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Begin defense of district and region titles

Lady Rockets stomp PC in district action

By: Richard Anderkin
The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets advanced in the first round of the 47th district tournament on Monday night with a 51 point victory over the Lady Maroons of Pulaski County.

In front of a packed house, at Somerset High School, the Lady Rockets totally dominated Pulaski County, defeating them for the third time this year.

Monday night's final score of 88-37 could have been a lot worse, but head coach Chrysti Noble played all 15 players on her roster and 14 of those Lady Rockets got into the scoring column.

The Lady Rockets led 16-4 midway through the first quarter and 22-8 at the end of that period. They held a 50-24 lead at half-time and outscored the Lady Maroons 24-3 in the third period, to put the game out of reach for Pulaski.

Early in the third quarter and for much of the fourth, Coach **Final pre-trial date scheduled for Mayor Kirby**

Rockcastle District Judge Scott Lawless set a final pre-trial hearing date of April 13th in the criminal case against Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, during a hearing in Rockcastle District Court on Monday.

Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds said on Tuesday that, unless some type of resolution is reached before April 13th, a trial date would be set and the Mayor would be tried for official misconduct.

Kirby was arrested on September 23rd of last year and charged with official misconduct, first degree, a misdemeanor.

The Mayor was charged after Rockcastle County School Superintendent Larry Hammond requested a warrant for her arrest from the County Attorney.

Hammond alleges that the Mayor instructed city employ-

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Noble substituted frequently to give her younger players some tournament experience and to keep from running up the score on Pulaski County.

Junior Jackie Alexander, who was named player of the game, scored a season high 28 points in the game, 20 of those in the first half. Alexander also had four rebounds.

Only two other Lady Rockets, Mary Saylor and Angie Lawrence, got into double fig-

ures -- Saylor had 12 and Lawrence 10.

Sophomore center Sara Hammond, who got in early foul trouble, scored 8 points and added 4 rebounds and 3 assists.

Nicole Locklear had 6 points and Ashley Robinson 5. Robinson, who also got in early foul trouble, grabbed a team high eight rebounds.

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Rockets take out Somerset in first round

By: Richard Anderkin
The RCHS boys' varsity basketball team rebounded from six straight losses in a big way on Tuesday night, defeating Somerset in the first round of district play, 58-49.

The Rockets overcame early foul trouble and 16 turnovers for the game, to claim

their 12th win of the season and advance them to the 47th district finals on Friday night.

The Rockets' win came in front of a packed house at Somerset High School and against a team that had defeated them earlier in the sea-

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Jury recommends 25 years

Knuckles found guilty of drug trafficking

Eddy F. Montgomery, Rockcastle Commonwealth Attorney, announced Tuesday that a Rockcastle Circuit Court Jury found 39-year-old Alvin Knuckles guilty, following a two day trial which ended on Monday.

According to Jeremy A. Bartley, Montgomery's assistant prosecutor who handled the trial, Alvin Knuckles, of Davis Street in Mt. Vernon, was indicted in 2007 on

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Alvin Knuckles was found guilty of trafficking on Monday.

Lloyd Cain inducted into Farmer's Hall of Fame

Lloyd Cain, well-known local farmer, retired educator and real estate agent was inducted into the Rockcastle County Agriculture Hall of Fame as the 2008 member, during the annual Farmer/Business Banquet held at the Rockcastle Middle School last week.

Fellow Hall of Fame member, Tommy Harold Mink, who presented Cain with his honor, told the crowd that the 73-year-old Cain has farmed in Rockcastle County for over 45 years, all while holding various other jobs and serving on nu-

merous organization's boards.

Cain who was raised on a farm, graduated from Brodhead High School and University of Kentucky with a major in Agriculture. He served in the US Army, prior to beginning an education career as a vocational agriculture teacher in Jackson County.

Cain was called back to active military duty, before returning to Jackson County where he taught agriculture until 1964.

In 1964, he became the ag teacher at Mt Vernon High

School where he taught and farmed until the formation of the Harry Sparks Vocational School, when he was hired as the first principal.

Cain stayed at the Vocational School, and continued to farm, until his retirement in 1989 from education.

He has also been active in several county organizations, including the local Draft Board, County Extension Board and County Extension Council, Area Development

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The RCHS Lady Rockets began the defense of their 47th district title on Monday night with easy 88-37 win over Pulaski County in the first round of the tournament played at Somerset. Senior guard Mary Saylor puts in two of her 12 points in the contest. Also in the photo is senior Ashley Robinson, right, who scored five points and grabbed eight rebounds. In the background is Jackie Alexander, who was named MVP of the first round game.

Lady Rockets; Rockets to play in District finals

At right, Lady Rocket Junior Jackie Alexander drives to the basket in the first round district game at Somerset on Monday night. Alexander was named Most Valuable Player in the Lady Rocket's 88-37 win over Lady Maroons after she scored a personal season high of 28 points, 20 of those in the first half. The Lady Rockets will play Casey County in the championship game of the district on Thursday night, (tonight), at 7 p.m. The Lady Rockets are 1-1 against Casey County this season.



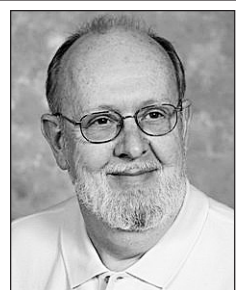
At right, Rocket Junior Matt Bullens puts in two of his team high 21 points in the Rocket's 58-49 win over Somerset on Tuesday night. The Rockets beat the host Briarjumpers for the second time this season, advancing them to the finals of the 47th District Tournament on Friday night, against either Casey County or Pulaski County. Bullens scored 17 of his 21 points in the second half, after picking up two fouls in the first quarter against the Briarjumpers. The Rockets had lost six straight before picking up the win, which will allow them to play in the 12th region tournament next week at Lincoln County, regardless of the outcome on Friday night



(Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin and Kevin Canterbury)



Farmer, retired educator and realtor, Lloyd Cain, left, was inducted into the Rockcastle Agricultural Hall of Fame, during the annual Farmers/Business Banquet at RCMS last week. He was presented with his honor by fellow Hall of Fame member, Tommy Harold Mink.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

View from the Mountain Big Little Books

Several of my local readers have brought to my attention the series of children's books called Big Little Books and questioned whether I was familiar with them. The answer is a resounding yes!

Thinking of those books brought back memories of childhood reading, our playroom, and what entertainment was comprised of in those days.

When my older brother, Al, was a very young, someone in our family started giving him copies of the popular Big Little Books. Al spent lots of time in our attic playroom, and a bookshelf on one side of the room was eventually nearly filled with these wonderful books. I can see him now lying on an old Army cot with a Big Little Book in his hand.

During the depression, Whitman Publishing had a huge success with the small books that could easily be handled and read by young people. The stories were told in both pictures and words. When opened, one page was filled with type while a color graphic was found on the facing page. The books originally cost ten cents each.

The BLB titles were designed with hard covers, paper spines, and the standard 320 pages. This was a time when

motion picture tickets cost ten cents, cheap reading materials were prevalent, and there were also lots of free radio programs.

Shirley Temple, Mickey Rooney, and Judy Garland filled the airways and the hearts of the people. Little Orphan Annie, Buck Rogers, and Dick Tracy were popular comic strip characters and eventually were heard on the air waves also.

While radio became a national pastime for most adults, the Big Little Books filled the void for youngsters who did not want to sit and "watch" radio programs. (As many of you may recall, people did actually watch their radios as they listened to each program.)

I distinctly recall my grandparents pulling their chairs up in front of our large, wooden, cabinet-model radio in order to listen to The Phantom. It was a weekly event for them.

The very first BLB issued was The Adventures of Dick Tracy, which came off the presses just before Christmas of 1932. It was 3 and 5/8 inches by 4 and 1/2 inches by 1 and 1/2 inches thick. This became the standard size for the books.

Al and I recently tried to remember the titles that we collectively owned when we were youngsters. We concluded that

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Points East

By Ike Adams

Last year, according to canceled checks, I spent over a hundred dollars on garden plants, mostly peppers and tomatoes. And that's not counting numerous purchases of herbs and so forth for which I shelled out hard cash. I also started, from seed, three different tomatoes and gave most of the plants to friends and neighbors because I only needed three or four each of Molly Helton sunbursts, Ponderosa Pinks and Giant Oxhearts.

A few weeks back, fellow gardener, co-worker, good friend/ neighbor, co-conspirator, etc. Layne Hawley and I started musing about the fact that most of the stuff we like to grow is not available unless we are willing to shell out big bucks for heirloom plants so we decided that we'd try to start a couple dozen varieties ourselves and see if we could peddle the surplus at a farmers' market or perhaps at a yard sale if someone in the high rent districts will let us set up a table on their lawn come early May.

The notion being, that we'd part with a few plants and even set them out for any suburbanite with a sunny back yard who is willing to host our enterprise.

Don't be laughing. When this all said and done, some luck homeowner on a busy thoroughfare is going to be able to harvest the likes of huge Molly Helton Sunburst tomatoes and

Yazoo Glory green peppers right beside their backdoor before the end of summer if they are willing to water every day.

Anyway, you can get about fifty seeds of name your favorite veggie for around two bucks and last spring saw us, in several cases, shelling out more than that for a single plant.

So last week we sent off an order to Totally Tomatoes (which also sells pepper and sundry other seed) for a bunch of stuff that you simply can't find at your local hot house. I've forgotten the exact amount but it was well over \$40 and, if my math is correct, we should have about 1,400 seeds. Being an eternal optimist, I expect every single one of them to sprout and some to come up twice.

We also have several varieties grown last year from which we have saved seed and Bertha McQuerry has saved a bunch of tomatoes from plants that I gave her. Suffice to say that having seed should not be a problem.

So, last Friday, I ran out after work and purchased 100 pounds of pricey potting soil, gathered up enough seed trays in the garage to accommodate the planting and Layne and I laid plans to spend Sunday afternoon getting our trays ready for the seeding.

I don't know where you were last Sunday afternoon, but in Paint Lick the temperature got up to about 20 degrees, the wind was gusting at about 40 mph and, at times, the snow was coming down so hard that the weather fit every definition of "blizzard" that I have ever read.

It was not a good time to be gardening. At this writing it still ain't.

The seed trays will have to wait at least another week even though I am a firm believer in the notion that the soil needs to settle for at least ten days before one goes about putting in the seed.

In the meantime, Ms. Hawley and I remain optimistic. Sooner or later, this dismal weather is bound to change. And we are determined to produce some hearty plants even if we have to wait until July to get them in the ground.

And if you see a fold up table covered with tomato and pepper plants while you are out yard saleing, with three weary people hanging about, that will be Loretta, Layne and me attempting to break even in spite of the economy.



Ken & Tucky

Bat-wielding senior was ready to make history of intruder

Lots of communities in Kentucky have museums, but few compare in size and quality to the 15-year-old facility in downtown Cynthiana.

And, with soon-to-be 90-year-old Harold Slade in charge, it's nearly certain none are as secure.

The Harrison County native calls himself the museum's "hanger-upper," but to one man, he's also a would-be knocker-downer.

Last summer, the slender World War 11 veteran had an encounter with an armed robber who had entered his home in rural Harrison County.

The gunman wanted money and pointed his .22 caliber automatic at Slade, who stood his ground while threatening to take a swing with a vintage Louisville Slugger softball bat.

"We were kind of jawing at each other, but I don't remember what he said because I don't hear very well," said Slade.

Seconds later, the intruder decided to leave the house and fled down the road, with the bat-wielding senior citizen in hot pursuit.

With help from neighbors and law enforcement, the 39-year-old man with a criminal record was captured and is now

serving time in prison. For most people, this would be the ultimate traumatic experience of a lifetime, but for this battle-tested member of the 149th Tank Company of the 38th Infantry Division, it's just another chapter in an adventure-filled existence.

From the early days when he served as an assistant scout master "who couldn't swim a lick," to military duty that took him around the globe, Slade has been a man of service to his country and community.

He continues to write a newsletter for the rapidly dwindling fellow soldiers and family members of his army unit nicknamed the Cyclone Division. And in addition to his duties at the museum, he and wife Dorothy have long led efforts to reclaim and maintain three local cemeteries.

The community service efforts have earned him recognition in Steve Flairty's book "Kentucky's Everyday Heroes."

You'll find him at the museum nearly every Friday and Saturday between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., usually accompanied by five or six other volunteers.

"When we opened in 1994, we had trouble finding help, but now we sometimes have more

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- March 12**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Dinner with the Doctor Booth—Keep Your Food Safe**
- March 19**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Healthy Gourmet the Thrifty Way**
Chef Shannon Stevens
- March 26**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Understanding Diabetes Medications**
Tina Hasty PharmD
- April 2**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **My Life with Diabetes-Health, Stress, and Coping**
Lora Beth McKee, BSW
- April 9**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Preventing Diabetes Complications**
Susan Burdine, RN
- April 16**
Thursday 6:00 p.m. **Nutrition and Meal Planning Basics**
Teresa Blair, MS, RD, LD, CDE
- April 23**
Thursday-4:00 p.m. **Safe physical activity basics**
James Messer, PT
5:00 p.m. **Give your diabetes management a boost—Increase your activity**
Teresa Blair, MS, RD, LD, CDE
- April 30**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Taking it one day at a time—Day to day management of your blood sugars**
Teresa Blair MS, RD, LD, CDE
- May 7**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Eating to Lower Heart Disease Risk**
Jill Stevens, MS, RD, LD
- May 14**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Disease prevention through weight management**
Teresa Blair MS, RD, LD, CDE
- May 21**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Using the gifts of summer for a healthier life**
Teresa Blair, MS, RD, LD, CDE
- May 28**
Thursday-6:00 p.m. **Helping your loved one with Diabetes**
Teresa Blair MS, RD, LD, CDE

For more information or to sign up for any classes contact Teresa Blair, MS, RD, LD, CDE Clinical Dietitian, Certified Diabetes Educator at (606) 256-7718. Upcoming classes will appear weekly in the Community Bulletin.

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Obituaries



Kathryn Beatrice Sandlin

Kathryn Beatrice Sandlin, 75, of Brodhead, died Sunday, February 22, 2009 at her home. She was born on January 2, 1934 in Rockcastle County the daughter of the late James "Happy" and Nannie Ethel Miller Tyree. She enjoyed flower gardening, her dog and bird, and was a member of the Baptist Faith.

Survivors are: three sons, Earl (Kim) Sandlin, and Ottilie Tom (Lulu) Sandlin, both of Brodhead, and Donald "Bo" (Pat) Sandlin of Crab Orchard; four daughters, Greta Thompson, Louise (Ronnie) Smith and Donna (Gary) Hayes, all of Brodhead, and Rosie McKinney of Greenup, KY; three brothers, Lloyd (Cheryl) Tyree of Wallin, TN, Charles (Virginia) Tyree of Ocala, FL and Jimmy (Kathy) Tyree of Mt. Vernon; four sisters, Alice Tyree of Pine Hill, Mable (Farley) Marler of Brodhead, Dorothy (Larry) Bellamy of Louisville, and Emma (Gerald) Terpening of Mt. Vernon; 20 grandchildren, Missie (Howard) Harper, Tasha (Ed) Bowling, Jessica Norton, Brittain Saylor, Karlee Coleman, Joshua McClure, Brandy, Kathrin, Thomas, and Matthew Sandlin, Tiffany, Brittain, Samantha, and Dustin Smith, Zachary and Kristina Hayes, Casey, Kinea, Larry Jr. and Bradon Thompson; seven great grandchildren, Austin Saylor, Haylee McClure, Jaycee McIntosh, Sadie Payne, Javon and Brooklyn Thompson, and Reece Poynter; one special little friend, Lillie Bell; and many nieces and nephews and other grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Tom Henry Sandlin, her stepmother, Louise Northern Tyree; four sons, Jessie, Harold Ray, Virgil and Denver "Dee" Sandlin; five daughters, Nora Sandlin, Jean Northern, Edith Bussell, Sadie Barron, and Beatrice Northern; and one sister, Bessie Tyree.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Shawn Madden officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Send condolences online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Gailee Molly Carte

Gailee Molly Carte, 88, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, February 23, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. Arrangements are incomplete at this time.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

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

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.



Edith Irene Anglin Lamb

Edith Irene Anglin Lamb, 73, of Conway, died Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond after her battle with cancer. She was born in Berea on June 15, 1935 the daughter of William Albert and Effie Mullins Anglin. She retired from Berea Hospital as a pharmacy technician after 33 years of service. She was a former Homemaker's Club president and a former 4-H Club leader and council member. She attended Hickory Grove Church.

She is survived by: three daughters, Gail (Eddie) Vaughn of Danville, Carolyn (Hal) Hunt of Mt. Vernon, and Vickie (Rob) Adams of Chillicothe, OH; six grandchildren, Valerie Al-Anati, Michael (LeAnne) Vaughn, Alex (Deanna) Tyler, Timothy Tyler, Carri Hunt, and Casey Hunt; and five great grandchildren, Carter Vaughn, Ibrahim Al-Anati, Nabeel Al-Anati, Sumner Al-Anati, and Isabella Tyler. Also surviving are: two brothers, Lloyd Anglin and Glendon (Brenda) Anglin; and four sisters, Juanita (James) Chasteen, Shirley (Willie) Bryant, Eva Shubert, and Doris (Bill) Crase. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles William Lamb and a brother, Earl Anglin.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, February 23 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Randal Adams, Rev. David Carr, and Mr. Scott Adams. Burial was in the Madison Memorial Gardens in Richmond.

Pallbearers were: Tony Hill, Mark Parsons, J. Alex Tyler, Timothy C. Tyler, Michael E. Vaughn and Billy Welch.

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

Pauline O'Neal Sparks

Pauline O'Neal Sparks, 80, died Sunday, February 22, 2009 at St. Joseph Berea Hospital. She was born in Rockcastle County to the late Raymond and Chloe Baker O'Neal. She was the widow James Sparks and was a member of the Grace Baptist Church at Roundstone.

She is survived by: her daughters, Jean Wolfe of Rogersville, TN, Alice Johnson and Doris (Daniel) Carpenter of Kokomo, IN and Edna (Sidney) Pingleton of Garrard County; her sons, Donald (Brenda) Sparks, Jackie (Robin) Sparks, all of Berea, James Earl (Sarah) Sparks of Paint Lick and Timothy (Ginger) Sparks of Rockcastle County; her sister, Dorothy Spivey of Dayton, OH; her brother, Denver (Margie) O'Neal of Rockcastle County; 13 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her son, Robert Wayne Sparks; and her brothers and sisters, Zelma Knight, Jean King, Margaret Patterson, Fannie O'Neal, Wanda Brumfield, Shirley Frye, James Robert O'Neal, William O'Neal and Walter Joe O'Neal.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at the Davis & Powell Funeral Home with Bro. Raymond Offutt officiating. Burial was in the Blair Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Grace Baptist Church.



Noah David Poynter

Noah David Poynter, 65, of Somerset, died Friday, February 20, 2009 at the Laurel Heights Home for the Elderly in London, KY. He was born on August 10, 1943 in Plato, KY, the son of Evelyn Marler Poynter and the late Noah Poynter. He was a farmer, owner of Poynter's Wrecking, and member of the Sunnyside Baptist Church.

He is survived by: his wife, Opal Stevens Poynter, whom he married on September 5, 1964 in Mt. Vernon; mother, Evelyn Marler Poynter of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Delmas Poynter and Dwight (Carmen) Poynter, all of Mt. Vernon; and two sisters, Linda (Charles) Parrish of London, KY and Nancy Schantz of Indianapolis, IN.

Preceding him in death was: his father, Noah Poynter; and a brother, Donald Poynter.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 23, 2009 at the chapel of Lake Cumberland Funeral Home with Bro. Ted Towner and Bro. Melvin Sisson officiating. Burial was in Lakeside Memorial Gardens.



Martha Beaty

Martha (Price) Beaty, 89, widow of Dewey Beaty, of West Chester, OH and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Sunday, February 22, 2009. She was born on June 6, 1919 in Sand Springs, KY, a daughter of the late Grover Cleveland Price and Rachel Ann Cromer Price. She was a member of the Lockland Church of Christ who had been a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Her hobbies and interests included cooking and sewing.

Those left to cherish her memories include: her son, Bobby Dale (Janelle) Beaty of Mt. Vernon; a daughter, Sandy Gale Beaty of West Chester, OH; two grandchildren, Gregory Dale (Susan) Beaty of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, James Dale (Angela) Beaty of Indianapolis, IN; four great grandchildren, Jerin Gregory Beaty, Julian Gregory Beaty, Jensen Gregory Beaty, and Jaylen Gregory Beaty; and a host of nieces/nephews, church families, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband of 47 years, Dewey Beaty; two brothers, Joe and Cossie Price; and a sister, Mary Rose Wilson.

Visitation will be (today) Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009 from 5-8 p.m. at the Nurre, Mihovk, Rosenaker Funeral Home in Evendale, OH.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, Feb. 27, 2009 at 11 a.m. at the Mihovk Rosenaker Funeral Home with Bro. David Stansberry officiating. Burial will follow in the Rest Haven Memorial Gardens.

Marvin E. Owens Home For Funerals in charge of arrangements.

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



Virginia Maude Mullins

Virginia Maude Mullins, 96, of Livingston, died Monday, February 16, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on February 26, 1912 the daughter of John and Winnie Ponder Kelley. She was a retired store clerk and telephone operator and was a member of the Livingston Baptist Church, where she served as song leader.

She is survived by: a sister, Ruth Ping of Trinway, OH; three grandchildren, Darlene Mink of Mt. Vernon, and Deniece Waddle and Dianne Childress, both of Shepherdsville; five great grandchildren, Brent, Tonya, Jamie, Jason, and Ladonya; 10 great great grandchildren; a son-in-law, Curt McHargue of Livingston; and a daughter-in-law, Anna Mae Mullins of Mt. Vernon. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Russell App Mullins; a son, Buddy Mullins; and a daughter, Mary McHargue.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, February 19 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Steve McKinney and Billy Medley. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Brent Childress, Shane Rice, Mark Saunders, Nathan Saunders, Jamie Waddle and Jason Waddle.

Honorary pallbearers were: Brittany Rice and Tonya Saunders.

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

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Delno Mink

Delno Mink, 74, of Mt. Vernon died Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born on June 12, 1934 in Rockcastle County the son of the late Elza and Mary Burdine Mink. He was a shear operator and farmer, enjoyed coon hunting, gospel music, and his grandchildren and was a member of the Freedom Baptist Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Maggie Baker Mink of Mt. Vernon; two daughters, Pam (Andy) Bullock and Mt. Vernon and Patty (Stanley) Lovins of Lancaster; stepmother, Mrs. Irene Reynolds of Mt. Vernon; four brothers, L. C., Marvin and J. D. Mink, all of Mt. Vernon, and M. B. Mink of Miamisburg, OH; one sister, Mrs. Mae Renner of Stanford; two grandchildren, Jessica (Michael) Gaffney and Jennifer Deatherage; one step grandchild, Brian Bullock; and one great grandchild, Kayleigh Brook.

He was preceded in death by: three brothers, Lansford, Floyd and Jerald Mink; and three sisters, Gilbertia Price and Viola and Rosanna Bradley.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. (today) Thursday, February 26, 2009 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bros. Albert McKinney and David Sargent officiating. Burial will be in Maretburg Cemetery.

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

Cards of Thanks

Thank You

The congregation of Brush Creek Holiness Church would like to thank the merchants and individuals who contributed to our Valentine Banquet. We truly appreciate everyone's contribution.

Roger Ely, Chairman and Congregation of Brush Creek Holiness Church
Flora Mae Brown

We would like to express our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to the many who demonstrated their care and concern during the life and death of our dear one, Flora Mae Brown.

To our many friends and churches who sent cards and gifts, called, visited or kept her in prayer while she was living, we say thank you!

To those of you at Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center who loved and cared for her like she was your family, we say thank you!

To Dr. Saylor, Bullock and Vance and the staff of Rockcastle Hospital who were so attentive to her needs, as well as our comfort, we say thank you!

To Marvin and Judy Owens and the staff at Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals: we appreciate your guidance, comfort and professionalism during the arrangements and services, but especially for going above and beyond and showing us love and sincere sympathy.

Finally, to those friends at Providence and in the community and county who showered our grieving family with delicious food, comforting calls, visits, cards and prayers on our behalf, as well as for the many acts of kindness too numerous to mention, please know that your actions did not go unappreciated!

Your kindness touched us at a very difficult time of loss and will forever be remembered.

The Family of Flora Mae Brown

Death Notice

Charles "Tuck" Baker

Charles "Tuck" Baker, of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday,

February 25th in Auburndale, Florida.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals in Brodhead.

Here are some early symptoms of Colorectal Cancer:

That's right, there aren't any.



"Colorectal cancer starts with no symptoms. That's why screening is important, especially if you're over 50."

Kimberly Cornelius, M.D.

Free colorectal screenings kits will be available at the following locations now through the end of March:

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Rite Aid Pharmacy • Rockcastle Professional Pharmacy

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Mayor position deserves a raise...

Dear Editor,
I realize this letter may come as a surprise to some people, but, the position of Mayor in Mt. Vernon should receive a pay raise.

It has been years since the salary for this job has been increased. The job requires a 40 hour week and therefore an increase in pay.

As you know I've been critical, at times, about how the current Mayor spends your tax money and I stand by my observations.

No matter who holds that office, it is a full time job of 40 hours a week and it should pay more than the current salary.

It is my belief that the city council should increase the Mayor's salary by 4.9% based on a 40 hour work week.

Before you ask, YES, the city has the money in the current budget. Also, the council just authorized the mayor's staff to work 40 hours a week.

Sincerely
Richard Courtney

Thank you...

Dear Editor,
The RCHS FFA Chapter and Alumni would like to thank the

following people for their generous donation to our annual chili supper and auction:

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Without the generous support of these donors and all who attended, our auction would not have been such a success. Thank you.

RCHS FFA Chapter & Alumni

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

volunteers than visitors, especially on Fridays," he says.

"We had a lot of nerve calling it a museum when we opened because we only had 15 or 20 items in one big room, but donations starting coming in quickly," he says.

Now housed in the old Rohs Theatre built in 1922, and once a roller rink operated by the American Legion, the museum includes hundreds of artifacts. Most relate to Harrison County including long-gone businesses and schools.

Among the more unique items is a state map with each of the 120 counties outlined in different color buttons.

This was an effort of a local resident who undertook the project in the 1960s while recuperating from a heart attack.

Slade and the museum also were instrumental in uncovering ties between the community and the famed Raggedy Ann dolls.

Joni Gruelle Wannamaker, granddaughter of Raggedy Ann creator Johnny Gruelle, was in Cynthiana seeking information about her great-grandfather, R. B. Gruelle, who was born there in 1851.

Slade shared stories with Wannamaker about her ancestors and put her in touch with another community leader interested in promoting tourism.

That connection led to Wannamaker aiding the community in establishing a Raggedy Ann Festival in Cynthiana.

A section near the front of the museum now houses a small collection of items related to the famous dolls.

Also among the collection are items from Slade's past, including a silk shirt made by his mother from materials he sent her from the war zone and several vintage toys he played with as a boy.

He has a new bat, courtesy of the folks at the Louisville Slugger factory in Louisville who invited him and his fam-

ily down for a tour after reading about his run-in with the intruder.

But don't expect to see the old bat on display at the museum anytime soon.

"I'm keeping it at home in case I ever need it again," he says.

Columnist Don White has served as editor at several newspapers in Kentucky. His Kentucky Traveler features are published throughout the state. Contact him at www.thekytraveler.com.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

The following editions were found on our bookshelves: Gene Autry, The Phantom, Roy Rogers, Red Ryder and Little Beaver, Blondie, Dick Tracy, The Shadow, Bambi, The Lone Ranger, Tom Mix, Brer Rabbit and Uncle Wiggily. I am quite certain that there were many other titles, but we simply could not remember which ones they were.

Big Little Books were divided into three categories based on the dates in which they were issued. The Golden Age produced the books from 1932 until 1938. The Silver Age titles were from 1938 until 1949. The final category was called The Modern Age, which ran from 1950 until the final editions in 1968. Each of the categories included some modernizing features to update the books with the times.

Upon consulting bookstores on the internet to see if copies of these treasures were still available, the answer astounded me. To my amazement, these books are now outrageously priced. It is still possible to pur-

chase many of the original titles – but be prepared to pay from \$125 to over \$175 per copy!

My favorite BLB was Brer Rabbit, which was published in 1949. The cost of one copy in fine condition today sells for almost \$200. Even a slightly damaged copy brings \$40.

Al and I were trying to determine what the value of our collection would be if we still owned our originals. The twelve editions that we could remember having would probably sell for a grand total of \$1,920. Needless to say, we are still trying to figure what hap-

pened to our assortment of BLBs.

If you have any of these wonderful books, please let me know their titles and condition. It has been at least 50 years since I have seen a copy, and I would love to purchase one as a keepsake for my grandchildren.

What a marvelously simple time that was – when nothing was better than our bookshelves being filled with these wonderful treasures!

(You can reach me at mtvman@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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Organizational Meeting

For the Mt. Vernon High School
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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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The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, by Ordinance, requires your Occupational Tax money to be used on the following projects:

(Total Collected as of February 24th, 2009: \$536,000)

To be used for (during first year) and Funding Available as of February 24

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (50% of Total Revenues)	\$268,000
RECREATION & TOURISM (10% of Total Revenues)	\$ 53,600
COMMUNITY PROJECTS (10% of Total Revenues)	\$ 53,600
EMERGENCY SERVICES (2% of Total Revenues)	\$ 8,860
CONTINGENCY RESERVE (28% of Total Revenues)	\$150,080

How the Fund has been used to date (expenditures):

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (for Industrial Park Development and New Jobs)	- \$250,000
RECREATION & TOURISM (for Roundstone Elementary School Playground Equipment, \$2,000; County's Little League Football Program to help defray equipment expenses to parents, \$2,000)	- \$ 4,000
COMMUNITY PROJECTS	- \$ NONE TO DATE
EMERGENCY SERVICES	- \$ NONE TO DATE
ADMINISTRATION	- \$ 35
CONTINGENCY RESERVE	- \$ NONE TO DATE

Effective July 1, 2009, the following (by Ordinance) percentages take effect for future projects:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (40%)	Estimated Fund / Year: \$524,160
RECREATION & TOURISM (10%)	Estimated Fund / Year: \$131,040
COMMUNITY PROJECTS (8%)	Estimated Fund / Year: \$104,832
EMERGENCY SERVICES (10%)	Estimated Fund / Year: \$131,040
ADMINISTRATION (4%)	Estimated Fund / Year: \$ 52,416
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/s/ Buzz Carloftis, County Judge-Executive



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Rockcastle County High School senior John R. Lambert, center, is a finalist for the prestigious National Merit Scholarship. Lambert was presented his certificate from the National Merit Scholarship program by RCHS principal Jennifer Mattingly, left and RCHS counselor Dale Whitaker last week. Lambert is one of 15,000 students of the original 1.5 million from across America, who have met all the final requirements for the scholarship program. The last RCHS student to be a Merit Scholarship Finalist was Allen Purcell in 1989. Lambert, the son of retired Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice Joseph Lambert and local attorney Debra Lambert of Mt. Vernon, has the highest grade point average of the 207 students at RCHS and he scored a 32 on the ACT and 212 on the PSAT. Lambert plans to attend the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia next Fall.



More Training

Members of the Rockcastle County EMS participated in a two hour Landing Zone Class held at Rockcastle Middle School on Saturday. Crew members with the Air Evac-56 stationed in Danville facilitated the class. They are shown at right, from left: John Embry, flight nurse, Stewart May, pilot and Aaron Stamper, flight medic. Above are members of the local EMS, front row, from left: Steve Griffin and Jon Butler. Back row: Becky Griffin, Jamie McClure, Dana Carter and Amy Navarre.



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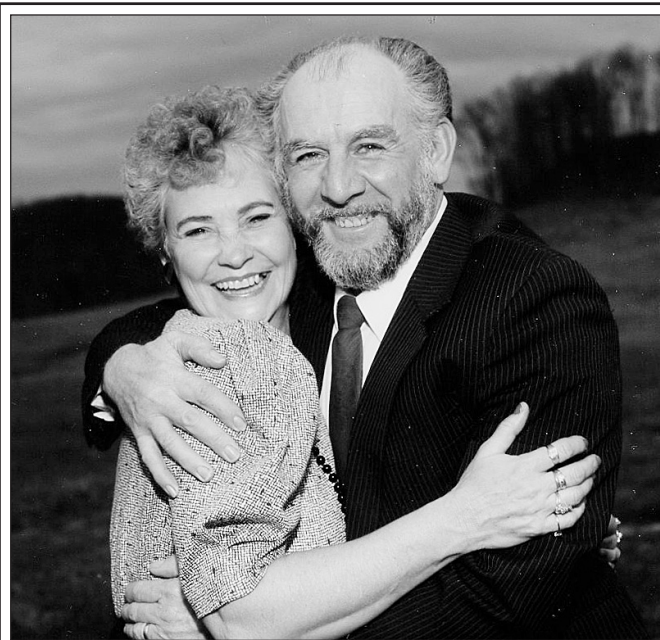


Rice - Alcorn

Mike and Beverly Rice of Three Links are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Amanda Leanne to Joseph Kyle Alcorn. Joe is the grandson of Orville and Ruby Alcorn of Mt. Vernon.

Amanda is a 2005 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and an employee of Renfro Valley Entertainment Center. Joe is a 2006 graduate of Higley High School in Gilbert, Arizona, an employee of Richmond Cemetery and served with the U.S. Army 3rd Infantry Division, 5/7 Cavalry.

The couple was united in marriage on Monday, January 19, 2009 in Berea with Rev. Wayne Miller officiating. The couple resides in Berea.



51st Wedding Anniversary

Arvil G. and Barbara Ann Pingleton Smith, of Copper Creek, were married 51 happy years February 24th. They have two children - Roy Glen (Janice) and Zoeann. They have four grandchildren - Richie, Jesse, R.J. and Emma. They also have five great grandchildren - Eric, Kirra, Richie, Jr., Isabella and J.J. Clouse.



Happy one year anniversary Robert Earl and Ella Mae Daniels on February 23rd.



A Moment to Remember! During the summer of 2008, Juanita Bright of Indiana was blessed to meet both of her great grandchildren, Sophia Bonita of Florida and Breanna Bullock of Berea. In the photo from left: Juanita Bright, Selena Bonito, Becky Bullock, Breanna Bullock and in center, Sophia Bonito.



James and Dee Ann Miller were chosen the 2009 Valentine King and Queen of the Kiwanis Sweetheart Banquet held February 14th at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame. 25 couples attended the event which was emceed by Robert Lawson and Gertha Mink. Entertainment for the evening was provided by Will Reynolds. Proceeds from the event were donated to the local Boy Scout organization.

Officers elected for Development Board

At their regularly scheduled meeting, on January 26, the Rockcastle County Development Board, Inc. voted to revise their By-Laws to include more members on the Board of Directors, and to set out a scope of work that encompasses the six components of the Rockcastle County Strategic Plan—Leadership, Workforce Development, Health, Education, Land Use and Beautification, and Tourism. A new Board of Directors for the upcoming year was elected, many of which are members of the Rockcastle Leadership Program Alumni. Mayor Clarice Kirby, Mayor J.C. Griffin, Mayor Walter Cash and County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis occupy standing board seats. The remaining Directors elected to the Board are: Michael Blount, President, Mt. Vernon Branch of Community Trust Bank, Inc., Rick Branham, EST Tools, Brud Black, CFO, Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc., Martha Cox, Cox Hardware, Tammy Cox, Daniel Boone Development Council, Bob Fields, Cleft Rock Retreat, Larry Hammond, Superintendent, Rockcastle County Schools, Matt Hupp, Rockcastle County Surveyor, Tom Mills, Rockcastle Extension Service, Charlie Napier, WRVK, Janine Norman, Tourist Commission, Arielle Reese, Public Relations, Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc., Jeremy Reynolds, Loan Officer, Citizens Bank of Brodhead, Kathy Robinson, Paralegal, Rockcastle County Attorney's Office, and Jenny Sweet, Rockcastle County Schools.

18th, the Board met at the Rockcastle County Courthouse to hold their first meeting and to elect new Officers of the Board of Directors.

The 2009 Development Board Directors voted the following individuals into office at the meeting – Kathy Robinson, Chairman, Jeremy Reynolds, Vice Chairman, and Arielle Reese, Secretary/Treasurer.

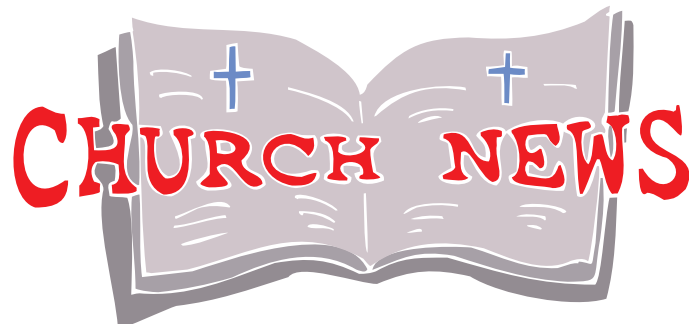
Outgoing Chairman, Corey Craig welcomed the new directors and others from the community that were present. He was very enthusiastic that the re-organization of the Development Board coupled with the current project to revise the 2002 Rockcastle County Strategic Plan will help move projects forward.

Corey Craig then turned the meeting over to Kathy Robinson who presided over the remaining portion of the meeting. The major topics discussed were the committee structure for the revision of the strategic plan and the kick-off of the 2009 Leadership Rockcastle class. A total of 15 participants make up the class of 2009.

Kathy reflected on the progress the County has made in achieving goals set out in the 2002 Strategic Plan, such as expansion of the Rockcastle Hospital and building of the new Vocational/Technical school.

The Board voted to hold their monthly meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Rockcastle County Courthouse community meeting room beginning at 9:00 a.m., and welcome visitors from the community to attend. The next meeting will be on March 25, 2009.

On Wednesday, February



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COMMUNITY INPUT NEEDED

Individuals interested in the growth and development of Rockcastle County are encouraged to take part in the Strategic Plan revision process. Participants may join a committee or simply attend the meetings to provide input in the following areas:

- Education
- Workforce Development
- Leadership
- Healthcare
- Recreation
- Beautification
- Land Use
- Tourism

KICK-OFF MEETING

Thursday, February 26th
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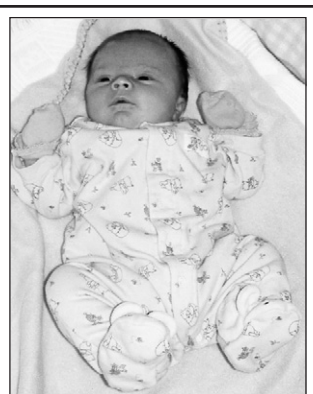
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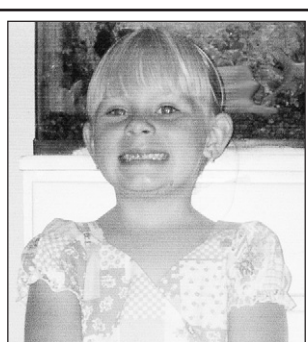
Sophia Arianna Bonito celebrated her first birthday September 12, 2008 with a Strawberry Shortcake themed party given by her parents, James and Selena Bonito. 60 guests attended including her grandparents, Danny and Becky Bullock of Livingston and Rich and Terisa Bonito of California. Many other friends and family members came to enjoy the food and fun. Thank you to all who came and celebrated Sophia's big day.



Hey, Hey, Hey!
It's Della Mae
The Big "5-0"
Is coming her way!
Happy Birthday
March 1st
Love - Dad, Mom, Rose,
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Hi, my name is Lacey Michelle Hayes. I was born at Patti A. Clay Hospital on February 4, 2009. I weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 20 inches long. My mommy and daddy are Shanda and Bobby Hayes. I was welcomed home by big brother Casey, friends, family and especially all of my grandparents. My grandparents are Debbie and Leo Hayes of Mt. Vernon and Jr. Middleton of Mt. Vernon and Ethelene Caldwell of Mt. Vernon. I was also welcomed home by two special uncles, Skyler Hayes of Mt. Vernon and Brian Middleton of Richmond.



Destiney Renea Short, daughter of Angela Short of Brodhead, will celebrate her fifth birthday on March 8, 2009. She will be having a Tinkerbell party at the home of her grandparents, Chester and Paula Day. Destiney would like for all her family and friends to come and help her celebrate her special day.

The Family Room
By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

"What should I do?" she asked her friend. "If you were in my shoes, what would you do?" he asked the counselor. "I can't decide, so tell me what I should do," she begged.

Do people ask you for advice? They do me. As a counselor for the past 23 years, I have had many people ask me what they should do. The situations have included affairs, divorces, child custody, job changes, retirement, problems with children and many more.

Earlier in my career I gave some advice. It was hard to resist the plaintive plea of a fellow human being in distress. When they asked what I would do if I were in their shoes, I sometimes told them. When they asked what they should do, I sometimes told them. What happened next will not come as a surprise to many of you: they ignored my advice and did what they wanted.

This was my first clue that giving advice was not necessarily the best way to approach a counseling situation or any other relationship. While people may be desperately seeking a solution to their woes, this does not mean that they will act on advice from others.

These experiences led me to formulate the following Rules of Advice Giving. I share them with you for what they are worth.

1. They will not do what you say. They will do what they want. Even if they ask you for advice that does not mean they will act on it, especially if the advice involves sacrifice or pain. We human beings do not

like to hurt and will do all we can to avoid it.

2. Give advice only when asked. If they do not ask, then you do not tell. If it is their problem, do not make it yours and try to solve it for them. Most of us have plenty of problems of our own. We need to spend our time solving those rather than trying to solve someone else's difficulties.

3. Give advice only sparingly. Advice is cheap. Anyone can offer his or her two cents worth on any subject. Do not add your two cents worth. Wait until you are certain that your advice is worth at least a nickel before you offer it.

4. Do not say "If I were you I would..." You do not know what you would do if you were in his shoes. If you have not been in a similar situation, you have no clue what you would do. Even if you have been in a similar situation, you are a different person and would react in your own way.

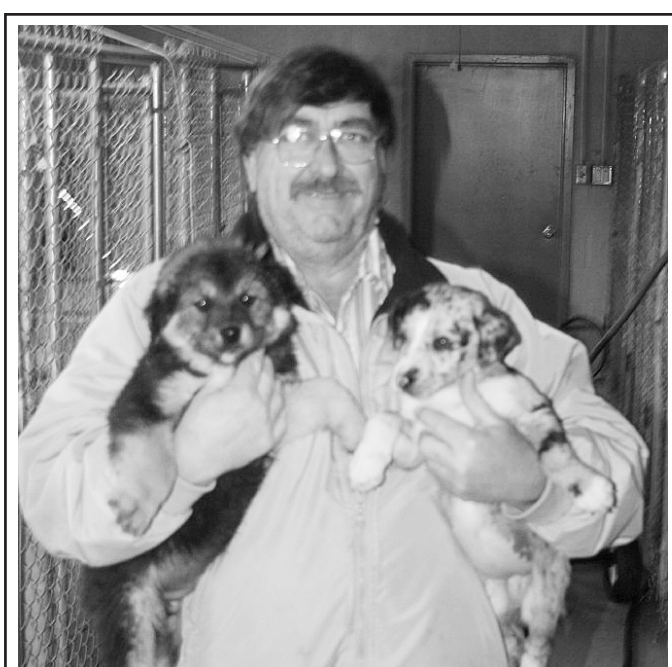
5. Never say "never." "I would never put up with that," she said. "If my husband did that he would be out on his ear." Two years later when her husband did the same thing, she stayed with him.

6. Do not judge the one who asks for advice. Instead, be understanding.

7. Do not make "should" or "ought" statements. "You shouldn't have done that" is not a helpful thing to say. No one can go back and undo what he has already done.

8. Ask questions to help the advice seeker decide what he should do. The best advice is no advice. The best advice is "let me help you figure out your next move." People are more likely to act on conclusions that they draw themselves. If she decides to change her life, she is more likely to do that than if you tell her to change. Advice is cheap. Ask questions instead.

[If you need help because of domestic violence, call Family Life Abuse Center at 800-755-5348.]



Pups, pups and more pups

Several pups and dogs are up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmon Road, at Roundstone, including the two pups, shown above. One is a Blue Heeler and the other a part German Shepherd. 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.

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Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



Rockcastle County High School senior Sarah Adams, has a perfect grade point average of 4.0 and has the fifth highest ranking of the 207 seniors in the 2009 graduating class at RCHS. Adams is the daughter of Tommy Adams and Charlotte and Donnie Hayes of Level Green and will attend Eastern Kentucky University in the Fall where she will major in Occupational Therapy. Adams is a member of the Health Occupational Students of America Club at the Rockcastle Area Technology Center and she co-ops at the Rockcastle Hospital in the pharmacy department. Adams is currently taking Advance Placement Calculus and enjoys spending time with family and friends, when she is not working or studying.

Minds in the Middle

Volleyball applications are available in the office. Students with questions may see Mrs. Mink. Camp dates are Feb. 26th, and 27th, and March 2nd. Tryouts are March 3rd and 4th. Students must have an up-to-date sports physical in order to attend the camps.

The PTSA would like to challenge homerooms to collect Box Tops for Education. A listing of all of the items with Box Tops for Education was sent home with the February newsletter. The PTSA is holding a contest which will begin next Monday and go through March 27th. The homeroom that collects the most box tops will be announced the week after we return from Spring Break. The homeroom who wins will receive a pizza party and drinks, compliments of the PTSA.

Congratulations to Charity Adams, Allison Burdette, Alexis Young, and Elizabeth

Lawrence. In Frankfort on Monday, they were able to witness the filing of two bills in the House of Representatives based on their winning entry in the "There Ought To Be A Law" contest.

RCMS wishes the best to the Archery Team in their first ever competition this week. We look forward to seeing the skills that they have been working on during the past few months.

We thank Leadership Team members Addison Atkin, Samantha Payne, and Kellan Coffey for sharing during the "Know Your Schools" program on WRVK last Saturday. The students talked about the many community services projects in which their group is involved.

Mid-terms were sent home with students last Thursday. The grading period will end on March 17th. Remember that after school services are available if needed.

Local children attend Fall Super Saturdays

More than 550 children, grades one to seven, participated in Fall Super Saturdays

Tiger Pause

Dr. Suess: Come and celebrate Dr. Seuss' s birthday with the Cat in the Hat and Thing 1 and Thing 2. There will be stories, games, crafts, and cake. The event will be on Monday, March 2, from 6:00 to 7:00 at BES.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: BES had parent/conferences Tuesday. If you did not meet with your child's teacher, please call the school to make an appointment to discuss your child's progress.

Book Fair: The PTA book fair goes through Friday, February 27. Please stop by and take a look at all of the great offers available at our Scholastic Book Fair.

BRFC: Advisory Council meeting on Friday, March 6, at noon

Rodeo: Bicycle rodeo for 4th & 5th grades on Friday, March 6th.

sponsored by The Center for Gifted Studies at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green.

Participating from Mt. Vernon were: Courtlyn VanHook, daughter of Jeff and Sonya VanHook; Thomas Burdette, son of Jeff and Twila Burdette; and Zoe Burdette, daughter of Jeff and Twila Burdette.

The 39 hands-on, minds-on enrichment classes encouraged children to explore their interests in a challenging, yet nurturing environment. Children from 49 school districts in Kentucky (plus children from Indiana and Tennessee) attended the two-and-a-half-hour classes for four Saturdays in November. Hundreds of parents attended the Parent Seminars to learn more about the needs of their children.

The 2009 Fall Super Saturdays will be held Oct. 17, Oct. 24, Nov. 7 and Nov. 14. Contact The Center for Gifted Studies at (270) 745-6323 or visit www.wku.edu/gifted for more information.



SAE Spotlight...

Nathan Bullock has been selected as this month's SAE Spotlight. Nathan is a sophomore at Rockcastle County High School and has been a member of the Rockcastle County FFA Chapter for two years. He is serving as the 2008-2009 Rockcastle County FFA Assistant Sentinel. His parents are Ray and Sheryl Bullock. For his supervised agricultural experience project, Nathan produces vegetables to sell through his greenhouse and two to four acres that he helps his neighbor with. On average, he produces and sells 200 bell pepper plants and helps to raise about 400 to 600 tomato plants a year.

Local students named to Dean's List at UK

The University of Kentucky is proud to recognize the outstanding academic performance of its students, including five students from Rockcastle County who were named to the UK Dean's List for the fall 2008 semester.

To make a Dean's List in one of the UK colleges, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.6 or higher and must have earned 12 credits or more in that semester, excluding credits earned in pass-fail

classes. Some UK colleges require a 3.5 GPA to make the Dean's List.

A total of 4,395 students achieved Dean's List recognition.

"UK is happy to tout the academic success of its students, such as those who have been named to the fall 2008 Dean's List," said UK President Lee T. Todd, Jr. "The success of our students reflects well on them, their parents, the high schools from which they graduated and our faculty at the university."

The students from Rockcastle County on the UK Dean's List are: Carter Lee Hammond, a junior from Russell Springs, studying psychology in the College of Arts and Sciences; Brandy LaRae Owens, a freshman from Orlando, studying elementary education in the College of Education; Hillary Jordan Proctor, a sophomore from Brodhead, studying career and technical education in the College of Agriculture; William Matthew Whitaker, a senior from Mount Vernon, studying career and technical education in the College of Agriculture; and Nicholas Glenn Williams, a senior from Mount Vernon, studying health promotion in the College of Education.



Amy Poynter, a first year student at WKU, has been placed on the President's List with a GPA of 4.0 for the fall quarter. Amy is the daughter of Donna and Larry Poynter of Mt. Vernon and the granddaughter of Virgil Hopkins of Brodhead. Congratulations Amy!

Albright's project contributed EKU gets grant to examine agricultural practices

Eastern Kentucky University Environmental Research Institute (EK-ERI) has received a three-year \$323,404 grant from the United States Department of Agriculture to examine the impact of agricultural best management practices on water quality in cattle-grazing lands in karstic watersheds.

The study, to be performed in the Brush Creek Watershed in Rockcastle County, could have statewide and even national significance, according to Dr. Alice Jones, EKU-ERI director. Nearly 25 percent of U.S. land, and more than half in Kentucky, is karstic, defined as an area of irregular limestone marked by fissures, sinkholes, underground streams and caverns.

Very little previous research has focused on best management practices in karstic areas, where conventional models of how water moves across the landscape and collects or filters pollutants become complicated by the presence of sinkholes and groundwater springs, according to Jones. Furthermore, existing research on agricultural best practices has focused on how water quality changes on a single farm; but there is little existing research documenting how the collective practices adopted by multiple farmers spread over a watershed area affect water conditions on the watershed as a whole. "We'll be taking a watershed approach, looking holistically at the collective impact of best management practices on the watershed system overall."

Kentucky is the largest cattle-producing state east of the Mississippi River and the dominant agricultural activity in the Brushy Creek Watershed is indeed beef cattle production. Although crops such as corn and soybeans are far less common in the watershed, the USDA-funded study "could also inform row crop production," Jones said.

The EKU study comes on the heels of a master's thesis by Eastern graduate Michael Albright that suggested that best management practices appropriate in many other cattle-grazing areas may not be as effective in karstic environments, and may require different approaches to protecting water quality.

"If he (Albright) had not done that project, we would not have had the preliminary data," Jones said. "It was his groundbreaking watershed approach that demonstrated the need for this study."

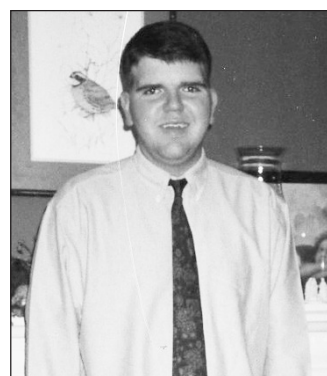
The USDA study will also involve EKU students on site and in laboratory analysis.

Considerable federal funds have been spent to employ cattle best management practices on private landowners' cattle operations in order to improve water quality in Brushy Creek, a major tributary to Buck Creek, an area of interest of the Kentucky Chapter of the Nature Conservancy. The Brushy Creek Watershed includes many caves and sinkholes, complicating the ground-water-surface water relationship.

The EKU team will begin water sampling in late January, with dye tracing to follow in March and April and the aquatic life inventory to commence this summer.

Albright holds a B.A. in Geography and an MS in Geosciences from Eastern Kentucky University. During his graduate work, he traveled to Puerto Rico to deliver a research paper that was an integral part of his work on the Brush Fork project. Michael is now employed with the Office of environmental Protection in Frankfort and teaches part-time at UK Community College.

He is the son of Mrs. Dilores Morris of Mt. Vernon and Steve Albright of Brodhead.



Michael Albright

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Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

"For A Wonderful Water Garden—Take These Steps"

There is no element you can add to a landscape that is more transformational than water. It's artwork if done right. Not even fire is so pleasing or dramatic in your yard as a well-planned waterfeature.

Homes lakeside or streamside always command bigger prices because of the atmosphere and the view. Even that most fantastic waterfeature will be more economical than pulling up roots to relocate beside a creek, river or lake.

As we begin to envision the magical sights and sounds of water in our yards, let us dream big while we moderate our wildest dreams so that they mesh with the architecture and design we already have. (And our budgets.)

A small waterfall near an entryway can be all that's needed to give drama to a cute bungalow or row house. A small pond and waterfall in the middle of a large open yard can look out of place. But, a large meandering stream with waterfalls and a bigger pond can really make a transformational difference in a landscape. The more it blends in character with the surroundings, the better. (And, optimally, the more like nature rather than man-made the better.)

A point of caution before we move on into specifics—a formal yard with sheared hedges and lots of lines and angles may not be the place for a natural looking waterfeature. But, there are formal waterfeatures that are awesome all the same in their own way. Or, an outdoor room or nook can be the setting of a private naturalistic little waterfeature set in the landscape in such a way as to go unnoticed until one ventures into that private spot. Such can be lovely low-budget water gardens.

Now, let us try to maximize the pleasure if we are going to build a watergarden.

We should, of course, integrate our proposed waterfeature with the architecture of the landscape.

I'm thinking, we want to put it where we can see it from various angles and viewing points. Once I built a hillside stream with a frontyard pond that greeted visitors, and it was easily visible from the kitchen and the master suite. It was also placed for maximum impact upon visitors ringing the doorbell. The surprise not even calculated when I built the lovely waterfalls and pond was that it could be seen reflected in the mirror in the master bathroom. What a nice way to greet the day! (Or romantic way to put

the night to bed.)

Prime locations for a watergarden may be beside a pool, patio, deck or gazebo. Places we frequent and places we relax.

If sufficient money is allotted to it, a waterfeature can be created that fits in not as things exist, but by building the waterfeature we dream of and altering the landscaping and plantings such that the new project does indeed blend and feel "like it's always been there".

Location is but one aspect of building a wonderful watergarden. Let's consider other important points.

What size do you want? Is there sufficient funds? Can you do it yourself? Should you contract to have it done?

How do you best make those decisions? Can it be done in stages? What else should you be mindful of?

Sunny location or shady—which is preferable? Well, water clarity and natural look call for shade, or at least small trees or tall grasses on the perimeter somewhere. Water lily's need about six hours of sun to bloom reliably. But, big trees shed leaves or nuts, which can cause a mess. Some of both sun and shade is probably ideal.

So many articles I have read say never to locate a pond under a large tree. I would counter that argument in a heartbeat by saying never build right out in the middle of the yard where there are no trees or landscaping. (And if you insist, plan on planting some small trees or something to naturalize the project.)

Having read all the books about locating ponds away from trees, having seen so many ponds with a bunch of flat coping stones resembling a "ring of pearls", such thinking needs a jolt into what is natural and how it can and will work some better way.

Natural is better in most cases. In nature, how many waterfalls come from a man-made "volcano" in the middle of nowhere? How many natural ponds are on "high ground"?

Blend your waterfeature in. I love to visit mountain streams for inspiration. Study and emulate nature in the creation of your backyard watergarden.

Size should be somewhat to scale with the surroundings. To my mind, the surroundings can also be changed if need be to create the view and the effect one desires!

Depth? Well, almost nowhere are there regulations against ponds up to two feet deep. So, a pond with maybe 150 square feet of surface and varying in depths from a few inches to two feet is fairly typi-

cal of residential ponds. Maybe koi aficionados would argue for three feet, five feet, some even more.

You can probably have what you want. Maybe a permit would be required. And your budget may corral your dreams into something called "reality".

Could or should you build your own dream watergarden? Perhaps if it is fairly small and simple or you are a creative person who has tackled previous landscaping and home improvement projects successfully in the past.

For a high quality project on a sizable scale it would be advisable to hire someone.

Who do you hire then? What materials are desired for the project? What should you expect?

Well, as to materials: simple, but of good quality. The latest and fanciest is not necessarily advised. Rubber should be used with underlayment. 45 mil is standard thickness. A quality pump that will yield enough gallons per hour of water flow to give the look and sound you want. A waterfall box with filter materials, and by all means a SKIMMER.

Don't buy any kit of materials that doesn't contain a skimmer, or hire anyone that has not installed one before!

Without a skimmer, you'll be missing the advances made in water gardening over the past two decades. The advances that propelled watergardening into the mainstream of modern landscaping.

What else? I would suggest you ask to see pictures or actual projects done by the person you might consider contracting with if you decide not to tackle the project yourself. If your yard mowing guy or your local handyman has never built a watergarden before—you certainly don't want to turn him (or her) loose with thousands of dollars in pond kit materials.

Building a watergarden may take a bit of a leap in faith. It should not be blind faith. Ask for references. There are organizations such as the International Professional Pond Contractors Association (IPPCA) that rate experienced water garden professionals. Also, will you feel good with the crew who will spend from 40 to over 100 hours laboring in your yard? Temporary workers are not who you want building your dream waterfalls and pond. The creative artistic work of your contractor will be even more critical to a lovely end result than the quality of the materials used to build your new watergarden.

Before we conclude, you

don't want to fear complications to the project; such as, a patio, a gazebo, a bridge, a seating area on the other side. Consider adding some planting beds, some new trees, maybe some new outdoor lights and a firepit. Give thought to some of these items even if you only want to do one thing currently. A master plan, a bubble drawing, a rough sketch, it's always good to see the big picture as you add new elements to your yard.

Don't forget to plan for the landscaping of your new watergarden. A new waterfeature can be sited in the perfect spot where no additional landscaping is called for.

That's a rare situation. Be mindful that if you picked a great spot for the waterfall and pond you won't want the new landscaping to grow in and obstruct that great view.

Watergardens are lovely low maintenance additions to any yard if they are done well. Certainly they are popular. And water features will add value to your home, not to mention beneficial relaxation and the enjoyment that come with a pond and waterfall. Some things have an intangible value and reward you really can't put a price tag on.

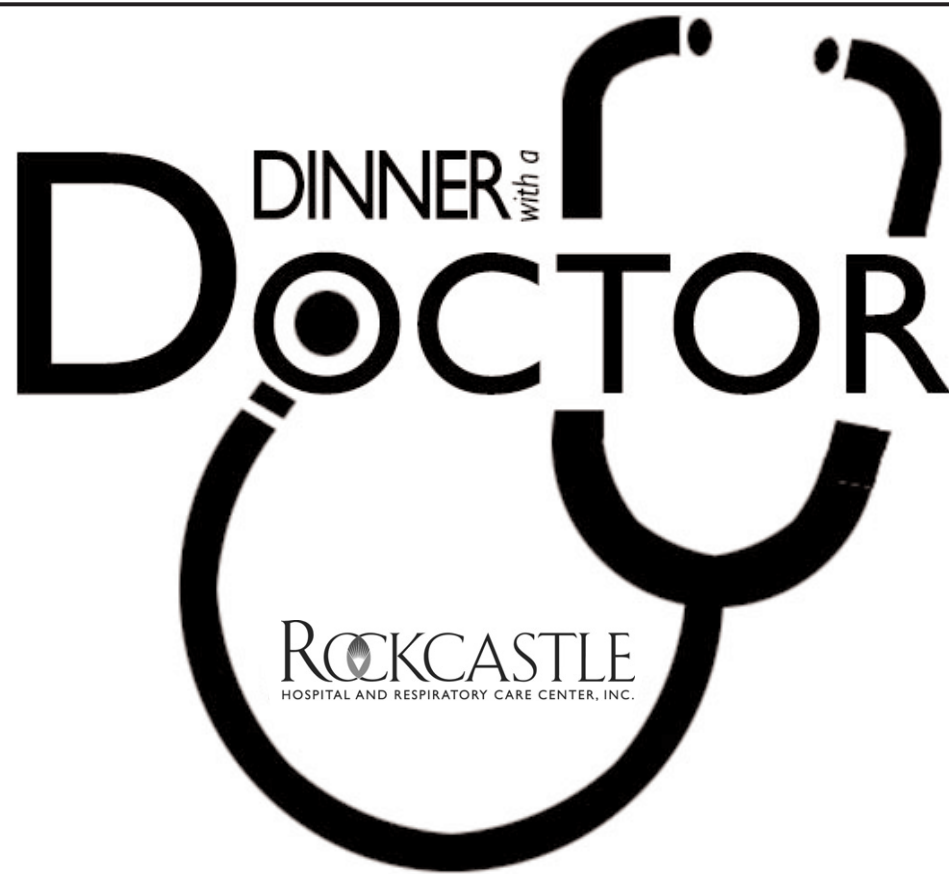
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Lady Rocket senior Ashley Robinson goes hard to the basket in the first quarter of her team's game with Pulaski County in the first round of the district tournament. Robinson, who got in early foul trouble, had five points and eight rebounds in the 88-37 blow-out of the Lady Maroons.



Lady Rocket senior Nicole Locklear worked hard in the Lady Rocket's full court press on Monday night against Pulaski County. Locklear scored six points in her team's easy 88-37 win in the first round of the district.



Lady Rocket sophomore center, Sara Hammond applies the defense as part of the Lady Rocket's full court press on Monday night against Pulaski County. Hammond got in early foul trouble, but still had a good game with 8 points, 4 rebounds and 3 assists. The Lady Rockets will face Casey County in the finals of the 47th district tournament on Thursday (tonight), at 7 p.m.



The Rockcastle 4th and 5th grade AAU team won 2nd place last weekend in the Franklin County AAU tournament in Frankfort. Members of the team are, front row from left: Rachael Davis, Hope Kelley, Jana Albright (holding trophy), Shelby Ham and Madeline Buleys. Back row, from left: Brandon McIntosh, coach, Amber Coger, Amber Collins, Ashley McKinney, Haley Harper, Morgan Collins, and Caroline Fagan, coach. The team would like to thank David Collins of Brodhead Pharmacy and Collins Respiratory Care Center for sponsoring their team.



Because of the small gym at Somerset High School, cheerleaders have had to cheer on their teams from the stands, while play on the floor was underway. But that didn't stop the Rocket cheerleading squad from very enthusiastic performances on both Monday and Tuesday night during the district tournament. Shown above, cheering on the Lady Rockets, in the first round of the district, are front row, from left: Lecia Burdette, Morgan Dixon, Joanie Alexander, Allyson Washburn, Makayla McFerron, Sarah Renner, Rachelle Cromer, Ashley Miller and Morgan Baker. Shown in the back row are Katie Caudill. Those not shown were: Megan Taylor, Heather Barnett, Breanna Brock and Constance Irvin. At right back is cheerleading sponsor, Dawn Stallsworth. (Monday night photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Junior Rocket center Derek Thacker goes up for two points against Somerset on Tuesday night. Thacker turned in one of his best performance's of the season in the Rockets win with 13 rebounds, 10 points and 4 assists. The Rockets will play in the district championship game Friday night against either Casey County or Pulaski County at 7 p.m.

Finish season with 12-5 mark Lady Rocket freshmen win final tourney games

The RCHS Lady Rocket freshman team finished off a very successful season by winning their final two games of a round robin tournament at Pulaski County High School, held earlier this month.

The Lady freshmen defeated Southwestern in the first game of the tournament, 39-33.

Alexis Chasteen led the freshmen with 14, followed by Kadi Cobb who had 13.

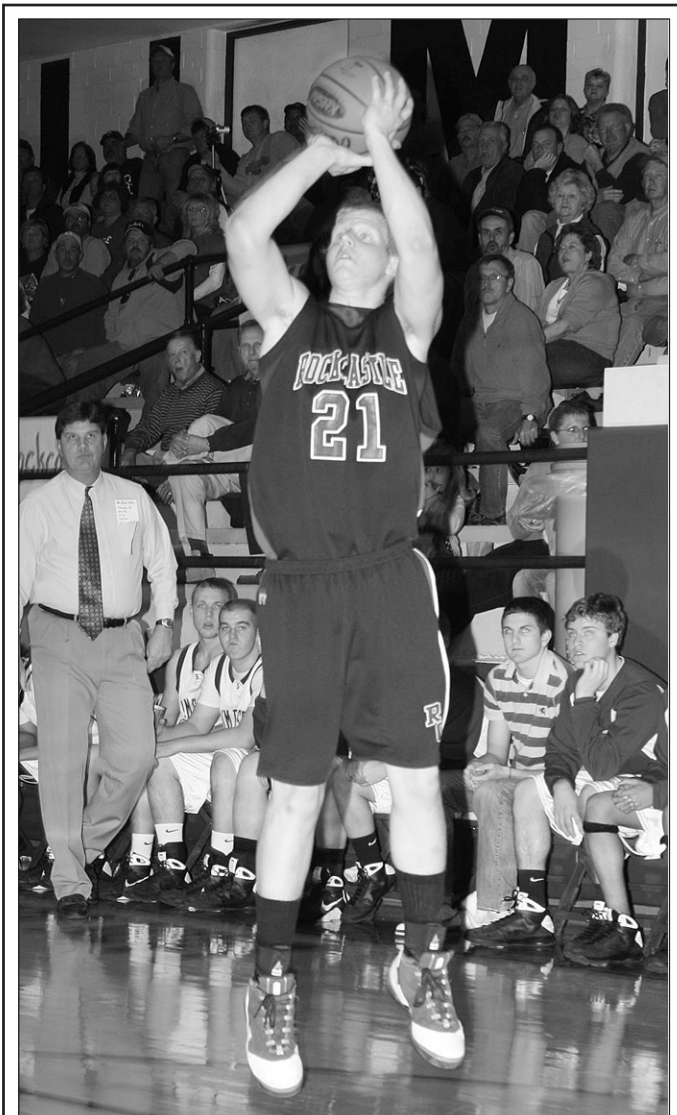
Bri Tillary scored 4, Holly Ham 3, Sara Adams and Tiffany Reynolds 2 each and Katie Cowan 1.

In the championship game, the freshmen won 42-26.

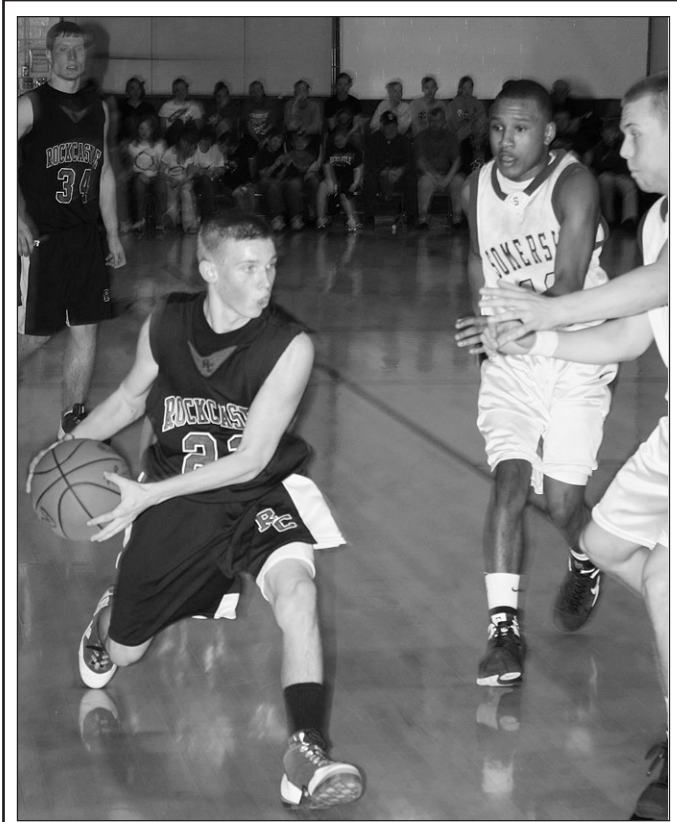
Seven Lady Rockets got into the scoring column, led by Sara Adams and Michaela Hunter with 10 each.

Cowan had 6 points, Cobb and Tillary 5 each, Ham 4 and Lauren Burton, 2.

The Lady Rocket freshmen ended their season with a record of 12-5.



Senior Spencer Mullins hit a three pointer with 6:40 to go in the second quarter to give the Rockets a 12-10 lead against Somerset in the first round of district play on Tuesday night. (Tuesday night photos by: Kevin Canterbury)



Junior Rocket Matt Lunsford, looks for an open player in Tuesday night's 58-49 win over Somerset in the first round of the district. Lunsford saw a lot of action coming off the bench, as only seven Rockets got into the game.



The RCHS Lady Rocket freshman team finished their 2008-09 season with a 12-5 record and a 47th district championship. Shown above, front row from left, are true freshmen: Katie Cowan, Kadi Cobb, Briana Tillery, Tiffany Reynolds, and Holly Ham. Second and third rows, are 7th and 8th grade members of the team. Second row, from left: Bree Keating, Brianna Burdette, Brianna Hansel, Jaelyn White, Lauren Burton, Kelsey Mattingly, Alexis Chasteen, and Michaela Hunter. Third row from left: Coach Jaclyn Cook, Sara Adams, Hannah Sowder, Jourdan Blanton, Kayla Reynolds, Coach Darla Reams, and Manager Katie Linville.

Girl Scouts enjoy Lady Cats' game at Memorial Coliseum

Girl Scouts of Mt. Vernon enjoyed a Kentucky women's basketball game at Memorial Coliseum in Lexington on Sunday, February 8th. They played Vanderbilt. It was a great game although the Lady Cats lost by 10 points with a score of 72-62.

The girls got to get autographs and pictures taken with Victoria Dunlap, #34, of the Kentucky Wildcats and from

Ashley Robinson of the WNBA who plays for the Seattle Storm.

Dunlap is a 6'1" sophomore and plays forward. Her hometown is Nashville. Her favorite hobby is doing Sudoku puzzles.

Robinson played for the Tennessee Volunteers and currently plays for the Storm and lives in Texas. She also enjoys Sudoku puzzles.



Shown in the above picture are the Girl Scouts with Victoria Dunlap from the Kentucky Wildcats.



Shown in the above picture are the Girl Scouts with Seattle Storm's Ashley Robinson.



Girl Scouts enjoying cotton candy before the game. Leader is Angel Daniels. Assistant leader is Jennifer Dick. Co-leader is Melinda McGuire and Volunteer Melissa Hatfield.

"Lady Rockets"

(Cont. from front)

Kristen Abney scored 3 points on the night and seven Lady Rockets each scored 2.

They were: Katy Mattingly, Jillisa Lay, Sydney Arvin, Ella McQueary, Cheyenne Hensley, Sasha Bullock and Shanlee Burton.

"We stayed pretty focused Monday night, even though Pulaski County was a lesser opponent and sometimes those type of games are the hardest to win," said head coach Chrysti Noble.

"Our players understand what they have to do to repeat as district and region champions and anything less is totally unacceptable," said Noble.

Noble, whose teams have won three straight district titles since joining the 47th district and two region titles in the last three seasons since moving to the 12th region, has never lost a district tournament game.

Thursday night (tonight) the Lady Rockets will face the Lady Rebels of Casey County, a team that has been ranked in the top 15 in the state most of the season.

The Lady Rebels sport a record of 23-3 and are one of the five teams to defeat the Lady Rockets this season.

"It will be a tight contest from the start," Noble said. "we know from experience that they can beat us and if we are not ready to play on every possession we will not be successful."

The Lady Rebels defeated Somerset on Monday night 49-46 to advance to the finals.

Game time at Somerset High School is 7 p.m.

The girl's 12 region tournament will begin at Pulaski County High School next Monday. Drawings will be held this weekend.

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Mt. Vernon Water Department employees spent several hours on Thursday evening repairing a water main break on Main Street in Mt. Vernon. Above, City Superintendent Dennis McClure instructs workers on how to proceed in repairing the ruptured line. McClure said it was hard to determine, but that he estimated several thousand gallons of water was lost because of the hole in the bottom of the line. Thursday's break was the worst so far for the city this winter, which has fared extremely well in that department, according to McClure.

“Knuckles”

(Cont. from front)

charges of Trafficking in Controlled Substances, Second Offense (three counts) and Persistent Felony Offender, First Degree.

According to Bartley, Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Joe Rush, explained from the witness stand that in May 2007, he, deputy Jason Kirby and Constable David Mason, arranged for a confidential informant to buy drugs from Knuckles on two occasions.

On May 1, 2007, Knuckles sold the confidential informant three hydrocodone pills and one tylox. Again on May 15, 2007, Knuckles delivered 22 Oxycontin pill for \$1,000 to the confidential informant.

Bartley also said testimony revealed that the Oxycontin had a street value of \$2,200. Several hours of conversations referencing the drugs were also recorded, including the sale of the drugs themselves, on audiotape.

Jail employee Nick Thomas testified that during a conversation he had with Knuckles, he told him that “I know they got me on tape twelve times, but I think I’ll get out of it.”

The defense argued that the prosecution’s informant had questionable credibility. However, in the Commonwealth’s closing argument, Bartley reminded jurors that even assuming that was true, the Commonwealth’s “star witness is the tapes.”

Referencing the fact that most times a reputable source “cannot buy drugs from a drug dealer,” Bartley told the jury that “unfortunately sometimes you have to go to hell to catch the devil.”

The jurors deliberated for approximately 38 minutes before returning guilty verdicts on all three counts of Trafficking in Controlled Substances.

The Commonwealth then put on evidence of Knuckles’ prior criminal history. Evidence showed that over the last thirteen years, Knuckles had been convicted of five felonies, ranging from prior drug charges to burglary and escape.

According to court records, Knuckles was on parole at the time of the May 2007 charges. He had been on parole three prior times. Each time he had his parole revoked for either new felony charges or technical violations. He had also been on probation for the burglary charge, and had his probation revoked in the past.

Asking the jury for a life sentence, Bartley told the jury that Knuckles had lived a life of crime. “Nothing has gotten his attention.”

Following deliberations the jury recommended 20 years on each count, with some of the prison time running concurrent for a total of 25 years. They also found Knuckles guilty of being a Persistent Felony Offender (PFO) First Degree.

Under Kentucky law, the PFO verdict means that Knuckles will not even be eligible for parole consideration on the trafficking charges until 2019.

The 25-year-sentence will also have to run consecutively to the time Knuckles had left on parole, which was approximately nine to eleven years.

“Job well done,” said Montgomery of his assistant and the Sheriff’s Department. “This individual has been prosecuted by my office on more than one occasion and was given every opportunity to learn from his mistakes. Now, he will spend a good majority of the remainder of his life behind bars. I hope this sends the message that a career of crime does not pay off.”

Montgomery thanked the jurors for their verdict and their service to the community.

Circuit Judge David A. Tapp, who presided over the trial, set sentencing for March 27th, then remanded Knuckles to the Rockcastle Detention Center.

“Rockets”

(Cont. from front)

son on the same floor, 52-50, which was the Rockets only loss in district play.

Officials called six fouls on the Rockets, which included two on junior Matt Bullens, in the first quarter, before the Briar Jumpers got a foul call with 7:40 to go in the second quarter.

At that point Somerset had a 10-9 lead, but that would be the last time they would find themselves ahead in the game.

Senior Spencer Mullins hit a three pointer with 6:40 to go in the second quarter to give the Rockets a 12-10 lead.

The Rockets opened up a 15-10 lead on a three pointer by junior Dustin Reynolds, then a 17-10 lead on a second effort shot by center Derrick Thacker with 5:36 to go.

Somerset would manage to tie the score at 19-19 but the Rockets went on an 8-0 run to take a 27-19 lead into the dressing room, after trailing 8-7 at the end of the first quarter.

The Rockets, who had put up 20 points in the second quarter, compared to Somerset’s 11, scored 15 points in the third quarter to extend their lead to 42-31 at the end of three periods.

In the fourth period, the Rockets got their first four points on free throws by Bullens and the Rockets were up by 15, 46-31.

In the fourth quarter, a very tight man to man full court press caused several Rocket turnovers and allowed the Briarjumpers to get within 8 points but it was too little too late as the Rockets went on to win 58-49. Good defense by the Rockets also caused several Somerset turnovers in the same period.

All total, the Rockets were 8 for 14 from the foul line, with five of their misses coming in the last 90 seconds of the ballgame.

Bullens, who had 21 points on the night, was named the game’s most valuable player for the Rockets.

17 of Bullen’s 21 points came in the second half, after he had to sit out much of the first half because of early foul trouble.

Spencer Mullins had 11 points and center Derek Thacker had 10 points from the post position, where he also grabbed 13 rebounds and dished out four assists.

Jamie Todd got 8 points, Matt Lunsford 5 and Dustin Reynolds 3.

“For the first time in a while I thought we gave a total team effort,” said head coach Benny Blanton.

“We didn’t get down on ourselves after we fell behind 6-0 and even after they (Somerset) got into the bonus early in the second quarter, our kids didn’t back off them defensively.”

“If we stay focused we will have an opportunity to win on Friday night, but it will take another team effort like we had tonight,” the fourth-year head coach said.

The Rockets will face either the 10-17 Pulaski County Maroons or the 8-18 Rebels of Casey County on Friday night.

The Rockets have defeated both teams, twice this season.

PC and Casey County played in the first round on Wednesday night.

Game time for the championship game at Somerset High School is Friday night at 7 p.m.

The 12th region tournament for the boys will begin next Monday night at Lincoln County and the girl’s 12th region tournament also begins on Monday at Pulaski County High School. Drawings for the tournament will be held this weekend.

“Mayor”

(Cont. from front)

ees to do away with limestone rock that belonged to him.

Hammond says the rock was in a wall in front of the home of Henry and Phyllis Hines’ home, located next to Hammond’s house on Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon.

The Superintendent said that Phyllis Hines had given the rock to him, and that it was taken from her property (Hines) to property owned by the Mayor and then to Lake Linville for disposal at the Mayor’s request.

The rock was removed as part of the Richmond Street sidewalk project.

According to state law, if the Mayor is found guilty of the crime she is charged with, she could be sentenced to 12 months in the jail and not more than a \$500 fine.

“Cain”

(Cont. from front)

Board and Rockcastle County Improvement Council. He has been a Soil Conservation Board member for over 40 years, and presently serves on the Kentucky Commission for Agriculture in Rockcastle County. He also served two terms on the Mt Vernon City Council.

After retirement from education, Cain became a real estate agent and certified appraiser, selling real estate in Rockcastle and Madison Counties for Prudential Don Foster Realtors, while continuing to farm in his retirement.

IIIrd Tyme Out will appear March 14th Renfro Barn Dance will open on March 20th

Shows at the historic Renfro Valley Barn Dance will begin a couple weeks later than usual this year, because of the nationwide economic downturn.

Renfro Valley Entertainment Center CEO Connie Hunt, said this week, that lagging ticket sales had caused the short delay in the opening.

“I don’t think anyone is immune from what is going on in the country right now, and the entertainment business is certainly no exception,” she said.

Things actually get underway with the well known Bluegrass group, IIIrd Tyme Out, who will appear on Saturday March 14th.

The regular Barn Dance shows will begin on Friday, March 20th and the annual UNITE Benefit Concert, fea-

ture the Spring in the Valley Musical Production Show, will be held the night before, on Thursday, March 19th with proceeds going to the UNITE Coalition.

The official opening of the Spring In the Valley Show will take the Renfro stage on Saturday, March 21st and the first headliner concert in the Valley will be held on April 25th when Jeff Bates performs.

“We’ve got a great schedule in the Valley in 2009, including, Ronnie Milsap, the Oak Ridge Boys, Merle Haggard and Ray Stevens,” Hunt said.

For tickets and information call the Renfro Valley Ticket office at 800-765-SING or locally at 256-2638.

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Second Section

Thursday, February 26, 2009

Parsons selected as 2008 Master Conservationist

The Master Conservation Award, presented annually by the Rockcastle County Conservation District, recognizes outstanding achievements in taking the necessary steps to conserve and protect natural resources.

The 2008 Rockcastle Master Conservationist award was presented to Ms. Kathy Parsons at the annual Farmers/Business Banquet last week.

Parsons owns 104 acres in the Brindle Ridge area of the county. She regularly maintains a herd of beef cattle and horses that graze on 47 acres of pasture.

Parsons has participated in several programs offered by the Conservation District office. Under the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, she has installed pipeline and two frost-free watering tanks, and renovated 29.6 acres of pasture and hayland. Parsons also participated in the

State Cost Share Program, installing one heavy use area, and applying a rotational grazing system.

Through the Roundstone Creek Watershed Protection Project, she installed three additional frost-free tanks and pipeline, and fenced out 57 acres of woodland by putting up over 6,300 feet of fencing. Kathy has combined all of these best management practices to produce a quality operation that also protects the resources of the area in which she operates.

In honor of her achievement, Kathy received: a coat embroidered with her name and Master Conservationist, a Master Conservationist sign to be placed on her farm, and a Certificate of Award from the State of Kentucky, signed by Governor Steve Beshear.

District Conservationist Randall Templeman presented Ms. Parsons with her award.



Rockcastle Kiwanis Club President, Robert Lawson, left, presented Greg Moyer, owner of Greg's Woodworking in Mt. Vernon, with the Business Person of the Year award at the Farmers/Business Banquet last week.



Ms. Kathy Parsons was presented the 2008 Master Conservationist Award by District Conservationist Randall Templeman at the Farmers/Business Banquet last week.



Jon Adams, right, was presented with the Chamber of Commerce Ambassador of the Year award at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet, at the Rockcastle Middle School, by Chamber President Jerry Pensol. The local chamber sponsored this year's banquet.



Longtime Rockcastle Hospital Board Chairman Joseph Lambert, right, accepted the Large Business of the Year Award, on behalf of the local hospital at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet. The award was presented by Chamber President Jerry Pensol.



Arielle Reese, Public Relations Director at Rockcastle Hospital, was chosen as Member of the Year, by the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce. She received her award at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet from Chamber President Jerry Pensol.



Carol Simms, owner of Dolly Sodds in Renfro Valley, was chosen as the Small Business of the Year by the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce. She received her award at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet.



Steve Taylor, right, an owner of EST Tools was appointed a lifetime honorary board member of the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet. Taylor who was instrumental in helping to rejuvenate the Chamber a few years ago, was presented his honor by Chamber President Jerry Pensol.



Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce President Jerry Pensol, presented member Jamie Fain, with a gift on Tuesday night, in appreciation of her hard work and dedication to the Chamber.



Trina Bustle, right, wife of Carl Bustle, owners of Mt. Vernon Plumbing and Electrical Supply and Exit 62 RV, accepted a lifetime honorary board member award from the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of her husband, at last week's Farmers/Business Banquet. Bustle was instrumental in helping to rejuvenate the Chamber a few years ago and has served as a past president.



Rockcastle First District Magistrate John Holbrook, left, presented Keynote Speaker, Ferrell Wellman with a hand carved wooden cane and a hand carved key chain, following Wellman's remarks at the Rockcastle Farmers/Business Banquet last week. Wellman, a EKV professor, is also the host of "Comment on Kentucky" and a political analyst. About 250 people attended the banquet.

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Soup Bean/Cornbread Supper
A soup bean/cornbread supper will be held at the Pongo Volunteer Fire Dept. on March 7th at 5 p.m. For more info, call 256-0389 or 687-0865.

Bookmobile Schedule
Mon., Mar. 2: Scaffold Cane, Disputanta, Anglin Falls, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Tues., Mar. 3:** Pongo Fire Dept., stops off 461, Negro Creek, Bryant Ridge. **Wed., Mar. 4:** PJ's Day Care, Day Health/Senior Citizens, Carter Drive Apartments, Brindle Ridge.

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 Mt. Vernon Elementary Feb. 23-26. **Feb. 23-26 - 3 to 5 p.m.:** 4-H After School Sewing Projects at Mt. Vernon Elementary. **March 6 - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Sit-n-Sew your own project or help in constructing quilt for Camp Courageous. **March 10 - 10 a.m.** Oil Painting Class - Session 1. **March 12 - 10 a.m.** - Less Than a Yard. **March 24 - 1 p.m.** Leader Lesson: Welcoming Entrances. Get ready for spring by making your home's doorway more inviting. **March 26 - 10 a.m.** - Less Than A Yard Workshop. **March 31 - 10 a.m.** - Oil Painting Class - Session II. Call 256-2403 for details of classes.

Diabetes Education at Health Dept.
The Rockcastle County Health Department will provide eight hours of diabetes education. All you want to know about diabetes! The sessions will be offered March 16 and 17, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. You should plan to attend both days. The classes will be held at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon. You may register by calling the health department at 256-2242. Education will be presented by Lynnett Renner.

Hunter Education Course
There will be a Hunter Education Course held March 5th from 6 to 9 p.m.; March 6th from 6 to 9:30 p.m. and March 7th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rockcastle County High School auditorium. For more information, call the Rockcastle Extension Service at 256-2403.

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

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.

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.

Banquet photos by: Richard Anderkin

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Civil Suits

Midland Funding LLC vs. Michael Thacker, \$523.79 plus claimed due.
 Merchants Acceptance Inc. vs. James D. Morgan, et al, \$1,078.10 plus. C-00030

Circuit Civil Suits

Countrywide Home Loans Serv. vs. Bobby Thompson, et al, \$69,150.56 plus claimed due.
 Citizens Bank vs. T&C Motors, Inc., et al, \$263,432.68 and \$451,561.49 plus claimed due.
 Jeffrey Milburn vs. Nikkie Gallegos, motion for temporary custody.
 Krisinda Marie Pigg vs. Randall Wayne Pigg, petition

for dissolution of marriage.
 Janice Browning, et al, vs. Rockcastle Hospital, Inc., complaint.
 Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Luke Pearson, \$4,242.34 plus claimed due.
 Tabetha Doan vs. Brian Doan, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Kevin Skinner vs. Robyn Taylor, motion to transfer case.
 Glenna Smith vs. Kathy L. Dennis, petition for permanent custody. CI-00048.

Marriage Licenses

Kelly Ann Croucher, 24, Berea, pulmonary SRNA to Russell Oray Riddell, 19, Berea, facilities management. 2/19/09.
 Jamie Lynn Weaver, 22, Mt. Vernon, unemployed to Dallas Ray Clifford, 36, Mt. Vernon, carpenter. 2/10/09.

Deeds Recorded

Larry W. Clouse, Sr., property on Breezy Hollow Lane, to Homer Terry Money. Tax \$12.
 Marlene Anglin, property in Rockcastle County, to Donald Edward and Donna Jane Gabbard. Tax \$25.
 Robert and Rosalind B. Philbeck, property on Ky. 1326, to Jeffrey R. and Sandra K. Philbeck. Tax \$78.
 C.C. and Mary Ponder, property on waters of Little Negro Creek, to Brian Cameron and Jennifer Lee Ponder. No tax.
 Angie S. and Jason A. Kirby, property on Ky. 618, to Beulah Wagers and Elizabeth Padgett. Tax \$60.
 C. Douglas and Judy Brock, property in Country Club Estates, to Bill and Hazel Parker. Tax \$5.
 Tina Watkins, property in Rockcastle County, to Daniel N. Mills. Tax \$67.
 Scottie L. and Crystal E. Cotton, property in Wabd Point Subdv., to Johnathan and Joy Brock. Tax \$125.
 Danny and Betty Jo McKinney, property in Hamm's Subdv., to Danny D. Tankersley. Tax \$108.50.

District Court

February 18, 2009
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Speeding: Betty C. Bernard, paid \$60 fine plus \$133 costs; Patsy R. Conley, paid \$34 fine plus \$133 costs; Ethan G. Foster, paid \$36 fine plus \$33 costs; Jordan A. Shear, paid \$30 fine plus \$133 costs; Corie S. Everhart, license suspended for fta.
 Mark A. Vetter: possession open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, license suspended for fta.
 Walter B. Abrams: assault, 4th degree (two counts), sentencing orders entered.
 Charles J. Alcorn: wanton endangerment, 100 days and costs; contempt, 100 days/concurrent/balance probated 24 months on condition.
 Mark A. Barrett: assault 4th degree, sentencing order en-

tered.
 Steven G. Moore: n motor-cycle operators license, 30 days in lieu of fines and costs/concurrent.
 Brandon S. Swanaga: speeding, \$40 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 Larry J. Bingham: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine.
 Brandon L. Sparks: failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine and costs.
 Sara F. Spoonamore: deliver/possession to deliver/

manuf. to deliver drug paraph, sentencing order entered.
 Steven D. Brogan: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine; reg. and title requirements veh. not oper. on hwy., \$25 fine.
 James R. Couch: wanton endangerment, sentencing order entered.
 Shadoc L. Day: wanton endangerment, sentencing order entered.
 David D. French: harassment w/physical contact, sen-

tencing order entered.
 Joseph S. Holsing: endangering the welfare of a minor, sentencing order entered.
 Jedidiah Hoskins: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for failure to appear (fta).
 Dustin Lynch: theft by unlawful taking, sentencing order entered.
 Randi F. Saylor: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine and costs.

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ORDINANCE NO. 08-12

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky (the "Lessee") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals and Authorization. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease") and all Collateral Documents, as defined in the Lease, each in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. It is hereby found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes. It is further determined that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the Closing Memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Mayor and City Clerk of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all Certificates or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

Section 3. Investment of Funds. Ross, Sinclair & Associates, LLC, as Program Administrator, is hereby authorized to direct the Trustee to invest funds on deposit under the Lease in such manner, subject to all legal limitations, as will, in the Program Administrator's judgment, produce the most favorable financial result for the Lessee.

Section 4. Severability. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Sunshine Law. This Governing Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 6. Conflicts. All ordinances, resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail and be given effect.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication of a summary thereof, as provided by law.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED, at a duly convened meeting of the Governing Body, held on January 26, 2009, after first reading held on December 15, 2008, signed by the Mayor of the Lessee, attested by the City Clerk, filed and indexed as provided by law.

By: /s/ Clarice Kirby

Mayor

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Jeanette Robinson
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ORDINANCE NO. 08-12

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Mount Vernon, Kentucky (the "Lessee") has the power, pursuant to Section 65.940 et seq. of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to enter into lease agreements with or without the option to purchase in order to provide for the use of property for public purposes;

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Lessee (the "Governing Body") has previously determined, and hereby further determines, that the Lessee is in need of the Project, as defined in the Lease hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee that the Lessee and the Kentucky Area Development Districts Financing Trust (the "Lessor") enter into a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") for the leasing by the Lessee from the Lessor of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals and Authorization. The Lessee hereby approves the Lease Agreement (the "Lease") and all Collateral Documents, as defined in the Lease, each in substantially the form presented to this Governing Body. It is hereby found and determined that the Project identified in the Lease is public property to be used for public purposes. It is further determined that it is necessary and desirable and in the best interests of the Lessee to enter into the Lease for the purposes therein specified, and the execution and delivery of the Lease and all representations, certifications and other matters contained in the Closing Memorandum with respect to the Lease, or as may be required by the Lessor prior to delivery of the Lease, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed. The Mayor and City Clerk of the Lessee are hereby authorized to execute the Lease, together with such other agreements or certifications which may be necessary to accomplish the transaction contemplated by the Lease.

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all Certificates or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

Section 3. Investment of Funds. Ross, Sinclair & Associates, LLC, as Program Administrator, is hereby authorized to direct the Trustee to invest funds on deposit under the Lease in such manner, subject to all legal limitations, as will, in the Program Administrator's judgment, produce the most favorable financial result for the Lessee.

Section 4. Severability. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Sunshine Law. This Governing Body hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Governing Body, and that all deliberations of this governing Body and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

Section 6. Conflicts. All ordinances, resolutions, orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail and be given effect.

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By: /s/ Clarice Kirby
 Mayor

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Jeanette Robinson
 City Clerk

Local Angus breeder recognized nationally

Lonnie Gene Cash, Brodhead, Kentucky, has been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association® for having 3 registered Angus cows included in the Association's 2009 Pathfinder® Report.

Only 2,284 of the nearly 33,000 American Angus Association members are represented in this year's report, according to Bill Bowman, chief operating officer and director of performance programs of the Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

The Pathfinder Program identifies superior Angus cows based upon recorded performance traits that are economically important to efficient beef production. These traits include early and regular calving and heavy weaning weights, Bowman says. Nearly 1.8 million eligible dams and more than 5.7 million weaning records were examined to determine Pathfinder status. All registered Angus cows that meet the strict Pathfinder standards are listed, along with their

owners, in the Pathfinder Report that is published annually by the Association.

The 2009 Pathfinder Report lists 10,017 individual cows and 263 Pathfinder sires. It is published online at www.angus.org, and printed copies are available from the Association. The largest num-

ber of Pathfinder cows from a single herd this year is 76. Started in 1978, the Pathfinder Program continues to recognize outstanding breeders participating in the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) Program.

Winter Horse Meetings

Farm and Home News

Tom Mills

Rockcastle County Extension Office

Horse owners are invited to a 4 part winter meeting series on Tuesday nights in March. University of Kentucky Equine Specialist, Dr. Robert Coleman will host the series each night starting at 6:00pm at the Extension Office on West Main Street. 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. If you have any questions, please call Tom Mills at 256-2403.

Rockcastle's Animals in Need

R.A.I.N. meeting scheduled Feb. 26

R.A.I.N., Rockcastle's Animals in Need, is the newest non-profit organization to form in Rockcastle County. The main priority of this group is to work diligently in aiding the unwanted animals in our county. Currently, R.A.I.N. is meeting twice a month as members continue to develop this organization and to create a unique and worthwhile non-profit "agent" as the number of deserted and neglected pets in our community continues to grow. To date, R.A.I.N. has successfully placed over fifty pets

into happy and healthy foster and permanent homes.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 26 at 7:00 PM at the Rockcastle County Courthouse in the third floor conference/community room. All those interested in joining this cause to save unwanted and neglected animals are encouraged to attend the meeting. All interested parties can fill out a membership application and can either bring it to the next scheduled meeting or drop it off at the Rockcastle Veterinary Clinic.

Applicants may also mail applications and membership dues to R.A.I.N., PO Box 3033, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

R.A.I.N. is also seeking donations. Below, is a list of items needed to build and maintain our rescue efforts.

- Blankets •Dog and cat toys
- Treats/snacks •Dog and cat food
- Money •Gas cards for transporters
- Transport carriers of all sizes
- Crates of all sizes
- Leashes and collars
- Bleach and cleaning supplies.
- Storage containers
- Foster homes
- Volunteers

Dress to impress for interviews

Family and Consumer Sciences

Hazel Jackson

Rockcastle County Extension Office



In today's competitive job market, details such as an applicant's clothing choices will make a difference. Appearance speaks volumes for a person, long before he or she ever says a word. The way you look and project yourself through clothing selection, proper grooming and body language can help a prospective employer determine if you are the right candidate for a job. While proper interview attire does not make up for lack of education or job qualifications, it can make or break your chances of getting a job offer.

You should plan interview attire in advance, at least by the night before. The most impor-

tant thing to remember when selecting clothing for an interview is simplicity. Clothes should be neat, clean and properly fit your body. Solid colors are best, but simple patterns such as stripes and checks may be appropriate for women.

Sometimes, the job you are applying for can determine the appropriate attire for an interview. A good tip to remember is to dress for the job position above the job you are applying for. If you are nervous about selecting the appropriate attire, you can arrive at the interview site a couple of days before to observe employees coming and leaving the job site. Another option is to consult someone

with a similar job, for information.

There are certain clothing rules that hold true to all types of jobs. All clothing should properly fit. If you have questions about how a particular outfit looks on you, evaluate your choice in a mirror the night before the interview. Avoid wearing anything sleeveless. Shoes should be neat, clean and freshly polished if possible. Socks should match the color of the shoe and hosiery should be a neutral color. Women should not wear heels higher than two inches. Dresses should be at least knee length.

In addition to the proper dress, impeccable grooming is essential. Shower the night before or the morning of an interview. Brush your teeth. Make sure your fingernails are clean and trimmed. Men should neatly trim facial hair. Tie back hair longer than shoulder length with a band that closely matches your hair color. Women's makeup should flatter the outfit without drawing attention away from it. You should choose soft eye shadows and lipsticks. Sparingly apply cologne or perfume.

During the interview, sit and stand tall with shoulders square. If extended a handshake, always firmly shake hands. Look prospective employers in the eye when speaking or listening. You should place your hands neatly in your lap. Avoid fidgeting with your clothing. Women should avoid crossing their legs except at the ankles. Always be courteous to any additional employees you may have contact with because they could potentially be your coworkers.

Projecting yourself as a confident, capable person in an interview can help you land the job of your dreams. To learn more about proper interview attire and other clothing related topics, contact the Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension Service at 256-2403.

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It's Not a Dream! This immaculate brick home is for real. With approximately 2,800 square feet this home has a formal living room, dining room, family room, kitchen with breakfast bar and eat-in area, master bedroom suite, 1/2 bath and utility on the first floor. Upstairs there are two bedrooms, a large bath, bonus room and attic storage room. 2 fireplaces, 2 jacuzzis, full finished basement and three bay garage. M2389



Homes like this brick beauty with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, kitchen and separate dining room, at a price like \$95,000 don't come along every day! Amenities include a 40x40 detached garage, central heat/air, with back up gas heat and KU electric. Great location! Call today for your appointment. M2436



Secluded... yet Convenient! This charming 1 1/2 story vinyl home is situated on 4.5 acres +/- . Features include: 4-5 BR, 2.5 BA, Kit, Utility room, and Office. Amenities include: Laminate and hardwood flooring, tile, carpet, beautiful oak cabinets, fireplace, attached garage, and a great view! Asking \$129,900. M2297



Lovely 2-story home. This 2-story vinyl sided home situated on 4 acres m/l features a LR, DR/Kit combo, BR, BA, office, pantry and utility on the first floor. The unfinished second floor features 4 BR, BA and Den. City water and septic system. M2437



Looking For Your Dream Home without the huge price tag? This 3 year old beauty may be it! Situated on 3/4 of an acre in the great neighborhood of Houston Point. Make your appointment today: you don't want to miss out. M2418



Country Living.... located on Stull Lane in Waynesburg. 78 acres total with 36 acres of cropland. Good stand of marketable timber. Newly remodeled house and 2 barns. Priced at \$259,000. M2425



Close to Everything! If you want a home in a central location, within walking distance to the city park and the schools and be close to everything...then you've got just that with this nice brick home. Home features 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, 2,700+/- sq. ft., a 1-car attached garage. Other amenities include KU electric, hardwood floors, appliances remain with home, cellar and huge living room. Asking only \$112,000. M2377



Worth the Money! Three bedrooms, 1.5 bath brick ranch with formal living room and spacious den that has a wood burning fireplace. There is also a large eat-in kitchen with plenty of cabinet space. Big front and back yard. Come see this piece of country located in town! \$108,500. M2392



Hurry...it won't last long! Fixer upper in Brodhead. House and mobile home on the corner of West and Silver Street. Good rental property only \$22,900. M2426



Back to Nature - Secluded Mountain top A-frame on 59.4 wooded acres located on Big Cave Road and within the Daniel Boone National Forest area. Use for vacation or weekend retreat. This is a hunter's and camper's paradise with abundant wildlife. Some cleared land with a small pond and minutes from I-75. Affordable price, \$76,900. Call today! M2400



Nature Lover's Retreat! This 2008 wide mobile home with 2 BR and 1 BA is located in town. Washer, dryer, stove and refrigerator. New paint and underpinning this year... Don't hesitate. M2359

Commercial Property

New Listing - Industrial Building. Measures 54x80 with overhead door, reinforced floor, loading dock, 3 Phase KU electric, city water, city sewer, 5+ acres and additional land available. Priced at \$359,000. M2435

Two large commercial lots measuring 68/100 each. 135 feet of road frontage on each with water and sewer and KU electric. \$69,900 each. M2402

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Car Wash! Near McDonalds, Wendy's and KFC. Established 4-bay + automatic bay car wash. Partnership dissolving...motivated sellers. Financial records to qualified prospects. Priced at \$425,000. M2401

1/2 Mile from I-75 - Tracts ranging from 3/4 acre to 4 acres - good visibility - high traffic count - city water and sewer available. M1772

Strategically Located! Commercial property measuring 6.3 acres near the intersection of Hwy. 150 and Hwy. 27. Property has city water and city sewer with good traffic count. \$325,000. M2390

Acreage For Sale

48 acres of prime land, 2 ponds, spring, blacktop road, 4 miles from lake. 17 miles to I-75 located on a dead end road. M2419

If you are looking for a farm with 40 acres m/l, level to gently rolling, with lots of road frontage, then be sure to check this one out. City water and electric available. M2434

You Can't Beat This! 35 acres near Cedar Creek Lake. Call for more information. M2396

REDUCED! 76 Acre Farm in the Wabd Section of Rockcastle Co. Road frontage on Hwy. 1250 and Doc Adams Road. Barn-silo-city water-creek. Good cattle farm or development possibilities. Owner would consider dividing. Priced at \$269,000. M2333

30 Acres More or Less - Coal and some timber. Recreational. \$50,000. Call today! M2410

9 Good Country Acres - Poplar Grove Road section of Rockcastle County - mostly level - city water. Great building site - near Pulaski County line. Priced at \$41,900. M2411

174.93 acres of Woods and Wildlife - Just 10 minutes from I-75. This property would be great for the avid hunter or to build a home in an area with a little privacy. Priced at \$145,000. Call today for more details. M2412

Private...Close To Town...Close to I-75. This 23 acres more or less is mostly woodland and is close to I-75 and only 2 miles from Mt. Vernon. City water is available. M2429

100 acres more or less of prime productive farm land located in the Ottenheim section of Lincoln County. Terrain is level to gently rolling, very private. Pond and creek. M2430

101 acres (by survey) of wild and wooly recreational land. Stream, abundance of wildlife, deer stands included. It won't last long at \$995 per acre. M2431

Future Auctions

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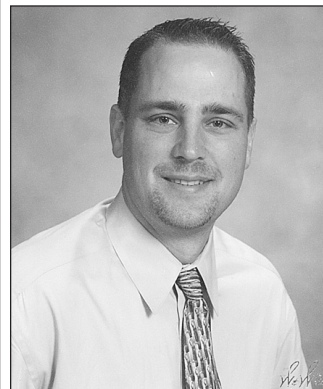
34th Annual Brodhead Farm Machinery Consignment Auction
Saturday, March 7th at 9:30 a.m. • Brodhead Fairgrounds, Hwy. 150, Brodhead, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hart's House and 5.5 Acres
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RCHS announces First Chairs for Concert Competition

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe

Each group of musicians who play the same instrument in a band is called a section (for example, the flute section, or the trumpet section). The players in each section are ordered by chair; so that the best player in each section is the first chair, or principal player, the second-best is second chair, and so on. The music is composed and distributed so that the first chair player in each section will get the most difficult, highest (most easily heard) and will perform the solo parts, if any. Players in lower chairs will get easier, lower (less audible) parts, and will play more often as a group (rather than solo).

It is most prestigious to be named First Chair and the competition among the students for this honor can be intense. The entire RCHS Concert Band has been auditioning for chair placement for the upcoming concert competition. These try-outs are a test of their skills. There are several kinds of auditions and Mr. Daugherty conducted a "blind" audition for this selection. All members of a section, such as trumpets or horns, are given the same piece of music to practice. The audition consists of all section members gathering in a small room with the door open. In random order they play the practiced piece. Mr. Daugherty is in the adjoining room and, without looking at who is playing, assesses what he hears. He then chooses based on the musician'ship displayed at that time.

The Rockcastle High School First Chairs have been announced. Congratulations to Michael Browning-Flute, Devin Davidson-Euphonium, Matthew Fields-Trombone,

Dalton Hutton-Saxophone, Ethan Miller-Trumpet, Meghan Nation-Horn, and Regina Rice-Clarinet. And now the business of readying for the concert competition gets serious!

For those who managed to dig out from the morning snowfall of last Sunday and travel to Lexington for the Central Kentucky Concert Band celebration of Lincoln's 200th birthday, the trouble was well worth it. The concert was inspiring and Angelique Clay, the soloist, was impressive. Our own Greg Daugherty, Rockcastle Music Director, played the tuba and filled the Haggin Auditorium at Transylvania University with the profoundly resonant bass that balanced and complemented Angelique Clay, the guest soprano soloist. The dynamic Dr. Peter LaRue robustly conducted the program which included music by Aaron Copland and Stephen Foster, among others. The CKCB's rendition of Copland's Variations on a Shaker Melody was exceptional and the Lincoln Portrait, also written by Aaron Copland, included a narrative by Les Anderson that was outstanding. But the grand finale was just that—absolutely grand! Soprano Angelique Clay joined the band on stage and sang to a magnificently performed favorite My Old Kentucky Home by Stephen Foster. It was a flawless accomplishment and received a standing ovation from an appreciative audience.

This upcoming weekend is one of choices and opportunities. The RCHS Winterguard is traveling to Campbell County for their second competition of the season. They've been working hard perfecting their impressive show, Coldplay's Viva

la Vida.

And a little closer to home, many of our high school and middle school students are competing this Saturday as part of District 11, at the KMEA Solo and Ensemble Festival being held at Madison Central High School.

The participating students have been working hard in preparing either a solo performance or small ensemble (quartets, trios, etc.) performance. They will be judged by an expert on their respective instrument and will then be rated novice, apprentice, proficient, or distinguished. Those participating from RCHS are: Meghan Nation-French Horn, Devin Davidson-Euphonium, Nicole McFerron-Flute, Regina Rice-Clarinet, Richard Barron-Trumpet, and Ethan Miller-Trumpet. In other categories: Brass Ensemble (9-12th) – Anjelica Craig, Devin Davidson, Nicole McFerron, and Ethan Miller; Woodwind Quartet- Dalton Hutton, Nicole McFerron, and Regina Rice; Saxophone Solo-Dalton Hutton; and Trombone Quartet-Anjelica Craig, Matt Fields, BJ Mink, and Andrew Robbins.

The RCMS Students participating from 8th grade are: Flute Quartet-Caleb Coffey, Jamie Kirby, Angel Shelton, and Angel Spurlock; Flute Solo-Caleb Coffey; Flute-Jamie Kirby; Flute-Angel Spurlock; Tuba Solo-Mary Weaver; and Snare Solo-Brandon Bullock. And from the 7th grade: Brass Quartet-Lillie Beichler, Michael Brewer, Brandon McFerron and Reed Remington; Flute Solo-Brittany Moore; Alto Sax Solo-Austin Helton; French Horn-Lillie Beichler; Bass Clarinet-Dalton Grey; Baritone-Reed Remington; and Tuba-Brandon McFerron. Good Luck to all!

Upcoming events for February:

Saturday, February 28th – The RCHS Winterguard competes at Campbell County High School. RCHS and RCMS students compete at the KMEA Solo and Ensemble Festival being held at Madison Central High School.

Upcoming events scheduled for March:
Monday March 2nd – It's First Monday and that means it is Pizza Hut Night! Take out or dine-in, don't forget to mention the band and help our kids. In these tough times programs for the arts don't get the funding they need to survive. Show your support for all that these young musicians do – Eat at Pizza Hut this Monday!

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

March 18th - RCHS 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 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 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 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.

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ROCKCASTLE COUNTY UNITE COALITION

Notice Intended Adoption of Ordinance and Summary of Ordinance

The Rockcastle Fiscal Court at a meeting to be held on March 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., third floor in the courthouse will consider for passage, the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LEASE FOR THE FINANCING OF A PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF THE LEASE; CREATING A SINKING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SUCH LEASE.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Ordinance provides for approval of a lease with Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust for financing certain public improvements and provides a general obligation pledge to assess sufficient taxes to comply with the obligations to pay lease payments. The full text of the section relating to the pledge to levy and assess a tax to pay the lease obligation is:

Section 2. General Obligation Pledge. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and Chapter 66 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the "General Obligation Statutes"), the obligation of the Lessee created by the Lease shall be a full general obligation of the Lessee and, for the prompt payment of the Lease Payments, the full faith, credit and revenue of the Lessee are hereby pledged. During the period the Lease is outstanding, there shall be and there hereby is levied on all the taxable property in the Lessee, in addition to all other taxes, without limitation as to rate, a direct tax annually in an amount sufficient to pay the Lease Payments on the Lease when and as due, it being hereby found and determined that current tax rates are within all applicable limitations. Said tax shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that the other taxes of the Lessee are available for the payment of the Lease Payments and are appropriated for such purpose, the amount of such direct tax upon all of the taxable property in the Lessee shall be reduced by the amount of such other taxes so available and appropriated.

There is hereby established with the Lessee a sinking fund (the "Sinking Fund"). The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required or other available taxes shall be placed in the Sinking Fund and, together with interest collected on the same, are irrevocably pledged for the payment of all bonds or obligations issued under the General Obligation Statutes and all Tax Supported Leases, as defined in General Obligation Statutes, including the Lease herein authorized, when and as the same fall due. Amounts shall be transferred from the Sinking Fund to the Lessor at the times and in the amounts required by the Lease.

A complete copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed at the office of the County Judge of Rockcastle County.

/s/ Buzz Carloftis
County Judge-Executive

NOTICE OF INTENDED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

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A complete copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed at the office of the County Judge-Executive of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate summary of an Ordinance that has been prepared by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

William "Billy" Reynolds, County Attorney

Classifieds

CLASSIFIED RATES

• Local Rates - \$4 for 25 words or less - .10 each additional word
 • Display Classifieds \$5.00/Inch
Deadline for Classifieds is 10 a.m. TUESDAY

For Rent

Storage Buildings For Rent: 10x10, \$35; 5x10 \$25. Call 06-256-5678 or see Ronnie at Barnett Cycle. 14x4p

Office Building For Rent: 30x40, high traffic area, 1 mile from Mt. Vernon on 461. \$450 plus utilities. Call Ronnie at 606-256-5678. 14x2p

For Rent: 2 bedroom trailer in the country. \$300/\$200 deposit. 256-0226.

For Rent: 2 and 3 bedroom trailers, starting as low as \$200 month plus \$200 deposit. Call 256-9889 or 606-308-5389. 14x4p

Two Apartments For Rent in Brodhead on Hwy. 70. First has 2BR, stove and refrigerator furnished, central heat and air, washer/dryer hookup, utilities furnished. \$500 month/\$200 deposit. Second has 1BR, small computer room, stove and refrigerator furnished, utilities furnished. \$450 month/\$200 deposit. 758-8692. 14x1p

For Rent: Small 2 bedroom trailer in Mt. Vernon. No pets. Also, house in Brodhead. 758-4729. 40xntf

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

Accepting Applications: For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912. Equal Housing Opportunity, TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510. 36tfn

Property For Sale

For Sale: 2,397 sq. ft. 3BR/2BA home w/CHA, storm cellar, lg. barn and a 38x72 metal garage w/electric. All furniture in home is nego. All on 5.23 acres in Lincoln County. \$149,900. 606-758-8681. 1xntf

For Rent
Maple St. Storage of Brodhead
256-2884 or 606-308-2491

For Sale: Brick ranch, located at 295 Poplar St., Mt. Vernon. Approx. 1260 sq. ft., full basement, one car garage, kitchen appliances, new windows (Feb., 2009), new heat pump (Aug., 2008). \$95,000. 859-298-1393. 14x3p

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 or trespassing on property belonging to Thomas and Ina Peebles on McMenifee Lane off Old Brodhead Road. Violators will be prosecuted. 14x4p

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)x50p

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

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. 25tfn

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

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property owned by Doug and Judy Brock known as Brock's North Hill Farm at Mareburg consisting of the Swinney Place, Brock Place, Hensley Farm, Lakes Farm. 3tf

Miscellaneous For Sale

Hay For Sale: 4x5 rolls. 606-256-0782. 14x2p

Hay For Sale: 150 4x4 rolls of good quality cattle and horse hay. Mostly orchard grass. Kept in barn. \$30 to \$45 per roll. Quantity discount, will load. 859-925-2422 Copper Creek. 14x2p

For Sale: 1994 Sprint Bass Boat. 90 hp. engine, \$3,500. Water Scamp fishing boat, 7 1/2 feet, \$100. Free fuel oil tank. 453-2301. 14x2p

For Sale: 4 tires, wheels, hubcaps for golf cart, \$100. 5 inch lift kit for EZGo Golf Cart, \$100. Or will trade to a gun of equal value. Also, Rocky P.A. System, 2-16 inch woofers, speakers, 300 watt Peavy equalizer, \$500. 758-9958. 14x1p

For Sale: 2002 toy hauler camper. Can haul small car. All self-contained. \$9,000 obo. Call 606-256-5678. 14x2p

Hot Tub For Sale: \$500 obo. Sets 6. Excellent shape. Has cover. Can be seen at 1756 Big Cave Rd., Mt. Vernon. 859-200-6885. 14x2p

For Sale: Mixed hay, \$5 bale. Cecil King, 606-510-3719. 13xntf

For Sale: Cemetery lots, Cresthaven Cemetery, Mt. Vernon. Call Bill Dowell at

308-1058. 31xntf
Carhartt stonewash denim jeans, relax or regular fit. \$26.50. Large selection of Carhartt rough and casual wear. Napier Brothers Clothing Store, 35 Public Square, Lancaster. 859-792-2535. 18tfn

Mobile Homes For Sale

For Sale: Used doublewide. 1500 sq. ft., needs repair. Best offer. 859-582-5808. 9x4p

Modular Home For Sale: 3 bedrooms, two baths, central heat and air, new roof. Under \$20,000 Mareburg Cemetery Road. Must be moved. Call 606-308-3163. 12x4p

We Buy, Sell and Trade Mobile Homes at D&D Mobile Homes, 2 miles north of Stanford on Hwy. 27. Ph. 606-365-9165. 11x4

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Luv Homes of Somerset has government first time home buyer loans. 3BRs for \$287.33 monthly/240 months/\$35,000 amount financed/7.75 annual percentage rate/\$1,750 down payment. 606-676-0503. 14x1

Abandoned Homes *Families Needed.* Several to choose from. Low to zero down. Low monthly payments -- on the lot financing. 606-676-0503. 14x1
Can't Get a Home Loan? If you have a deed or some cash, LUV Homes of Somerset may be able to help even if your credit's not what it was. Call now for pre-approval. 606-676-0503. 14x1

Factory Demo Sale! Get a new home for a used home price at LUV Homes. For a limited time with FREE washer and dryer. 606-676-0503. 14x1

Government Home Loans for Social Security/SSI recipients. Call for loan approval. 606-676-0503. 14x1

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(AAA) Social Security/SSI - \$1300 month. Get in a new home. We finance. 606-524-0286. 14x1

Got Land? Get a home/use your deed. 606-309-1391. Call for info. New government program. Can help. 14x1

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Between Somerset & Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 934. Ideal building tracts with features such as woods/pastures/views, water/electric/telephone, Suitable for DW or Home, 1.8 acres w/ open pasture \$21,900(\$1095down, \$204/month) 6.1 acres with woods \$34,900 (\$1,745 down, \$326/month)

Garrard County

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Lost/Found

Found: Small dog behind Ford Realty. Call to claim. 256-4737. 14x1

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky will hold a hearing on March 17, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices, located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examining witnesses in Case No. 2008-00520, which is an examination of the application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Kentucky Utilities Company from November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2008.

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Attention BROADHEAD WATER CUSTOMERS

Due to the installation of a new water line, Brodhead Water System has called a

BOIL WATER ADVISORY

until further notice for the following areas:

Hwy. 1505 beginning at the junction of Hwy. 150 to the end of Hwy. 1505 and all streets or roads that junction with Hwy. 1505

This Boil Water Advisory will not be lifted until the water line and tank are completed.

Notice of Public Hearing

The Rural Transit Enterprises Coordinated, Inc. d/b/a RTEC, will host a public hearing at 10:00 A.M. EST, Monday, March 9, 2009 at its conference room 100 East Main Street, Mount Vernon, Kentucky.

The purpose of the hearing is the consideration of applications for funding being submitted by Lake Cumberland Community Action Partnership, Inc., Rural Transit Enterprises Coordinated, Inc., d/b/a RTEC, and Kentucky River Foothills Community Action Partnership, Inc. through the Federal Transit Administration and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Office of Transportation Delivery.

The applications include requests for Federal funds through Section 5309 for capital assistance for public transportation, Section 5310 funds for capital equipment to provide specialized transportation services for elderly persons and persons with disabilities; public transportation operating assistance through Section 5311; planning, administrative and technical assistance through Section 5316/JARC; and Capital and operating assistance in excess of ADA requirements through Section 5317/New Freedom.

The project applications will cover grants for capital and operating assistance during the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for Adair, Bell, Casey (5310 only), Clark, Clinton, Cumberland, Estill, Harlan (Harlan 5310 only), Green, Knox, Laurel, Madison, McCreary, Monroe, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, and Whitley Counties of Kentucky.

A description of each project and each agency's application will be discussed at the hearing, including the SEKY Coalition's Coordinated Plan to meet the federal requirements of SAFETEA-Lu. A copy of the plan will be available for public inspection. Comments on the projects will be heard at the hearing.

At the hearing, the Coalition members will discuss any plans to modify services devoted to persons with disabilities and the elderly. Persons and groups representing them have an opportunity to comment on current and proposed services. Regulations regarding the disabled and elderly will be complied with. There is no significant environment impact.

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Motor Vehicles For Sale

For Sale: 1998 Buick LeSabre, 100,000 miles, V6, 4Dr. \$3500. 308-0908 or 308-2553. 14x1p

For Sale: 2002 883 Sportster, \$5,800. 2006 Softtail custom Harley 5+5 motor, new pipes, etc., \$9,000. 1999 Big Bear 4 wheeler, \$1,595. 2000 459 Honda, \$2,495. 2005 CRF 230 Dirt Bike, \$2,250. Call 606-256-5678. For all your ATV, dirt and street bike parts and accessories, see Ronnie at Barnett Cycle on 461, 1 mile from Mt. Vernon. 14x2p

For Sale: 1986 International Dump Truck TD466. Diesel engine, 7 speed transmission. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: Ford single axel road tractor. 300 Cummins diesel engine, 9 speed transmission. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1968 Ford F600 line truck. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1975 6040 Allis Chalmers diesel tractor. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1963 Farmall cub tractor w/cultivators. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 1963 Ford Tractor 4000. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: Team Iron Wheel Owensboro Wagon, excellent condition. 859-661-2814. 8xntf

For Sale: 2007 Ford Focus SES Ltd., 1600 miles, \$9,500; 1999 Ford Dually, extended cab, 7.3 diesel, 70K, \$12,500; 2004 Futian Tractor, 3 cyl. diesel, 4WD, front end loader, \$4,800; 2007 model 14x7x7 enclosed trailer - like new, \$3,800; 1964 Ford dump truck, only 39K, \$2,500; 1972 Chevy pick-up, \$2,000; 1989 Dodge camper van, \$3,800. Also several farm tractors and equipment. Several riding lawn mowers. 606-256-4739 or 606-308-4739. 14x1p

Notices

Notice: Any personal property left on the premises of 420 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, will be disposed of, if not removed, within 10 days. 14x2

Notice: The Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. (KRFDC) Financial Audit and Annual Report is now available for the taxpayers and public to view only in Adobe® Portable Document Format (PDF) at www.foothillscap.org. It is listed under Annual Report or by going directly to <http://www.foothillscap.org/Annual%20Report.htm>. KRFDC operates several local services, including Head Start. For questions please call 859-624-2046.

Notice is hereby given that Curtis Lee Miller, 270 Perciful St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executor of the estate of Ida Miller Hurd on the 4th day of February, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Curtis Lee Miller or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before August 5, 2009 at 11 a.m. 12x3

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
Notice is hereby given that Kenneth Leedy, 31 Honeycomb Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executor of the estate of Dallas Falin on the 4th day of February, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall

present them, according to law, to the said Kenneth Leedy or to Hon. Jerome S. Fish, P.O. Box 1850, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before August 5, 2009 at 11 a.m. 12x3

Notice is given that Paul Travis has filed a final settlement of his accounts as Executor, W.W.A. of the estate of Lewis Denver Niceley, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 23, 2009 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. **Notice is hereby given** that Henry Lee Hayes, 382 Whitehead Cemetery Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed Executor of the estate of Raymond W. Hayes on the 11th day of February, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Henry Lee Hayes or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Aug. 12, 2009 at 11 a.m. 14x3

Notice is hereby given that Patricia Begley, 441 John Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Zachary Lee Taylor on the 10th day of February, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law to the said Patricia Begley on or before Aug. 10, 2009 at 11 a.m. 14x3

Notice is given that Karen Denise Wilburn of 289 Mik Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has filed a Periodic Settlement of her accounts as guardian of Bellena Denise Wilburn, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held March 9, 2009 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before this date. 14x1

Sale of Real Property

Case Number: Eastern District of Kentucky, London Criminal No. 06-38-DCR, United States of America vs. Troy Lee Kates, pertaining to Real Property Located at Highway 1004, Mt. Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky, with all Appurtenances and Improvements Thereon. The property was purchased by Troy Kates and recorded in Deed Book 185, Page 213, in the office of the Clerk of the Rockcastle County Clerk, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. Final Decree and Order of Forfeiture entered March 14, 2007.

THE UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE is selling the real property located at Highway 1004, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456. An unsolicited offer for the property in the amount of \$3,000.00 has been received. Any one interested in submitting a competing bid on this property may submit a written offer to: United States Marshals Service, 101 Barr Street, Room 162, Lexington, KY 40507. Any competing offer must be no less than five percent above the unsolicited offer. The terms of any competing offer are subject to acceptance by the United States Marshals Service, who reserves the right to accept or refuse any offer received. All offers must be accompanied by a cashiers check for five percent of the offer as a deposit. All offers must include reliable contact information. All deposits from offers not accepted will be refunded; however, the deposit of any accepted offer will be forfeited if the offeror fails to complete the purchase for any reason. All offers must provide for payment of the offered sales price upon closing. Conditional offers will be rejected.

Interested parties may call (859) 233-2602 regarding the viewing of the property.

Offers must be received in this office by 3:00 p.m. on March 10, 2009.

The unsolicited offeror will be afforded the opportunity to submit a best and final offer after March 10, 2009. However, the unsolicited offeror will not be advised of the amount of any competing offers received. After the unsolicited offeror is given the opportunity to submit a best and final offer, no party who has submitted an offer will be allowed to increase its offer. Upon the United States Marshals Service's review of all offers received, the property will be sold to the highest acceptable bidder. The successful bidder will be notified by March 17, 2009.

Yard Sales

Inside Yard Sale: Home of Mattie Miller, 148 Spring Hill lane, Houston Point Subdv. All day Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26, 27 and 28. Lots of name brand clothing, new ladies coats, lamps, microwave, small phone table, new shoes, quilts and blankets. Much, much more. For more info, call 256-4601 or 606-224-0501.

Professional Services

Gravel Hauling: Driveways, etc. 256-4695 or mobile 859-544-7730. 14xntf

Trees Trimmed, topped, cut down. Experienced, free estimates. Also, fire wood, \$50 pick up load, delivered. 606-308-9021. 14x4p

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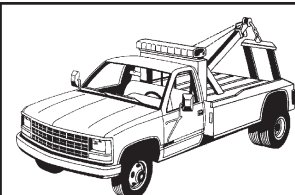
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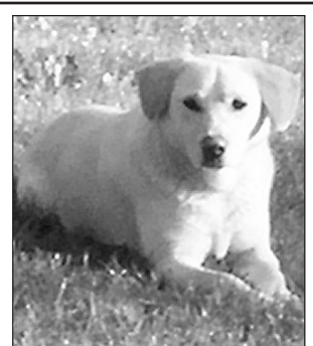
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Mt. Vernon Elementary earns PRIDE award

Mt. Vernon Elementary School won the region's PRIDE Environmental Education Project of the Month Award in January for educating students, faculty and staff about simple ways to care for the environment.

Thirty fourth-grade students developed and carried out the winning project. They were members of the GREEN Team, which is the school's PRIDE Club. GREEN stands for Gardens, Recycling, Energy, Environment and Nature.

During morning announcements in December and January, G-Team members read "green" tips, suggesting simple steps for caring for the environment. Some announcements were addressed to students, and others were targeted to the faculty and staff. The green tips covered such topics as conserving water, recycling at school and starting a recycling project at home.

"I want to congratulate the students and thank them for their leadership," said Karen Engle, PRIDE President/Chief Executive Officer. "This project underscores the value of environmental education. While focusing on a topic important to them, students practiced skills they learn in a variety of classes. They researched environmental tips and then wrote announcements to persuade others to follow them. We can expect great things from these students when they are leading our community in the future."

"This project was a preview of our Earth Day activities," said Cloia Collins, the fourth-grade teacher who co-sponsors the G-Team. "During April, the G-Team will again make messages on how to be green."

This is an example of an announcement read by the G-Team: "I would like to share a way that you can help to be green. One compact fluorescent light bulb will last 10 times longer than a standard light bulb and save a half ton of carbon dioxide released by a typical coal-burning power plant as it produces the electricity to light the bulb. Let your parents

know that compact fluorescent, or CFL, bulbs are the better purchase for the environment and their pocket book."

PRIDE Clubs give students opportunities to learn about the environment in fun ways, mentor younger students and perform community service. PRIDE provides \$300 to operate each club. In addition to the PRIDE Club funding, MVES received a \$3,250 grant to buy education resources, including materials for Earth Day.

Eastern Kentucky PRIDE is

a nonprofit organization that promotes environmental cleanup and education efforts in 38 counties of southern and eastern Kentucky. The PRIDE Environmental Education Project of the Month program rewards creative, effective ways of showing students why and how to care for the environment.

For more information about PRIDE, please visit www.kypride.org or call the PRIDE office, toll free, at 888-577-4339.

PRIDE Spring Cleanup set for month of April

April is PRIDE Spring Cleanup Month in southern and eastern Kentucky. If Rockcastle County, Mt. Vernon, Brodhead and Livingston participate, they can receive up to \$20,900 from PRIDE to pay for roadside cleanups and beautification projects. April also is Redbud Month, and they can get free rebudbs to plant.

"PRIDE is recruiting an army of volunteers to clean our region's scenic landscape, and we're asking local governments to lead the charge in their communities," said Karen Engle, PRIDE President and Chief Executive Officer. "To assist cities and counties, PRIDE is pleased to offer Spring Cleanup funds, thanks to a partnership with the state's Energy and Environment Cabinet."

"We will target roadsides, to make sure the region is attractive to tourists who travel here to enjoy our redbud blooms and recreation sites," Engle explained. "The Spring Cleanup funds will reimburse cities and counties for disposing of trash collected along roads during April. After cleanup projects are finished, the cities and counties can use their funds to

build or improve beautification signs."

Each city and county's funding level is based on its number of road miles. Rockcastle County is eligible for \$17,800 in PRIDE Spring Cleanup funds. Mt. Vernon can receive up to \$1,200. Brodhead and Livingston are eligible for \$950 each.

Spring Cleanup funds are available to all local governments in PRIDE's 38-county service area. To qualify for its available funding, the local government must send representatives to training workshops and comply with funding guidelines.

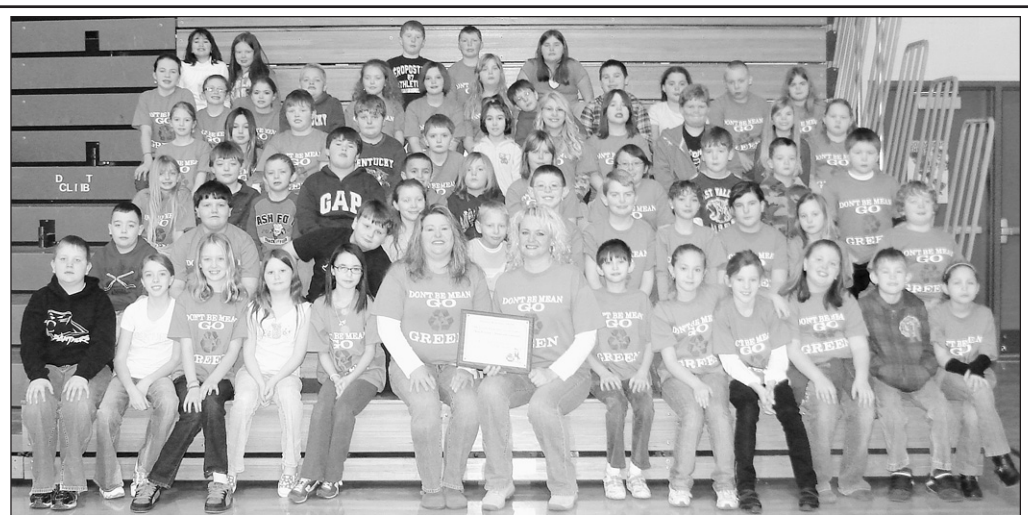
PRIDE also will supply all local governments with garbage bags, gloves and safety vests to distribute to Spring Cleanup volunteers. PRIDE will give a free T-shirt to the first 20,000 Spring Cleanup volunteers.

Clean roads will welcome the tourists as they admire the lush blooms of the region's native Eastern Redbuds in April. Redbud Month was started by TOUR Southern and Eastern Kentucky (TOUR SEKY), the region's tourism development organization, in 2004 to extend the region's annual tourism season. Since then, TOUR SEKY has given out over 350,000 seedlings.

This year, local governments can apply for up to 500 free Eastern Redbud seedlings from TOUR SEKY. In addition, PRIDE will give 15 free Eastern Redbud trees to Rockcastle County and Livingston because they participated in the Roadside PRIDE cleanup campaign last fall.

PRIDE is a nonprofit organization that promotes "Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment" in southern and eastern Kentucky. It was founded in 1997 by Congressman Hal Rogers and Kentucky Environmental Protection Secretary James Bickford.

For more information, please call the PRIDE office, toll free, at 888-577-4339, or visit the PRIDE web site, www.kypride.org.



The Mt. Vernon Elementary School GREEN Team accepted the PRIDE Environmental Education Project of the Month Award for January 2009. Holding the award are teachers Cloia Collins and Julie Asher, who co-sponsor the GREEN Team.



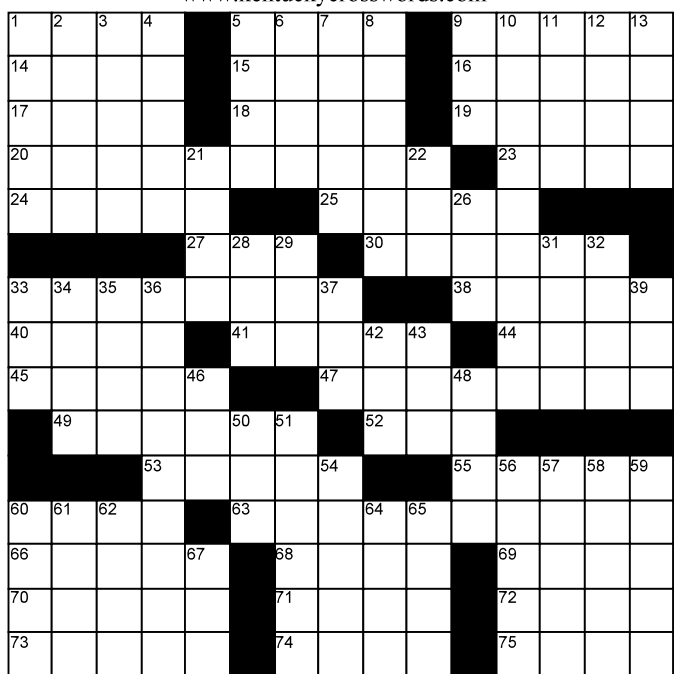
Pictured are the 4-H Afterschool Sewing participants at Brodhead on Feb. 9-13 -- Unit 1. Front row from left: Lindsey King, Emme Barker, Presley Cromer, Erin Thompson, Hannah Howard, Victoria Barron, Michaela Barron and Jerri Williams. Back row from left: Janice Hager (volunteer), Maggie Franklin, Makayla Singleton, Kaleigh Noel, Jacklynn Thacker, Skylar Dillingham, Hazel Jackson (agent), and Lydia McLemore (volunteer). Not pictured: James Isaacs.



Pictured are the 4-H Afterschool Sewing Participants at Brodhead on Feb. 9-13 -- Unit 2 & 3. From left: Bradley Taylor, Taylor McClure, Destiny Pickering, Becky Renner, Alyssa Bustle and Mahala Saylor.

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ACROSS

- 1 Auction actions
- 5 Workout spots
- 9 Famous Louisville art museum
- 14 State openly
- 15 Muddy up
- 16 Home KY county of Buckhorn Lake
- 17 A ship of Columbus
- 18 Stare at; or a Clay Co. community
- 19 Kentuckian, author, ___ Fellows
- 20 State Resort Park in Floyd Co.
- 23 Require
- 24 Kind of orange
- 25 Tall and slender
- 27 Lipton product
- 30 Home to Kentucky Speedway
- 33 Former Louisville AAA baseball team
- 38 Louisville Slugger
- 40 KY's top fuel source
- 41 House toppers
- 44 Toy block
- 45 Cancel
- 47 Louisville Morning Courier founder
- 49 Dating
- 52 Reply to a captain
- 53 Unfriendly looks
- 55 KY county, home to 15,000 acres of

- Fort Knox Military Reservation
- 60 Pueblo dweller
- 63 KY's 2nd largest state resort park
- 66 ___ Lloyd College, Pippa Passes, KY
- 68 Glen
- 69 Digestive aid
- 70 Chain parts
- 71 List abbr.
- 72 Concluded
- 73 Fertile soil
- 74 Transmit
- 75 Marries

DOWN

- 1 Musical instrument for Grandpa Jones
- 2 Crawling vines
- 3 Mrs. Tubby Smith
- 4 Dangled
- 5 Cultivate
- 6 Bear or Berra
- 7 Former UK/Arizona
- 8 Wildcat Chris
- 8 Takes a nap
- 9 Resort
- 10 Hopkins Co. spot, ___ Forest State Resort Park
- 11 Sea bird
- 12 Toledo's lake
- 13 Tinted
- 21 Abominable Snowman
- 22 Shriek bark
- 26 Brit. fliers
- 28 Stray
- 29 Ruckus
- 31 Swarm

- 32 Aquatic plant
- 33 Zenith rival
- 34 Ages and ages
- 35 Great ___
- 36 ___ Battlefield State Park, Robertson Co.
- 37 Musical syllable
- 39 Long-time Transy basketball coach
- 42 Aviation org.
- 43 Crafty
- 46 Sprawl
- 48 Display
- 50 Former KY Gov. Breathitt
- 51 Mayfield, KY is this county's seat
- 54 Layer rock
- 56 Arm joint
- 57 Animated
- 58 Handed out
- 59 Pitchers
- 60 Former UK coach Joe B
- 61 Hodgepodge
- 62 KY's 1st state park, ___ Mountain
- 64 Zeal
- 65 Retained
- 67 Tricky curve



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