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Sunday storm does moderate damage in county

For the most part, much of Rockcastle County was spared from major storm damage on Sunday night when a severe thunderstorm rolled through the county around 9:45 p.m.

Rockcastle's Emergency Management Director David Colson said most of the damage in the county occurred on

a line from Bee Lick to Brindle Ridge.

"The storm that hit the county actually started in the Broughtontown area of Lincoln County and apparently the worst part of it was over after it passed through the Brindle Ridge area," Colson said. Some barns and outbuild-

ings were completely destroyed by the storm and others received some damage, mainly to their roofs.

Colson said that some houses were also damaged by the storm, with the damage to those also being mainly to their roofs.

Jackson Energy Public Re-

lations Director Karen House Combs said the storm knocked out power to 1,394 homes in the county. 794 lost power during the storm and an additional 600 lost their power on Monday morning. Combs said that crews had all of the electricity back on by around noon on Monday.

Colson said that at least one KU customer in Brodhead was out of power after a large Maple tree hit a house, located on Hwy. 1505.

No injuries were reported as a result of the storm, which the National Weather Service said carried straight line winds in excess of 70 miles per hour.

Colson said after he surveyed the damage in the county, he thought the speed of the winds was much higher.

When the storm hit the county the National Weather Service had also issued a tornado warning for the county, as well as the severe thunderstorm warning.



The severe thunderstorm that rolled through Rockcastle County on Sunday night around 9:45 p.m. damaged several pieces of property in the county from Bee Lick to Brindle Ridge. The above barn is owned by Ronnie and Joy Todd and is located on their property on Rich Farm Road in the Bee Lick area of the county. The 36x36 barn and a 32x30 shed nearby were destroyed by the storm. At right, Ronnie Todd is shown carrying a harness and a collar as he and his son, Kevin, try to cleanup some of the mess left by the storm. Several other barns in the western part of the county were also damaged by the storm. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin)



An Erlanger man died after he lost control of the above GMC pick-up truck on I-75 last Wednesday morning. The truck flipped four times near the 68 mile marker as it went from the southbound to northbound lanes.

Erlanger man dies in wreck on interstate

An Erlanger man died as the result of a single car accident on I-75 last Wednesday morning.

According to Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters, 85-year-old Roy Vanover lost control of his 2008 GMC pick-up as he traveled down the southbound lanes of the interstate near the 68 mile marker around 11:45 a.m.

Peters said, after losing control, Vanover went into the median of the interstate sideways where his truck flipped at least four times as it traveled across

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After incident in Florida

Dr. Karen Saylor recovering at home

One of Rockcastle County's busiest and best known family physicians is recovering at her home in Brodhead, after an incident in Florida last week that put her in the hospital for two nights.

According to Johnny Boone Saylor, husband of Dr. Karen Saylor, his wife was involved in a snorkeling accident off the coast of Florida near Key Largo, last Wednesday afternoon.

Saylor said his wife began having trouble because of unusually rough waters in the

area.

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Dr. Karen Saylor

Jackson Energy rates increased by 7 percent

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) approved a seven percent rate increase last week for East Kentucky Power Cooperative, whose 16 co-ops provide electricity to a half-million homes, farms and businesses in Central and Eastern Kentucky.

The PSC also approved passing the increase on to the co-ops served by East Kentucky Power and their customers.

Jackson Energy, which serves 5,900 customers in Rockcastle County, is one of

the 16 co-ops affected by the rate change.

Under the new rates, the monthly customer charge will go from \$9.50 per month to \$10.08 per month.

Typical residential customers will see their monthly bills rise \$6.75 on average, according to figures from Jackson Energy and PSC. The new rates became effective last Wednesday, April 1.

Karen House Combs, Public Relations Director for Jackson Energy, said the rate increase is tied primarily to East

Kentucky's new \$528 million coal-fired power generating unit at its Spurlock power station in Maysville.

The rate increase, which totals \$59.5 million overall, will

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Preliminary hearings set

Preliminary hearings for the four people who were arrested last week after police found a working meth lab in a mobile home on McHargue Branch in the Burr Community has been set for next Monday, April 13th in Rockcastle District Court.

Merrill Brown, 36, Roger W. Vaughn, 50, Amy L. Vaughn, 31, and Carrie D. Bengé, 31, were all arrested on March 29th and charged with manufacturing methamphetamine, wanton endangerment and endangering the welfare of a minor. Brown was also charged with tampering with physical evidence.

The four appeared in court on Monday before District Judge Scott Lawless and all pled not guilty.

Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds said he appreciated the Judge's action to set the next court date in the case as soon as possible.

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Old Fashioned Tradin' Days are April 17 & 18

Mt. Vernon's annual Old Fashioned Tradin' Days will be held this year on Friday and Saturday, April 17th and 18th.

There will be a wide variety of entertainment for the public this year, highlighted by a parade Saturday at noon with the theme "Blast from the Past."

Participants are being urged to parade their old fashioned horse-drawn wagons, other antique vehicles, bicycles and Veterans are urged to participate in uniform, if possible.

Line-up will begin at 11 a.m. at Mt. Vernon Elementary and the parade will begin from

there. There will be sack races, horseshoe and cornhole tournaments on Saturday, a petting zoo and blow-ups for the children. Ronald McDonald will be on hand Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. and there will be stories told about the "old days" in Mt. Vernon and Rockcastle County.

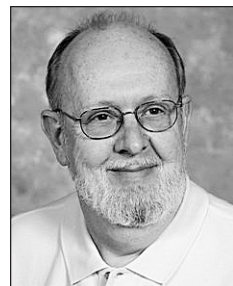
There will also be a Pretty Baby contest, divided into four age categories: 1-3, 3-6, 7-9 and 9-12, and a Young Ladies Contest for girls ages 13-21. There is a \$10 entry fee for the Pretty Baby Contest and trophies will be awarded in each

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United States Republican incumbent Senator Jim Bunning, right, was the featured speaker at a luncheon sponsored by the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame in Renfro Valley. At left is Rockcastle Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis and at center is State Representative Danny Ford. Bunning spoke on several issues he is working on in Washington. Below, the two-term Senator shakes hands with Rockcastle PVA Margaret Offutt. Next to Mrs. Offutt from right are: Janet Vaughn, Cyndie Offutt, Ruth Thompson and Freda Renner. A complete story on the remarks Sen. Bunning made on Tuesday will appear in next week's Signal.





Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

"Don't destroy all of your snags!"

Know what a "snag" is? Or what it can be used for? Snags are standing dead trees or portions of living trees that have been damaged and are now decaying. These valuable dead trees are often caused by ice storm damage and are plentiful in Kentucky at this time.

When I was a little boy living in Rockcastle County, one of my best friends was Kenneth Hansel. We spent countless hours in the woods in the vicinity of our homes near an area known as Pine Grove.

We had one spot that we loved to visit in the vicinity of Big Fill Cave. In front of the cave was a creek that ran down the small valley and eventually passed under the Louisville and Nashville railroad track. The spring that fed that creek originated farther up the woods, close to the spot where an old house once stood.

Standing at the bank of this creek was a large Sycamore tree that had been struck by lightning and had died. Most of the limbs had rotted and fallen to the ground. Countless woodpecker holes filled the sides of the big old tree.

One day Kenneth and I were sitting on the edge of the creek, facing the tree, when we noticed a family of flying squirrels nesting under one of its largest roots. They were scampering over the forest floor gathering nuts and other types of food for the coming cold weather. We noted how dedicated they were in their pursuit of supplies for the winter.

Since that time I have been mindful of dead trees, or "snags" as they are called. There is a vast number of them in my own woods on top of Furnace Mountain. My wife and I have noticed a myriad of wildlife residing in or around these lonely decaying trees, especially near our home.

We have witnessed several woodpeckers, bluebirds, and hawks that are using these "snags" as a source of food. Also, we have seen small animals living in or near these rotting trees. A few days ago, I saw a ground squirrel climbing on one close to our house. These small rodents keep down popu-

lations of damaging insects that also reside there.

We also see branches from these dead trees which have fallen to the ground and are in the process of being decomposed by microbes, plants, insects, snails, and other creatures. These decaying logs replenish and enrich the soil. The fertile areas that they create will serve as sources of nourishment for different kinds of fungi, including morels and other kinds of mushrooms.

Within the next few weeks, I will make my annual trek to my woods looking for the delicious morels that are always found near dead limbs, stumps, and other rotting flora. This should be a very good year because of the decaying limbs that resulted from the last ice storm that passed through and because we have had lots of precipitation over the past few months. I am excited about searching my woods for these scrumptious morsels.

My wife and I try to allow fallen branches, leaves, and other forms of plant life to remain on the floor of our woods for fertilization. Since we have been consciously trying to let the decaying plant life alone, we have witnessed more wild-life and plant life in our woods. In a couple of areas, we have even created brush piles to allow flora and fauna to flourish.

Brush piles also serve as homes for small animals and insects. Raptors such as owls, hawks, buzzards, osprey and even falcons hunt for food in such environmental areas. We often observe birds of prey there.

Yesterday I was walking my dog, Shiloh, through the woods and, to our surprise, a large "tom" wild turkey took flight immediately in front of us. The initial sound of the drumming of its wings startled us both.

Shiloh stood frozen and simply watched as the large bird sailed toward the bottom of the cliff. The bird was quite large and had a chestnut brown set of tail feathers. It had been on the ground near a large rotting limb that had fallen during the winter.

Even though we have sev-

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Points East

By Ike Adams

I brought out the bird books, looked on the internet, used my binoculars numerous times and determined that the hawk across the road or, as the case may be, in the back pasture, is, indeed, a Cooper's hawk.

He/she/it has been hanging around since the February ice storm — perching on fence posts lining the back forty or on limbs in fallen timber just across the way and eyeballing the plumpest blackbirds on the wing. A gazillion member, sky-darkening, flock of vermin starlings and witchy, pure-trash, black birds will fly over my house pooping on everything in sight, and the hawk causes them no concern until it sees a fat one on the straggle.

The hawk launches him/herself off the fence post or tree limb, climbs above the passing horde, circles and dives, like a torpedo or perhaps a smart-bomb, into its target. Its wings flare out and its talons extend on impact and a burst of tiny black feathers will hit the breeze if they don't fall straight down. Sometimes a drop of blood will hit the ground but by that time the hawk is back inside the fallen timber and out of sight.

The wave of vermin will

separate for a few minutes and then converge again. I am convinced that the birds have learned to "hold it" until they get over our cars, mail box, and roofs to let go of bowel movements and that they must be keeping score. Last Sunday, the warmest day of 2009 this far, I was outside, stooped over, killing thistles in the lawn, and one got me with a direct hit smack in the middle of the bald spot on the back of my head. It felt like someone had shot me and the bullet had glanced. At first I thought I was bleeding but the hot stuff trickling to my collar, I discovered, though wet and oozy, was white as snow.

I'm reasonably sure the guy who dropped it got a trophy on the roost that night if in fact he didn't win a huge jack pot. In the meantime, as I shampooed the bird poop out of my hair, I was wondering what I might do to attract more hawks. I walked back out on the porch and heard what can only be described as a hawk in desperation. I glanced skyward and there was my Cooper's under attack by upwards of a dozen kamikaze purple martins. I doubt that he/she/it will stay around and I'm

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I have grown accustomed to "The Look"

I knew it was coming. It's something I've grown accustomed to over the years, but it still bothers me.

I call it "the look." I get it when I walk into any restaurant where nothing on the menu is less than \$20, a men's clothing department that doesn't sell blue jeans, a car dealership that calls its vehicles "pre-owned" and any gathering where people are standing around talking and drinking anything more sophisticated than Budweiser in a can.

Here's how it goes. Usually two people are involved.

Both will stare at me when I walk in.

Then, they'll turn and look at each other, often without speaking.

Raised eyebrows are another common trait.

Finally, one of them will ap-

proach me and say something really cordial like, "Yes?"

Meanwhile, the other person will continue to look at me, but never straight on, only out of the corner of his eye.

It can be really unnerving, which is why I generally try to avoid situations where I know this is likely to happen.

Last week, however, I set myself up big time for a bad experience.

You see, in 1971, I got married, and in an attempt to show off my athleticism to my bride, went to Roses Department Store and bought a bike for \$35.

It was green. Maybe not the prettiest bike in the store, but those were the days of polyester, Sonny and Cher, hippies.

Yep, ugly was in. I haven't kept much I owned back in those days. But I still have that bike.

It hadn't been ridden in

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



Last week, I had visited with Jim and Martha Cox, who own and operate Cox Hardware in Mount Vernon. We had discussed how the Cox family came to be in Rockcastle county, and their contributions to the local business here through several generations.

This week, I'll address more thoughts from Jim and Martha, and some of their remembrances of downtown Mount Vernon.

Jim married Martha Sowder, daughter of Shirley and Meada Sowder. Shirley worked as a butcher at Clyde Barnett's grocery on Main Street and George Parrett's grocery on West Main, the current site of Glenn Thompson's guitar shop. Clyde

Barnett's grocery was located where Hiatt's Flower Shop is today. When Jim retired from teaching in 1997, he joined Martha in running the store.

In reading the clippings from John Cox's historic funeral, I noticed something that I could really relate to: certain numbers or date occurrences. For instance, in our family, births or deaths often occur on a date associated with the number 8; with the eighth itself, the twenty-eighth, sixteenth, etc. Holidays are bad also. A grandmother from almost every generation for the past hundred years or so, has died on a holiday such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Halloween, and Saint Patrick's Day. In the Cox family, it is February the sixth. John Cox died 2/6/2001, his Uncle William was born 2/6/1871, great-aunt Grace died 2/6/1900, Uncle Edward died 2/6/1940, Jim was born 2/6/1942, and Claude died 2/6/1973.

During my visit, I looked at an old picture of Mount Vernon that I found very interesting. It was made in 1900, and was taken looking west down Main Street. Members of the Cox family were in the photo. There were about thirty or forty people standing across the street horizontally. I suppose they were local merchants, citizens of the downtown area, and whoever else may have been in town on that particular day. The

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April is National Donate Life Month Are You An Organ Donor?

Presented by Dr. David Brabon

A 17-year-old athlete weakens and becomes short of breath with minimal exertion. He has a viral infection of the heart which weakens it to the point that it has become life-threatening.

Matching studies are done and he is given a pager—he will need to get to the transplant center in an hour or two when an organ becomes available. He waits for the call—day and night—when his life-saving heart becomes available and his pagers go off. For some, the call never comes.

Other patients are on waiting lists for kidneys and must face dialysis every two or three days. There are also waiting lists for livers, corneas and other organs. Yet, the sad statistic remains that two thirds of possible donors are not utilized because people had not considered this life-giving opportunity.

A kidney can be donated from a relative without harming the donor, but organs such as eyes and hearts can not be. These must be obtained from victims of accidental deaths where these organs are still healthy. Then careful matching of the organs to the appropriate recipient must be done to lessen the chance of rejection.

Since time is crucial in obtaining and processing donor organs, the decision to donate is best made beforehand—not by your family at a time of great sadness.

Let your relatives know if you make the decision to donate organs in case of an accidental death. Sign up to become an organ and tissue donor on the Kentucky Organ Donor Registry by visiting www.donatelifeky.org or your local circuit court clerk's office.

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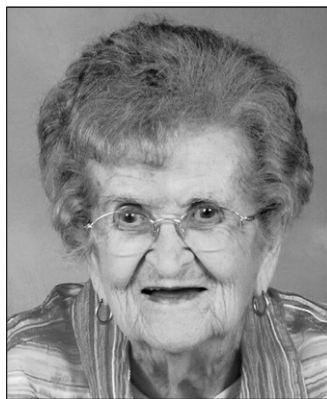
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Obituaries



Julia Floyd Taylor

Julia Floyd Taylor, 90, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, April 2, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health & Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on September 30, 1918 the daughter of Floyd Everette and Daisy Belle Fish Taylor. She was a homemaker and was a life long member of the First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon where she was the president of the Willing Workers.

She is survived by: a son, Melvin "Snooky" Taylor of Mt. Vernon; a daughter, Patricia (Harry) Harmon of Mt. Vernon; and six grandchildren, Larry Harmon, Jeff Harmon, Gayle Scoggin, Mel Taylor, Jr., Charlotte Hansel, and Cyndie Offutt. Also surviving are: 13 great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Lloyd Taylor; and two sisters, Sue Ella Miller and Betty Miller.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 5 at the First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon by Bros. Larry Harmon, Bruce Ross, Eddie Nation, and Raymond Offutt. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were: Anthony Asher, John Mark Bray, Jeremy Cook, Modie Dillingham, Bill Dowell, George Murphy Jr. and Paul Thompson.

Honorary pallbearers were: Willing Workers of First Christian Church.

Donations are suggested to the Willing Workers of First Christian Church at PO Box 1305, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Fred Hensley

Fred Hensley, 54, of London and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Friday, April 3, 2009 in Unidilla, GA.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 11 a.m. at the Pine Hill Holiness Church by Bros. Matthew Baker and Dennis Doan. Burial will follow in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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



Dorothy Ann Teague

Dorothy Ann Cromer Browning Teague, 90, of Brodhead, died Saturday, April 4th, 2009. She was born April 3rd, 1919 in Sand Springs, a daughter of the late Ben Cromer and Harriet Payne Cromer. She was a member of the Philadelphia Baptist Church, a minister of the Pentecostal Faith, and a loving and devoted mother and grandmother. Her hobbies and interests were woodworking and sewing.

Those left to cherish her memories include: one daughter, JoAnnmarie Hartman (Ray McCane) of Cincinnati, OH; eight grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; her significant other, Ray Teague of Brodhead; two nieces; one nephew; and friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her first husband, George Joseph Hartman; two brothers, Shirley Cromer and William Cromer; two infant grandchildren, Barbara Jean McCane and Andrea Marie Hoaglin; and a nephew, William Cromer, Jr.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 6th, 2009 at the Philadelphia Baptist Church with Bro. Gordon Mink officiating. Burial followed in the Philadelphia Baptist Church Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Dewey E. Allen, Randall Himes, Jack Himes, Randy Cromer, Paul McCane, Shane McCane and Raymond McCane.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to her funeral expenses to the Marvin E. Owens home for Funerals.

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

Terry Cummins

Terry Cummins, 61, of Berea, died Sunday, April 5, 2009 at his residence.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eddie Nation. Burial will follow in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel after 12 noon (today) Thursday.

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

Iris Rose Helton

Iris Rose Helton, formerly Mullins, 73, died peacefully on April 6, 2009 of Alzheimer's Disease. She was born in Rockcastle County. A graduate of Eastern Kentucky State College, now Eastern Kentucky University, she was an elementary school teacher in the Northridge School District in Dayton, OH for 31 years.

She is survived by: two daughters, Gloria Helton Siegler and Susan Diann Letner; siblings, Roland Mullins of Mt. Vernon and Eula Wells of Somerset; six beloved grandchildren; a large and loving extended family; and many friends. She was preceded in death by: her husband, Bobby E. Helton; her parents, Loid and Hattie Morris; and nine siblings.

A gathering of her family and friends will be held on Saturday, April 11, beginning at 10 a.m. at Trostel, Chapman, Dunbar & Fraley Funeral Home, in New Carlisle, OH. Funeral services will follow immediately at 12 p.m.

Eleanor Brandenburg

Mrs. Eleanor Jean Brandenburg, 82, of Cincinnati, Ohio died Tuesday, March 31, 2009 at the Margaret P. Lee Nursing Home in Cincinnati. She was born on August 10, 1926 in Lee County, Ky., the daughter of the late Lester Brandenburg and Beulah Brandenburg Bowling. She was a retired seamstress, enjoyed sewing, quilting, cooking, and was a member of the Fayetteville Church of Christ.

Survivors are: one sister, Mrs. Vonda Herrin of Rineyville, Ky. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Graveside services were held Thursday, April 2nd at the Stonecoal Cemetery in Beattyville, Ky. with Bro. Raford Herrin officiating.

Arrangements were by the Cox Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Larry Hammond, Kevin Isaacs, Jim Wood, and Barton Herrin.

Send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com

Jearldine Morgan

Mrs. Jearldine Morgan, wife of Dallas Morgan of Brodhead, died Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

Services are incomplete at this time and are entrusted to the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's *Signal*.

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Card of Thanks

Kathryn Sandlin

The family of Kathryn Sandlin would like to thank Dr. Saylor and her staff, Rockcastle Hospital, Hospice, Cox Funeral Home, Mary Laswell for the songs, Bro. Shawn Madden for the beautiful words, Pam for the flowers and a special thanks for all the prayers from Freedom Baptist Church and Proplar Grove Baptist and to all others, family and friends, who gave money and brought food and drinks.

They were greatly appreciated during the loss of our mother.



In Loving Memory Rebecca M. Smith "Mom"

I'm assured of your love, Even though we're apart Cause so much we've shared Is written on my heart.

I love and miss you very much,
Your precious daughter,
Lindsey

Cemetery Notices

Pine Hill Cemetery

Send donations for upkeep of the Pine Hill Cemetery to Lorene Mink Ponder, 314 Jessica Circle, Richmond, Ky. 40475.

Negro Creek Cemetery

Donations are needed for maintenance and upkeep of Negro Creek Cemetery. Please send to Paul Blanton, 95 Hock Lane, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 Ph. 758-9954 or to David Bowling, treasurer, Negro Creek Cemetery Assn., 5362 Augspurger Rd., Hamilton, OH 45011. The trust fund for the cem-

etry has been paying for all mowing since 2002 so donations are badly needed. All gifts are tax-deductible

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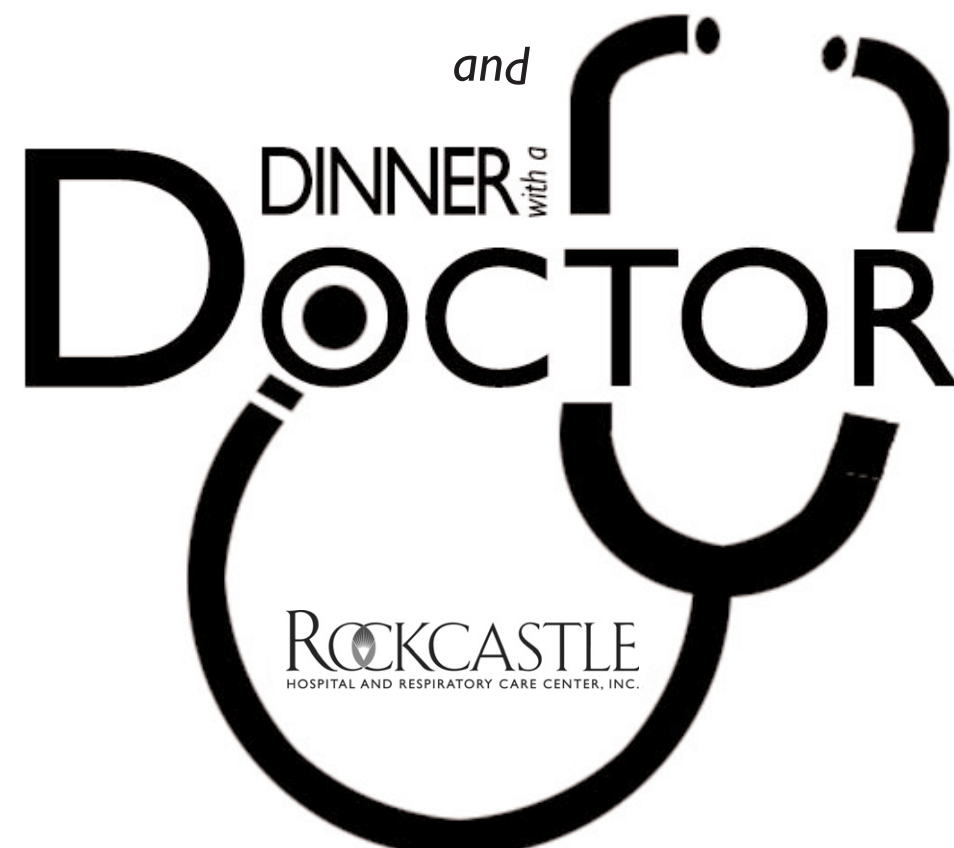
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Attention Brodhead Water Customers

The Water Quality Report that was printed in the *Mount Vernon Signal* last week, 4-2-09, will not be mailed to the Brodhead Water customers unless you request one by calling 606-758-8635 and it will be mailed.

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Presentation: Breathing easier—the harmful effects of passive tobacco smoking and exposure
Dr. Don Hayes, M.D., University of Kentucky

7:30-7:45

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Our Readers Write

Open Meetings...

Dear Editor,
This is an appeal to board members of the Eastern Rockcastle County Water Association (ERWA) to open their meetings to water users who elected them.

Two ERWA board members recently advocated this, and I think there might be others who believe this is the right thing to do. This action would lend support to the claim by Mr. David Ballinger, ERWA president, that the ERWA has "nothing to hide."

It was reported that Mr. Ballinger said that he and some ERWA board members closed board meetings because the public made some board members "nervous." Board members made "nervous" by the presence of their fellow water users and the public should resign so they can be replaced by stronger, more reliable water users.

If would be a step forward if the ERWA board stopped being dominated and acted on their best instincts as elected board members. Stop taking the advice of those who wish to have the ERWA dominated by a "single employee, a general manager." This change is recommended in a so-called optimization report conducted by the Kentucky Rural Water Association. We are fully capable of getting competent board members elected from our more than 600 water users.

I think some ERWA board members and I share the same goals for the ERWA. We want an ERWA that keeps water rates affordable. We want an ERWA that seeks funds to expand water to all homes not served. We want an ERWA that remains financially viable. We want an ERWA that shows that it listens to its members and respects their concerns.

If I am correct, ERWA board members will reverse their decision to close board meetings; they will embrace Kentucky's open meetings laws; they will direct the staff not to use separate sets of accounting books and report all revenues and expenses involving grants, loans, and water payments; they will adopt and abide by new bylaws; and they will commit themselves to directing ERWA and not surrendering this responsibility to a general manager.

Go to the next ERWA board meeting to let the board members know that you want to be respected and involved.

Elmer Whittler

Proxies used against me...

Dear Editor (and Western Rockcastle County Water Customers),

First of all, I would like to thank the customers of Rockcastle and Lincoln Counties who signed a proxy for me to be on the committee -- we didn't win.

Some people signed as they paid their water bill, others

signed for employees out working and reading meters. Some people told me, "we signed with the intention of helping you." Well, the manager (Paula Deborde) used them against me.

That's all I have to say at this time.

Thanks,
Raymond Brown

City Council should look at expense reports better

Dear Editor,

Monthly, the city council reviews the prior months expenses vs. budget and agree or disagree with the report. I have attended all meetings for the past eight months and there have been virtually no questions asked by the council.

The only exception, has been Mr. Jones in the last two meetings. Over the next month, I will be reporting some of the actuals that should ALERT the council that there are EXPENSES they should be asking the mayor about, before rubber stamping her reports every month.

I have reviewed expenses vs. the budget and informed the mayor of over 30 errors I've uncovered in the monthly reports, WHICH have now been corrected. Here are a few items I'll mention in this letter, with more to come.

These are 2008/2009 budget and expenses:

4th of July event/budget was 0 and expenses were \$4188.

Bittersweet/budget was \$3000 and expenses were \$12,842.

Halloween on Main/budget was \$200 and expenses were \$2,081.

SpringFestival/Old Fashion Days/budget was \$2000 expenses were \$6687.

This was in the 2007/2008 budget, with money spent in 2008.

Don't worry, you're still well under your budget, I'll explain later. Or maybe you can ask your Mayor to explain?

Over the next month I'll try and keep these letters short.

Sincerely,
Rick Courtney

Thank you walkers...

Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the over 400 walkers, from Rockcastle and seven other counties, who came out and participated in the 2nd annual Red Bud Health Walk on April 1. It was a picture perfect day and all ages came out to join in the fun to make it a family event. We're so proud of everyone for taking that first step in working towards better health, and encourage them to keep walking throughout the year.

We would especially like to thank Congressman Hal Rogers and his staff at TOURSEKY for hosting the event here in Renfro Valley in partnership with the Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County

Tourist Commission, Rockcastle Hospital, the Christian Appalachian Project and PRIDE. We would also like to thank The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame board of directors and Robert Lawson for all his hard work, WRVK Radio, The Bittersweet Cabin Village, Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, King Bottling Inc., The Country Market and Subway. Special thanks to Mayor Kirby and Judge Carloftis and their staffs for supporting the event by participating in great numbers.

Last but not least, thank you so much to the following volunteers: Miachel and Andrew Robbins, Don and Carlene Burkhead, Iris Parker, Susan Brown, Betty Purcell, Kelly Reis, Gideon Wesley, Tyler King, Mark Laws and O.T. Norman. Without your tireless efforts the walk would not have been a success.

Arielle Reese
Community Relations,
Rockcastle Hospital
Susan Laws and
Janine Norman
Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle
County Tourist Commission
Bobbie Playforth
Christian Appalachian Project

UNITE invites you...

Dear Supporters of Rockcastle UNITE:

The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition would like to invite you to join us for our annual Celebration of Success. We plan to meet at Rockcastle County Middle School on Thursday, April 16th, 6:00 p.m., to recognize the UNITE Clubs from each school and others in the community who have contributed to a successful year for our Coalition.

Sonny's will be catering the free meal so please let us know you are coming and we will provide your dinner. (Contact Mrs. Becky McNabb at RCHS or your child's UNITE Club advisor to find out how to get your free dinner ticket.)

In addition to a short presentation by each of the clubs, we will have a special guest speaker, Ashley Smith Robinson. She has an amazing story to tell. Mrs. Robinson was held hostage by a man who escaped custody in an Atlanta, Georgia courtroom, killing the judge and three others, then

later took her hostage. Her story is a great testimony to Christian faith and reveals more about her personal life story. You will be glad you came to be a part of this year's Celebration of Success.

We hope to see you Thursday, April 16, 2009, 6 p.m. for Sonny's Barbecue and a great program. We plan to finish by 8:30 p.m. - meal and all!

Sincerely,
John Hale, Chairman
Rockcastle UNITE Coalition

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

eral paths in our woods, the majority of the area is left wild. We carefully and quietly head down these walkways to see what new animal or plant we can locate. Our woods are a perpetual source of enjoyment to us as animal watchers. We can be found there in all seasons hoping to discover some new species that we have not witnessed before on our land.

So the next time you see damaged trees lying around, don't merely consider how it looks. At first glance it may appear ugly to you. But those snags have been created for a reason. It is not all destruction - those areas have been pruned by the good Lord. He is still in the process of creating new life from old - even in the forest.

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

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

betting it's already many miles away. I know for sure that I would be, given that kind of harassment.

"Oh no!!! My only defense, however futile, against the starlings was up defeated by a greater force. Comparing martins to hawks is synonymous with comparing B-52 bombers to modern Navy F/A-18 fighter planes. And I watched as the hawk, while being pummeled, fled back to safety minus many back feathers which flew away like dandelion seeds on the wind.

Then at dusk, the blackbird throng headed back through

perhaps 200 feet (just out of shotgun range) above Charlie Brown Road and the martins reappeared from wherever they have taken up residence on the ridge traversed by 52. This is not a flock of martins. It's an air force that apparently hates blackbirds as much as me. And feathers flew again. Far, far more than the Cooper's Hawk could ever have inflicted.

Early Monday morning I discovered half a dozen martins on my back fence preening themselves but not a blackbird in sight. I figure the battle was over before it was begun. I've always wanted to do it but never been successful in attracting them, but my project for the spring is to figure out how to establish a martin colony.

And I will gladly bend over and let them take target practice on my bald spot if they will keep the @#%\$! vermin starlings and blackbirds out of my air space.

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

years, and I got it out to see if it still worked.

It did.
Sort of.
But it obviously needed a little professional attention.

So, I found myself in Lexington, pushing my bike, which had turned from green to rusty over the years, down the sidewalk to a bicycle shop.

I went in the front door, pushing the squeaky AMF Roadmaster past row after row

of shiny new two wheelers with price tags showing twice the amount I paid for my first car.

The place was busy, filled with people holding little pink, blue and red helmets, dressed in skin-tight spandex and standing next to bikes with way more than one chain on the sprocket, and none of them rusty.

You would have thought I had just walked in leading a child with running sores and terminal diarrhea.

Eyebrows joined hairlines all around me, people pulled their bikes in close to their bodies, and one skinny older dude even grabbed his chest.

I got waited on really quickly by a guy who must have been the owner.

He told me I could wheel my bike into the back room right away, and he'd have it ready to leave the store in very short order.

He was true to his word. He even wheeled it out the back door for me.

Now that was service.

I gave him a hearty handshake and told him how much I appreciated his fast work.

I also promised to return and vowed to recommend his shop to all my friends.

It was obvious this was a man who loves what he does and cares about his customers.

As I pulled away, I am certain I saw a tear running down his cheek.

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

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Rockcastle UNITE Coalition Community Awareness Celebration

Guest Speaker
Ashley Smith Robinson



By her own account, Ashley Smith is far from an angel or a hero. Yet today, her face is known around the world as the single mother who persuaded Brian

Nichols, Atlanta's courtroom killer, to surrender to police. Nichols called Ashley "an angel sent from God", but, ironically, it was Ashley's less-than-angelic past that allowed her to convince him to face justice. Join us as Ashley tells us the rest of the story.

Drug Tip Hotline
1-866-424-4382

Toll-free Treatment Help Line
1-866-90-UNITE

Thursday, April 16, 2009
6:00 p.m.
Rockcastle Middle School

- FREE Meal provided - please RSVP by Friday, April 10th
- Recognition of UNITE Supporters and Volunteers
- Performances/presentations by school UNITE Clubs
- Community Resource Displays
- Keynote Address by Ashley Smith Robinson

If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Nancy Hale or Becky McNabb at (606) 256-4816 ext. 137 or email becky.mcnabb@rockcastle.kyschools.us.

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"The People You Know, The People You Trust"
From left: Tara Brown, Allie Reynolds, pharmacist Danette Craig, Kevin Craig and Tanner Bray.



One of Kentucky's two incumbent Republican United States Senators, Jim Bunning, was guest speaker at the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce meeting on Tuesday. Bunning spoke about his work in Washington and criticized the \$3.7 trillion federal budget for fiscal year 2010. Above, Bunning, left, talks to State Representative Danny Ford, Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds, center and Robert Lawson, Director at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum in Renfro Valley, where the luncheon was held. Lawson gave the two term Senator a tour of the facility before the luncheon. At right, Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, presents Sen. Bunning with gifts, in appreciation of his visit to the county. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



David Mink, of Town and Country Chevron, looks over the above Oldsmobile 88 which rear-ended a Dodge Dakota pick-up around 3:15 Monday on Hwy. 70 near Ottawa. After the car hit the truck, it left the road and hit a utility pole and became entangled in a guidewire. The utility pole was damaged by the impact and had to be replaced on Tuesday. Three people in the pick-up, Cynthia Hughes, 39, of Quail Road and her daughter and a grandson were transported to the Rockcastle for minor injuries. The driver of the Oldsmobile, Roger Brown, 41, of Willialla Road was not injured, but his passenger, 70-year-old Janie Brown, suffered a badly broken wrist. She, too, was taken to the Rockcastle Hospital for treatment. (Photo by: Richard Anderkin)



Mt. Vernon police officer Brian Maupin takes photos of a 98 Dodge Stratus that caught fire after being involved in a two vehicle collision in front of Wendy's Restaurant in Mt. Vernon last Wednesday afternoon about 4:45 p.m. Maupin said Troy Lear, 39, of Brindle Ridge, apparently turned in front of the minivan, below. Maupin said the bright sun could have been a factor. The driver of the minivan, Charles C. Robinson, 66, of Berea, received a head injury in the accident and was transported to Rockcastle Hospital for treatment. Members of the Mt. Vernon Volunteer Fire Department had to extinguish the fire. (Photos by: Kevin Canterbury).



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An encouraging word:

An Amazing Discovery

By Howard Coop



After an eventful week of sorrow and disappointment, the Sabbath ended, and the first day of the week dawned.

While it was still dark, two women, Mary Magdalene and a woman known as the other Mary, made preparation for an unpleasant, but necessary, task. Custom dictated that the body of their friend, crucified on Friday, be anointed with certain spices for final burial.

Just before the sun began to rise, the two women, with the necessary spices that custom required, made their way through the dark and narrow streets of Jerusalem to the borrowed tomb outside the city walls in which the body of Jesus had been placed.

Knowing that the tomb had been sealed with a heavy stone and a guard posted, the question uppermost in their minds as they made that trip was: "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance to the tomb?" Yet, knowing there was little prospect for help and fully aware that the stone was too big for them to move, they contin-

ued steadfastly on their way to face what appeared to be an extremely difficult and unpleasant task.

During the faithful performance of duty, the two grieving women on their way to perform that task made an amazing life changing discovery.

When they arrived at the tomb to anoint a dead body, they found something they did not expect to find: The large stone that sealed the entrance to the tomb, by some means, had been rolled away; the tomb was open.

Those stationed there to guard the tomb were unable to act; they were "like dead men." The tomb was empty; the body they had come to anoint for final burial was not there.

Then, to their utter amazement, it happened. There was a voice. "Mary," they heard. At once they knew; their Lord was alive! Then, Mary cried out in her everyday way of speaking, "Rabboni!" And both of the women, "afraid yet filled with joy," ran to tell others.

Blood Drive April 14 at FBC

The Kentucky Blood Center will be conducting a blood drive in Mt. Vernon on April 14th at First Baptist Church from 2 to 7 p.m. The drive will be held in the church's gym at 340 West Main Street in Mt. Vernon.

Those wanting to donate can call 1-800-775-2522 or visit www.kybloodcenter.org for blood drive and donor center details.

Donors must be 17-years-old (16 with parental consent),

weigh at least 110 pounds, be in general good health and meet additional requirements. 16-year-olds must have a signed parental permission slip, which can be found on the Kentucky Blood Center's web site.

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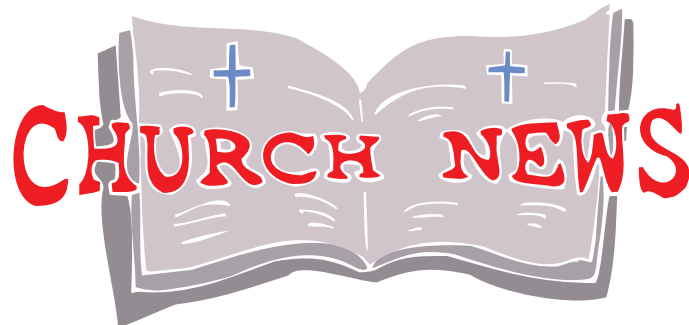
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Holy Thursday Service

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church, on Williams St., will hold services Holy Thursday, April 9 and Good Friday, April 10 at 7 p.m. and on Easter Sunday at 8 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Benefit Singing

There will be a Benefit Singing at The Little Country Church on Sat., April 11th at 7 p.m. Featured singers will be Living By Faith and Grace Unlimited. The church is at 165 Jarber Rd. off of Rev. Green Loop in Mt. Vernon. Pastor Jack Weaver and congregation welcomes everyone.

Spring Awakening Revival

First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon will hold their Spring Awakening Revival beginning Sunday morning, April 19th and running through Wednesday, April 22nd. Speaker will be Doug Parkey from Brazil, Indiana.

The Sunday morning meeting will begin at 11 o'clock, Sunday evening at 6 o'clock and the rest of the meetings will be at 7 p.m., all at the church building located at 160 West Main St., Mt. Vernon.

For rides, or more information, call Bruce Ross at 256-2876.

Community Good Friday Service

There will be a Community Good Friday Service held Friday, April 10th at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon at 7 p.m.

The event is being sponsored by the Rockcastle County Ministerial Association.

A love offering will be taken to benefit the association's outreach to needy transients.

For more information, call Bruce Ross at 256-2876.

Sunrise Service

A Sunrise Service will be held at Mt. Vernon Church of God at 6 a.m., Sunday, April 12th. A ham and egg breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m., following the service and an egg hunt will be held at noon for the children. Everyone is welcome.

On April 19th, the Wooten sisters and Bro. Hamp will bring the worship service at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Gospel Meeting

The Gospel Meeting at Providence church is in progress through April 10th with J.R. Bronger, speaker. Week night services are at 7:30 p.m.

The church is located on Quail Road, Brodhead.

Philadelphia United Baptist Church

The Praise Singers will be at the church on Sunday, April 26th.

Also, the church is in need of a van. There are many people who would come to church if they had a way. If there is someone who could donate us a van, God would bless you and the people would get to church. Call Gordon Mink at 256-9724.

The church is located at 834 Bryant Ridge Road, Brodhead.

Revival

Watts Chapel Baptist Church will behold revival services April 19-22 with evangelist Dale Rose.

There will be special singing each service with Midge

Renner and Bennie Reynolds singing Sunday morning; Watts Chapel's very own: Dickie, Paula, Mike, Beth and Sheila on Sunday evening; Raymond Asher on Monday; Ashley Clark on Tuesday and Allison McMullen on Wednesday. Nursery will be provided.

A chili supper will kick off the revival on Saturday, April 18th at 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall followed by Bluegrass Gospel at 7 p.m.

The church is located on Hwy. 150 East, Crab Orchard. Everyone is invited.

Sunrise Service

Maple Grove Baptist Church will hold a Sunrise Service Sunday morning at 6 o'clock. Everyone is welcome.

Revival

Maretburg Baptist Church, on Hwy. 150, Mt. Vernon, will be in revival April 22-26 with Darrin Cupp, pastor Mt. Zion Baptist Church, evangelist.

Services are at 7 o'clock each evening and there will be special singing.

Bro. Wayne Harding, pastor, and the congregation welcome everyone.

Atoned at Northside

The Southern Gospel group Atoned will be at Northside Baptist Church on Sunday, April 19th at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

3rd Saturday Service

Climax Holiness and pastor Darren Slone invite everyone to their 3rd Saturday Night Singing on Sat., April 18th, beginning at 5:30. A hotdog potluck dinner will be followed by praise and singing by the Doan Family.

A love offering will be lifted to benefit the building of the new Calloway Holiness Church. 2 Cor. 9:7 "According to every man as he proposes in his heart so let him give not grudgingly or of necessity for God loveth a cheerful giver."

Son Rise Service

Roundstone Baptist Church will hold a *Son Rise Service* at 8 a.m., Sunday morning, followed by breakfast and Sunday School at 10 a.m. There will be an Easter Cantata at 11 a.m., "Come to the Cross." An egg hunt for the children will be held following morning service.

Good Friday Service

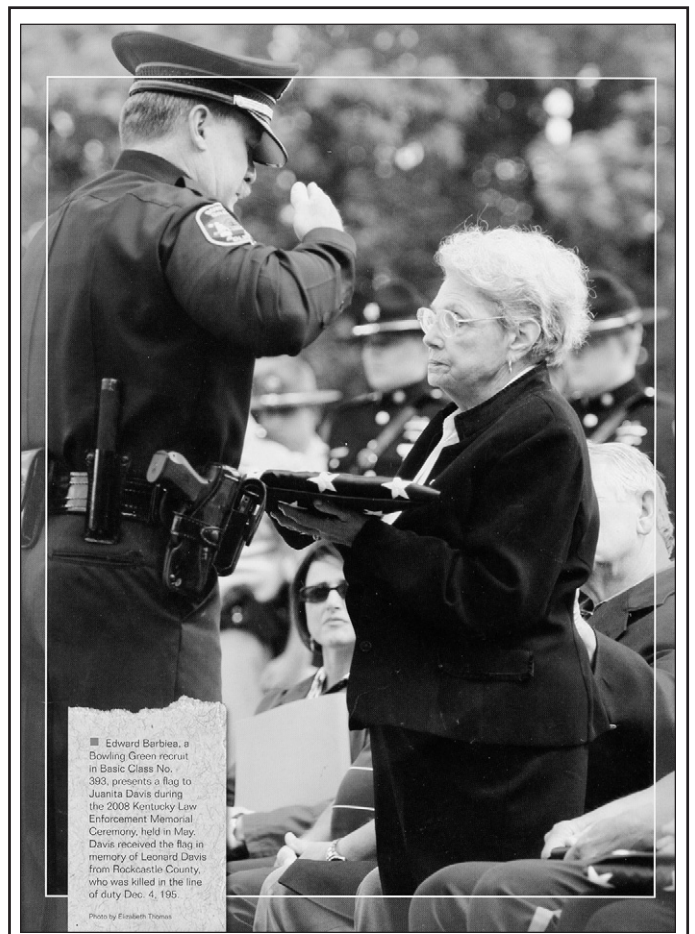
Special Good Friday service, April 10th, at the Mt. Vernon Church of God, at 7 p.m. Special worship service and taking of communion service and old fashion foot washing. Everyone welcome. Pastor Bobby Owens welcomes everyone.

Community Sunrise Service

The annual Crab Orchard Easter Community Sunrise Service will be held at 6:30 Easter Sunday morning in the Crab Orchard Cemetery. This year's speaker will be Bro. Caywood Morris, Crab Orchard Baptist Church.

We would like to encourage all area churches to participate, as well as the entire community.

The Sunrise Service will be followed by a fellowship (pitch-in) breakfast at Crab Orchard Christian Church.



Mrs. Juanita Davis of Mt. Vernon was honored with a full page photo in the Spring 2009 issue of *Law Enforcement*. The photo was of Mrs. Davis receiving a flag in memory of her father-in-law Leonard Davis, a Rockcastle County Deputy Sheriff, who was killed while in pursuit of a bank robber on December 4, 1952.

Bible Baptist Church has Cookbooks for sale

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Community Good Friday Service

Everyone Welcome

Friday, April 10th • 7 p.m.

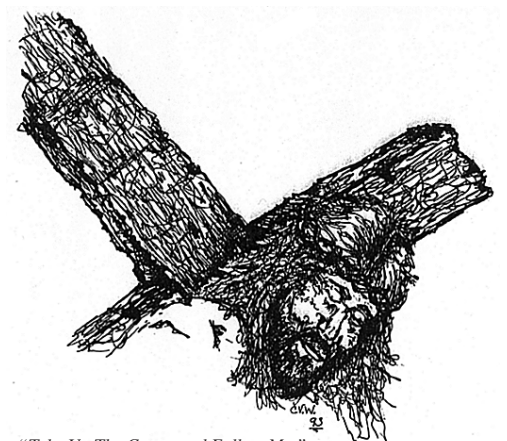
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For more information call Bruce Ross at 256-2876

Easter Drama entitled "I Am"



"Take Up Thy Cross, and Follow Me."

Saturday, April 11th

at 7:30 p.m. at

The Pine Hill Holiness Church

Located on US 25 between Mt. Vernon and Livingston

For more information or need transportation call 256-8548

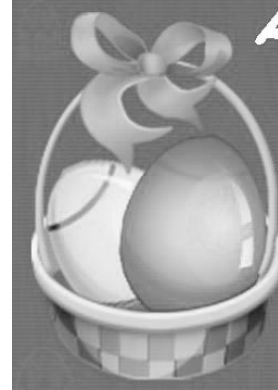
KIDS FOR CHRIST EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 11, 2009, 1:00pm

Ages- Birth - 5th grade

Everyone is welcomed to attend!!

Snacks will be provided after the Easter Egg Hunt.



Church Directory

Believers House of Prayer

156 Scenic View Lane
U.S. 25 N, left at 18 mile marker
Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: **Bill Davis**
bhop_7@yahoo.com

Berea Reformed Evangelical Church

1309 Hwy. 21 • Berea
859-248-1600
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 6 p.m.
Xon Hostetter, Pastor
Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: **Don Stayton**
Associate Pastor/Youth:
Bro. **Jeremy Ellis**

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Secretary: **Jo Roberts**
Music Director: **Dan Dull**

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Preaching Brethren
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104 Byrda Way • Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-308-2794
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Bride of Christ Church

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Brodhead Baptist Church

Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Children's Programs: RAs & GAs
Mission Friends and Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor

Brodhead Christian Church

237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brush Creek Holiness Church

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Special Service 1st Sunday or each month at 11 a.m.

Lonnie Reese McGuire, Pastor

Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd.
(Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Scott Mullins, Pastor

Central Baptist Church

86 Maintenance Rd.
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606-256-2988
centralbaptistky.org
Pastor: **Mark Eaton**
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Mark Eaton, Pastor

Climax Christian Church

Hwy. 1912
308-2806 - 256-4138 - 256-5977
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wade Johnson, Minister

Climax Holiness Church

Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at 7 p.m.
1st Sunday of each mo. at 11 a.m.
Darrin Sloan, Pastor

Conway Missionary Baptist

U.S. 25 between Mount Vernon and Berea
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m. • Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bro. Jim Ritchey, Pastor
859-200-2679/859-228-0342
Sunday School Director
Ronald Sears • 606-256-5709
606-256-2829

Cornerstone Fellowship

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

Crossroads Assembly of God

Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Stephen Vanhook, Pastor

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Dixie Park Cornerstone

700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky.
859-623-8292 • 859-985-2484
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Gene Smith, Pastor

Fairview Baptist Church

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

Fairground Hill Community Holiness Church

Thursday Worship 7 p.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning and Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study, Prayer Meeting and "Patch the Pirate Club" 7 p.m.

Transportation and Nursery provided for all services

Mark Eaton, Pastor

Faith Chapel Pentecostal

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

First Baptist Church

340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Bro. Eddie Nation, Pastor
website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmvmon@newwave.net
Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: AWANA and Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Live Broadcast WRVK 140AM
Sundays at 11 a.m.
Broadcast on New Wave Cable Channel 3 Tues., Thurs. & Sunday at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. & 8 p.m.

First Christian Church

West Main Street Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-256-2876
Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Flat Gap Baptist Church

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

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist

504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004
Orlando, Ky. 40460
859-925-4048
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Thursday Night Visiting 7 p.m.

Contact: Doris Brown
606-256-0188
burtonpromos@prodigy.net

Freedom Baptist Church

Freedom School Rd. Mt. Vernon,
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting & Youth/Children Classes 7 p.m.

Pastor: David Sargent

God's Church of Zion

35 McFerron St.
Mt. Vernon, KY
Wed. Night 7 p.m.
Sunday School 2 p.m.
Sunday Worship 3 p.m.
Pastor: **Fred Hecker**

Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church

Hwy. 1505 (6 miles from Brodhead)
Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor
Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sun. & Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

Lighthouse Assembly of God

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

Little Country Church

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

Livingston Baptist Church

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Adult & Youth Classes Available
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study & Meeting 7 p.m.
Bro. Steve McKinney, Pastor
606-758-4097
email: stevemc64@alltel.net

Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church

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

Maple Grove Baptist

Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. • 606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Mareburg Baptist Church

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

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

McNew Chapel Baptist

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

Mt. Vernon Church of God

1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
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Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene

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New Hope Baptist Church
Jct. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd. Orlando
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
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Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

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

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Evening Worship 6 p.m.

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WLJC-TV 65 (Dish Network and regional TV cables)
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New Wave Cable (KET2 ch. 3)
Tues., Thurs., Sun.
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Ottawa Baptist Church

1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training/
Youth Mission Groups 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Youth Choir 6 p.m.
Children's & Youth Bible Study
6:45 p.m. • Service 7 p.m.
Jim Craig, Pastor • 758-8453
ottawabaptist@windstream.net

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church

515 Williams St. (across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky. 606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.

Father Nick Pagano, Pastor

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

Pine Hill Holiness Church

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

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Adult & Youth Worship

GEAR UP

High School graduates important for country

One of the primary concerns of all parents is their children's education and future job security. With the economy at its lowest level in years, it is even more critical that students gain as much education as possible to help them be flexible and prepared for an ever-changing job market. With the needs of students, families and the county in mind the White House has issued a policy focus that surprises very few.

Dropping out of high school is no longer an option. President Barack Obama made that statement in an address to the Joint Session of Congress in February. On March 10, he continued his attention to education with proposals for supporting and improving the education system. President Obama also emphasized the crucial role parents play in supporting students.

"There is no program and no

policy that can substitute for a parent who is involved in their child's education from day one. There is no substitute for a parent who will make sure their children are in school on time and help them with their homework after dinner and attend those parent-teacher conferences," he said.

"And I have no doubt that we will still be talking about these problems in the next century if we do not have parents who are willing to turn off the TV once in awhile and put away the video games and read to their child. Responsibility for our children's education has to start at home. We have to set high standards for them and spend time with them and love them. We have to hold ourselves accountable."

Why are high standards and high school graduation so important? President Obama pointed out that high school

drop outs not only pull down themselves and their families; they pull down the country.

Dropouts qualify for only the lowest-paying jobs and cannot enroll in higher education courses unless they first earn a high school equivalency degree. The Southern Regional Education Board reports that without a high school diploma, most people earn \$300,000 less over a lifetime than a high school graduate.

That doesn't only have consequences for the individual dropout; it also impacts society. Low earnings potential means less tax revenue for state and federal governments, resulting in fewer public services for citizens. People without a high school diploma are also more likely to end up on unemployment, public aid and in prison.

People who graduate and move on to productive lives make myriad contributions to society. College graduates generally have better problem solving skills, more opportunities to explore their interests and meet people, and learn to fill jobs the country depends on. One estimate says that by the year 2028, there will be 19 million more jobs for educated workers than people qualified to fill them.

President Obama recog-

nized this when he said about dropouts: "It's not just quitting on yourself, it's quitting on your country - and this country needs and values the talents of every American."

President Obama also spoke of the need to graduate college. "In a world where good jobs can be located anywhere there's an Internet connection - where a child in Denver is competing with children in Beijing and Bangalore - the most valuable skill you can sell is your knowledge," President Obama said.

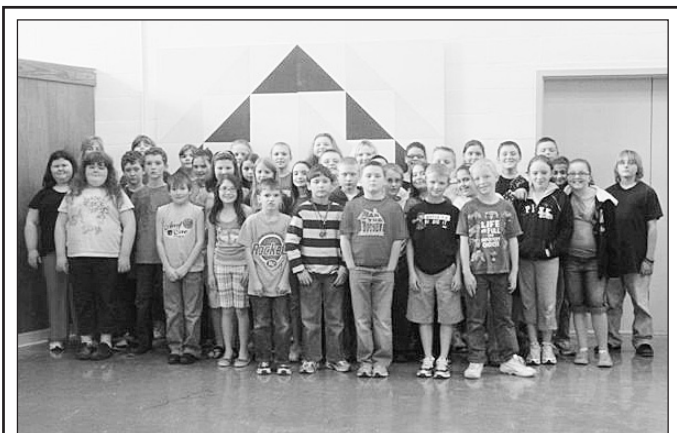
"Education is the currency of the Information Age, no longer just a pathway to opportunity and success but a prerequisite. There simply aren't as many jobs today that can support a family where only a high school diploma is required. And if you don't have that degree, there are even fewer jobs available that can keep you out of poverty."

If you would like additional ideas on how to support your high school child toward graduation and post-secondary opportunities, please contact your GEAR UP Counselor:

Nancy Hale
(nancyhale@rockcastle.kyschools.us)
Rockcastle County High School



The Voyagers students and staff wish a sincere bon voyage and good luck to Mrs. Heather McGuire, our student teacher in social studies, as she moves on to the Adventurers team. We will miss you Ms. Heather.



Pictured are the 5th grade students at RES who have painted on the 8ft x 8ft quilt block called "corn and beans". The block will be placed on a barn owned by Pauline Ramsey at Wildie.

Minds in the Middle

The last day to order spring pictures will be this Friday, April 10th. We do not have picture re-takes during the spring.

The homeroom Box Top competition will end this coming Friday. Be sure to check all your General Mills products at home and clip the 10 cents Box Top coupons from them. Look on such items as Cheerios and other cereals, Betty Crocker mixes, Juicy Juice drinks, Pillsbury items, Ziploc Bags, Cottonelle toilet paper, and Hefty garbage bags. There are hundreds of items that carry the Box Tops. Remember, the homeroom that turns in the most Box Tops will receive a pizza and soft drink party, compliments of the PTSA.

Congratulations to all of the homerooms who earned points in the Guess the Theme contest. Mrs. Sadler and Mrs. Tammy Gabbard's homerooms had all of the questions answered correctly and guessed the theme correctly also. We look forward to more Rockband fun.

Rock Idol was a huge success. All performers delighted the crowd with their talents. We thank all of the parents who came out to show support. We can hardly wait till next year!

The PTSA would like to thank all of those students who sold items during their spring fundraiser. Congratulations to the top seller, Cass Ponder. Cass won \$50 for his efforts. RCMS would also like to send thanks to the PTSA for the awesome attendance prizes that were given away during Rock Idol.

Congratulations to Mrs. Tammy Gabbard's 8th grade Comets homeroom on winning the attendance battle during our last school week. Her group was followed closely by her neighbors in Mr. McNabb's homeroom. Mrs. Kathy Bobo's 6th grade Voyagers homeroom placed third.

The next regular meeting of the RCMS SBDM council will be Wednesday at 3:30 in the media center.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News

Welcome Back! We hope that everyone is rested and ready to work hard! Testing is just around the corner. Be sure to check out the tips for parents on the back of our monthly calendar for some helpful ideas during our assessment weeks!

Project Wisdom Readers for last week were: Monday: Samantha Bullock; Tuesday: Savannah Bullock; Wednesday: Melanie Mink; Thursday: Kristen Davis; Friday: Cecilia Floyd, teacher, was our mystery

reader.

4th Grade UNITE Club meets on Friday, April 10.

FRC News

FRC 100% Club meets Thursday, April 9.

Spring Enrichment classes for 4th and 5th grades are each Monday 3:15-4:30.

Jump Rope club is scheduled for Tuesdays at 3:10.

FRC Adult Computer classes are each Monday from 6:00 until 8:00.

Our quote for this week is: "Honesty is the best policy."

RCMS

SBDM Parent-Member Elections

There will be a called meeting to elect SBDM Parent Members, Thursday, April 28, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the Media Center at RCMS.

All parents of students who will attend Rockcastle County Middle School during the 2009-2010 school year are encouraged to attend and vote.

Nominations for Parent Members of the 2009-2010 SBDM Council will be accepted April 8th - April 24th.

Submit your nomination in writing, signed, to the principal by 3:00 p.m. Friday, April 24th.

I nominate _____ to serve as a Parent Member of the Rockcastle County Middle School SBDM Council for the 2009-2010 School Year.

Signed: _____

Anyone who is the parent/guardian of a child who will be enrolled in Rockcastle County Middle School for the 2009-2010 school year is eligible to serve on the council or to nominate someone to serve on the council.

Parent members of the council cannot be relatives of Rockcastle County Middle School staff members.

RCHS SBDM Parent-Member Elections

There will be a called meeting to elect SBDM Parent Members, Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

All parents of students who will attend Rockcastle County High School during the 2009-2010 school year are encouraged to attend and vote.

Nominations for Parent Members of the 2009-2010 SBDM Council will be accepted April 14th - 28th.

Submit your nomination in writing, signed, to the principal by 3:00 p.m. April 28th.

I nominate _____ to serve as a Parent Member of the Rockcastle County High School SBDM Council for the 2009-2010 School Year.

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Forms may also be picked up at the high school.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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TINA CAIN HASTY, VICE CHAIRWOMAN
MICHAEL BURDETTE
ANGELA STALLSWORTH MINK
BRANDY C. BROCK

Meeting Location - Rockcastle County Board Of Education (Rockcastle Teaching & Learning Center) / 245 Richmond Street

AGENDA

Regular Meeting

April 14, 2009

7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- A. Silent Prayer
- B. Roll Call
- C. Reading of Board Team Commitments

2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION:

3. COMMUNICATION: SERV CORPS OVERVIEW (NANCY THAMES)

4. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS:

- A. Approve minutes of the March 10 regular meeting
- B. Approve bills for payment
- C. Approve Emergency Substitute Teacher Application TC-4: Ashlee Prewitt
- D. Approve Title IX annual report for 2008-2009 school year
- E. Approve School Fund Raisers Request for RCHS
- F. Approve Amendment with Lake Cumberland Area Development District Contract
- G. Approve Kentucky Department of Educational Engineering Pipeline Grant Application
- H. Approve School Trip Forms

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION:

6. DISCUSSION/REVIEW:

- A. Review Monthly Financial Reports
- B. Review Superintendent's Personnel Action Report
- C. Other:

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Caves, Caving and lots of information for you!

The Rockcastle Regional Grotto is a locally based club where you can find out more and be a part of exploring the caves near us all.

RRG

Come see us at our Tradin' Days booth!
606-453-9716 or
937-626-4148



MVES

SBDM Parent-Member Elections

Mt. Vernon Elementary is now accepting nominations for parent members of the Site-Based Decision Making Council.

Nominees/voters shall be a parent, stepparent, or foster parent of a student to be enrolled in the school during the parent's term of council service. Parent shall also mean a person who has legal custody of a student pursuant to a court order and with whom the child resides. A parent member shall not be an employee of that school or the district office, the relative of a local board member or a spouse of a local board member. Relative shall mean father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to Mr. Davidson, Principal, no later than Friday, April 24, 2009 by 3:00 p.m. Parents may nominate themselves or another parent.

The election will be held on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the MVES cafeteria.

You must be present to vote.

Nomination Form

I, _____ would like to nominate, _____ for the position of parent member of the Mt. Vernon Elementary School SBDM Council for the 2009-2010 school year.

MVES award recipients

Entry Level

Alexander a.m.

Sarah Allen, Matthew Chasteen, Karina Coffey, Amy Cornelius, Bethany Cromer, Bailee DeBorde, Damien Johnson, Jason Karr, Abby Langford, Aliyah Lopez, McKenzi Lunsford, Kerrigan Medley, Silas Shaffer.

Alexander p.m.

Blaine Allen, Dylan Allen, Cortney Brown, Jacob Cook, Paige Lovell, McKenzie McKinney, Gentry Phillips, Delani Reynolds, Courtney Rowe, Rily Smith, Kennedy Vinson.

Lambert-Todd a.m.

Kyle Coffey, Hannah Davis, Analeise Guinn, Thomas Jones, Jacob Mason, Justin Mink,

Elijah Sizemore, Devona Smith, Addyson Topf.

Lambert-Todd p.m.

Kaylan Bullock, Shyann Hellard, Nate McGuire, Dylan Miller, Conner Mullins, Madisen Petrey.

Davis a.m.

Angelina Dawson, Alyssa Lunsford, William Madden, Andrew Newcomb, Noah Parkey, Brooke Renner, Dougie Shields, Cassidy Shepherd, Chris Whitehead.

Davis p.m.

Nick Anderson, Chandler Batchelor, Hayley Muncy, Nathan Munguia.

First Grade

Brown

Acton Cash, Travis Conley, Destiny Denney, Kaden Fletcher, Katelyn Helton,

Eva Jackson, Morgan Johnson, Caimen McClure, Daniel Mason, Jeremiah Powell, Paul Young.

Bryant

Hannah Abney, Jacob Adams, Jaden Carpenter, Brexton Cromer, Felicity Hopkins, Lakisha Newcomb, Jaylon Ponder, Kali Riley, Blaine Rumsey, Charles Smith, Madison Smith, Alexis Stewart, Brandon Thomas, Alex Vanzant, Ella White.

Carter

Aden Amburgey, Cameron Bullock, Logan Bullock, C.J. Cameron, Katherine Coffey, Andrew Hurt, Shakeitha Kates, Blayne Kelley, Walker Lay, Holly Miller, Allison Newcomb, Sam Philbeck, Nora Pulliam, Lebrana Sparks, Leann Tankersley, Jason Wickland.

Isaacs

Logan Bowman, Ashlyn Brock, Dravan Dowell, Johnna Edwards, Jonah Hosier,

Allie Pheanis, Austin Revel, Bailey Robinson, Bryce Smith, Logan Smith, Hannah Suffridge.

Price

Santina Adams, Bailee Allen, Gracy Belt, Drew Bullock, Aidan Cain, Chanler Cole, Kylee Fain, Will Isaacs, Callie Lewis, Reece McGuire, Robert T. Mullins, Gracelyn Owens, Noah Reams, Trent Smith, Hunter Spivey.

Smith

Wesley Clark, Nichole Griffin, Braden Parker, Abby Stephens, Zachary Taylor, Tristan Winstead.

Second Grade

Burton

Alexis Anderson, Dylan Bullock, Patrick Gadd, Hallie Hines, Lindsey Smith, Bailee Stamper.

Cable

Michael Allen, Samantha Bullock, Savannah Bullock, Kristin Davis, Melanie Mink, Timothy Moore, Brooklyn Smithern, Jacy Strunk.

Clontz

Peyton Bowman, Janelle Brown, Cade Burdette, Sierra Hansel, Jacob Loudermilk, Hannah Mullins, Connor Noble, Aleya Powell, Chase Roberts, Jamison Roberts, Kaitlyn E. Smith.

Cowan

Sarah Cornelius, John Cromer, Amber Doan, Brittany Doan, Jacob Hansel, Benton Kuntz, Keaton Renfro, Tyler Samples, Caroline White.

Roark

Bobby Joe Bowman, Sheradyn Cox, John Wesley Coyle, Samantha Douglas, Ashley Garcia, Sydney Hines, Samantha Newcomb, Ben Tyler.

Third Grade

Barnett

Hannah Artley, Megan Bond, Haley Bullock, Hannah Cotton, Morgan Cromer,

Tyler Lovell, Savannah Meadows, Kristen Wilson, Ryan Winstead.

Bullock

Holden Barnett, Haley Carpenter, Levi Gentry, Sydney Hughes, Brent Lovell,

Breonya Napier, Kira Owens, Sarah Roberts, Steven Rowe.

McClure

Emily Adams, Grant Bryant, Chelsea Helton, Morgan Mason, Megan Peacock, Lauren Prewitt.

Parkerson

Logan Barnett, Carlee Cash, Rebekah Lake, Peggy Lawson, Kailey Lovell, Devin Mullins, Kimberly Wheat.

Rumsey

Isaiah Amyx, Jaden Jones, Cora Machal, Pamela Miller.

White

Sam Brickley, Tanner Carrera, Cameron Cornelius, Emily Deubel, Anthony Houk, Grant Isaacs, Logan Miller, Hunter Rigsby, Makayla Roberts.

Fourth Grade

Asher

Principal's List

Jayna Albright, Sarah Alcorn, Juliann Kirby, D.J. Vanwinkle.

Honor Roll

Abby Bray, Will Lewis, Jonah Pillion, Ayden Strunk.

Bowman

Principal's List

Cameron Coy.

Honor Roll

Jordan Doan, Alex Jaramillo.

Coguer

Principal's List

Caroline Coguer, John Cornelius, Tiffany Fain, Shelby Ham, Allison Renner, Christie Samples.

Honor Roll

Michael Bennett, Ashley Hart, Hope Kelley, Dakota Messinger, Logan Taylor.

Collins

Principal's List

Jessica Acuna, Sierra Carpenter, Joseph Cowan, Heaven Davidson, Ryan Martin.

Honor Roll

Makayla Abney, Katelynn Hensley, Caleb Kirby, Anna Petrey, Dylan Spoonamore.

Cummins

Principal's List

Dakota Bishop, Logan Coffey, Madison Hammons.

Honor Roll

Ethan Fain, Mackenzie King, Max Meyer, Tabitha Newcomb, Sarah Poynter, Brittany Wright.

Parkey

Principal's List

William Daugherty, Nick Dillingham.

Honor Roll

Anna Carter, Robert Davis, Brianna Lay, Tara Mink, Adrianna Reams, Cierra Robbins, Jarod Robinson.

Fifth Grade

Cameron

Principal's List

Tristan Begley, Bobby Prickett.

Honor Roll

Noah Bolin, Scarlett Eaton, Elijah Jones, David Morris, John Reddington, Dustin Samples, Jacob Taylor.

Coffey

Principal's List

Zeb Davis, Jacob Durham, Matthew Newcomb, Aaron Pevley.

Honor Roll

Samarah Lovins, Amber Rice, Caitlin Spoonamore, Jacob Witten.

Kincer

Principal's List

Leah Bustle, Emily Childress, Rachael Davis, David Gabbard, Dana Hatfield, Zachary Loudermilk, Curtis Miller

Honor Roll

Stephen Blevins, Amanda Hart, Tesla Riddle, BJ Wynn.

McQueary

Principal's List

Tanner Collins, Lucas Gentry, Micheala Hurt, Adam McKinney, Hannabeth Owens.

Honor Roll

Sandra Caldwell, Chelsea Overbey, Austin Spoonamore.

Mullins

Principal's List

Garrett Baldwin, Amelia Berryman, Austin Brown, Makayla Gardiner, Kyle Gilbert, Shelby Hood, Kayla Horn.

Honor Roll

Lucas Carpenter, Brianna Carter, Michael Collett, Dylan Isaacs, Nikki McGuire, Zachary McGuire, Tanner Pillion, Bradley Wilson.

“Roots”

(Cont. from A2)

streets were lined on each side with what looked to be maple trees. It was cold weather, as the trees were bare, and appeared to be mature, at least thirty or more years old. There were utility poles on the left side of the street, so Mount Vernon must have had electric and/or phone service at the time. Next to the Cox Hardware Store and Dry Goods Store, was the McBee Building on the corner. It is currently being refurbished and restored. Across from that was a frame dwelling house where the Hiatt's Five and Dime Store is located. There was a black man standing on the porch wearing bibbed overalls. Far, far, into the background was the front of Floyd and Daisy Miller's house. It was well-noted, due to it having a large front porch that came out almost into the street. It was a large frame house on the corner of Main and Richmond Street where there is a parking lot now. It was next to a movie theater, the Vernon, that they owned. The Coffey-Ford law office is located there, currently. Floyd Miller also worked for People's Bank.

Just behind the Cox building is Spout Springs. I understand from past research this was the original name of Mount Vernon, and from where the town actually began. In earlier times, it was much bigger than today. Jim believes that Town Branch, whose mouth is located in the area of the Rockcastle County Public Library, must have fed the spring, as well. Martha added that, at one time there was a pool located in the Spout Spring area and possibly a tannery as well.

Next door, is the McBee Building. In its basement was a skating rink. It is uncertain if the skating rink and the department store on the second and

third floors existed at the same time. Martha had found an old sign from there that read like this as to maintain order: "One whistle-start; two whistles-reverse; three whistles-slow; four whistles-good-night". It was signed by R.D. Sowder and S.J. Carpenter, evidently the owners.

Soon it was time to leave Jim and Martha, and this wonderful old historic building after collecting these oh-so-important tidbits of our history and past culture. It must be a thrilling experience to work in such an establishment every day, and to feel so much family history surrounding you.

Plans in full swing for Project Graduation

Plans are underway for the RCHS Class of 2009 Project Graduation. There are approximately 210 seniors who will be graduating this school year. We, as parents, are hoping to make this an unforgettable and fun-filled evening for the graduates.

The event will include games, contests, music and food. If you would like to make a donation to support Project Graduation, please mail to:

Project Graduation 2009

c/o RCHS

1545 Lake Cumberland Rd.

Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Buy a \$1.00 Rocket to support Project Graduation at the following locations: KFC, Wendy's, Subway and Peoples Bank.

Eat at Pizza Hut all day on April 14th and mention Project Graduation and part of the proceeds will benefit Project Graduation.

The next meeting for Project Graduation will be Monday, May 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the RCHS cafeteria.

Email school news to mvsignal@windstream.net

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Memorial Flowers

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Bushes 1.00 - 2.00**



Special Hours for April
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

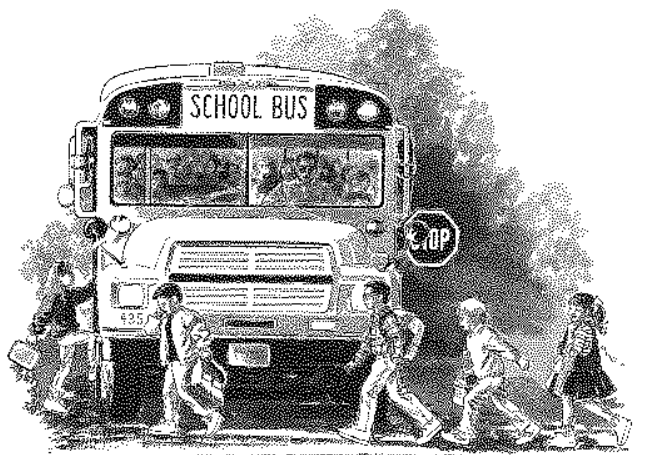
for May
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.


Directions: go past Jean's Restaurant 3.5 miles, at the T turn left onto Climax Rd. (Hwy. 1912) go exactly 6 miles

Call 256-5473

Re-Echedule Bus Drills Early Dismissal

The Rockcastle County Schools will be conducting bus drills on Friday, April 17, 2009. The Rockcastle County High School and Middle School will dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Buses will proceed to the elementary schools where the drills will be conducted. Please adjust your schedule for this early dismissal.





Preschool, Kindergarten & Head Start

REGISTRATION & SCREENING

If you are considering or planning to enroll your child in Preschool, Head Start or Kindergarten next Fall, you need to register early!

Who is eligible to attend?

Priority 1: any child age three (upon birth date) or four before or on October 1, who has an identified disability

Priority 2: any child who is age three or four before or on October 1 AND qualifies for free lunch

Priority 3: any child who is age three or four before or on October 1, and resides within the attendance zone will be eligible as space limits

Priority 4: a child who is four before or on October 1, resides outside the attendance zone, AND is principal approved

Where are the preschools located?
Brodhead Elementary School (BES), Mt. Vernon Elementary School (MVES), Roundstone Elementary School (RES)

When is registration and screening?
Saturday, April 25, 2009 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please bring your child's birth certificate, social security card and proof of income to register. You are encouraged to call for a registration and screening time.

Brodhead - 758-9756 Mt. Vernon - 256-2953 Roundstone - 256-2235

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten students may also register at each elementary school on Saturday, April 25.

If your child attended preschool or head start, they DO NOT have to register, the schools will already have their information.

**For more information,
call the school your child will be attending.**





John Strojan, left, Camp Wildcat Preservation Foundation president talks with Charles House, president of the Clay County Historical Society during Park Day Saturday at Camp Wildcat. The foundation owns 350 acres on Wildcat Mountain where the first battle of the Civil War was fought in Kentucky.

Park Day held at Camp Wildcat last Saturday



Some of those who attended Park Day at Camp Wildcat on Saturday are shown above, from left: Hollis Abner, Anglee Smith, Maxine Cass, Keri Bradley, Aaron Bradley and Mildred Evans. The Camp Wildcat Preservation Foundation hosted Saturday's Park Day, which volunteers used as a day to clean-up the park. The park is located on Wildcat Mountain in Northern Laurel County, off Hazel Patch Road, near the Rockcastle County line.



The Park at Camp Wildcat was dedicated on Saturday, to James and Maxine Cass, two of the founding members of the Camp Wildcat Preservation Foundation, which began work to preserve and maintain Wildcat Mountain in 1993. At right is President John Strojan, congratulating the Casses on their honor. Camp Wildcat covers some 350 acres and was the site of the first battle of the Civil War in Kentucky, which was won by the Union Army. (Camp Wildcat Park Day photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Local author and historian David Owens of Mt. Vernon, who has written a book "Baptism in Blood" about the Civil War battle of Wildcat Mountain, was the featured speaker during Park Day at Camp Wildcat on Saturday.

Sealed Bids Being Accepted For Properties In The Rockcastle Industrial Park

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority will be selling properties which they have recently purchased through the acquisition of land to expand the Rockcastle County Business Park South. The development is located at the corner of HWY 150 and HWY 2549 and both properties are the ONLY REMAINING STRUCTURES on the property and can be inspected at this location. The two properties for sale are close to the HWY 150 and available for inspection to interested bidders.

Bids are being accepted as of Friday, April 3, 2009 and will be accepted through Thursday, April 16, 2009. The bids will be opened on Friday, April 17, 2009 and the successful bidder will be contacted by phone and will be required to provide a cashier's check for cost of the property on that day. Those interested in submitting bids should send the following information:

- Their Name
- Their physical address
- Their telephone contact number
- An e-mail address if available
- And their bid price for the properties

The information above should be sent to the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority, PO Box 592, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, 40456. The envelope should be marked "RCIDA PROPERTY BID". The properties will be sold "as is" and the successful bidder will be responsible for removing the properties from the development within 14 days of their bid being accepted, weather permitting. The properties being sold are one single wide mobile home (12' x 68') and one wood construction home. Questions about either of these properties should be directed to Jim Holton at (606) 219-7030 or contact Jim Holton by e-mail at jholton@rockcastlecountyky.com.

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority is a not for profit organization operating under the direction of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court to promote economic development in Rockcastle County.

R.A.I.N. continues efforts

Rockcastle's Animals in Need (R.A.I.N.) is continuing its efforts to rescue the county's unwanted animals and to find permanent loving homes for these wonderful beings. To date, R.A.I.N. has rescued more than fifty animals within the county and all of these have been placed in either foster or permanent homes. Success stories of rescues, such as a pure bred Ger-

man Shepherd, return to the members daily. As always, the goal of this group is to rescue the unwanted and neglected and place them with permanent, loving and caring families.

Other updates within the group include the filing of all necessary paperwork for non-profit and tax exempt status, as well as articles of incorporation. Very soon, the group plans to finalize the by-laws and complete other vital measures. Fundraising items are beautifully displayed at the Rockcastle Veterinary Clinic. These include custom designed woodcrafts by Ashlar Cut from Livingston and uniquely designed wooden bowls and cups by Mr. Don Jones of Mt. Vernon. Future fundraisers are being planned, including a day in the park.

It is not too late to join R.A.I.N. All those who are concerned with the well-being and safety of animals in need are encouraged to attend the next meeting this Thursday, April 9, at the Rockcastle County Court House at 7 PM. Membership into R.A.I.N. is only \$10 (non-refundable), and your choice of a custom designed Ashlar Cut key chain.

In celebration of Redbud Month, a Redbud Quilt Tour will be held in Rockcastle County Saturday, April 18th. The tour begins at Rockcastle County Middle School with shuttles departing at 10 am, 11 am, noon and 1pm. The cost of the tour is \$2 per person and includes 11 quilt barns in Broadhead, Quail and Willala. There will also be a quilt show at the middle school cafeteria from 10am-5pm. Admission to the quilt show is free. Redbud month was created in 2004 in order to start the tourist season in spring. Since then TOUR SEKY has given out more than 350,000 redbud seedlings have been given away across the 47-county region. Schools, non-profit organizations and community leaders have all participated in the redbud seedling giveaways and plantings. 40,000 redbuds will be planted during April, 2009. For more information about the Redbud Quilt Tour please

contact Hazel Jackson at 606-256-2403.

For more information about Redbud Month, contact Michelle Spencer at m Spencer@tourseky.com.

Redbud Quilt Tour to be held April 18th

Rockcastle UNITE Coalition
 Join Us!
 The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at noon, at the Renfro Valley Lodge.

Anglin Logging
 Buy or share cut standing timber
 Selective Cutting
 David Anglin or Scott Anglin
 606-256-5483

Livingston Fire & Rescue's
3rd Annual Horse Trail Ride
 April 18th • 10 a.m.
 (Rain Date: April 25, 2009)
 Daughterty Ridge Road
 off Hwy. 1955, 8 miles from Livingston
 Signs will be posted
 Dinner served • Donations Appreciated
 Parking will be secured

For further information, call
 Sam Stallworth 606-308-3882
 Russell Barron 224-4428
 Bobby Phelps 606-308-3318
 Donations will be accepted

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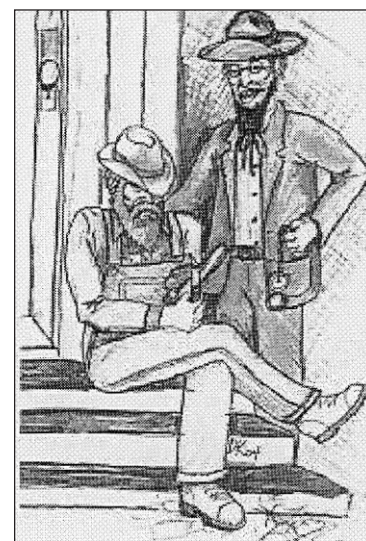
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Book a booth - Church, Educational, School & Civic Groups free.
 All vendors who want to rent spaces call Pam at City Hall at 606-256-3437 or email pbulloock@mtvernonky.org

PARADE Noon Saturday
 (Starting at Mt. Vernon Elementary)
"Blast From the Past"

Our theme for this year's parade will be "Blast From the Past" so bring your old fashioned horse-drawn wagons, vehicles, bicycles (no motorcycles or go-carts please unless they're dressed up in the 'Old Fashioned Way'), the brass band and other groups from our schools are encouraged to attend. All Veterans please come out in your gear, you'll be in front.

FREE ENTERTAINMENT
 Including: Medley Boys, Charlie Bays Unit and Double Nickel from Lexington. Our own homegrown entertainment - Will Reynolds, Carl Doan Band, Wild River and Jessie Keith Whitley, son of the late Keith Whitley Saturday at 3 p.m. (his new CD will be available).

Pretty Baby Contest
 \$10 entry fee • trophies in each age group
 Four age categories
 1-3 • 3-6 • 7-9 • 9-12
 Young Ladies • \$20 entry fee
 13-21 age
 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place

Sack Races • Horse Shoe and Corn Hole Tournaments on Saturday - Call 606-256-3437 for more information

Petting Zoo & Blowups for the children
 Ronald McDonald on Sat. from 5 to 7 p.m.
 Stories of the "old days" in Mt. Vernon and Rockcastle County

Come out and share the weekend with the friendly folks in Mt. Vernon and enjoy a fun-filled shopping and eating time - with free entertainment throughout.

"We're planning for company so clean up and dress up your business. A plaque will be awarded to the best store front."

Call Pam at City Hall 606-256-3437
pbulloock@mtvernonky.org



Monday, members of the Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority toured the new SourceCorp building, now under construction in Rockcastle Business Park South. Above site Superintendent C.B. Thompson refers to the blueprints for the new 25,000 square foot facility, which is slated to be completed by June 1st. RCIDA members, identifiable from left are: Gatliff Craig, Steve Taylor, Judge Buzz Carloftis and Tommy Harold Mink. At right, Lee Cook and Bob McClure with Somers/Burnside Gargage Doors and Windows are shown working at the facility. SourceCorp has said they would begin to add an additional 139 jobs to their workforce in Rockcastle County, once the new facility opens. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Recorded Song of the Year, *In Color* Fans lineup for tickets to Jamey Johnson concert in Renfro Valley on May 16th

Raised outside of Montgomery Alabama, with nothing much but music, Jamey Johnson began his musical career like many others by sing-

Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue Activity Report

March 31-April 6, 2009
Wednesday, April 1st- Dispatched to a vehicle accident on I-75 at the 68 mile marker. Nine firefighters responded. Upon arrival, units observed no fire or entrapment.

Wednesday, April 1st- Responded to a two vehicle accident with one vehicle on fire on Richmond Street in front of Wendy's. 12 firefighters responded. Upon arrival units observed one vehicle on fire in engine compartment area. Fire units extinguished fire and left scene.

Thursday, April 2nd- Dispatched to Save A Lot on West Main Street to a smoke alarm activation. Upon arrival, fire units conducted a search and found no smoke or fire.

Saturday, April 4th- Fire units responded to Big Cave Road to a single vehicle accident with entrapment. Six firefighters responded. Before their arrival, the occupants were able to get out of the vehicle on their own. Fire units assisted with traffic control on scene.

Sunday, April 5th- Responded to Old Brodhead Road to a single vehicle accident with entrapment. Five firefighters responded and used jaw of life to remove passenger door to remove patients.

Sunday, April 5th- While on scene of the above vehicle accident, fire units were paged to a structure fire on McHargue Branch Road. Eight firefighters responded. Upon arrival, structure was fully engulfed with fire. Livingston Fire Department assisted.

ing gospel music with his father in church.

Despite his backwoods raisin', Johnson, who likes to write story songs, is a formerly trained musician who knew music theory as early as junior high school. With striking blue eyes and a biker beard, he looks like a hell raiser, yet has an outrageous sense of humor and the heart of a poet. He's actually a restless, creative songwriting maverick who spent 8 years in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves.

In 2007, he co-wrote "Give It Away" recorded by George Strait, which won honors at both the CMA and ACM award shows. Trace Adkins, George Jones and Joe Nichols have also recorded his songs.

At this years Country Music party of the year, the 44th ACMA (Annual Academy of Country Music Awards) show, newcomer Jamey Johnson beat out veterans like George Strait and Brad Paisley by winning the nights top honor, song of the year, for his poignant hit about an old man looking back on his life, "In Color."

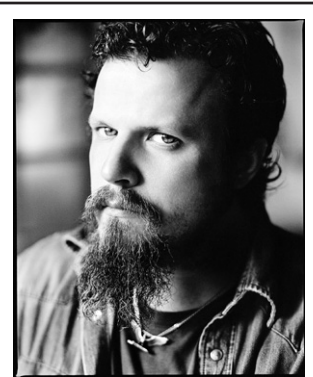
"Writing is not enough for

me," says Jamey Johnson. "I did not come here to just be a writer. I live to play... I'm not here to take a stab at it, I am going to Do It."

Jamey Johnson is scheduled to appear in concert at Renfro Valley Entertainment Center on May 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Folks were at Renfro Valley's ticket office early in the morning last Thursday waiting for the doors to open the day his tickets went on sale. You may obtain tickets to his concert by calling, 606-256-2638 or 800-765-7464.

The Spring show schedule at the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center is now in full swing.



Jamey Johnson

Habitat ReStore helps shoppers save

The Habitat for Humanity ReStore, located on Route 25 just north of downtown Berea, is saving shoppers lots of money and raising cash to build new homes at the same time!

The ReStore traditionally sells donated household items including major appliances, electronics, furniture for any room in the house, building material and hardware to customers who can't afford new items or who simply want to save money by utilizing good, used furnishings.

Frequently the ReStore receives a variety of new products as a result of manufacturing over runs or excess inventory from discount chains. These are sold at a fraction of the original price. The ReStore has also

made arrangements with a manufacturer of solid hardwood kitchen cabinets and bathroom vanities that save the "do-it-yourselfer" big bucks on standard-sized cabinetry.

"Customers can check out a display of the cabinets at the store, make their selection and either we or the manufacturer will deliver them to your door," said Store Manager Glenn Truett.

"Another way to save significant money on your income taxes is to donate good used items to the store. We provide receipts for all donations and, because we are a nonprofit organization, the value of the donation is fully deductible when tax time rolls around," said Truett.

"Habitat for Humanity's ReStore may well be central

Kentucky's best kept secret because hardly anybody outside Madison and Clark Counties seems to have heard about us, but if you are shopping in Berea, you should be sure and check out our store. We have nearly 15,000 square feet of floor space crammed full of bargains.

"You can certainly save money if you are looking for a good used appliance, television set, computer or any sort of furniture. And it the process of helping yourself, you can contribute to the betterment of humankind," he said.

Customers are also invited to check out current inventory by visiting the ReStore website at: www.myhabitatrestore.org.

Camping is good.
FREE camping
is even better.

On Friday, May 8th and Saturday, May 9th

KOA invites you to Come Camp & Care With Us Weekend. Stay with us as a paying guest on Friday, May 8th, and you'll be eligible to receive a **FREE NIGHT** of camping on Saturday, May 9th. This event is the perfect time to show family and friends just how fun camping at KOA can be.



Renfro Valley KOA
606-256-2474

REDBUD QUILT TOUR

APRIL 18, 2009

** See 10 quilt barns in the Ottawa, Quail & Brodhead Area**

Reserve your Space on the bus only \$2.00.

Buses leave Rockcastle County Middle School at:

10:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm & 1:00pm

Quilt Show at Rockcastle County Middle School (Free Admission)
Demonstrations at the Quilt Show and "Brooms by Chris"

****For more information or a map to drive on your own, contact the Rockcastle County Extension Service at 256-2403. ****

Sponsored by: TOURSEKY.COM, University of Kentucky

Cooperative Extension Service, Mt. Vernon/Rockcastle Co. Tourism Commission.

REGISTRATION

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____

**** Number your 1st & 2nd choice for your time. Enclose: \$2.00 check (payable to Appalachian Quilt Trails) per ticket along with this form to Rockcastle Co. Extension Svc., 1050 West Main St., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 **You will be mailed your ticket!

10:00am _____ 11:00am: _____ 12:00pm: _____ 1:00pm _____

Redbud Quilt Show

April 18th • Rockcastle Middle School • Check-in 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Categories

I. Applique II. Pieced III. Wall, Crib & Smaller Quilt (Smaller than a twin size)
IV. Other--Mini Quilts V. Antique Quilts (will not be judged)

Free Admission • Pick-up quilts 5:00 to 5:30 p.m.

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#2's

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Red Mulch • Black Mulch
Brown Mulch • Pine Mulch
Playground Chips

OTHER

Concrete Ornaments • Cross Ties
Fill Dirt • Top Soil
Garden & Flower Plants



Snyder - Carosello

Richard and Pam Snyder, of Whitley City, would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Misti Snyder, to Robert Carosello, son of Christine Carosello and the late Ron Carosello. The ceremony will take place April 11th at the First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon at 2 p.m. Reception will be held at the Red Barn in Renfro Valley. All friends and family invited.

Clearsie's quilt block

Submitted by Janice Hager; Clearsie's Daughter

Mom (Clearsie Reynolds) has been a quilter most of her life. She started piecing and quilting at a very young age. Grandma would make mom and her twin sister take their stitches out if they were not small enough.

Mom and Dad were married 60 years at Dad's death. They had 11 children, so she had to make quilts to keep us warm.

When we, her children, started talking about a quilt block, the barn was too far from the road that it wouldn't be seen. So we decided to do a 4x4 quilt block on the garage.

There were so many different patterns that we had trouble deciding which one to do. Then Mom mentioned the Double Wedding Ring. She had never made a Double Wedding Ring

quilt, but loved the bright colors.

When we decided on the block, it didn't take long at all to paint. We all just jumped right in. No one was too young; a niece was only five years of age. The block was on the garage in July for Mom to enjoy every day.

Clearsie's block can be seen on Bee Lick Road. Other 4x4 quilt blocks are hung at Renfro Valley. For home or barn owners, who don't have space for an 8x8 block, the 4x4 block is a good option.

For more information on the quilt block project, please call the Extension Office at 256-2403. Further information on the Redbud Quilt Barn Tour on April 18th, also appears in this week's Signal.



Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Farmers Reminded to Report Losses to FSA

Farmers that suffered losses due to the recent ice storms are reminded to keep detail records of livestock and other production losses to ensure eligibility for FSA disaster assistance programs. Farmers that lost livestock or other production losses directly related to the ice storm should report the losses to their local FSA County office to ensure future program eligibility.

Rockcastle County farmers are reminded the last day to request cost share due to the ice storm for debris removal and/or fencing is April 10th.

Production losses that are covered by the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) should be reported to the local FSA office within 15 days of when the loss becomes apparent.

Additional information on FSA programs is available on FSA's website at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

USDA NRCS & RCCD

The Rockcastle County NRCS Office is currently accepting applications for KY State Cost Share, Environmental Quality Incentive Programs (EQIP), and Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP).

KY State Cost Share provides annual cost share funds to be administered by conservation districts with priority given to animal waste related problems and agricultural district participants where pollution problems have been identified.

EQIP practices in Kentucky include, but are not limited to: pipeline and watering facility, grassed waterway, diversion, forest stand improvement and fencing.

WHIP focuses on improvement to wildlife cover, however; food plots are not eligible under the program.

For more information on these programs contact NRCS at 606-256-2525 Ext. 3

2009 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment (DCP)

Producers are urged to enroll in the 2009 Direct and County-cyclical Payment Program for farms with base acres by the deadline which has been extended to August 14, 2009. No late-filed applications will be accepted.

Producers who are eligible for the DCP Program will also be eligible to enroll in the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) Program. The enrollment period for the ACRE Program has also been extended to August 14, 2009. Producers may first enroll in the DCP Program, elect to receive advance direct payments and then later modify their enrollment to include the ACRE program or they may wait and elect to enroll in DCP and ACRE at the same time.

Bank account changes

If your bank account number changes or there is a change in your bank name notify FSA immediately to ensure payments reach your account timely.

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

Sales and purchases of land

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

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

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

Important program dates

DCP signup continues

MILC signup continues

Conservation Reserve Program Continuous signup continues

Quality Crop Disaster signup continues

Farm Ownership Loans, Farm Operating Loans, Limited Resource Loans

Farm Storage Facility Loan-April 2009 interest rate-2.500%

Direct Farm Ownership Loans-April 2009 interest rate 4.125%

Direct Farm Operating Loan-April 2009 interest rate 2.250%

Tobacco Transition Payment Program-April 2009-5.0% (Maximum Discount Rate)

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Bluegrass Music

Boundary Line performs in Berea

WMG Records, in Berea will be showcasing new label band Boundary Line on Friday, April 10th, 2009 in Old Town Berea at the Music Makers Music Shop.

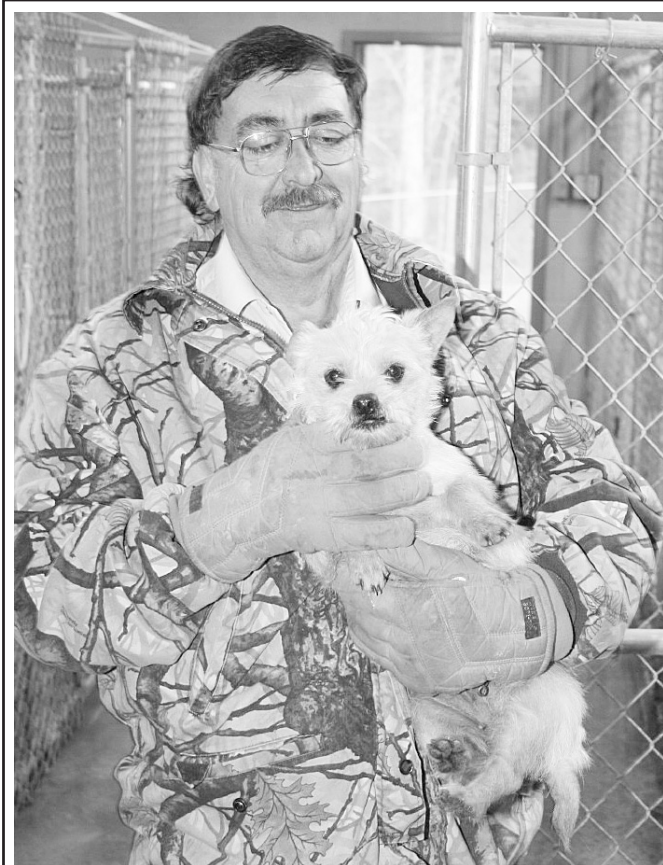
Wayne Music Group is the parent company for WMG Records, which is owned by Randall Conn, Danny Barnes & Robert Lawson. The Group specializes in publishing, songwriting, recording, management, & booking artists across the nation.

Boundary Line is a hot new bluegrass band out of eastern Kentucky and consists of Tim Bentley (Guitar-Vocals), Ollie Risner (Banjo-Vocals), Jason Preston (Mandolin & Vocals), & Todd Bowling (Bass). Their self titled, twelve track album will be released in early May but you can come out and hear all the tracks from the album this week at the show. Ticket prices are \$10 each at the door with the show starting at 7:30 p.m. For more information on Boundary Line or show info please call (859)986-3616.

Offices Closed

All Courthouse offices, except 911, will close at Noon on Friday, April 10th and will be closed Saturday, April 11th for Good Friday/Easter weekend. No permit test will be given Friday, April 10th.

All Courthouse offices, except 911, will be closed Saturday, April 18th due to the Old Fashion Tradin' Days Festival on Main St. in Mt. Vernon.



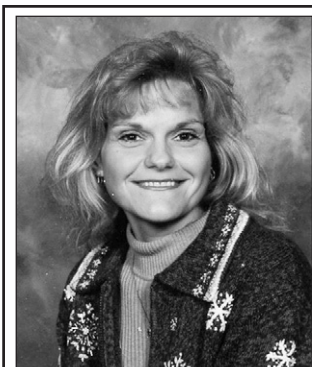
Animals make good companions

A few dogs and pups are up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmon Road, at Roundstone, including the six-month-old Wire Terrier shown above with animal shelter director James Kidwell. The adoption fee for any animal is \$20. The 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.

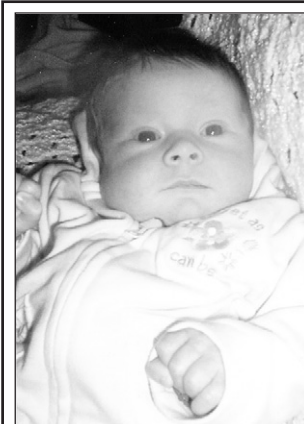
Births and Birthdays



Happy 42nd Birthday Sarah Levada Edester



Good Gracious Sakes Alive Look who turns 45 Happy Birthday Lois



Jeff and Sandra Philbeck would like to announce the birth of their first child, Carleigh Denise. She was born February 12th at Pattie A. Clay Hospital and weighed 7 lbs. 3 ozs. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her maternal grandparents are Mildred and the late Roscoe Himes of Orlando. Paternal grandparents are Eugene and Rosalind Philbeck of Mt. Vernon. Her great grandmother is Betty Baker of Orlando. We would like to thank everyone that came by to visit, brought gifts, and sent cards. We appreciated everything.

Jaycee Katelynne McIntosh was born February 4, 2009. Parents are Casey Thompson and Timothy McIntosh and she has one big sister, Madison McIntosh. Maternal grandparents are Greta Thompson of Brodhead and Larry Thompson of Ohio. Paternal grandparents are Rita and Joe McIntosh of Conway. Maternal great grandparents are Georgie and Kenneth Thompson and the late Tom and Katherine Sandlin. Paternal great grandparents are Mildred Anderkin and the late Roy McCollum and the late Raymond and Allie McIntosh.



The Signal office will close at Noon on Friday

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Band Boosters annual "Theme Party" held

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe

If you read this column regularly, I am sure you have taken notice of the Rockcastle Band Boosters upcoming annual Theme Party next Friday, April 17th. A Theme Party features tables that are creatively decorated by each table sponsor and each uniquely represents a specific topic or theme.

The idea for the Theme Party was initially conceived several years ago by Diane Ott, a band parent at that time. It was originally called a "Calendar Party" and focused on spon-

sored tables decorated in a theme that coincided with a chosen "month" of the year. As this annual event has evolved year to year, it has become known more as a "theme" party with the tables taking on various themes not necessarily related to a month of the year. For example, last year we had a "cow" themed table. Other themes have included John Deere, bride and groom, Hershey's®, a "Red Hat" table done exclusively for members of the Red Hat Society in our area, and of course UK Wild-

cats is always popular. Over the years many other clever design schemes have been presented as well.

This event is professionally catered and features tempting appetizers, a delicious entrée and heavenly homemade desserts. Background music will be provided by award winning RCHS Solo and Ensemble musicians. Wait service is provided by members of the band who use this event to "earn their way" to band camp. The dinner is combined with an auction that offers a chance to bid on some fabulous items including some very tempting homemade fudge! Our own Pat Craig will be on hand to handle the auctioneering as he has done for several years. And there are door prizes as well! Local luminaries planning to attend include Rockcastle Music Director Greg Daugherty and his wife Melissa, Assistant Music Director Cassandra Smith and Percussion Specialist Josh Ott. You don't want to miss this gala event of good company and good food!

The sponsor of a table provides the embellishments and tableware to best represent their chosen motif. Whether an imaginative display or an elegant presentation, sponsoring a table is an opportunity to showcase your creativity. The "best table" will be featured in the paper the following week. Sponsors also provide a donation for the auction as well as filling the seats for their table (6 seats per table). This year, even some local restaurant owners are getting into the fun by presenting their own table. We are all looking forward to the Mount Vernon Teacup Café table.

There is still time to sponsor a table! Anyone can attend the party. Tickets are \$12 and should be reserved in advance to ensure you get the table of your choice. Reserve your seat or find out more about sponsoring a table by contacting Sherry Harper at 758-9963 as soon as possible. All proceeds benefit the RCHS Band program.

Other Band Notes

April 21st - The RCHS Concert Band will celebrate spring this year with a concert for the public. This year the concert will also feature Trumpet soloist Dr. Patrick Tuck. Also, the RCHS Winterguard will perform their show "Viva la Vida" by Coldplay. Doors open at 6:30 with the concert beginning at 7:00 PM.

April 24th - The RCHS Concert Choir presents their annual Spring Concert. The concert this year will feature the music of the 70's mixed in with some original pieces from different small groups and soloists. The show will start at 7:00 PM in the RCHS auditorium.

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

TODAY April 9th- Band Booster meeting at RCHS Band Room, 5 PM. All parents of band students at RCHS and RCMS are encouraged to attend. All interested community members are welcome.

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 6:00 PM.

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@Rockcastlekyschools.us or call 606-219-0908. Provide vehicle make and model, your name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

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

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



Rockcastle County's Jackie Alexander, left, led the 12th region in scoring with 17 points in the 12th-13th region ALL-STAR game held at the University of the Cumberlands. Photos by Hae Cha, University of the Cumberlands Sports Information Student Assistant

Alexander leads 12th region to victory in High School All-Stars

Article Provided by Stacy Roth, University of the Cumberlands Sports Information Student Assistant

The University of the Cumberlands Women's Basketball Team hosted the junior and senior high school All-Star Games between the 12th and 13th region on Saturday, March 28th. The juniors played at 2 p.m. and the seniors took the court at 4 p.m.

The 12th Region was represented by Monticello, Pulaski County, Somerset, McCreary County, Mercer County, Lincoln County, Rockcastle County, East Jessamine, Casey County, Southwestern, and Wayne County. The 13th Region had representatives from Jackson County, Whitley County, South Laurel, North Laurel, Harlan Independent, Knox Central, Middlesboro, Williamsburg, Corbin, Barbourville, Harlan County, Bell County, Clay County, and Pineville.

At 2 p.m. the junior All-Stars took the court. At the half the 13th region had a slight lead of 39-33. After the first half the 12th region picked it up and outscored the 13th region 52-27 in the second. The 12th region

pulled out the win, 85-66. Jackie Alexander, from Rockcastle County High School, led the 12th region in scoring with 17 points and Samantha Coleman, from Middlesboro High School, led the 13th region in scoring with 13. The MVP for the 12th region was Jackie Alexander and the MVP for the 13th region was Samantha Coleman.

Following the Junior All-Star game, the seniors from the 12th and 13th region started their game. From the beginning the 12th region took the lead and never looked back. After the first half, the 12th region was leading 41-25. The game ended with the 12th region winning 98-59. Holly Jones from Whitley County led the 13th region in scoring with 13 and Ashley Fowler from Southwestern High School led the 12th region in scoring with 18 points, all scored with three-point shots. From the 12th region, Stephanie Salyers from Southwestern High School earned the MVP award and Holly Jones claimed MVP for the 13th region.

A successful showing for all those involved, the University of the Cumberlands Women's Basketball program hopes to continue to host the All-Star event in the years to come.



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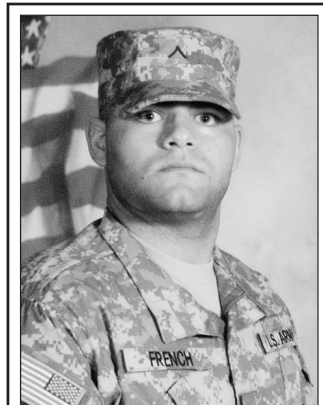
Elegant Cornucopia.



Scrabble Dining.



The Central Kentucky Angels 15 and under AAU basketball team recently won the Kentucky BCI Super Regional Tournament held in Florence, Ky. Rockcastle's own Angie Lawrence is a member of the team. Team members are shown above, front row from left: Courtney Burton, Jariana Gillespie, Kiara Morris, Carrington Caise and Angie Lawrence. Back row from left: Jailyn Stevenson, Asia Syrien, Alex McKenzie, Amber Crumbie, Octavia Wilson, Clarke James and Kristen Stainback.



PFC Douglas S. French, son of Bruce and Sandy French of Orlando and grandson of Doug and Rose Owens of Brodhead, Evelyn French of Orlando and the late Donald French, will be home April 4th through April 10th before being deployed to Afghanistan on April 12th for one year. If you see him while he is home say Hi and God Bless. Doug, we love you and will miss you dearly. Love - Mom, Dad, JD and all your family

The Signal office will be closing at noon this Friday

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**When: Saturday, April 11th
10 a.m. to Noon**

Fee: \$35.00

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A mobile home, occupied by 36-year-old Merrill K. Brown, on McHargue Branch at Burr was completely gutted by fire early Sunday morning. Members of the Mt. Vernon Volunteer Fire Department responded to the fire at around 3 a.m. Asst. Chief Jack Weaver said the mobile home was burning from one end to the other when fire units arrived. Weaver said that there was no obvious reason for the fire except for possible arson. Brown is currently being held in the Rockcastle Detention Center, along with three other people, under a \$30,000 cash/property bond, after being charged with Manufacturing Meth, Wanton Endangerment, Tampering with Physical Evidence and Endangering the Welfare of a Minor. Weaver said it appeared that no one was living in the residence, although it was full of items, including furniture, appliances and clothing.

Fatal

(Cont. from front)

both northbound lanes of the interstate. Peters said the truck finally came to rest against the guardrail in the northbound lane.

Vanover was airlifted from the scene to the University of Kentucky Medical Center, where he died a few hours later.

Peters was assisted at the scene by State Trooper Scott Pennington, members of the Mt. Vernon Volunteer Fire and Rescue and the Rockcastle Ambulance Service.

Rates

(Cont. from front)

help pay for the new power plant, Combs said.

Late last year, East Kentucky announced it would seek the rate increase to help solidify its financial shape and pay for the new generating unit.

"On an annual basis with our lenders, we have certain financial tests and measures we have to meet to stay in their good graces, and this rate increase will certainly help us do that in the next few years," said EKP spokesman Nick Comer.

Before bringing the new power generator online last week, East Kentucky Power had been purchasing power from other utilities, a costly solution to its needs. Some of those needs are due to high power demands, and some came from unexpected shut-downs at its facilities.

"It's certainly more affordable to be able to generate that power," Comer said.

Tradin' Days

(Cont. from front)

age group. Entry fee for the Young Ladies contest is \$20 and first, second and third place prizes will be awarded.

Free entertainment during the event will include: Medley Boys, Charlie Bays Unit and Double Nickel from Lexington, Will Reynolds, Carl Doan Band, Wild River and Jessie Keith Whitley, son of the late Keith Whitley will be performing Saturday at 3 p.m. and his new CD will be available.

Vendors will be on hand and you can rent a space by calling Pam at City Hall, 606-256-3437 or by e-mail at pbullock@mtvernonky.org.

Meth

(Cont. from front)

"This is a very serious case and these defendants need to be prosecuted as quickly as possible," Reynolds said.

"It is certainly a bad enough crime to manufacture meth, but when you are making it around children who could be severely affected by the production process, you need to go to jail for a long time," Reynolds said.

"The sooner these defendants begin paying for their crimes, the better off this county will be," Reynolds added.

All four defendants are still being held in the Rockcastle Detention Center under a \$30,000 cash or property bond.

Saylor

(Cont. from front)

Dr. Saylor's daughter, Mahala, Mahala's friend Kelsey Bullock and others including a lifeguard, all assisted in her rescue.

She was first hospitalized in Key Largo and then transferred to a Miami hospital where she was released on Friday.

Dr. Saylor and her family returned home to Rockcastle on Sunday. Dr. Saylor is at home recovering and is expected to make a full recovery in three to four weeks, according to her husband.

Dr. Saylor said she would return to her office on a limited basis next Monday, April 13th and that she would like to thank all those who have supported her with prayers and acts of kindness.

The Saylor's were in Florida on Spring Break with their children, as part of the RCHS baseball and softball teams annual trip to the sunshine state.

Hospital, local businesses donate to food missions

In celebration of the Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center Weight Watchers at Work members, \$2000 was recently donated to local food missions. The hospital partnered with IGA, Save-A-Lot, and Brodhead Hometown Market to make the donation.

Forty hospital employees have lost over 400 pounds since October 2008. Aside from personal reasons to shed pounds, participants also had another reason. Behind their

healthy living inspiration was the idea that for every pound of weight lost not only would the person be healthier, but they would be giving back to others in need. The food banks are operated by First Baptist Church and Christian Appalachian Project.

Hospital employees from various departments have joined the Weight Watchers at Work series under the guidance of Wellness Coordinator Betty Purcell. "We might as well practice what we preach! This

was a good way to help ourselves and help the community," said Purcell.

"The hospital is proud to partner with local business and support the community," said Rockcastle Hospital President and CEO Steve Estes. "We recognize the importance of supporting employees and the community. By celebrating our weight loss by giving back to the community, we are not only helping ourselves, but helping others."



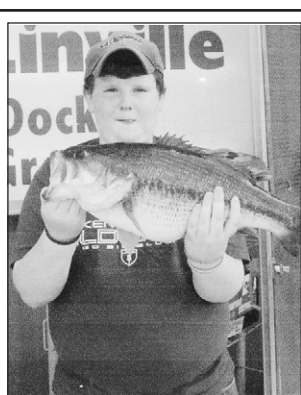
CAP Food Pantry Coordinator Sharyn Bowes, third from left, is shown receiving donations from Betty Purcell, left, Weight Watchers leader and Scott Hale, right, owner of Brodhead Hometown Market. Also shown in the photo is Melissa Barnes, Weight Watchers At Work member, second from left. Shown in the back row are CAP volunteers Kendra Dodd, Yong-Hwa Kim, Debra Risner, and Weight Watchers At-Work members Sandy Dowell and Tim Young.



Betty Purcell, at left, Save-A-Lot store manager Linna Stewart, fourth from left, and IGA district manager Allen Petty, at right, are shown with Jean Allen, second from left, First Baptist Church food mission director and Debbie Moore, mission volunteer. Also shown at front are mission volunteers Chris Ringled and Kathleen Stevens.



David and Derek Wynn, of Livingston, had a great day at a Youth Turkey Hunt. Special thanks Sid and Julie.



Ricky Harris, of Sweetwater Road, caught this 7 lb. 5 oz. largemouth at Lake Linville on March 31st. Ricky's fish qualifies as a trophy fish in the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Master Angler Program. Congratulations Ricky!



David Hering, age 14, was proud Saturday April 4, 2009. He killed his first turkey weighing 22 lbs. with a 10 inch beard in Lincoln Co. He was guided by his uncle Rob Burke.

PRIDE WANTS YOU!!!!!!

Eastern Kentucky Pride, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that promotes Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment in 38 counties of southern and eastern Kentucky by encouraging and assisting individuals, local governments, schools and others to:

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3. Promote environmental education and awareness.

PRIDE is funded by a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

April is PRIDE Spring Cleanup Month: Our theme this spring is "PRIDE WANTS YOU!"

We, as PRIDE Committee Members, and Solid Waste Coordinator, are asking that you get with your church members, your firefighters, your family and friends, your government and local citizens and volunteer for our Rockcastle County Spring Roadside Cleanup. Our goal for the 12th Annual Spring Cleanup is 20,000 volunteers. PRIDE has dedicated the entire month of April to Spring Cleanup activities.

This will be the ideal opportunity to beautify your community. Supplies and free t-shirts will be provided for Spring volunteers (while supplies last) and pick-up and disposal will be done on the day of your clean-up. This is a 'Call to Action' and we are asking for your help.

PRIDE needs you!

You may contact James Renner at 606-256-1902. Choose any day in April and let us know when and where you would like to help with Roadside Clean-up. Your help, if only for one hour, is important to us and to our county and our beautiful state. It's your County, it's your State, and it's your Roadside! Please take PRIDE! We need you! We will look forward to hearing from you as to Volunteering in April for Roadside Clean-up.



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Second Section

Thursday, April 9, 2009



A barn owned by Doug Prewitt on Quail Road (618) in western Rockcastle County was completely destroyed in Sunday night's severe thunderstorm which hit the county around 9:45 p.m. It has been estimated that winds in the storm reached in excess of 70 mph. Besides the damage to Prewitt's barn, many other barns, fences and trees were damaged by the storm (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



A 12x32 storage building was completely destroyed and another one, shown above on its side, located on the property of Dr. James and Marcia Chism, was heavily damaged in Sunday night's severe thunderstorm, which hit Rockcastle County. The building, which was destroyed, was storing framing equipment and crafts owned by Mrs. Chism. The Chism's property is located on Little Brushy Branch off Quail Road (618).



Jeff Phelps, James Wynn and Carter Bowling prepared Monday to cut the limb holding a large maple tree that had fallen on the home of Vivian Barton on Hwy. 1505 in Brodhead, as a result of the severe thunderstorm that hit the county on Sunday night. Power was knocked out at the residence when the tree fell and the structure received some damage when it was hit by the large tree. Luckily no one was injured when the tree hit the house.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF POSSIBLE BILLING SCAM

If you receive a phone call or voice message telling you that you owe a balance at a physician's office in the Rockcastle Medical Arts Building, please do not give them any information. This may be a scam. Please get as much information as possible from the caller and contact Lisa Renner at 606-256-7412 to find out if this is a legitimate call.

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Storm hits county hard Sunday night



The high winds wrapped metal roofing, from a barn owned by Doug Prewitt on Quail Road, around a telephone pole across the road. The western part of the county was one of the hardest hit by Sunday night's storm.



The workshop at S & S Excavating on Brindle Ridge Road, near Brodhead, was heavily damaged during Sunday night's severe thunderstorm that rolled through the county. The home of Mark and Wendy Sowder, owners of S & S, which was located next to their workshop, was also damaged by the storm.



Shown above are Mark Sowder, left and his children, Andrew and Hannah, inside the workshop at S & S Excavating on Brindle Ridge Road, taking a short break from cleaning after Sunday night's severe thunderstorm that hit the county. Mom Wendy, not pictured, was also helping to clean up and straighten up at the family business, which was hit hard by the estimated 70 mile per hour straight-line winds on Sunday night.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Civil Suits

Jackson Energy Coop. Corp. vs. James Hensley, complaint.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Angela Reed, \$1,289.20 plus claimed due.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Bradford Durham, \$663.66 plus claimed due. C-00067.

Circuit Civil Suits

Robert T. Douglas, et al vs. Kathy J. Middleton, et al, personal injury complaint.

FIA Card Services, NA vs. Ronald D. Renner, \$5,946.89 plus claimed due.

US Bank National Assoc. vs. Carolyn Durham, et al, \$150,344.92 plus claimed due.

Mark Dwayne Miller vs. Erin Marie Miller, petition for dissolution of marriage

Kathryn Dees vs. Luke Dees, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Suzette Martin vs. Joe Martin, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Chase Home Finance LLC vs. Christopher Mark Eaton, et al, \$77,289.85 plus claimed due.

Reavis D. Gibb, et al vs. Darrell Scott, et al, \$21,965.97 plus claimed due.

Jennifer Burkhart vs. Burley Burkhart, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00093.

Marriage Licenses

Misty Ann Snyder, 18, Stearns, residential asso. to Robert Anthony Carosello, 21, Stearns, residential assoc. 04/01/09.

Betty Sue Kidwell, 58, Mt. Vernon, disabled, to Raymond Steele, 65, Lexington, disabled. 04/01/09.

Deeds Recorded

Ronnie L. Roark and Bonnie E. Roark, property on Clear Creek Road, to Bonnie E. Roark. No tax.

Harold D. Ballinger, Jr., trustee, property in Rockcastle County, to James E. Ballinger and Harold D. Ballinger, Jr. Tax \$35.

Cresthaven Cemetery Co., lots in cemetery, to Phyllis Hines. Tax \$1.50.

Tommy York, property on Lambert Road, to Adam Z. and Betty York. Tax \$125.

Mary Jo Mays, property in Rockcastle County, to Vicky Ann Hubbard, Gayle Lee Carpenter and Bonnie Jean House. No tax.

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Scott and Reda Gadd, property in Rockcastle County, to Steven Hensley. Tax \$3.50.

Steve and Kristen Hensley,

property in Rockcastle County, to Raymond Damrell, Jr. Tax \$6.

Diane Stewart, property in Rockcastle County, to Carl C. Stewart. No tax.

Juanita B. and Kenneth W. McGuire, property in Rockcastle County, to Barry M. McGuire. No tax.

Karen G. and Bill W. Shepherd, property in Rockcastle

County, to Jacob Jones. Tax \$75.

John Wanex, Jr. and John Wanex, III, property on waters of Copper Creek, to Thomas E. Spencer, Sr. and Elaine B. Spencer. Tax \$40.

Please Note: The suit, Household Finance vs. Debbie C. Brock, which appeared in last week's paper was printed in error.

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Kentucky students may earn money for college through the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) program. The KEES program rewards students for making good grades in high school and doing well on the ACT or SAT. The awards may be used upon graduation from high school, and no application is necessary. Students just enroll at an eligible college, and KHEAA will send their funds when the school verifies the students' enrollment.

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For more information about KEES and for detailed statistics about the KEES program, visit www.kheaa.com.

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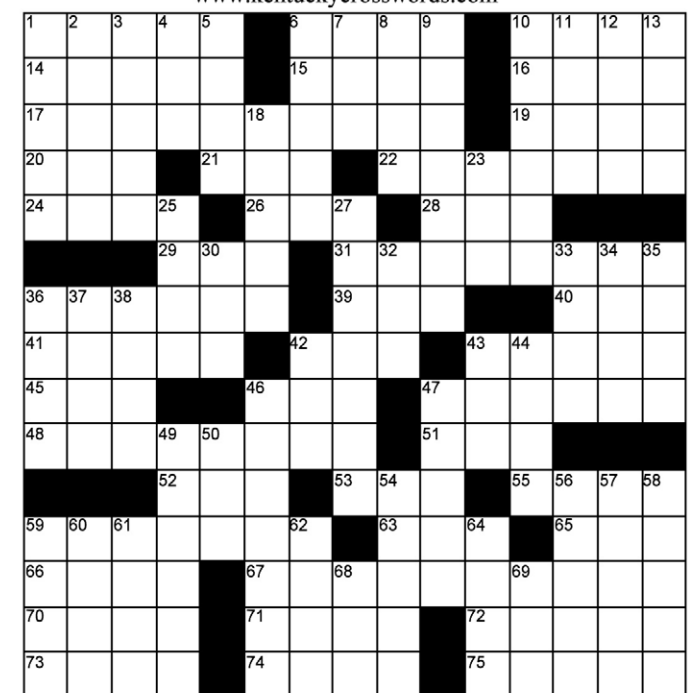
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ACROSS

- 1 Ballard Co. area, or Academy Award
- 6 Open
- 10 Flat boat
- 14 Kentuckian, poet Theodore
- 15 Aromatic balsam
- 16 Magoffin Co. hamlet, or always
- 17 Kentucky Derby drinks
- 19 Wrap up
- 20 Ace
- 21 Santa __ winds
- 22 Kentuckians, bluegrass music brothers Bob and Sonny
- 24 Coop group
- 26 Tire meas.
- 28 Ostrich cousin
- 29 Graves Co.'s __-City
- 31 UK's new addition, (April 2009)
- 36 Kentuckians, musical group, __ Family Band
- 39 Neighbor of Mo. and Ky
- 40 Cushion
- 41 Morning bell
- 42 Genetic code
- 43 KY's Corvette, e.g.
- 45 Hither's partner
- 46 Kentuckian, writer Grafton
- 47 KY county named for a local shrub
- 48 Kentuckian, former Chief Justice
- 51 B & B

- 52 On Soc. Sec.
- 53 Overhead light?
- 55 Fill-in
- 59 Kentuckian, author of "The Time of Man"
- 63 KY home of the Norse
- 65 Asian language
- 66 "Excuse me ..."
- 67 10th largest US city in 1850
- 70 Stack
- 71 Dollar rival
- 72 Rewrites
- 73 Realtor's sign
- 74 Form a web
- 75 Examine

- 30 Border
- 32 Chicken __ king
- 33 Copycat
- 34 Great review
- 35 Tennyson work
- 36 Baseball great Willie
- 37 Congeal
- 38 Narrow street
- 42 Horse color
- 43 Preserve
- 44 Kentuckian, Nobel Prize winner, Thomas __ Morgan
- 46 Rare collectors' rifle made in KY
- 47 Golf course
- 49 College major
- 50 That ship
- 54 A KY county that borders 39 Across
- 56 Kentuckian, 1968 boxing champ
- 57 Island nation
- 58 Verse
- 59 Knocks
- 60 KY county, named for a major river
- 61 KY county, home to Cumberland Gap
- 62 Kentucky Burgoo
- 64 Eye part
- 68 Psychic Geller
- 69 Driver's lic. and etc

DOWN

- 1 Get-up-and-go
- 2 English county
- 3 Religious law
- 4 Speed __ Museum
- 5 Indian royal
- 6 Book of maps
- 7 Kentuckian, Old __ Clark
- 8 Dog food brand
- 9 KY county, home to Cumberland Lake State Resort Park
- 10 Get back
- 11 Declare
- 12 Common plant in KY woodlands
- 13 KY's official one is the tulip poplar
- 18 Free, in a way
- 23 ASCAP rival
- 25 1953 Derby winner Dark __
- 27 Reserve



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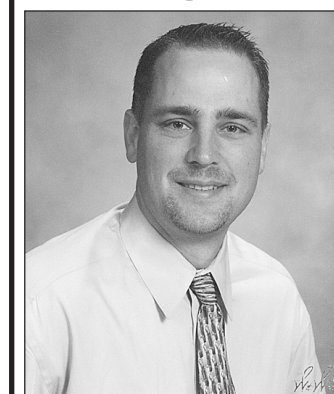
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FFA members compete at Regional FFA Day

On Friday, March 27th members of the Rockcastle County High School FFA chapter traveled to Eastern Kentucky University to compete at the annual Regional FFA Day. The members competed in various speaking contests, parliamentary procedure, record keeping, and in the talent contest. Kristen Bullock placed second in the Prepared Public speech area, Nichole Roberts placed first in the Extemporaneous speaking area and B.B. Cameron placed first in Creed speaking. Members also competed in impromptu speaking areas: Beef-Dustin Reynolds, placed first; Crop-Jeff Albright, placed first; Dairy-Alexis Brown, placed first; Fruit/Veg-

etable: Brittany Adams, placed first; Goat-Nikki Wilson, placed second; Greenhouse-T.J. Singleton, placed first; Floral-Skylar Holcomb, placed first; Horse-Dillion Asher, received an Excellent rating; Nursery/Landscape-Kayla Hensley, placed first; Sheep-Amanda Swinney, placed first; Small Animal-Tyler Sparks, placed second; Swine-Jordon Cook, placed second, and Steven Brown placed first in the Turf/Lawn Care area. All the members that received first or second will go on to represent Rockcastle County at the State FFA Convention in June. The Varsity Parliamentary Procedure team placed first. Members were: President, Jeff

Albright; Vice President, Brittany Adams; Secretary, Amanda Swinney; Treasurer, Kristen Bullock; Reporter, Nichole Roberts; Sentinel, Steven Brown; and Jordon Cook, Matt Maples, and T.J. Singleton, and Nikki Wilson served as members. Dylan Bishop, Chase McGuire, and Tyler Sparks competed in the regional talent contest and placed first. They will also represent Rockcastle at the State Convention. The Record Keeping team also competed, but the results will not be available until a later date. The members were: Crystal Holt, Ethan Durham, Megan Martin, and Tim Vance. Congratulations to all the members that competed!



The members that participated in the 2009 Regional FFA Day at EKU are pictured above, first row from left: Crystal Holt, Kristen Bullock, Tim Vance and Brittany Adams. Second row from left: Megan Martin, Nichole Roberts, Nikki Wilson, Ethan Durham, Alexis Brown, Kayla Hensley, Amanda Swinney and Skylar Holcomb. Third row from left: T.J. Singleton, Dustin Reynolds, Jordon Cook, Steven Brown, Matt Maples, B.B. Cameron, Jeff Albright, and Dillion Asher.



Members of the Varsity Parliamentary Procedure team are pictured above, front row from left: Amanda Swinney, Nichole Roberts, Nikki Wilson, Kristen Bullock and Brittany Adams. Second row from left: Matt Maples, Jordon Cook, Steven Brown, T.J. Singleton and Jeff Albright.



Members that competed in speaking areas are pictured above front row from left: Dillion Asher, Amanda Swinney, Alexis Brown, Nichole Roberts, Nikki Wilson, Skylar Holcomb, Kristen Bullock, Brittany Adams and Kayla Hensley. Second row from left: Jordon Cook, Steven Brown, T.J. Singleton, Dustin Reynolds, B.B. Cameron, and Jeff Albright.

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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



Lovely 2-story home. This 2-story vinyl sided home situated on 4 acres +/- 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. \$130,000. M2437



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 \$130,900. M2297



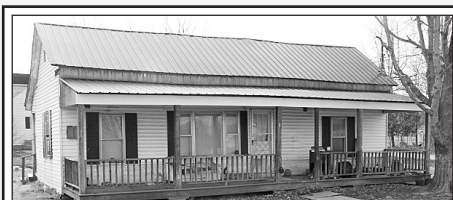
Country Living... Located on Stull Lane in Waynesburg. 78 acres total with 36 acres of cropland. Good stand of marketable timber. Newly remodeled house and 2 barns. Priced at \$259,000. M2425



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



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. \$269,900. M2389



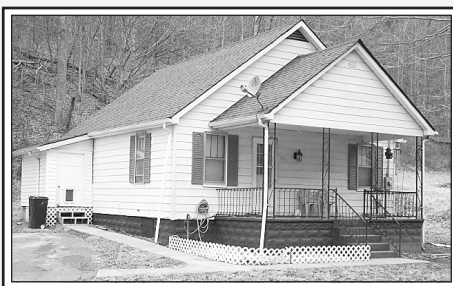
Hurry...it won't last long! Fixer upper in Brodhead. House and mobile home on the corner of West and Silver Street. Good rental property only \$22,900. M2426



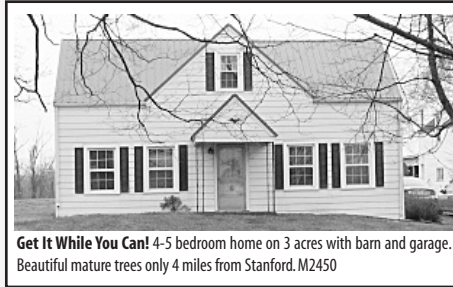
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Quaint Country Living! This property has approx. 1.12 acres and a 3 bedroom, 1 bath aluminum sided home. Amenities include heat pump/central air and city water. Plus, there's a one-car detached garage and a creek to boot. M2432



Get It While You Can! 4-5 bedroom home on 3 acres with barn and garage. Beautiful mature trees only 4 miles from Stanford. M2450

Commercial Property

- 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
- Tumbler Good Deal...** Roll your money over several times in this Car Wash, Laundromat and touchless car wash with all of the equipment and inventory to stay with buildings. This is a great investment, be the first to get the ball rolling...today! M2417
- 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

- Little Hideaway...** 18.08 acres of good hunting and recreational prospects. Timber growing. Five minutes from Main Street only \$25,000. M2441
- Hunters Dream...** 182.76 acres. Deer, Turkey, Grouse. Several tree stands already in place. Great access yet very private. There's a barn and a pond as well. ATV roads - only \$750.00 per acre. M2442
- 13 acres overlooking Mt. Vernon on old US 25.** Building sites - convenience. This won't last long priced at \$24,900. M2444
- 12.5 acres.** Great for building your new home. Can also be used for hunting. Perk testing completed. \$42,500. Call today! M2448
- 3.8 acres located on Arnie Gentry Road.** Property has city water and electric available. Land is cleared and would make a great building site. M2443
- 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 +/-,** level to gently rolling, with lots of road frontage, then be sure to check this one out. City water and electric available. M2434
- REDUCED! 76 Acre Farm in the Wabed 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 woolly recreational land. Stream, abundance of wildlife, deer stands included. It won't last long at \$995 per acre. M2431

Future Auctions

- Absolute Auction of the late Mr. Kenneth Bullock's - Bullock's Muffler Shop's Equipment**
Friday, April 10th at 1:30 p.m. - 10 White Rock Road (Old 461) Mt. Vernon, KY
- Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. Burgess Abney's 227 Acres More or Less**
Saturday, April 11th at 10:00 a.m. - Hwy. 1955, Red Hill section of Rockcastle County, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of the Scenic Beagle Club's 40 Acres in Tracts**
Saturday, April 11th at 10:30 a.m. - Harris Linville Road, Mt. Victory section of Pulaski County
- Auction of Mr. and Mrs. John Hershberger's House and 80 Acres More or Less**
Saturday, April 11th at 2:00 p.m. - 367 Schmitz Road, Waynesburg, Ky.
- Auction of David Wentz's House and 16.7 Acres**
Friday, April 17th at 5:30 p.m. - Wildflower Springs Road, Clay County, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of Mr. Wilmer S. Beachy's Farm Equipment and Personal Property**
Saturday, April 18th at 10:30 a.m. - Hwy. 70, Liberty, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of Mr. Tracy Elliott's 300 Acres +/- in Tracts**
Saturday, April 18th at 10:00 a.m. - Brown Ridge Rd., Casey County, in conjunction with United Country
- Absolute Auction of Heavy Equipment, Trucks, Tools and Etc.**
Saturday, April 25th at 10:00 a.m. - Between Richmond and Irvine



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Team members: Back from left, Kim Daugherty, Maria Hensley, and Mary Rowe. Front, David Woodall and Anthony Asher. Not pictured, Doug Ponder.

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Rockcastle County Relay for Life is June 19-20, 2009

WorkKeys a success at Rockcastle County Jail

Submitted by Jennifer Napier

WorkKeys® is a nationally recognized set of assessments designed by ACT® to identify employability skill levels. The assessments are offered in high

schools, at adult education centers and colleges across Kentucky. Earning specific score levels on the WorkKeys® assessments can lead to the attainment of a Kentucky Employability

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The attainment of a KEC offers employers a tool, for making the best hiring and promotion decisions within their company. Hiring educated and qualified employees can reduce training costs and turnover rates for employers, saving them a lot of money. A KEC can identify to an employer the specific skill sets that an assessed potential employee has, such as the ability to read a schematic or graph, understand written policies and calculate multi-step math problems on the job. There are two levels of certification an individual can earn in Kentucky by taking the WorkKeys® assessments; a Silver KEC and a Gold KEC. The highest is a Gold KEC.

Preparing for a KEC is not an easy task, and especially not in the detention center. The curriculum can be very difficult and inmates do not have access to the computer instruction assistance and internet support, like adult learners outside of detention centers do. Two inmates at the Rockcastle County Detention Center, Cheryl Burnett and Deanna Crawford, were determined to prove they could achieve what few other inmates had, by earning their KECs. These two ladies proved to their fellow inmates and the community, that time in jail should not be spent unproductively, but should be spent studying and improving their educations. "The goal of the adult education

program is to help prevent inmates from falling into the cycle of incarceration and poverty, once they re-enter the community. Increasing academic skills and improving inmates' chances of getting a job are a priority for our adult education instructors. These inmates have made poor choices in their past, but we want them to learn to make better choices for their futures" states Jennifer Napier, Adult Education Program Manager.

When Cheryl Burnett initially took her WorkKeys test, she received a Silver KEC. She decided she could do better and wanted to go for the Gold. Cheryl continued to attend adult education classes at the jail. Her hard work recently paid off. She has now earned a Gold Kentucky Employability Certificate. When Cheryl and Deanna re-enter the community, they can display their certificates to potential employers with pride. A KEC provides formal documentation of attained employable skill levels and each certificate is signed by the Governor of Kentucky.

Approximately 13 Kentucky Employability Certificates have been issued to inmates at the Rockcastle County Detention Center, since the WorkKeys® curriculum was added to the adult education classes a year ago. Christian Appalachian Project will continue to provide Adult Education services through the end of June, at which time students will transition to a new provider within the county. For more information about classes, please call (606) 256-5307.



Therese Tackett, Adult Education instructor and Cheryl Burnett with her KEC.



Therese Tackett, Adult Education instructor and Deanna Crawford with her KEC.

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 08-CI-00286

**Community Trust Bank, Inc.,
Successor In Interest to Community Trust
Bank, N.A.** **Plaintiff**

V.

**Timothy Len Nicely,
Trinnia Nicely,
Commonwealth of Kentucky-
Division of Collections
Commonwealth of Kentucky-
Department of Revenue Cabinet,
Tax Ease Lien Investments 1, LLC
and Rockcastle County, Kentucky** **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on March 13, 2009 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of TWENTY TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY ONE DOLLARS AND 98/100 (\$22,341.98) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, April 17, 2009
Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

Beginning at a corner of Hubert Vanzant and highway right of way; thence with the highway, South 67 1/2 East 52 poles and 16 lengths to a stone; thence South 28 1/2 West 35 poles to a stone; thence North 73 West 50 poles to a stone in Mary Lovell's line; thence North 33 1/2 East 37 poles to the beginning and containing ten (10) acres more or less.

There is excepted that portion of the foregoing heretofore conveyed to Ray Reams, et al. by Leonard C. Nicely, et ux.

This loan is further secured by a 1992 Crimson House Trailer 28 X 64: ID No. CAL51510AB.

Being the same property conveyed to Timothy Len Nicely by deed dated January 21, 2003, executed by Timothy Len Nicely as executor of the estate of Leonard C. Nicely, Jr. and recorded in Deed Book 193, page 206 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
4. The purchaser shall pay the 2009 local, county and state property taxes.
5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Willis G. Coffey
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**

Commonwealth of Kentucky 28th Judicial Circuit Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II Civil Action No. 08-CI-00216

**The Cit Group/Consumer
Finance, Inc.** **Plaintiff**

V.

**Debbie Davis,
Mike Davis and
Commonwealth of Kentucky,
County of Rockcastle** **Defendants**

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on December 28, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS AND 62/100 (\$105,799.62) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, April 17, 2009
Beginning at the Hour of 1:00 p.m.**

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

3650 Piney Branch Road, Livingston, KY 40445.

Beginning at a point in the center of Piney Branch Road and corner to Curtis R. Yates; thence going with the line of Curtis R. Yates S 28 deg. 38'26" E 65.85 feet to a maple; S 30 deg. 20'03" E 53.35 feet; S 37 deg. 06'03" E 220.20 feet; S 27 deg. 12'19" E 177.02 feet to a maple; S 39 deg. 18'09" E 192.08 feet to a pine corner to Curtis R. Yates; and new corner to Gary Holt and in the line of James O. Martin; thence going with the line of Gary Holt N 00 deg. 56'11" W 800.27 feet to a point in the center of Piney Branch Road and new corner to Gary Holt; thence going with said road S 67 deg. 11'18" W 239.18 feet, thence N 83 deg. 16'38" W 78.12 feet; S 57 deg. 13'54" W 33.95 feet; S 24 deg. 29'53" W 44.24 feet; S 70 70'07" 16" E 33.13 feet to a black oak; S 56 deg. 48'56" W 46.40 feet to a white oak; S 46 deg. 09'23" W 75.34 feet to a point of beginning. Containing 4.20 acres by survey of C. Douglas Mullins, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2773.

Being the same property conveyed to Mike Davis and Debbie Davis by deed dated May 14, 2002, executed by Susanne M. Baumgardner, et vir. and recorded in Deed Book 193, page 503 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of sixty (60) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
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5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
8. The successful bidder shall at bidder's own expense carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is paid in full with a loss payable clause to the Rockcastle Master Commissioner.
8. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Willis G. Coffey
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RCCHS Boys Basketball Banquet

The annual RCCHS Boys Basketball Banquet will be held Sunday, April 26 at 2 p.m. in the RCCHS cafeteria. Please bring an appetizer/dessert of your choice. Drinks will be furnished. After the banquet, the season will be recapped and seniors recognized.

Bookmobile Schedule

Mon. and Tues., April 13 and 14: No service. **Wed., April 15:** Spiro, Level Green, Willailla, Country Care. **Thurs., April 16:** Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Project Graduation

Project Graduation meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the RCCHS Cafeteria. All parents of seniors are encouraged to attend.

Lions Club News

The Mt. Vernon Lions Club will be hold an eyeglasses drive through Sat., April 18. Please drop off your old eyeglasses at Hensley's Used Cars or at the Lions Club's booth at the Old Fashioned Tradin' Days Festival this week end. **The club is also selling tickets for a weed eater** which will be raffled off at a later date. Fr more information, call Mike DeBord at 606-308-9266, Derrick Hensley at 606-308-3912 or Bobby Kendrick at 606-308-9918.

Free Tree Seedlings

The Rockcastle County Conservatin District will be giving away tree seedlings on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 13, 14 and 15. Varieties available are White Pine, Dogwood, Redbud, Pecan, Black Walnut and Yellow Poplar. The seedlings will be available at the USDA Service Center at 2019 New Brodhead Road, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. while supplies last.

Good Friday Hours at Health Department

The Rockcastle County Health Department will close at 11:45 a.m. Friday, April 10.

Public Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Rockcastle Co. Strategic Plan Workforce Development on Thursday, April 16 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the telecommunications room at the courthouse (third floor). A meal will be provided. The purpose of the meeting is to update the 2002 Strategic Plan for the county. The public is invited to attend and contribute input to the plan.

Horse Trail Ride

The third Annual Horse Trail Ride, sponsored by Livingston Fire and Rescue, will be held Sat., April 18th (rain date April 25), on Daughtry Ridge Road, 8 miles on Red Hill Road on right. Dinner will be served - parking will be secured - donations will be appreciated. For more information, call Sam Stallsworth at 606-308-3882 Russell Barron 606-224-4428 Bobby Phelps 606-308-3318.

Display Hand-Made Crafts

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Hot Rod Signups

The last Hot Rod Sign-ups, for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds, will be held April 11 at Godfather's Pizza from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fee is \$25 per child (cash only) and parents' shirts will also be available at sign-up. Please do not call Godfather's. For more information, call 859-621-6848 after 5 p.m.

Rockcastle Hospital Diabetes Program

The Diabetes Self Management Program will meet Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m. The topic will be "Nutrition and Meal Planning Basics" with Teresa Blair, RD, CDE. For more information, or to register, call 256-7714. Classes are held in Rockcastle Hospital's Outpatient Services Center 2nd floor conference room.

Quilting Workshop

Berea Parks and Recreation will offer an introductory quilting workshop "Welcome to Quilting" on Sat., April 18 at the Broadway building in Berea. The all day workshop is suitable for beginners and perfect for those who have no sewing experience but a desire to begin quilting. The workshop will be taught by three of the local Berea L&N Depot Quilters. Deadline registration is April 10th. Call 859-986-9402 for more information.

Grief Support Groups Offered in April

A grief support group will be offered to members of the community on Tuesdays throughout the month of April (7th, 14th, 21st and 28th) from 6 to 7 p.m. at Brodhead Elementary School. All groups are sponsored free of charge by Hospice Care Plus and are open to the public. For more information, contact Jeannette or Nora at 986-1500 or 1-800-806-5492.

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.

NA Women's Meeting

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings

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

Women's Narcotics Meeting

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

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

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RCHS girls' track team wins two meets

The RCHS girls' track team got their outdoor season underway recently with a dominating win in the Somerset all-comers meet. The girls won by an amazing 79 points out of a field of ten teams and had several record-setting and state best performances along the way.

Junior Samantha Smith led RCHS with four individual events wins and a total of 40 points. Her best performance came in the 100-meter dash, where she won the event with an incredible new RCHS record time of 12.60 seconds, a tenth of a second faster than the previous record time. Senior Katy Mattingly also broke the record by one hundredth of a second, finishing 2nd overall with a time of 12.69 seconds that was later rounded to 12.70 in the results. Samantha and Katy are currently ranked 2nd and 3rd in the state in Class 2A. 6th grader Kira Deatherage ran a personal best 13.30 seconds and placed an impressive 3rd overall.

Samantha and Katy also had tremendous performances in the 200-meter dash. Samantha won the event with an exceptional time of 26.80 seconds. She is currently ranked 2nd in the state in Class 2A. Katy finished 2nd overall with a very impressive time of 28.0 seconds and is ranked 8th in Class 2A. 7th grader Kelsey Bullock placed 10th in an impressive 30.3 seconds.

Senior Sarah McKinney had a dominating win in the 100-meter hurdles. Sarah finished over two seconds faster than her nearest competitor with an exceptional time of 15.70 seconds. She currently ranks first out of all classes in the state in the event. Sarah also finished 3rd in the 300-meter hurdles with a great time of 52.20 seconds. 7th grader Alyssa Allen finished 5th overall in the 100 hurdles with a personal best time of 19.10 seconds.

8th grader Michaela Hunter won the 400-meter dash with an awesome personal best time of 1:01. She currently ranks 1st in Class 2A in the event. Michaela also finished 1st in the 300-meter hurdles, an event that runs back-to-back with the 400, finishing with a personal

best time of 50.60 seconds. She is ranked 4th in Class 2A at the present time in the event.

Junior Laura Dollins was the only distance competitor for RCHS. She finished 2nd in the 800-meter run with an impressive performance of 2:44.7. Laura also finished 2nd in the 1600-meter run with an exceptional effort of 6:11.3.

In the jumping events, Samantha and Michaela dominated the competition. Samantha won long jump with an awesome Class 2A state best leap of 17'0". Michaela finished 2nd with an incredible personal best effort of 16'3". She is currently ranked 2nd overall in Class 2A. In the triple jump competition, Samantha once again led the way, easily finishing 1st overall with a jump of 34'0.5" which ranks her 2nd overall in Class 2A. Michaela finished 2nd with a jump of 32'9.5" and is currently ranked 6th in Class 2A in the event.

In the high jump competition, sophomore Sara Hammond won with an awesome early season performance of 4'10". Sara is currently ranked 6th in Class 2A. Sara also competed for the first time ever in the discus competition with 8th grader Amy Johnson. Sara finished 3rd overall with a great effort of 68'10", while Amy placed 5th with a terrific throw of 66'11". The duo will look to do some damage in this event this season at the regional and state level and should break into the top ten very soon. Amy also competed in shot put where she placed 6th overall with an excellent effort of 26'3".

The girls' 400-meter relay team ran an awesome race, finishing 1st in 55.10 seconds. Team members included Katy Mattingly, Sarah McKinney, Kira Deatherage, and 8th grader Bryonna Cromer. The girls also ran extremely well in the 800-meter relay, placing 2nd overall in 1:57.5.

The 1600-meter relay team of Kira, Bryonna, Laura, and Sara won by nearly ten seconds over their closest competitor and finished with a season's best time of 4:30.8. The relay is currently ranked 4th in the state in Class 2A.

Next for RCHS came the Model Patriot Relays held at Eastern Kentucky University.

Despite the cold, rainy weather conditions, the meet was held and RCHS persevered through the four hours it took to complete. Out of the fourteen teams that scored, the girls' team won the meet by a score of 57-42 over regional rival West Jessamine. The horrible weather conditions dampened many performances throughout the meet. Still yet, RCHS had some impressive performances.

Sarah McKinney and Jessica Albright finished 2nd in the very difficult 100-meter hurdle relay, despite a hard fall for Sarah that she amazingly recovered from at the race's end.

Samantha Smith, Jessica Albright, Kayla Howard and Katy Mattingly won the 400-meter relay and finished 2nd in the 800-meter relay with two outstanding performances.

The 1600 relay team of Michaela Hunter, Jessica Albright, Laura Dollins, and Sara Hammond easily won with an exceptional combined effort.

Katy Mattingly, Kayla Howard, Sarah McKinney, and Kira Deatherage finished 2nd in the 800-meter sprint medley which includes two 100's, a 200, and a 400-meter dash.

The distance medley team of Kira Deatherage, Sara Hammond, Michaela Hunter, and Laura Dollins finished 4th overall with a great team effort. The relay included a 400, 800, 1200, and 1600-meter run.

Samantha Smith and Kira Deatherage combined for the

win in the long jump relay. Samantha leaped an impressive 16'6.5" and Kira jumped 13'10". The triple jump relay was cancelled due to the worsening weather and the condition of the jumping pits.

Sara Hammond won the individual portion of the high jump competition with a jump of 4'6" and finished 3rd as a team along with teammate Sarah McKinney.

Sara also finished 6th in the discus competition with a per-

sonal best throw of 73'4", while Amy Johnson placed 10th with a throw of 64'4". The duo placed 5th as a team in the event.

Amy also finished 7th in the shot put competition and just missed scoring as a team with 7th grader Gabby Miller.

With their first two meets of the season completed, the RCHS girls are ranked 2nd in the state in Class 2A behind Louisville Central who moved down to 2A from Class 3A this

season. The RCHS girls still have several athletes and events that they're not ranked in yet, which should make the season very interesting.

The team next competes at the Lake Cumberland Classic hosted by Somerset this Saturday. The RCMS girls' and boys' teams will compete in their own invitational next Monday, April 13 at the track at RCMS. Meet start time is 5:30.



Congratulations on a Great Season HEAT

The HEAT wishes to thank Mr. Andrew Cash and all Referees for their time and efforts. We say thank you to all other teams and parents for their fine sportsmanship displayed throughout the season. The Kids improved greatly on all teams and we thank everyone who gave of their time to support this wonderful group of Kids. Rockcastle County should be proud of all the JR. Pro League players on their improvements made this season. The HEAT Team members who were first place regular season and tournament champions in Rockcastle JR. Pro League are front row left: Kristina Hayes, Isaac McClure, John Harris, Paul Holbrook, Noah Isaacs, Courtlyn VanHook and Jackson VanHook. Back row from left: Madison Stewart, Trevor Scheffler, Trevor Sweet, Kyanne Martin, Asst. Coach Johnny Harris, Head Coach Tim Sweet and Asst. Coach Jeff VanHook.



Evan Hendrickson killed this Tom turkey last Saturday morning in Garrard County. It had a 9 inch beard and 34 inch spurs. Evan is the son of Chis and Angie Hendrickson of Mt. Vernon.

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Location: From Mt. Vernon, take US 25 to Livingston. Turn off US 25 in front of the Livingston School. Go across the bridge and turn left onto Ky 1955. Follow Ky 1955 approx. 3 1/2 miles to the property. Auction signs are posted.



The heirs of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abney have authorized our company to sell this property for the absolute high dollar.

The property consists of 227 acres (by the boundary - not by survey) more or less. The property fronts on Ky 1955 and backs up to Crooked Creek in the Mullins Station area. There are a few acres cleared around the top of the ridge near the house as well as some cleared bottom land along Crooked Creek. There's lots of growing timber. On the back side of the property, there is a cave which will appeal to cavers and spelunkers.

The house sits alongside Ky 155 and has two bedrooms, dining room, living room, kitchen, bath and a large front porch. Besides the house, there are two barns. All of the buildings are in need of repairs. There is also a log cabin (unlivable) on the property.

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