered. Call 606-308-3409 or 308-4751. 10x4p

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For Sale: Organic all-natural eggs. Med - \$1 dozen, large/XLg. \$1.50 dozen. 606-256-8780. 9x4p

For Sale: Whirlpool washer and dryer, 1 year old, like new. White. Located in Mt. Vernon. Call 859-619-3284. 11x2p

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The work consists of grading and drainage construction for the Rockcastle Industrial Park South access road.

The Contract Documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

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ABC, 2020 Liberty Road, Building A, Suite 110 Lexington, Kentucky

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Notice is hereby given that Debra Anita Mills, 2627 Hicks Pk., Cynthia, Ky. 41031 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Pearl Childress on the 4th day of February, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Debra Anita Mills on or before August 5, 2009 at 11 a.m. 12x3

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Notice is given that Donald Vanhook has filed a Final Settlement of his accounts as Executor of the Estate of Sally Ping Brown, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 4, 2009 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 12x1

Notice is hereby given that Betty Lou Whitaker, 872 Bee Lick Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Mary Jane Randolph on the 26th day of January, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Betty Lou Whitaker or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 27, 2009 at 11 a.m. 11x3

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Notice is hereby given that J. Stephen Owens, P.O. Box 113, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed executor of the estate of Chester Byron Owens, Jr. on the 21st day of January, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said J. Stephen Owens on or before July 22, 2009 at 11 a.m. 10x3

Notice is hereby given that Sandy Hayes Bullen, 209 Little Brushy Branch Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409 and Jennifer Hayes Jackson, 124 Sagart Lane, Nicholasville, Ky. 40356 have been appointed co-administrators of the estate of Zelma Edith Hayes on the 12th day of January, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Sandy Hayes Bullen and/or Jennifer Hayes Jackson or to Hon. John D. Ford, PO Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 13, 2009 at 11 a.m. 10x3

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RCHS Winterguard wows crowd this past weekend

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe
This past Saturday, the RCHS Winterguard had their debut performance of their 2009 show and they wowed the crowd! The Bluegrass Pageant of Guards and Percussion was hosted by Bryan Station High School in Lexington. Close to 50 schools participated in this TriState Pageantry Arts Circuit contest. Our own RCHS Winterguard did an outstanding job. They scored 50.20 on their first time out! This placed them 8th in category B. Their score was higher than many of the seasoned teams.

Category B is officially known as Scholastic B Class and is for the very inexperienced performers who are just entering the performance arena for the first time. Show concept, equipment and movement skill are at an introductory level. The emphasis in this class is on training and is intended to be the starting point for a unit. The other classifications in the Scholastic division are A, A-2, A-3, Open and World Class. The Scholastic division is for guards who all attend the same high school. There is also an Independent division which is for guards who are not affiliated with a specific high school. And there is also a Junior Scholastic division for those representing a middle school.

The RCHS Winterguard is competing in the TriState Pageantry Arts Circuit which is part of the WGI, Winterguard International. Participating schools in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky compete in pageants held each weekend over the course of a 9 week season ending with championships that then move on to national and international competitions.

The RCHS show, based on Coldplay's "Viva La Vida", was highly praised by the 6 judges. The audience was wowed as Mackenzie Craig performed an impressive lift with 6 other guard. And as Johnna Ballard executed a perfect 7- spin toss with the rifle, the audience erupted in amazement. Many remarked on the "charisma" of the team and Johnna in particular. It was a wonderful opener to a first season.

Under the able direction of Jessica Stallsworth and Tasha Ramsey the RCHS Winterguard team is off to a great start. The 2009 RCHS Winterguard Team members are seniors Samantha Bullen and Morgan Harper, juniors Johnna Ballard and Michael Browning sophomores Rachel Hemsley and Catherine Hounshell, freshmen Christa Doan, Josh Stallsworth, and Cassie Taylor, 8th graders Laiken Bailey, Heather Bradley, Sarah Burdine and Cassie Hounshell, and 7th grader Mackenzie Craig. They are busy preparing for the next

competition, Saturday February 28th, at Campbell County High School.

The RCHS Concert Band has been holding auditions for chair placement in the upcoming concert competition. When that process is complete the rehearsals will intensify as the competition date draws closer. More news on that soon.

On Another Note

Upcoming events in February:

Sunday, February 22nd - The Central Kentucky Concert Band is celebrating the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth with a free concert at Haggin Auditorium of the Mitchell Fine Arts Center of Transylvania University in Lexington. This is an opportunity to experience the music Lincoln enjoyed. The concert will feature renowned soprano Ms. Anjelique Clay. Rockcastle Music Director Greg Daugherty has been a member of the Central Kentucky Concert Band for the past 3 years and will be playing the tuba as part of the celebration. The curtain goes up at 3 p.m. and the public is welcome.

Saturday, February 28th - The RCHS Winterguard competes at Campbell County High School.

Upcoming events scheduled for March:

March 17th - RCMS 7th and 8th Grade Band perform at the KMEA District Concert Band Festival

March 18th - RCMS Concert Band perform at the KMEA District Concert Band Festival.

March 14th - Winterguard will compete in the Tristate Circuit Competition at Elizabethtown High School.

March 28th - Winterguard will compete in the Tristate Circuit Championship Finals at Ryle High School.

And don't forget about the Band Booster events scheduled for April.

April 17th - The Rockcastle High School Band Boosters invite you to their 4th annual Theme Party and Auction, Friday evening, April 17th in the RCHS cafeteria at 6:00pm.

This delightful event offers an evening of catered dining and live entertainment by members of the RCHS band. It also features an auction of items of interest during the dinner. There will also be door prizes and plenty of fun. Proceeds from this annual event benefit the RCHS Marching Rockets. The Marching Rockets will begin preparations for their 2009 Marching Season in May and they will continue to rehearse throughout the summer and into the fall. The Marching Rockets, who were moved to Class AAAA competition last season, are looking forward to another exciting season as they set their

sights on a second State Finals appearance.

Tickets for the Theme Party and Auction are \$12, special rates are available for groups of we ask that you reserve your seat in advance. For tickets, general information, or to find out how you can become a table sponsor, contact Sherry Harper 606-758-9963 or Connie Taylor 859-623-2404. If you have an auction item you would like to donate, contact Ann Craig 606-758-0160.

April 18th - Classic and Muscle Cars on Main at Rockcastle Middle School. New this year, the Band Boosters are planning a Car Show to be hosted by none other than our own "Country" Charlie Napier. The show will include trophies for individual class winners, commemorative dash plaques for the first 25 to vehicles registered, food, door prizes and much more. The show will run in conjunction with Mt. Vernon Old Fashioned Days and the Redbud Quilt Show and Tour. Admission to the show is FREE! Come and enjoy this day of family fun in Mt. Vernon!

• REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE: E-mail Anita.Nation@Rockcastle.kyschools.us or call 606-219-0908. Provide vehicle make and model, your name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

• POTENTIAL SPONSORS: E-mail Anita.Nation@Rockcastle.kyschools.us or call 606-219-0908. There are several levels of sponsorship from Corporate to Friends of Classic and Muscle Cars on Main. Sponsorship offers you a unique opportunity to advertise your business and provide much needed support to the band programs in Rockcastle County.

• VENDORS: Vendors of auto-related accessories, car dealerships, basically anything to do with autos are wanted. Some specialty food vending may be allowed. E-mail Sherry.Harper@Rockcastle.kyschools.us or call 606-758-9963 for information on how to become a vendor. Specify food or product information, set-up needs, and provide name, address, phone and e-mail address.



Team members of the 2009 RCHS Winterguard include, front row from left: Captain Samantha Bullen and Co-Captain Johnna Ballard. Second row from left: Morgan Harper, Rachel Hemsley, Catherine Hounshell, Mackenzie Craig, Cassie Taylor, Laiken Coffey, Cassie Hounshell, Heather Bradley and Christa Doan. Back row from left: Michael Browning and Josh Stallsworth.

FFA Winter Field Day

By Nichole Roberts

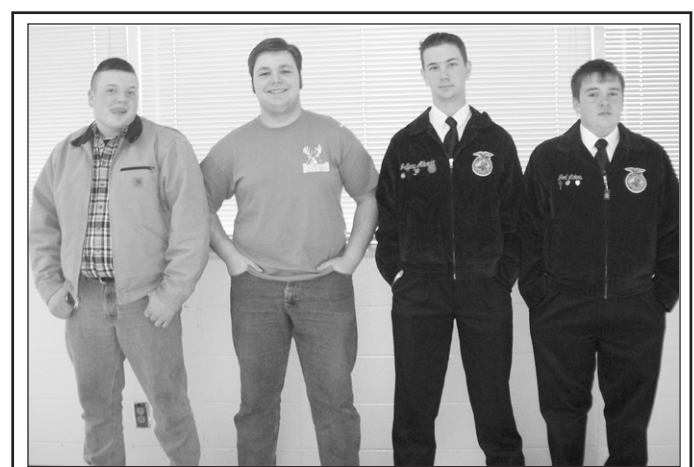
The annual Kentucky River Region Winter Field Day was held at the Rockcastle County High School on Tuesday December 9th. On the behalf of the Kentucky River Region and the Rockcastle FFA we would like to send out a special thanks to all those who helped in making this event possible. Seven different FFA chapters from around the region participated in a wide variety of contests and had a well prepared meal provided by Mrs. Carla Parsons. Our local FFA chapter competed in the Ag Sales, Welding, Horticulture, and Small Engines contests and placed exceptionally well.

The Ag Sales Contest consisted of team members Kristyna McKinney, Chasity Loudermilk, Nichole Roberts and Brittany Adams placing second in the region. Matt Maples, Andrew Sowder, Joel Lakes, and Jeffery Albright placed first in the Welding Contest with Jeffery Albright being the over all Regional High Individual. Out horticulture team with team members Nikki Wilson and Brittany Kirby who was Regional High Individual placed first at region. Last but not least our Small Engines team including Justin Thacker, Coy Robinson, Jordan Cook, and Matt Maples another Regional High Individual pleasingly represented the

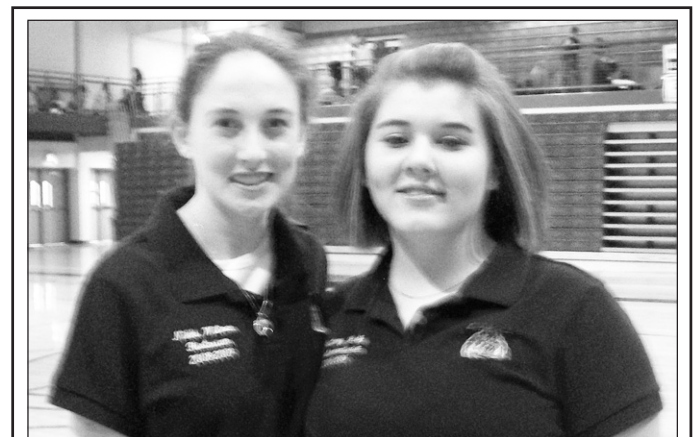
Rockcastle Chapter as well with first place in the region. Congratulations to all of our participants!



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The Horticulture team members Nikki Wilson and Brittany Kirby placed first at region.



Small Engines team of Justin Thacker, Coy Robinson, Jordan Cook, and Matt Maples represented the Rockcastle Chapter as well with first place in the region.

Chelsea Payne named as Robinson Scholar

Chelsea Payne, a freshman at Rockcastle County High School, was named to the newest class of the University of Kentucky's Robinson Scholars Program (www.uky.edu/RobinsonScholars) (RSP) at a special recognition ceremony on Saturday, June 7, on the campus of Alice Lloyd College (www.alc.edu/) in Pippa Passes.

"We are excited about this new class and look forward to watching them grow and succeed throughout their high school and college careers," said Steve Jones, director of the RSP.

After the recognition ceremony on Saturday, the new class began its eight-year journey as Robinson Scholars by participating in a one-week residential program that focused on Appalachian culture, heritage and history. During this program, students travel around the region, learning about Eastern Kentucky and what makes it and its people so unique.

The program also serves as an introduction, allowing scholars to get acquainted with one another and with RSP staff. This is just one of the many opportunities that the students will participate in as Robinson Scholars. Twenty-nine students have been selected as the 12th

class of Robinson Scholars.

The Robinson Scholars Program is a scholarship, student support, and leadership development program that serves first generation college and college-bound students from 29 Eastern Kentucky counties. These students demonstrate the potential to succeed, but may encounter economic or cultural obstacles in completing four-year college degrees. The Robinson Scholars Program is dedicated to providing its scholars with support services and scholarship resources that empower them to complete bachelor's degrees at UK and to positively impact their current and future communities.



Chelsea Payne

Extension Winter Meetings

Farm and Home News

Tom Mills

Rockcastle County Extension Office

The Rockcastle Extension Service with assistance from University of Kentucky Equine Specialist, Dr. Robert Coleman, will host a series of winter producer meetings. Meetings will be held in the Extension Office on West Main Street each Tuesday night in March from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Each Tuesday will be a different topic related to equine management and will be discussed. Dates and topics are as follows:

•Tuesday, March 3rd—

Feeding Practices

•Tuesday, March 10th - Keeping Horses Healthy

•Tuesday, March 17th - Making good breeding decisions

•Tuesday, March 24th - Facilities for horses and general behavior

Please help extension staff prepare by calling 256-2403. All horse owners and family are invited to attend. If you have any questions, please call Tom Mills at 256-2403.

Notice of Email change:
Please note that the Signal's new email address is mvsignal@windstream.net

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