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Old Fashion Tradin' Days held last Saturday

A large crowd attended the annual Old Fashioned Tradin' Days Festival held in Mt. Vernon over the weekend, where there were several activities, including a parade down Main Street. In the top photo, Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, right, rode one of the three mules pulling the Thacker family wagon. Shown in the wagon are front row, from right: Wendell Thacker, Emily Thacker and Angie Thacker. In the second row are: Shane Thacker, Hailey Thacker and Shawn Thacker. In the back of the wagon is Hayden Thacker. In the photo at left are: Daryl Shafer and Jamie Lawrence with 2-year-old son, Keaton. At right, Roy Beasley, who served in Vietnam in 1996 and 1967 waves from his John Deere Gator, he drove in Saturday's parade. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin)

Announces resignation Wednesday

AG opinion says Brock not eligible to serve on board

Rockcastle County School Board member Brandy Chasteen Brock announced on Wednesday that she was resigning from the Rockcastle County School Board, effective immediately.

Brock, who was elected in November over incumbent Jeff Vanhook, said Wednesday that she had received notification from the Kentucky Attorney General's office that, in their

opinion, she wasn't eligible to sit on the school board.

The 31-year-old Brock said the attorney general's opinion was based on the fact that because she has a half-niece who works for the school system, she is not eligible to sit on the board.

Brock released the following statement on Wednesday morning.

"As most already know, cer-

tain issues have been raised regarding my eligibility to be seated as a member of the Rockcastle County School Board. The statutory question relates to me having a half-relative employed by the school system. The statute is not specific in regards to these relationships and I believe no conflict of interest exists that

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County's property value increases by \$6 million

Mainly routine items of business were conducted by the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court at their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday but it still took over three hours.

During the meeting, Property Valuation Administrator Margaret Offutt presented the court with her 2009 Recapitulation of Real Property Tax Roll. The report shows a total real estate value for the county of \$357,263,367, up about \$6,000,000 over last year, according to Offutt.

Breakdown of the total amount includes: \$220,222,932 for residential lots, land and improvements; \$74,216,160 for farmland and other improvements and \$62,824,275 for commercial, industrial, telecommunication and leasehold interests.

From the total assessment (\$357,263,367.), a total of

\$61,663,900. will be deducted for homestead exemptions (65 and older), \$32,051,200; disability, \$15,024,500, farm homestead exemptions, \$12,217,400; farm disability \$2,328,100 and \$42,700 for commercial homestead exemption and disability.

In other business, the court opened bids for three recycling trailers with Mark's Welding of Mt. Vernon submitting the low bid of \$25,929. The trailers will be paid for through state grant money and the winning bid must be approved by the state.

The court approved a request by Thelma Thacker to have her road, Salem Lane, put on the county road system. Mrs. Thacker told the court that the road had been maintained by the county until a couple of years ago when it was determined that it was a county road. Easements from all property

owners have been obtained, Thacker said.

The court also heard a request from a landowner at the end of Shearer Hollow Road to close the last 3/10ths of a mile of the road.

Donald Hudson told the court that he and Berea College would be the only landowners involved and that he had a letter from the college forester supporting the request. Hudson said they had been experiencing problems with vandalism to their property, along with trespassing, and felt that closing the road would help.

No action was taken but Hudson was told that the court would look into the matter.

A group of residents of Pleasant View Road, in the northern end of the county, were also at the meeting. They

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At Mt. Vernon council meeting

Council ignores several motions made by Jones, defeats another

By: Richard Anderkin

Mt. Vernon City Councilman Don Jones made several motions on Monday night and got little or no support from fellow council members, at the regular monthly meeting of the council.

Following some very routine items of business, Councilman Jones began making motions on several issues, including items which the council had previously voted on and a few new items he hoped to get passed on Monday night.

Jones told the council, and

Mayor Clarice Kirby, that the Kentucky Attorney General's office had informed him that if he wanted them to give an opinion on previous councils' actions, the council should first ask the city attorney, or a local attorney, for a legal opinion on the matters in question.

Jones was referring to letters he had written the attorney general after the council voted to borrow \$750,000 for the Rockcastle Tourism Commission and to take ownership and

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Water users again protest closing of ERWA meeting

By: Richard Anderkin

Some of Eastern Rockcastle Water Association's 600 members again protested the closing of the ERWA board meeting on Tuesday morning.

According to Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff John Guilfoil, less than ten members tried to sit in on the meeting in the homecoming room at Livingston, even though ERWA President David Ballinger told the group it was closed to non-members of the board.

Ballinger had also closed the meeting in March, where some members also peacefully protested outside the building and two board member opted to not attend.

Guilfoil said it was his understanding that Ballinger told the water users that the meeting was closed and shut the door to the homecoming room.

The Deputy Sheriff said it was also his understanding that some of the people standing outside the room, which included Virgil Mullins, Elmer Whitler, Bryan Castleberry Jr., Dennis Clark, Diane Helms and Barbara Castleberry opened the door and went into the room and sat down.

Guilfoil said Ballinger apparently told the group the meeting was closed and to leave.

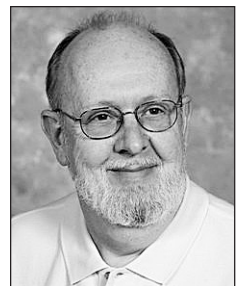
Guilfoil said that when the group refused, Ballinger went to the ERWA office and called the Sheriff's office. Guilfoil and Deputy Michael Brummett showed up at Livingston a short time later.

"I talked to them (the protestors) and they agreed to leave after a short time, there was no threat of arrests and no

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Over 425 people attended the Rockcastle UNITE Coalition Community Awareness Celebration on Thursday night at RCMS. Those who attended were treated to a great meal, entertainment and an excellent testimony by Ashley Smith Robinson, who persuaded Brian Nichols, Atlanta's "courtroom killer" to surrender to police in March of 2005. Robinson, shown at right, testified about her life on drugs and her new relationship with God following her encounter with Nichols, which ultimately saved her life. Following her testimony, Robinson autographed copies of her book, "Unlikely Angels," which can be purchased by calling Becky McNabb at RCHS at 256-4816. Shown in the above photo are some of those who attended Thursday night's banquet, from left: Willametta French, Bobby French, Carol Bryant, Darrell Allen, Darlena Allen, Linda McClure, Diane Stephans and Roger McClure.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

The CATS, the Coaches, the tradition

From the time I was nine-years-old, my favorite spectator sport was, without question, college basketball. I remember taking my ball to bed with me as I carefully listened to my transistor radio and Caywood Ledford while he described the antics of Coach Adolph Rupp and the legendary UK players who made college basketball history.

Throughout the years that I followed Wildcat basketball, nothing was finer than listening to Caywood. He had one of the most recognizable voices in sports broadcasting history and certainly held my attention from his beginning at UK in 1953 until his retirement in 1992. Like many others, I usually watched UK on television while listening to Caywood on the radio.

Rupp, known as "The Man in the Brown Suit," was a master of motivation. More than 80 percent of his players came from the state of Kentucky. In his tenure from 1930 until 1972, the "Baron of the Bluegrass" won four NCAA championships - 1948, 1949, 1951, and 1958. He also captured 27 Southeastern Conference regular season titles and 13 South-eastern Conference tournaments.

Coach Rupp was one of the most outspoken coaches ever to set foot in a college gym. Countless numbers of coaches, players, and spectators love to relay to others their knowledge of his antics as UK's most famous "round ball" coach.

Even Coach Rupp loved to tout his own accomplishments. He once said, "I have won every honor that there is in basketball. There has been absolutely none that have escaped me. I have helped make rules, and I think I have helped shape the destiny of this ball game the way it is today." At the time of his retirement, most fans agreed.

Rupp's players and assistant coaches always said he was one of the strictest of disciplinarians and that his practices were similar to military drills. Larry Conley, who played for Rupp from 1963-66, said simply, "He was demanding."

Rupp always set aside one practice each fall and invited his players' teachers to attend. At that practice he introduced the players to those in attendance and explained; "Now, if you have any of these boys in class and they miss class, you pick up the phone and call me. They won't miss anymore!" He wasn't kidding.

While still a freshman, Mike Casey was caught cutting a class. The instructor called Assistant Coach Harry Lancaster, and the three went to meet with Coach Rupp. Rupp promptly picked up the phone and called Mike's father, who was a deputy Sheriff in Shelby County. Within twenty minutes of that phone call, Deputy Casey had arrived on campus with sirens bellowing. "We never had any more trouble with Mike Casey," Rupp said. By his senior year, Casey became an Academic All-American.

Coach Rupp was also known for his own colorful comments. He once told his players in practice, "I don't care if your girlfriend leaves you or your pet rabbit dies. I just care if you produce for me on the basketball court."

In a remark about recruiting, Rupp said, "You can take a boy to [Memorial] Coliseum, sit him down for five minutes, and if he doesn't want to play at Kentucky after just looking at the place, he is too dumb to go to college anyway."

An anonymous sports writer once said, "It is not whether you win or loose, it is how well you played the game." Rupp had a reply to that notion. "They still keep score, don't they? People don't drive hundreds of miles and pay good money to see how two teams played. They want to see somebody get beat!"

Even when his health was in question, Rupp was quick to give his own spin on things. He said, "A few years ago, everybody, including the doctors, said I was sick and needed a vacation. My wife always wanted to visit Daytona Beach. I sunburn easily and spent about 30 minutes in that hot sun. So I went back inside the

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Points East

By Ike Adams

When Loretta, the kids and I first moved to Charlie Brown Road, here in suburban Paint Lick in 1996, one of the first people to welcome us to the neighborhood was Rena Vae Callahan.

"Miss Callahan" (I never once heard her called anything other than Granny or Miss Callahan even though we all knew her christened name) lived a couple hundred yards down the road and she was our next door neighbor. I had been admiring her garden during the coming and going of the late summer weeks that we'd spent renovating the old house we'd decided to purchase and remodel.

Suffice to say that she grew, in far more volume than one old lady could possibly put to use, a vegetable garden of relatively momentous proportions. Several hundred feet of sweet corn rows. Ditto for white half runners, greasy beans and little mountain bunch beans that had no name she could remember. Several dozen cabbage heads. Tomatoes producing in the bushel-a-day range.

Peppers, onions, white and yellow, growing fat and healthy for storage after she had picked many bunches of them green. Way more potatoes than one family, much less one person, could possibly eat in a year along with industrial sowings

of lettuce, carrots, beets, mustard greens, turnips and the like.

I never actually measured the garden but it was well over 100 feet long and probably 75 feet wide and not one square foot of it went untended. And some it was reworked several times each growing season to accommodate a succession of short lived crops.

A gardener's gardener was Miss Callahan, and it was only natural that we soon became fast friends.

In fact, she reminded me so much of my Mom that it was almost scary even though Mom would have been a few years older. Stooped over a hoe and pulling weeds, morning noon and evening, while osteoporosis kept her permanently bent from youth, she was my inspiration and daily reminder that age need not be a deterrent to productivity.

It came as no surprise to either of us to discover that we were both natives of God's Own Hills in Letcher County, Kentucky. And it came as no surprise to me that she had a dozen children, innumerable grandchildren, and a vast host of other relatives scattered from the mountains of Kingdom Come and Kings Creek to central Kentucky and throughout southern Indiana and Ohio for

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Some of us stand to gain more than we lose at casinos

Guess it's time I faced up to the truth.

I found myself seated tableside at one of those fancy gambling boats along the Ohio River recently.

Yep, I'm hooked. It all started way out west in Las Vegas, where I got my first taste of this sort of action.

The casino I'm in today is one of a bunch on the Indiana side of the mighty Ohio.

In Vegas, it would be just another fancy building along the famous strip, blending in with dozens and dozens of others with their glittering lights.

But in the always boring Indiana countryside, it stands out in sharp contrast to the cow barns.

The gigantic entrance is all polished marble and lavishly fancy.

It's fairly new, so the carpet stains aren't nearly as plentiful or obvious as in Sin City.

This \$210 million resort includes a 308-room hotel with

extra fancy bathrooms, a 1,500 seat theatre, health spa, and several shops.

The towels are so big, they're hard to fit inside a suitcase.

On this weekday, most of the women strolling the hallways look like they are someone's great-great-grandmother in stretch pants, and most of the men are wearing suspenders bearing campaign buttons supporting Thomas Dewey for President.

A few fellows stroll in from the adjoining golf course and one is overheard saying he can "hit the ball about as well as that Palmer boy."

Speaking of big names, some of the biggest stars of the entertainment world appear here, including Kenny Rogers, the Beach Boys, and Toby Keith.

But I'm not here for that kind of mundane entertainment.

It's nearly 11:30 a.m. and I

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



The people who lived out in the county lived a very different kind of lifestyle compared to those who lived within the city limits of Mount Vernon, even as late as the 1950s. This week's article of the "Roots" series visits the area of Orlando in Rockcastle County, as remembered by Richard "Buddy" Mullins.

Richard A. Mullins, Jr., better known as "Buddy" was born and raised in the Orlando section of Rockcastle County in the area of Singleton Valley and Crooked Creek. His parents were Richard and Frances

Bond-Mullins. He had two sisters, Edna Cameron and Lyla Bell Powell.

Most of the children who were born out in the county were delivered by an old-time midwife, as Buddy was. He said that my husband, Stanley's, grandfather Clayborn Allen was a well-known midwife in that area during the 1920s and -30s.

Although the citizens who lived in Mount Vernon had the luxury of electric, running water, and the like, others who lived out of town didn't have these things that others had taken for granted for quite a while. There was no electric, running water or paved roads. The schools would be what would be considered rustic by today's standards.

In Buddy's case, the nearest school was Poplar Gap located about a mile and a half away. He and the other community children had to walk to school. He could remember, however, that on his very first day of school his father rode him to school on the back of a mule. This was in September of 1953.

The school only had one room for all eight grades. A wall that was painted black served as the class blackboard. The first real blackboard came

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Emphysema Can Be Halted

Presented by Dr. Kevin Rowe

Emphysema is the result of damage to the lungs from various diseases or chemicals. The best known and most common cause is, of course, cigarette smoking.

Smoking causes an inflammation of the very delicate lung tissue and destroys the tiny air sacs where oxygen is absorbed. Emphysema is similar to when many small soapsuds pop and form larger bubbles. In the lung, these larger bubbles are less effective in exchanging oxygen and carbon dioxide. With emphysema, structural damage also takes place in the airways and causes them to collapse more easily, so breathing air in and out becomes slower and less efficient.

Unfortunately, lung tissue does not regenerate. Once it is lost or damaged, it cannot be brought back. Thus, in treating emphysema, it is very important to catch it at an early stage.

Spirometry (lung function testing) is needed to diagnose the early changes. When a decrease in lung function is found, the cause can be treated and the emphysema brought to a halt.

The most important thing to do is avoid cigarette smoke and any other harmful chemicals, fumes, or smoke. Patients with emphysema should be sure to get influenza and pneumonia shots. When there is an increase in the amount or a change in color of the sputum, antibiotics may be needed.

Asthma medicines that open the airways may also be useful, and their effect can easily be measured by spirometry to see how well the medicines are working.

If you suspect lung problems, an exam by your doctor and a spirometry test can diagnose the problem or reassure you of healthy lungs.



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Grateful Threadz has been in business in county for one year

Grateful Threadz, a mission of the Christian Appalachian Project, is not only a gently used clothing store, they are also a training facility.

Participants from other CAP programs work at the store for up to four hours per day to gain work-related experience for today's job market.

"We are very proud of our store and our staff members who work very hard to create a different experience when you shop at Grateful Threadz," said coordinator Jolene Rice.

All clothing items are steamed before they are put on the floor and each item

is checked for stains, tears, or other defects.

The store is laid out in an easy to follow style, from Ladies, children's (boys and girls), to men's clothing. The store also has a selection of shoes, household items and jewelry.

Grateful Threadz is a donation-driven thrift store. "We accept donations from the general public and CAP does offer tax receipts for your donations," said Rice. "The store has received donations from as far away as Hawaii and as close as next door. We accept donations during our business hours and some times folks will leave donations at our load-

ing bay door," Rice said.

Grateful Threadz is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number is (606) 256-3035. They are located on Williams Street in Mt. Vernon, across from Mt. Vernon Elementary School and beside Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic Church.

Wednesday, April 22nd, marked their one year anniversary. "We would like to thank the residents of Mt. Vernon and surrounding area for their support. We couldn't have done it without you. We are looking forward to many more years of serving the community," Rice said.



Jolene Rice is the coordinator at Grateful Threadz, which is a mission of the Christian Appalachian Project. The mission has been in operation in Mt. Vernon, for one year.



Grateful Threadz is located on Williams Street in Mt. Vernon, behind Mt. Vernon Elementary School. They are open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Six people were involved in a two car crash on Hwy. 461 and Lone Oak Road Monday night around 8:30. Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters said the above 98 Mazda, driven by Alexa Messamore, 23, of Somerset, rear-ended a 90 Dodge pickup driven by Jeff Marlow, 37, of East Level Green Road. A 22-year-old female passenger in the Mazda received a broken wrist in the accident. The other passenger in Messamore's vehicle was her 2-month-old daughter who was not injured. Marlow, his son, Jeff Marlow, Jr., and another passenger, Wesley Tanner, were taken to Rockcastle Hospital, where they were treated and released, according to Peters, who said Jeff Marlow Sr., apparently suffered a head injury when his head knocked out the back window of his truck on the driver's side.



Rockcastle County Emergency Management Director David Colson, left, distributed weather alert radios last Thursday to local officials as part of a statewide initiative by the Ky. Division of Emergency Management and the Ky. Weather Preparedness Committee. The 1,210 radios will be placed in schools, school bus garages, county and city offices across the state. Picking up radios from Colson on Thursday were, from right: Livingston Mayor J.C. Griffin, County Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis and Rockcastle School's Transportation Director David Perkins. The weather alert radio distribution is made possible by a federal mitigation grant.

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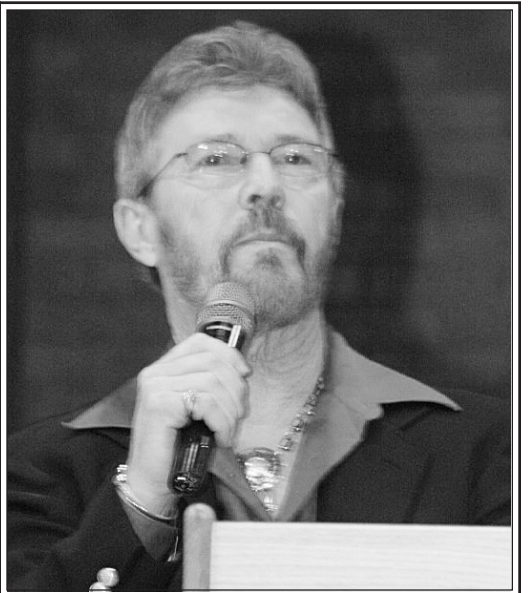
Rockcastle head football coach Scott Parkey, accepted an appreciation plaque from the RCHS UNITE Club on Thursday night. Parkey is a member of UNITE's Youth Activities Committee and has encouraged his players to be role models for younger students in the county by choosing to be drug-free and make wise choices.



RCHS assistant principal Barry Noble accepted an appreciation plaque from the RCHS UNITE Club on Thursday night. Noble was recognized for having the original idea for the UNITE Bowl game, which has become one of UNITE's most successful community events. Noble was also commended for the way he supports students in making healthy choices and remaining drug free.



Rockcastle UNITE Coalition President John Hale was Master of Ceremonies at Thursday night's Community Awareness Celebration at the Rockcastle Middle School.



Longtime UNITE Coalition board member Charlie Napier sang, "The Little Girl" at Thursday night's Celebration at the middle school.



Pam Burdette, manager of Pizza Hut in Mt. Vernon accepted an appreciation plaque from the RCHS UNITE Club on Thursday night. Pizza Hut donates 20% of their sales on the second Wednesday of each month to the UNITE Coalition.



RCHS band student and Field Commander Regina Rice, accepted an appreciation plaque from the RCHS UNITE Club. The RCHS Band helps support the UNITE Coalition in many ways, including at half-time of the UNITE Bowl football game and by leading the Anti-Drug March.



Over 425 people attended Thursday night's Rockcastle UNITE Coalition Community Awareness Celebration at the Rockcastle Middle School. Some of those in attendance were, from left: Sam Hamilton, Dana Hamilton, Dean Singleton and Keith Singleton.



Tammy Clontz, CFO at Renfro Valley Entertainment Center accepted an appreciation plaque from RCHS UNITE Club member Brandon Bussell. For the last three years the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center has donated proceeds from the Dress Rehearsal of their Spring in the Valley Show. This year over \$3,800 was donated to UNITE because of the show.



UNITE Publicity Committee member Jamie Fain, accepted an appreciation plaque from the RCHS UNITE Club on Thursday night. Mrs. Fain designed the Coalition's brochure, the flyers for all UNITE programs and activities, the t-shirt for the UNITE Bowl game and works with all UNITE Clubs when they need her help. Fain is also UNITE's liaison to the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce.



Members of the MVES UNITE club, who performed a skit on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS are shown above, from left: Drugbuster Zachary Loudermilk, Tiffany Fain, Allison Renner, Hope Kelley and Caroline Coguer.

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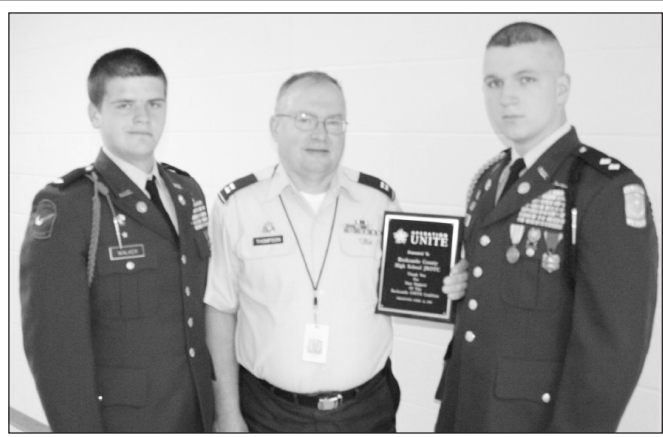
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The JROTC at RCHS was honored last Thursday night at the UNITE Coalition Community Awareness Celebration. JROTC members and instructors, Capt. Jeff Thompson and Sgt. Keith Graves were given a plaque in appreciation of the hard work they do each year in serving the community in many ways. JROTC members were also honored for being outstanding role models in the community by choosing to be drug free. Shown with the appreciation plaque from UNITE are from left: Cadet Major Colton Walker, Capt. Thompson and Cadet Lt. Colonel Charles Dickerson.



Community Relations Director at Rockcastle Hospital Arielle Reese, accepted an appreciation plaque from RCHS UNITE Club President Ashley Robinson on Thursday night. The hospital included UNITE in one of their special publications and they also participated in the "Wipe Out Drugs Toilet Paper" drive.



Members of the custodial staff, lunchroom staff and others, including Principal Jason Coguer were given a plaque last Thursday night from UNITE in appreciation of their hard work in putting on the UNITE Coalition's Celebration at the middle school. Shown with the plaque are custodians, from left: James Allen Bradley, Sheila Hurst and Kenny Burton. Custodial staff not present were: Lonnie Hall and Billy Shawn Brown.



RCHS senior Zach Davis performed two songs from his recently released CD, at Thursday night's Coalition Celebration.



Destiny McDaniel, an AmeriCorps worker and UNITE Club advisor from Brodhead, helped pass out certificates to some of the bus drivers who were recognized at Thursday night's UNITE Coalition Celebration. Pictured from left are: Jack Weaver, Bobby French and Willametta French.



Members of the RCHS UNITE Club's Traveling Theatre, "UNITE Presents" performed a skit on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS. Members of the group are, from left: Emily Clark, Brandon Bussell, Morgan Hunt, Bethany Clontz, Sydney Arvin, Justin Poynter, Sara Hammond, Brittany Boreing, Jordan Robinson, Kara Canterbury and Ashley Robinson.



RCHS Chorus's Chamber Choir, performed on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS and are shown above, from left: Carri Hunt, Bethany Clontz, Starla Bond, Brittany Boreing, Zach Davis, Dalton Hutton, Charles Alcorn, Johnna Ballard, Hayley Davis, Jaclyn Bullock and Felicia Chesnut.



Members of the Brodhead UNITE club, who performed a skit on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS are shown above, from left: John Harris, Allie Johnson, Lindsay King, MaKayla Goff, LeAnna Thacker, Haley Harper, Becky Renner, Katie Adams and Jacklyn Thacker.

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On Wednesday, April 8, the Rockcastle UNITE Coalition received a check in the amount of \$3,824 from the Spring in the Valley show put on by Renfro Valley Entertainers as a benefit for the Coalition. John Hale, president of the local UNITE Coalition, is shown above, receiving a check from Entertainment Director Pam Perry Combs on behalf of Renfro Valley Entertainment.

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

along when Buddy was in the sixth grade.

Upon arriving at the school on cold mornings, the students quite often found no fire in the heating stove. Whoever arrived first was responsible for building the fire. It probably took a long while to feel comfortably warm. The school was allotted four tons of coal by the school board to last the duration of the school year. Buddy said that four tons lasted the winter, with a little usually left over.

As an extracurricular activity, the students were to go out into the countryside near the school to find kindling for starting fires. They would go out about once a month when the weather permitted. This was usually done on a Friday evening. The kindling was stored under the school, which probably was on blocks or rocks, such as was the design of the day.

From time to time, the teacher would bring a ten-gallon bucket of oil for the students to apply to the floor in order to keep down dust. The floor and walls were tongue-in-groove pine. The total enrollment never averaged over thirty-five to forty children. Buddy reminded me that, in those days, they didn't have air-conditioning or snow days, and the teacher believed in a hearty spanking for unruly students.

The first teacher Buddy had was Ruby Vanzant-Reese. She taught him in the first grade, along with her son, Larry. Later in the school year she moved to Ohio, taking Larry with her and leaving Buddy to be the only first-grade student in the school.

Then came along James Harold as the teacher to finish out the year. He was described as a very religious man, and one who prayed quite often. In the second grade, Buddy had Fannie Mullins as a teacher. In the third grade, Buddy had a fellow student, Eldon McGuire. His teachers were Loretta Bond-Winkler, Edith Rader, and Edna McGuire-Dawson in that order, in the latter grades. Edith Rader had to take a medical leave and Sarah Machal came to substitute. Buddy described Edna McGuire-Dawson as about “a hundred pounds of dynamite”. She was strict with no nonsense, and quick to discipline. Evidently a teacher didn't stay but about a year or so at the school.

This certainly has been an up-close and insightful look at the school days in the Orlando area of Rockcastle County. Next week, we'll explore the Civil War days and the aspects of daily life in the 1950s era.

(I'm in need of other oral history of Rockcastle County. Please help me to preserve our

legacy for the future generations. It is our history to pass on and sadly it is literally “passing away” before our eyes. I may be contacted at therootsofrockcastle@windstream.net or in care of The Mount Vernon Signal P.O. Box 185 Mt. Vernon, KY 40456)

“Points East”

(Cont. from A2)

whom she canned and cooked when they were home for visits.

In short order, commencing in the late nineties, late evenings almost every day found me propped against a post on Miss Callahan's front porch, with neighbors and kin, solving gardening and other world problems and discussing religion and politics. I couldn't have been more at home in Letcher County.

By the end of gardening season in 2007, Miss Callahan, had reached the age when it was not practical to live alone. Her old house had some plumbing problems and she heated it with wood and coal stoves. And so, the garden lay barren last spring and summer. Relatively speaking, it was sort of like taking the Washington Monument out of the mall in Washington, D.C. as she stayed in Richmond with a daughter to “catch her breath and rest up a spell.”

Early in February of this year, she told me she'd be home to garden again this year and she had big plans to spend the season on Charlie Brown Road.

But it was not meant to be. On April 9, Miss Callahan was called to cross the Great Divide and move on over to the Other Side.

Tonight, on the way home from work, I stopped my truck in the middle of the road beside her house and gazed upon the garden that may never be tended again and at her little hen house and at that oh, so wonderful and accommodat-ing front porch. And I just sat there and reminisced for perhaps a quarter hour until someone pulled up behind me and honked that I should move along.

And that's what I did, while singing Vince Gill's classic barely out loud:

“Go rest high on that mountain. Oh your work on earth is done. Go to Heaven a shouting. Love for the Father and the Son.”

I am absolutely sure she did just that.

Rena Vae Callahan was born on Tuesday, January 30, 1923. She joined the Saints of Heaven on April 9, 2009. Just in time to start a good garden there on the other side.

She was 86 years old but she always acted young. I miss her more than my heart will let me put into words.



Members of the Roundstone UNITE club, who performed a skit on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS were, from left: Christina Hensley, Austin Jasper, Rebecca Abrams, Laney Poynter, Ashley McKinney, Dezarae Miller, Sara Beth Clark, Callie Carpenter and Brandon Baker. (UNITE Celebration photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Members of the RCMS UNITE club, who performed a skit on Thursday night at the Coalition Celebration at RCMS are shown above, from left: Addison Atkin, Jaleigha York, John David Hurley, Crystal Reddington, Annie Hale, Sarah Barnett, Rachel Johnson and Avery Bradshaw. Not shown, Alaina Coguer.

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Absolute Auction of Mrs. Ruby McWilliam's

67 Acres in Tracts and Timber

Saturday, May 2, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

North Hwy. 39 - Somerset • Bee Lick section of Pulaski County

Directions: From Somerset, take North Hwy 39 approximately 17 miles and the property will be on your left. From Mt. Vernon, take Hwy 150 to Hwy 70. Follow Hwy 70 to the Hwy 39 intersection. Turn right onto Hwy. 39 and proceed approximately two miles to the property. Auction signs are posted.

No longer having need for this property, Mrs. McWilliams has authorized our firm to offer this fine acreage at public auction.

This 67-acre farm divided into the following tracts, has blacktop frontage along Hwy 39 and has approximately 9 acres of mature timber. This farm is mostly cleared with a small balance of woodland.

Tract #1 consists of 1.25 acres and has approximately 113 ft. of frontage along Hwy 39, has city water available and would make an excellent building home site.
Tract #2 measures 1.00 acres with 152 ft of frontage along Hwy. 39. This tract has an older farmhouse (in need of repair) and a small pond.
Tract #3 and #4 measure .81 and .76 acres respectively. They each front Hwy. 39 approximately 145 feet and again, these tracts would be ideal building or mobile home sites.
Tract #5 consists of 5.35 acres and is accessed by a 30 ft. easement from Hwy. 39. There is an older combination barn and this tract is mostly cleared with a small balance of woodland.
Tract #6 measures 10.52 acres and is also accessed by the 30 ft easement from Hwy. 39. This tract is mostly cleared with the balance in timber. This is one of those hard to find ten-acre tracts.
Tract #6T - The timber on Tract #6 will be offered separately. Accessed by the 30 ft easement.

Tract #7 consists of 12 acres. This tract is all cleared.
Tract #8 has 36.45 acres and is accessed by the 30 ft easement from Hwy. 39. This tract has approximately 27 cleared acres and approximately 9 acres of marketable timber.
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AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Home sites, farming sites, marketable timber can all be found on this farm!! Having a total of 67.58 acres and frontage along Hwy. 39 this versatile farm could be a wise move for you! Build your home, have room for running cattle or horses, and marketable timber for investing! Come prepared to bid and buy on Saturday, May 2nd, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.!!

TERMS: 20% down the day of the auction, with the balance due in full within 30 days.

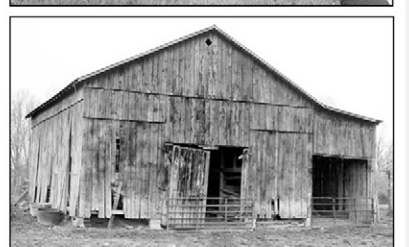
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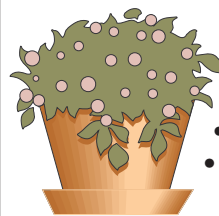
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40th Wedding Anniversary

Eddie and Joyce York Shafer celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary April 18, 2009. They are the parents of Samantha, Thomas and Amanda Shafer and have six grandchildren: Dalton, Chase, Caleb, and Skylar Dillingham and Tommy and Kayla Shafer.



Gabbard - Graham

Kenny and Zelma Gabbard, of Mt. Vernon, are pleased to announce the engagement, and forthcoming marriage, of their daughter, Stacie Denae Gabbard to Glenn "Bub" Graham, Jr., son of Glenn and Nancy Graham of Lebanon Junction, along with Shirley and Doyle Traxler of Shepherdsville. The ceremony will be held Saturday, May 30th at 4 p.m. at Chestnut Ridge Church of Christ. Reception and shower will immediately follow behind the church. All family and friends are invited to attend.



Five Generations

Seth Adam King, born November 25, 2008, became the fifth generation of Mrs. Florelle Brown's family. Pictured from left are: great great grandmother Florelle Brown, great granddaughter Sheena Fry King holding great grandson Seth, granddaughter Barbara Teal and daughter Charlotte Holcomb.

"Preacher"

(Cont. from A6)

Place. After church services last Wednesday night, Downey stayed at the church and Billy Rash, owner of Livingston Grocery, provided a trailer for Pilgrim to spend the night in.

A love offering for Downey's ministry was taken up at the church on Wednesday night and again on Sunday.

"We wanted to give his ministry as much support as we could, so we took up another of-

fering on Sunday and put the two together, before sending it to his organization," said Steve McKinney Pastor of Livingston Baptist Church.

Rockcastle Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis, who is a member at Livingston Baptist, said Downey visited with several people in Mt. Vernon on Thursday and ate lunch with him, before heading to Crab Orchard, where he and Pilgrim stayed Thursday night. (Editors Note: Sue Minton wrote a large portion of this story).

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:

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1545 Lake Cumberland Rd.
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Krispy Kreme Doughnuts pick up Tuesday, May 12th at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon at 7:00 a.m.

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

DVD of prom, graduation, and Project Graduation are \$35.00. Pick up order form at RCHS office.

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

Free Trash Drop-Off Day

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, in conjunction with PRIDE (Personal Responsibility in a Desirable Environment)

is pleased to announce a FREE TRASH AND BULK GOODS DROP-OFF DAY.

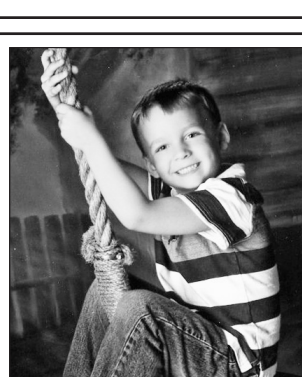
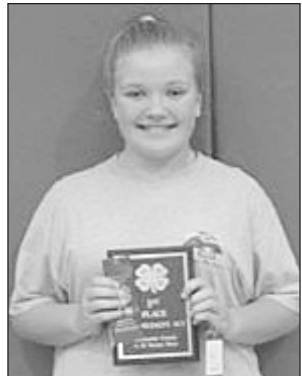
The event will be held on Saturday April 25th, 2008 from 8am until 3pm at the Brodhead Fairgrounds. We will be able to accept the following items: household trash, bulk goods (such as couches, chairs, etc), appliances, televisions, etc. Personnel will be available to assist with unloading items.

We will not accept any tires, liquids, or hazardous materials.

For further information, call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902.



Junior Specialty Act winners at the 4-H Variety Show were 1st place, Hailey Harper, above, from BES and 2nd place, Brooklyn Bishop from BES, above.



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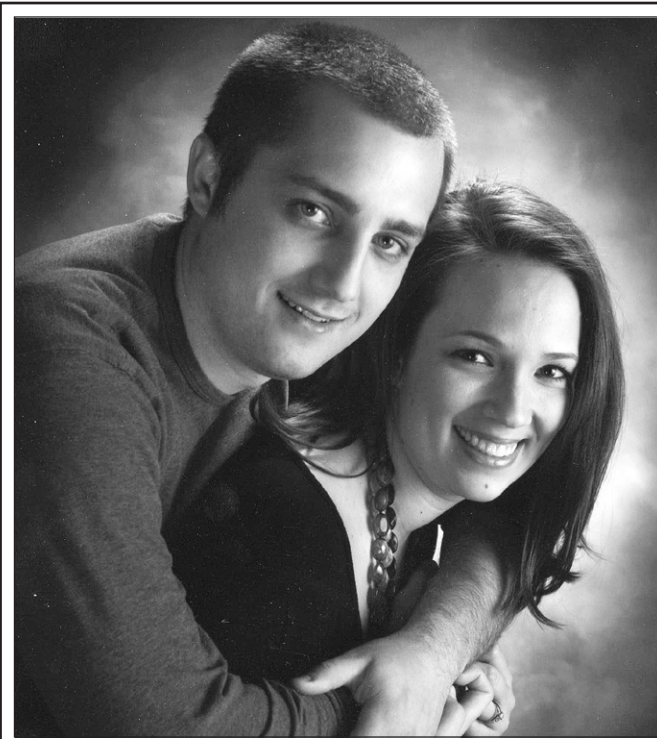
Interested in Preserving Local History?

Rockcastle County Historic Cemetery Preservation Board

The county's Historic Cemetery Preservation board, formed by County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis and the magistrates, is asking that any person interested in becoming an "at-large" member of the organization meet

**Tuesday, May 5th
Rockcastle County Courthouse
Third Floor Conference Room
6:30 p.m.**

At-large members can provide assistance to the official board and help them make decisions on new grant applications, expenditures and other areas of interest that will enhance and provide protection for Rockcastle County's historic cemeteries.



Haberek - Bray

Mark and Teri Haberek of Ashland, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jana Rae Haberek, to Joshua Crawford Bray, son of Ricky and Tammy Bray of Brodhead.

The wedding will be at 6:30 p.m. on April 25, 2009, at Russell First Baptist Church in Ashland, Kentucky.

The bride-to-be is a 2003 graduate of Paul G. Blazier High School, a 2007 graduate of Lindsey Wilson College, is employed by National City Bank, Lexington.

The groom-elect is a 2003 graduate of Rockcastle High School, a 2007 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, and is employed by the City of Mt. Vernon.

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Rockets 7-7 on the season, 2-1 in district

The Rockcastle County High School baseball Rockets are 7-7 on the season and 2-1 in district play for far in the 2009 season.

After returning from Florida, where they went 3-3, the Rockets are 2-4 over last six games.

In their first game, after returning from Florida, the Rockets lost to Pulaski County 2-1 in 9 innings.

Starter Tanner Perkins gave up only three hits and struck out 10, in eight innings, before the Rockets lost the game because of an error in the bottom of the ninth inning.

The Rockets got only six hits in the game. Shortstop John L. Saylor had two hits, Perkins had a double and Dustin Bullock, Jake Riddle and Josh McKinney all had singles.

In the next game on April 14th, the Rockets lost to Madison Central, 6-5.

The Rockets had eight hits in the game with Perkins pick-

ing up a triple and double. Riddle and Saylor each had two hits, while Bullock and McKinney each had a single.

After losing two straight the Rockets bounced back to beat Casey County, 12-2 in five innings.

Dustin Bullock gave up only two hits and struck out eight to pick up the win.

The Rockets had 13 hits with Justin Bryant picking up three of those 13 for the Rockets.

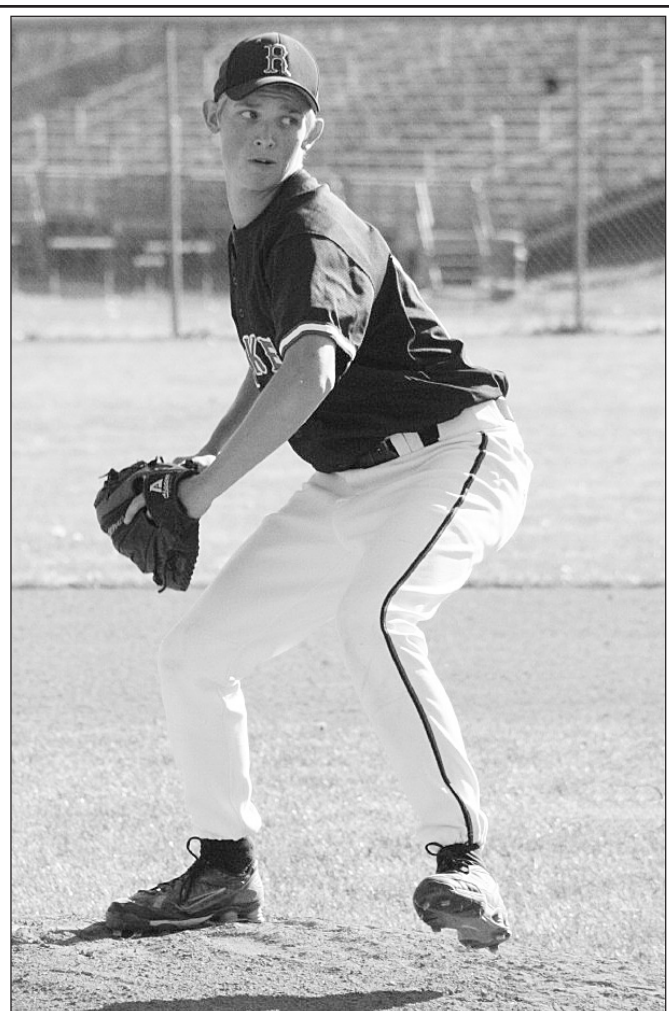
Bullock had two hits, one a double and the other a triple, while Clarke Rowe, Grant Burdette and Saylor each had two singles.

Logan Kincer and Tanner Childress each had one single.

Last Thursday the Rockets traveled to Somerset, where they came away with a 3-2 district win.

Perkins went the distance for the Rockets giving up five hits and striking out 14.

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Rocket starting pitcher Matt Lunsford goes to the plate in Friday's 6-4 loss at Lincoln County. Lunsford and his teammates will return home on Friday, where they will host Southwestern. The Rockets will also play two games on Saturday at RCMS, beginning at 11 a.m.

Lady Rockets 5-12, 1-1 in district play

The RCMS Lady Rocket softball team is 5-12 on the season and 2-6 since returning from Florida, where they had a record of 2-5.

Last weekend the Lady Rockets competed in the Somerset Showcase Invitational tournament in Pulaski County where they lost all three games.

The Lady Rockets lost to South Laurel 10-0 and to Southwestern 2-0 on Friday night. On Saturday they lost to Bell County 7-2.

In the game against South Laurel, Chelsey Hensley and Sasha Bullock had the only two hits of the game for the Lady Rockets.

Against Southwestern,

which is one of the better teams in Southeastern Kentucky, senior Mary Saylor pitched extremely well, but the Lady Rockets managed only three hits. Those getting hits in that game were Sasha Bullock, Timber Shelton and Ashley Robinson.

Against Bell County, Robinson had two hits and scored the only two Lady Rocket runs, Sasha Bullock, Katelyn Blair and Shelton each had hits. Saylor picked up the loss.

"I was proud of the way we battled against Southwestern who has one of the best pitchers in the state. But the losses

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Rocket catcher Sasha Bullock takes a cut at a pitch in the Lady Rockets game with Bell County on Saturday. The Lady Rockets lost 7-2. Bullock had one hit in the contest.



Lady Rocket shortstop Chelsey Hensley unsuccessfully puts a tag on a Bell County player in the Somerset Showcase Invitational on Saturday. The Lady Rockets hosted Casey County on Wednesday night and will host Pulaski County on Thursday night, (tonight).

Special Olympics KY Area 6 Spring Games, are Saturday at RCMS

The annual Area 6 Special Olympics Spring Games will be held this Saturday at the Rockcastle County Middle School beginning at 9 a.m.

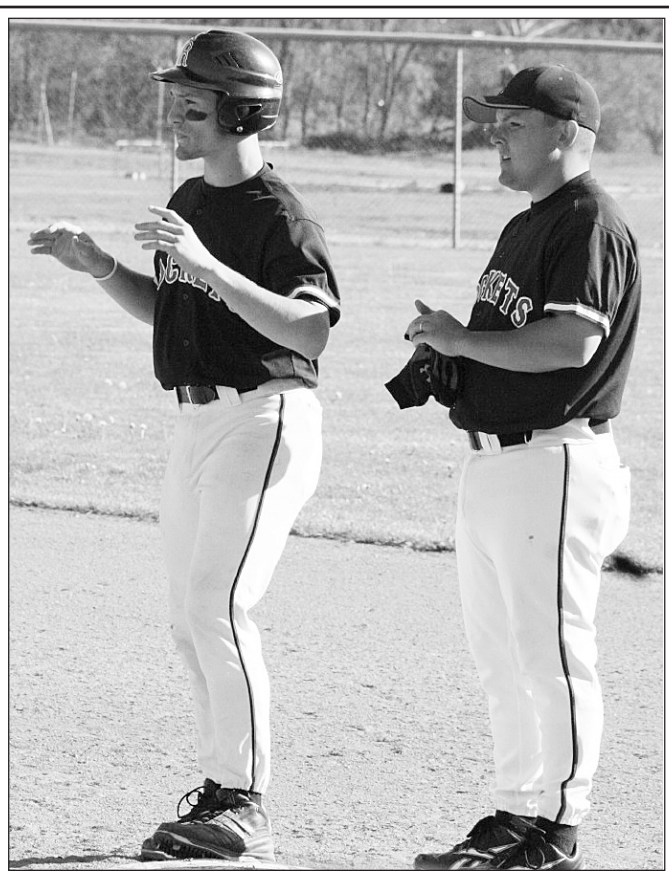
Athletes will march out on the track as Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby starts the games, which will feature 26 track and field events for 234 athletes.

A total of 395 athletes and coaches are scheduled to attend the games, where 150 volunteers will help put on the annual event.

Area 6 includes the counties of Rockcastle, McCreary, Whitley, Knox, Bell, Clay, Laurel, Pulaski, Casey, Lincoln, Jackson and Owsley.



Rocket outfielder Josh McKinney attempts to lay down a bunt against Lincoln County on Friday afternoon. The Rockets had only seven hits and only one extra base hit in the 6-4 loss. (Sports photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Rocket asst. Coach Chris Bishop talks to third baseman Justin Bryant, who had just gotten one of his two singles against Lincoln County on Friday. The Rockets lost 6-4.

Opening day for baseball will be Saturday, April 25th

Opening Day for Babe Ruth Baseball will be Saturday, April 25th. Ceremonies will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the playing of the national anthem and ceremonial first pitch.

Games will begin at noon
Montgomery will host annual golf scramble

The 3rd Annual Kentucky Music Hall of Fame Golf Scramble will be held Tuesday, April 28th at Gibson Bay Golf Course in Richmond.

The event will be hosted by John Michael Montgomery, his third year of hosting the event. "I'm always interested in helping raise money for the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and,

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and are scheduled as follows:
Major League - 11 & 12 year olds - at noon Tigers vs. Red Sox and 2 p.m. Yankees vs. Reds.

Minor League - 9 & 10 year olds - 4 p.m. Pirates vs. Rangers and 6 p.m. Yankees vs. Reds.

There will be three Coach Pitch 7 & 8 year old games on the little field beginning at noon. T-Ball begins Tuesday, April 28th.

RCMS Boys Basketball Banquet

The annual Rockcastle Middle School's 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams banquet will be held

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3rd Annual
Kentucky Music Hall of Fame
Golf Scramble
Hosted By
John Michael Montgomery
Gibson Bay Golf Course
Richmond, Kentucky
Tuesday, April 28th, 2009
1:00 P.M.
\$25,000.00
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Cost: \$60.00 Per Player or \$200.00 Per Team of Four
Team: _____

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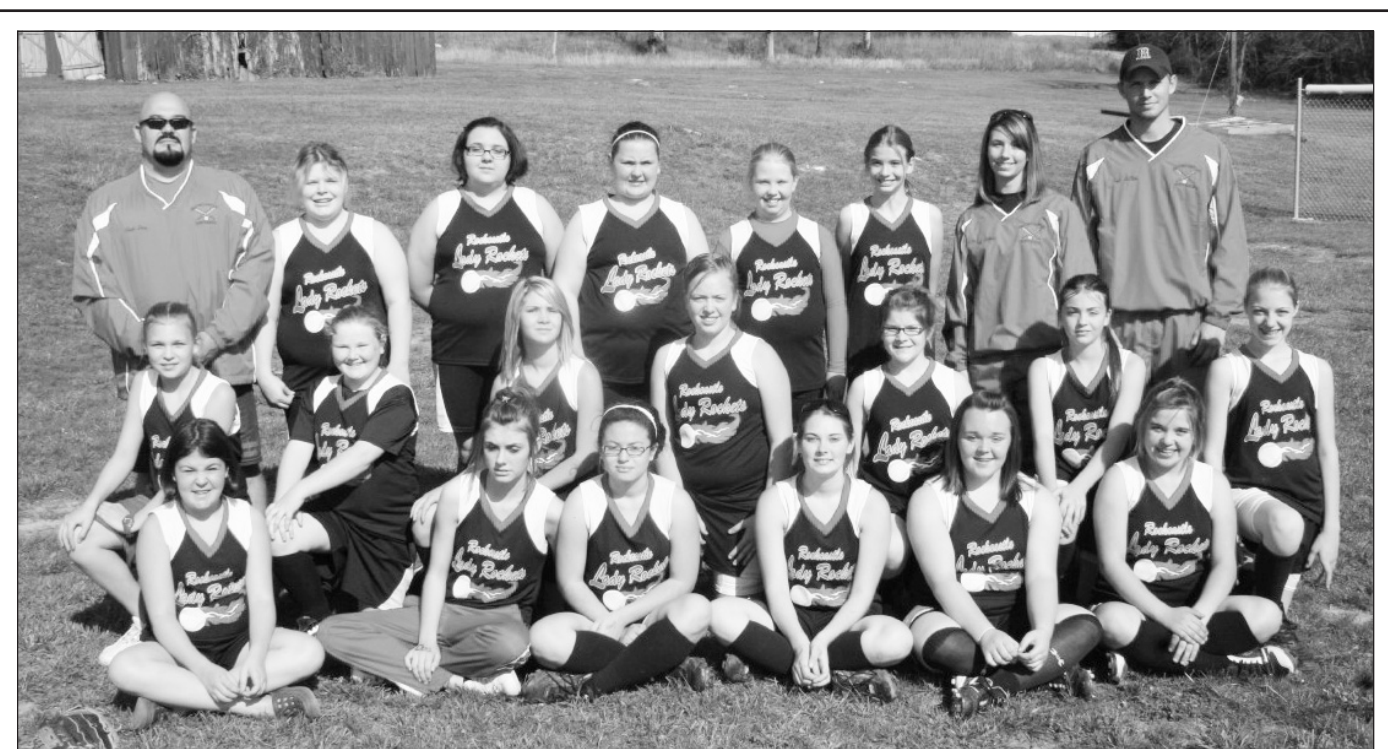
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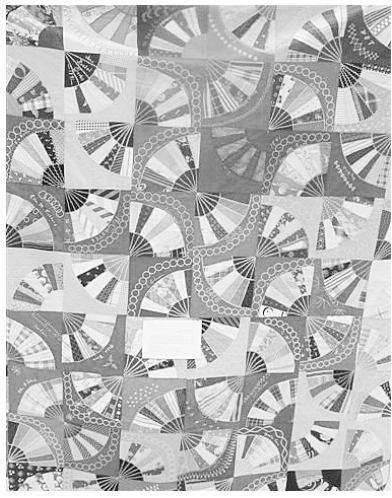
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Please Note: Some names were left off the caption under the above picture which appeared in last week's Signal. We are correctly re-publishing the picture because of error. Members of this year's Rockcastle Middle School softball team are shown above, front row, from left: Shelby McKinney, Brooklyn Blanton, Jaleigha York, Brianna Keating, Katie Clements and Brooke McGuire. Second row, from left: Ashley McKinney, Mahala Saylor, Lauren Burton, Hannah Sowder, Kayla Cromer, Shania Lawson and Cheyenne Gilliam. Third row, from left: asst. coach Doug Clements, Brooke Reed, Megan Allen, Brianna Mink, Emily Ponder, Amber Woodall, head coach Brittany Offutt and asst. coach Ronny McClure.

Redbud Quilt and Quilt Trail Tour

Saturday buses toured the quilt trail to see quilt square that have been mounted on barns in Rockcastle County. Brochures are available at the local Extension Office if you would like to pick one up for your own driving tour. There are over 20 squares on barns. Information is available by calling 256-2403.



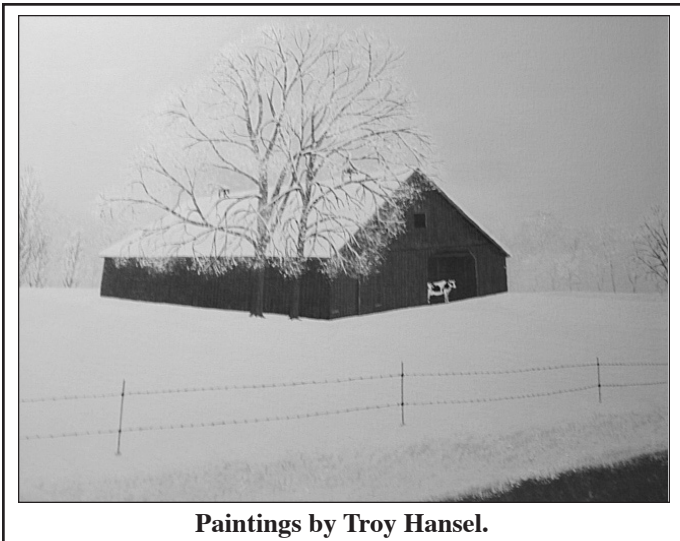
much admired. Friends of Elizabeth Alberti in Fayette County made a square and put their name or initial on it. It has wonderful embroidery stitches and is made with Turkey red fabric. There is a date of 1891 in the embroidery. A quilt listing the name of entertainers, up to 1983 with an appliqué if Renfro Valley was entered by Mr. John Lair's daughter. Mr. Paul Barrett entered his quilt and is already working on one for next year. We would love to have any available quilts are our quilt show next year.



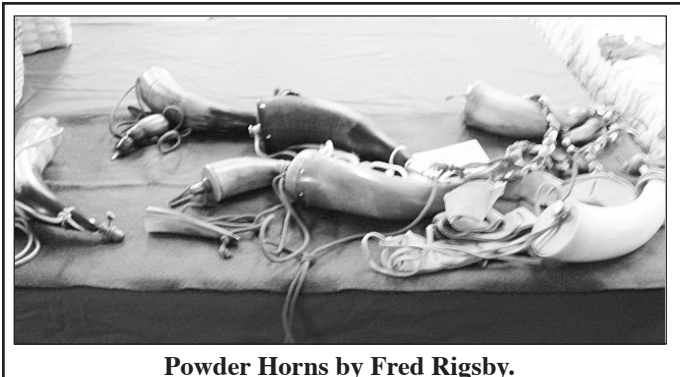
Gail Barrett's cathedral window coverlet was voted the Viewer's Choice by those attending the Rockcastle Redbud Quilt Show on April 18. The coverlet took Barrett more than a year to complete. The quilt show was part of the Redbud Quilt Barn Tour sponsored by tourseky.com, Mt. Vernon/Rockcastle County Tourism and the Rockcastle County Extension Service.



Doug Brock, of Mt. Vernon, won the drawing for this Nine Patch Star quilt during the Rockcastle Redbud Quilt Show on April 18. The quilt was made by members of the Castle Quilters and Nine Patch Quilters Extension Homemaker Clubs. Funds raised by the quilt will go toward a \$500 Scholarship for a Rockcastle County college student majoring in one of family and consumer sciences fields, including dietetics, child development, fashion merchandising, textiles, or education. For more information on the scholarship, or to donate to the scholarship fund, contact the Rockcastle County Extension Service at 256-2403.



Paintings by Troy Hansel.



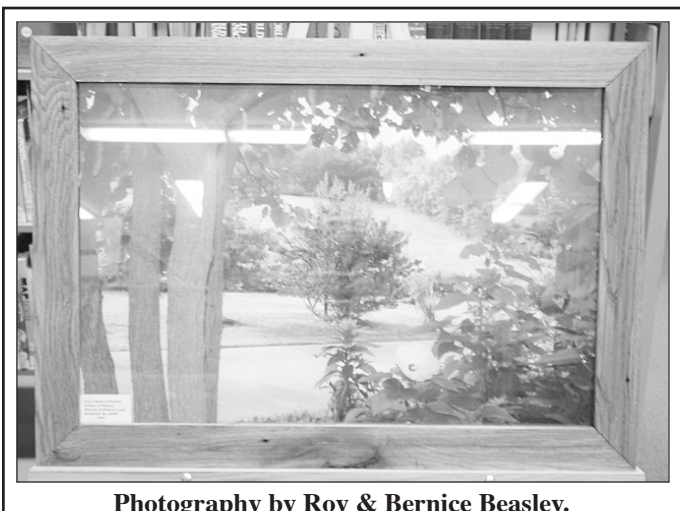
Powder Horns by Fred Rigsby.



Baskets by Charlene Gentry.



Quilts by Diane Helms.



Photography by Roy & Bernice Beasley.

Library News



Pam Chaliff

There is a craft display in the main library that will continue until May 16th. The library will be accepting crafts until Friday April 24th. This year's summer reading program is called "Be Creative at your library" and the library wanted to have crafts on display to show how creative people in our community are. All crafts are welcome. If you have something that you have created or made please stop by the library and put it on display. The library is open M-F 10-6 and Sat. 10-4. Name tags are provided to put the title, name of creator, and phone

number. All crafts must be picked up between May 14th and May 16th.

At summer reading this year the library needs your help. We will be making crafts from recyclable material. Please donate the following items to the library: cardboard, bubble wrap, lids, feathers, plastic plates, colored paper, plastic bowls, ribbon, 2-liter bottles, baby food jars, baby formula containers, odd pieces of fabric, water bottles, and small glass jars. A tote is available in the main library to place these items.

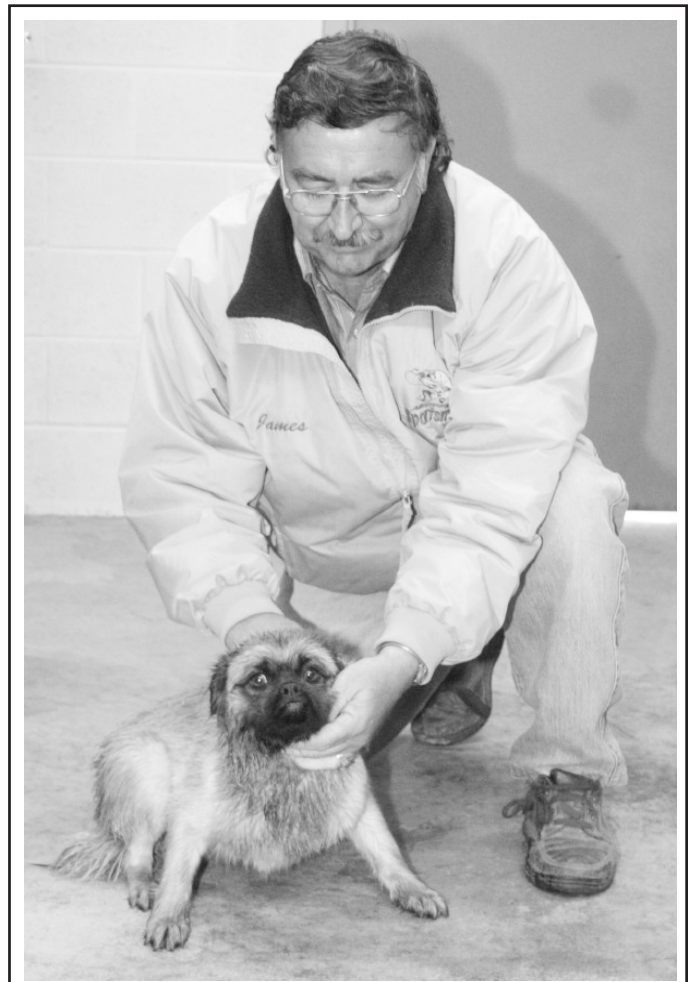
Mt. Vernon Letter Carriers to help "Stamp Out Hunger"

35,000,000 Americans are at risk of hunger and Chris Anderson, Mt. Vernon Postmaster, and the letter carriers from that office will help alleviate this on May 9th.

The United States Postal Service and Campbell Soup Company are partnering once again with the National Association of Letter Carriers to sponsor Stamp Out Hunger™, the nation's largest single-day food drive. Your participation in this cause is instrumental to its success.

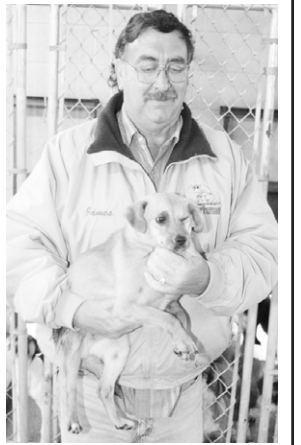
On May 9th, fill a bag with nonperishable food

items and place it next to your mailbox. Your letter carrier will pick them up and deliver them to Grateful Threads and First Baptist Church's Food Bank. It will make a big difference.

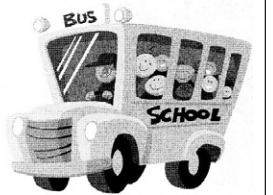


Animal Shelter has 50 dogs and pups

50 dogs and pups are up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter on Deep Hollow Road, off Old Sigmon Road, at Roundstone, including the one-year-old part Pug shown above and the seven to eight-month-old mixed breed, which is part Chihuahua, shown at right, 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.



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Over 425 people attended the Rockcastle UNITE Coalition Community Awareness Celebration at the Rockcastle Middle School on Thursday. Above, Nancy Hale, left and Becky McNabb were honored for their hard work as board members of the local Coalition. McNabb serves as the Coalition's vice-chairperson and Hale is the group's secretary. Both women also sponsor the RCHS UNITE Club. (See numerous other photos throughout this week's Signal).



Some of the people who protested the closing of ERWA's board meeting on Tuesday were, from left: Diane Helms, Barbara Castleberry, Bryan Castleberry Jr., Virgil Mullins and Dennis Clark.

"Brock"

(Cont. from front)

would impair my ability to serve. However, I have decided to resign my seat in order to avoid any negative connotations being brought upon the Rockcastle County School System or Rockcastle County School Board."

"Should state leaders decide to remedy this statute so situations like this can be avoided in the future, they would cer-

tainly have my full support. In the meantime, I look forward to finding new avenues to make a positive impact on Rockcastle County. I truly appreciate all who have supported me and voted me in for this position and hope that those who I have had the honor to serve understand. God Bless." Brandy Brock.

Rockcastle County School Superintendent Larry Hammond said on Wednesday that once the Commissioner of Education receives and accepts Brock's resignation, the process of appointing a new board

member, until the next scheduled election, will begin.

Hammond said the process would be the same as in the past, when other vacancies on the board have occurred. "Those interested will have to apply and go through an interview, before the Commissioner makes an appointment," Hammond said.

Brock was representing division two on the board, which is comprised of Brown, North Brodhead and West Brodhead precincts.

If Brock had not opted to resign her position, the attorney general's office would have had to file suit in the matter in Rockcastle Circuit Court to prove their case and have Brock removed from the board.

"I simply did not want to drag everyone through such an ordeal," Brock said.

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Rockcastle UNITE Coalition



The Rockcastle UNITE Coalition meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at noon, at the Renjro Valley Lodge.

"Closed"

(Cont. from front)

one had to be escorted out of the meeting," Guilfoil said.

Water user Elmer Whittler said in a e-mail on Tuesday, that before Guilfoil arrived, Bryan Castleberry, Jr., and Dennis Clark questioned whether a closed meeting could be conducted on property owned by the county.

Whittler also wrote that Livingston Mayor J.C. Griffin, who was two doors down in his office, was also was also drawn into the discussion.

Whittler wrote that Griffin told the group that he did not know ERWA rules, but that he himself was not allowed to have closed council meetings.

Whittler also said Griffin told the group Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis had asked him to make room for ERWA in the building and he had do so with ERWA paying some of the utilities.

"At the center of the arguments by water users is the question of who authorized the ERWA to have rent-free space in county-owned property and whether the ERWA can hold closed meeting. Judge Carloftis maintains it was the Mayor, and the Mayor says he did it because the Judge asked him to do it," Whittler wrote in his e-mail to the Signal.

When Carloftis was asked

to comment on Whittler's comments, he released the following statement.

"By state law, there is a distinction between a water district and a water association. Districts are an extension of county government, but associations are private businesses. ERWA is an association. According to Kentucky law, and an opinion of the attorney general (OAG 99-5) August 13, 1999), local governments may appropriate public funds for "public purposes" (in this instance, water service), and just because a private association (ERWA) receives public funding to carry out a public service (potable water) does not mean the association is either affiliated with or an extension of county government. In other words, as county judge-executive, the fiscal court and I may apply for grants and loans for water associations in order for them to provide water to the public. Those funds flow through the fiscal court to the

association and are audited. This does not make the association a legal entity or extension of the county government. Therefore, I have no authority to order any association to hold open or closed board meetings, and at no time have I issued such an order. That decision rests with the association's board."

Guilfoil said Whittler told him that there would be many more water users at the next ERWA board meeting. Guilfoil said that he hoped everyone could resolve their differences concerning the matter of the closed meetings, but that if a police presence was necessary he was sure that Sheriff Mike Peters would provide one.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the ERWA board is Tuesday, May 19th.

President Ballinger could not be reached for comment.

The Signal is also in the process of requesting an Attorney General's Opinion in this matter.

R.A.I.N. Meeting

R.A.I.N. will hold its regular meeting Thursday (today), April 23rd at 7 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, third floor conference room.

All are invited to attend.

Members and donations are still in great need.

COMMUNITY INPUT NEEDED

The following Strategic Plan Committees will hold meetings over the next week – Recreation, Beautification, Land Use and Tourism. The purpose of these meetings is to gather community input that will identify projects and strategies to be incorporated in the revised 2009 Rockcastle County Strategic Plan.

RECREATION
Wednesday, 4/22

BEAUTIFICATION
Thursday, 4/23

LAND USE
Tuesday, 4/28

TOURISM
Wednesday, 4/29

These groups will hold their discussions at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, 3rd floor conference room from 5PM to 6PM (enter the rear courthouse door).

Sharing a vision is where progress starts. Please take some time to visit with one or all of these committees to hear about and contribute to our county's future.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Tatum, Project Coordinator at 256-8007.



Together, we can move our county forward!

Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Tradin' Days held in Mt. Vernon



Taking a short break from helping at the Pongo Fire Department's booth during Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon were members of the volunteer fire department. They are, from left: Randy McClure, David Hawk and Michelle McClure. The fire department raised about \$600 during the weekend festival. (Tradin' Days photos by: Richard Anderkin and Kevin Canterbury).



Fred Mullins, Jr., left, and his two 12-year-old Belgium Mules, gave Ray Philbeck, and Shelby and Ashley McKinney a ride in Saturday's parade in Mt. Vernon.



Richard and Donna Dean drove their 1931 Model A Ford in the parade.



Roger and Trish Bullock gave niece, Marina Blevins and nephew, Jeremiah Blevins a ride in their 1967 Ford Mustang in Saturday's parade.

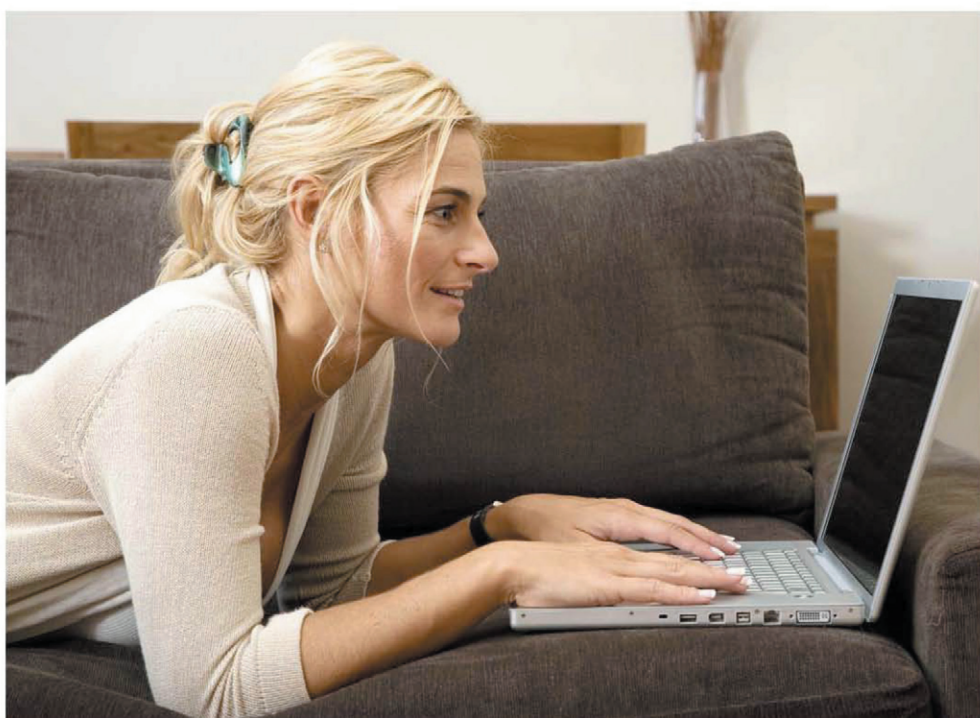


Cecil and Judy King gave Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds, left, and his daughter, Jordan, a ride in Saturday's parade in Mt. Vernon in their 1956 Ford Thunderbird.



Western firefighter J.J. Clark hauled some family members and friends in one of Western's fire trucks in the Tradin' Days parade held Saturday in Mt. Vernon.

See more photos on page A6



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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Circuit Civil Suits

Dillard Wayne Cotton vs. Lisa Mae Cotton, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Mason Bowling vs. Courtney Bowling, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00098.

District Civil Suits

Discover Bank vs. Christopher R. Kirby, \$3,109.92 plus claimed due.
Midland Funding vs. James Mason, \$2,932.95 plus claimed

due.
Discover Bank vs. Rick Damrell, \$1,824.19 plus claimed due.
Capital One Bank vs. Calbert L. Daniel, \$980.47 plus claimed due.
Capital One Bank vs. Kenneth C. Hooper, \$1,696.98 plus claimed due. C-00077.

Small Claims

Nina Waddle vs. Roger Thomas, \$500 plus claimed due. S-00004.

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Deeds Recorded

Luther Cox, Jr., property on State Route 2614, to Phillips Cemetery. Tax 50c.
Carolyn and Marvin Carpenter, and others, property in Rockcastle County, to Scottie and Crystal Cotton. Tax \$64.50.
Carolyn and Marvin Carpenter, and others, property in Rockcastle County, to Scottie and Crystal Cotton. Tax \$1.
Kelly Gene and Gearldine Richards, property in Rockcastle County, to Lavon and Jeffrey Jett. Tax \$6.50.
Leslie Jo Mink, property in Countryside Estates, to Gary Stephen Mink. No tax.
Pauline Poynter Estate, property in Rockcastle County, to Johnathan D. and Tabettha Phelps. Tax \$1.
Jerry and Vicki Renner, property in Mt. Vernon, to Phillips Properties, LLC. Tax \$37.

Marriage Licenses

Desiree Nicole Belyan, 19, Brodhead, unemployed to Aaron Blake Hasty, 19, Brodhead, student. 4/9/09.
Dorothy Clark, 30,

Livingston, housewife to Marvin Barron, 20, Livingston, self-employed. 4/9/09.
Angela Diane Murphy, 25, Bronston, unemployed to William Jeremy Coates, 29, Frankfort, auto body. 4/10/09.
Jana Rae Haberek, 24, Berea, banker, to Joshua Crawford Bray, 24, Brodhead, tax administrator. 4/17/09.

District Court

April 13-15, 2009
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
Zachary D. Abney: license to be in possession, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine; no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; reckless driving, \$100 fine.
David Barnes: hunting with improper shotgun-size/plugged/etc, paid \$183 fine and costs.
Asia J. Bruner: public intoxication, \$100 fine.
Sheila M. Dickison: alcohol intoxication, \$150 fine and costs.
Donna K. Hakola: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
Nicole Holsing: criminal trespass, \$100 fine.
Leah C. Johnson: theft by deception (two counts), bw issued for fta.
Irene M. Kidwell: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine/use/possession drug paraphernalia, \$100 fine.
Lisa Kaye Thompson: assault, sentencing order entered.
Speeding: Corey V. Benedetti, Angela L. Cromer, Melvin M. Isabel, Jr., bw issued for fta; Adam T. Siler, \$28 fine plus costs/state traffic school (sts) authorized; Melissa Feyka, \$36 fine and costs/fine suspended on condition; Toris O. Richardson, paid \$19 fine plus \$133 costs; Cynthia S. Gillingham, Jackie C. Moberly, Jr. license suspended for fta;
James Renner: theft by deception, sentencing order entered.
Zachary Thompson: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.
Larry D. Woodall: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine.
Makayla S. Hayes: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure to produce insurance card, bw is-

sued for fta.
Terra N. McFerron: no/expired registration plates/receipt, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle and failure to maintain insurance, license suspended for fta.
Kenneth D. Prear: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine.
James L. Blakey: escape, 30 days/to serve plus costs; possession of marijuana, 30 days/concurrent.
Gerald D. Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, 60 days/to serve plus \$500 fine; driving DUI suspended license, 425 days in jail; improper turning, reckless driving, failure to wear seat belts, careless driving, 25 days in jail each in lieu of fines and costs.
Jerel D. Smith: alcohol intoxication in public place, 25 days in jail/concurrent/in lieu of fines and costs; driving dui suspended license, 25 days/concurrent; failure to maintain required insurance, 25 days/concurrent.
Lori L. Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing

order entered; controlled substance prescription not in original container, 14 days in jail; use/possession drug paraphernalia, 14 days in jail.
Roscoe L. Abner: violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, \$100 fine.
Heather Chancey: speeding, failure to produce insurance card, license to be in possession, license suspended for fta.
Billy J. Dees: license to be in possession, paid.
Stevie W. Denney: theft by deception, \$20 fine, 0 days/probated two years on condition plus restitution; theft by deception, \$20 fine plus costs, 20 days/probated two years on condition plus restitution.
David B. Hood: speeding, \$40 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Rocket Docket
Pauletta Carson, 27, charged with possession of a methamphetamine precursor, three years/probated three years.
Scott Denney, 26, charged with possession of a controlled substance (methadone), first degree, two years/probated two years.

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- 61 KY county, "Crappie Capital of the World"

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Residents get "Reconnected" back to their home churches

Submitted
Oftentimes, throughout our busy daily lives, we forget the men and women who have attended the same "local" congregation for the majority of their life. These individuals were the pillars of their local church. They have had a huge

impact on the lives of many whether they were Sunday school teachers, sang in the choir or prepared fellowship meals. Perhaps, more often than not, they even helped to construct the building in which their local church still meets today.

Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center and the Quality of Life staff schedule more than thirty religious opportunities each month. As much as the residents enjoy the offered spiritual activities they still miss their "home church" connection. The Rehab Center has established a new program entitled "Reconnect" which is designed to connect the resident back to their home church. The Rehab Center provides transportation to and from the church as well as volunteers to assist the resident. Local churches provide not only love and hospitality but also a powerful and enriching experience for the resident.

Luther Allen, the Facility's full-time chaplain, has partnered with our community's many congregations to offer this service to the Residents. Rehab Resident, Edith Nicely, is just one of many of our residents that attended the Church where she worshipped as a young woman. "It was wonderful to attend services on Sunday morning and see everyone. I received hugs and kisses from everybody. I haven't been to church services outside the facility in over five years.", said Mrs. Nicely. Eddie Nation, pastor of First Baptist Church, commented on Rehab Resident, Brenda Saylor's beautiful smile. Brother Nation said it was the first time in seven years that Ms. Saylor had been able to attend and participate in worship services. Brother Nation also stated that Ms. Saylor and Rehab Resident, Charlotte Keaton, received a round of applause from those in attendance.



Steve Coy, Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center Administrator, with resident Brenda Saylor, loading on their trip van.



Rick Barnett and his mother, resident Minnie Barnett.



Jeremy Cook, PTA, with residents Everett and Elsie Thomas.

Nominations open for KY Teacher Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2010 Kentucky Teacher Awards, sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Education and Ashland Inc.

Nominations may be submitted electronically by visiting the 2010 Kentucky Teacher of the Year Web site at kentuckytoy.com. The deadline for nominations is May 15.

Any full-time public school teacher in the state with at least three years of experience is eligible. Additional qualifications are cited on the application. Teachers may be nominated by students or their parents, teaching peers, principals or superintendents or anyone from the community who has an interest in honoring an outstanding educator.

All nominated teachers are required to complete a formal application, which must be submitted by June 30. Judging will take place in August by a blue ribbon panel of education professionals from around the state, and up to 24 Ashland Inc. Teacher Achievement Award winners will be announced in September. Following site visits with nine semifinalists in September and personal interviews with the top three candidates, the Kentucky Teacher of the Year will be announced in Frankfort. At that time, all 24 teachers will be honored with cash awards and other mementos. Teacher Achievement Award winners will receive a cash gift of \$500; two of the three finalists will receive a cash gift of \$3,000; and the Teacher of the Year will receive a cash prize of \$10,000, along with an exciting professional development opportunity. The Kentucky Teacher of the Year then will represent the state in the National Teacher of the Year competition.

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It's Not a Dream! This immaculate brick home is for real. With approximately 2,800 square feet this home has a formal living room, dining room, family room, kitchen with breakfast bar and eat-in area, master bedroom suite, 1/2 bath and utility on the first floor. Upstairs there are two bedrooms, a large bath, bonus room and attic storage room. 2 fireplaces, 2 jacuzzis, full finished basement and three bay garage. \$269,900. M2389




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Beautiful... all brick ranch home located conveniently to Brodhead and the city of Mt. Vernon. This home consists of 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and is like new. This is a sweet deal. Call today! \$110,000. M2416



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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 m/l level to gently rolling, with lots of road frontage, then be sure to check this one out. City water and electric available. M2434

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

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

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Future Auctions

Absolute Auction of Heavy Equipment, Trucks, Tools and Etc.
Saturday, April 25th at 10:00 a.m. • Between Richmond and Irvine

Absolute Auction of Mr. Noah Broughton's 110 Acres m/l plus Tractor & Farm Items
Saturday, April 25th at 1:30 p.m. • McMullen Road, Dogwalk section of Lincoln County

Auction of the late Mr. James Hart and Mrs. Rose Hart's Commercial Property
Friday, May 1st at 1:30 p.m. • Somerset, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. Cecil Roundtree's Brick House and 15 acres m/l ~ Personal Property
Saturday, May 2nd at 10:00 a.m. • Dogwalk section of Lincoln County

Absolute Auction of 60 Acre Farm in Tracts
Saturday, May 2nd at 10:30 a.m. • North Hwy. 39 - Bee Lick Section of Pulaski County

Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stutzman's House and 113 1/2 Acres more or less in Three Tracts
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Two Day Auction - Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mrs. Gloria Frank's - Friday, May 8, 2009
35 Acre Farm in Tracts (Russell County) at 1:30 p.m. • Lots on Beecher Street in Somerset at 4:00 p.m.
House & Lot on Woodlawn Drive in Somerset at 5:30 p.m.

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mrs. Gloria Frank's Antiques & Personal Property
Saturday, May 9th at 10:00 a.m. • (Hal Rogers Fire Training Center in Somerset)

Absolute Auction of Ms. Reta Brown's and Ms. Mahala Wren's House and Lot ~ Personal Property
Saturday, May 9th at 10:00 a.m. • 119 Lancaster Street, Crab Orchard, Ky.

Absolute Auction of Charles and Georgia Brown's House & Approx. 20 Acres, Lawn Mower, Tools & Personal Property
Saturday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. • 6821 Keavy Road, London, Ky.

RCHS Chorus presents "Friday Night Fever"

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe
 This Friday evening, tomorrow night, April 24th, the greater Rockcastle community is invited to the main auditorium at Rockcastle County High School where the RCHS Chorus is presenting their 2009 Spring Concert "Friday Night Fever". This show will feature many popular hits from the 1970's including "Bridge Over Troubled Water", a medley entitled "70's Dance Party", "Listen to the Music" "Car Wash" and the medley "Disco Fever". Several outstanding young soloists will be highlighted throughout the concert including Carri Hunt, Bethany Clontz, Dalton Hutton, Zach Davis, Felicia Cameron, Jaclyn Bullock, Johnna Ballard, E.J. Wynn, Heather Gregory, and Andrea Mink. This rocking musical program promises to be a most enjoyable and entertaining evening. The RCHS Chorus is hoping you will join them as they travel back in time to the 1970's. The doors open

at 6:30 and the curtain goes up at 7:00 PM.
 Other Band Notes
 •May 7 - "Young at Heart Band" benefit concert. More details next week.
 •May 18th - The Music De-

partment of RCMS will present their annual Spring Concert. These young band and choir members are hard at work preparing their pieces and are looking forward to sharing their new skills to the commu-

nity.
 •May 19th & 20th - The RCHS Concert Band and the RCHS Chorus join together and tour the area schools performing for all the students.

Minds in the Middle

Students will have the opportunity to have pictures taken with their friends this Friday. In order to have buddy pictures, each student who appears in the picture must pay \$8 and each will receive one 5x7 and 4 wallet photos.
 Mr. Owens and the drama classes have created DVD's of the Rock Idol performances. Those may be purchased for \$5. See Mr. Owens for more information.
 Ms. Davis' homeroom is the lucky winner of the Box Tops contest! For collecting 430 Box Tops, they will receive a pizza and soft drink party. Overall, our school collected 1,709 Box Tops! That provides the PTSA

with \$170.90 to spend on attendance rewards. We will continue to collect Box Tops for the remainder of the school year. Those should be turned in to the homeroom teachers.
 Thanks to the RCMS Unite Club members who presented at the Unite Celebration on Thursday evening. Sarah Barnett, Amie Hale, Addison Atkin, Jaleigh York, Avery Bradshaw, Crystal Reddington, Rachel Johnson, John David Hurley, and Alaina Coguer did an excellent job presenting a skit. Thanks also to McKenzie Todd, Adam Hale, Beulah Jean Lear, and Samantha Thompson for presenting certificates of appreciation and to Addison, Avery, and Casey Walker for leading in the pledge to the flag.
 Several Rockcastle County Middle School students competed in the Kentucky National History Day Competition this past Saturday in Frankfort and represented the district very well. Those who competed were: Laiken Coffey, Jacob Houk, Justin Houk, Logan Durham, Garrett Hasty, Rylan Cromer, Alyssa Allen, Casey Walker, Austin Jordison, and Jay Lawson. Congratulations to Casey Walker for her first place finish in Junior Individual Performance and to Austin Jordison

and Jay Lawson for their first place finish in Junior Group Documentary. These students are now qualified for the national competition this summer at the University of Maryland.
 There will be an after school dance this Friday sponsored by the girls golf team. Students must have team and parental permission in order to attend and should be picked up at 5:00.
 This Friday is the deadline to nominate someone for the SBDM Council elections. Parent elections will be held on April 28th in the media center.
 Operation Unite is taking applications for their Unite Summer Camp. The camp is free to students. Students will also be transported free of charge to the camp at the University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg. The camp will be held July 28-31 and applications may be picked up in the main office.
 Congratulations to Mrs. Bonnie Stewart's 6th grade Voyagers homeroom on winning the attendance race last week. Mrs. Franklin's 6th grade Enterprisers came in second place followed by Mr. Gabbard's Enterprisers in third place.
 Mid-term reports will be sent home with the students on Friday.



Austin City Saloon Lexington - April 23rd
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RCHS Boys Basketball Banquet
 The annual RCHS Boys Basketball Banquet will be held Sunday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the RCHS cafeteria. Please bring an appetizer/dessert of your choice. Drinks will be furnished. After the banquet, the season will be recapped and seniors recognized.

Board of Directors Meeting
 Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. will be having a Board of Directors meeting on April 28th at 6:00 p.m. in Clay County at the central office located at 1535 Shamrock Road in Manchester. The public is invited. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Class of 1984 Reunion
 The RCHS Class of 1984 will be having their 25th reunion on Saturday, June 13th. We are in the process of collecting addresses for the invitations. Class members please send your address to rehs84reunion@windstream.net.

Bookmobile Schedule
Mon., April 27: Scaffold Cane, Disputanta, Anglin Falls, Clear Creek. **Tues., April 28:** Pongo Fire Department, Stops off 461, Negro Creek and Bryant Ridge. **Wed., April 29:** PJ's Day Care.

VFW Dance
 There will be a dance Saturday night, April 25th at the VFW Club in London from 8 p.m. to midnight. Junior Corey and the ky. Rain Band will be playing. The public is invited.

Vendors Needed
 Anyone interested in being a vendor at the Dix River Festival, May 21-23, at Brodhead, call 606-758-8635.

"Finishes and Flourishes"
 The Berea Parks and Recreation Department will offer "Finishes and Flourishes," part two of the introduction quilt workshop! Students will learn a variety of techniques, including quilt binding methods, preparing a sleeve and more! The class will be held Saturday, May 16 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Broadway building in Berea. Deadline for registration is May 8, 2009. Call 986-9402 for more information.

Rockcastle Hospital Diabetes Program
 The Diabetes Self Management Program will meet Thursday, April 30 at 46 p.m. The topic will be "Taking it one day at a time - Day to day management of your blood sugars" with Teresa Blair, RD, CDE. For more information, or to register, call 256-7714. Classes are held in Rockcastle Hospital's Out-patient Services Center 2nd floor conference room.

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.

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

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

Mt. Vernon Message

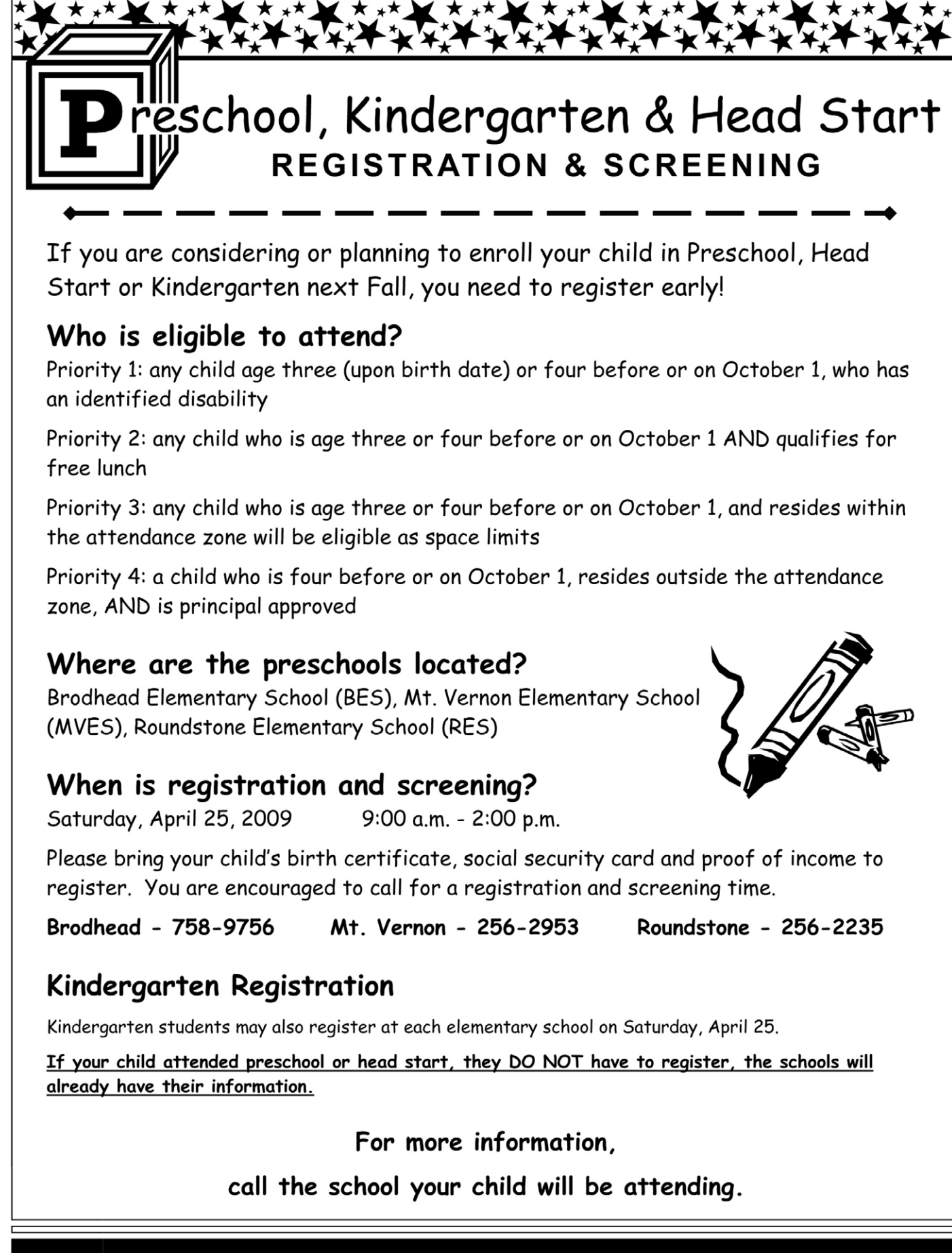
School News
 There will be a PTG Dance on Thursday, April 23 for grades Entry, 1st and 2nd grades. The dance will be from 3:15 until 4:15.

The last day for SBDM Parent Nominations is Friday, April 24. If you know someone who would like to be on this committee to help make decisions for our school, please turn in your nomination by this date.

SBDM Parent Elections will take place on Monday, April 27 at 3:30.
 Project Wisdom Readers for last week were:

Monday: Cameron Bullock
 Tuesday: Blayne Kelley
 Wednesday: Carlee Cash
 Thursday: Peggy Lawson
 Friday: Jerri Lynn Smith, teacher, was our mystery reader.

FRC News
 FRC Family Literacy Night is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28 at 5:00 for the 4th and 5th grades.
 FRC Adult Computer classes are each Monday from 6:00 until 8:00.
 Our quote for this week is: "You can make the world better simply by being the best you can be."



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

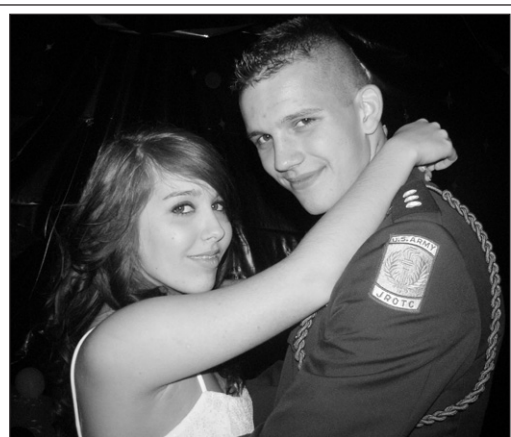
Where are the preschools located?
 Brodhead Elementary School (BES), Mt. Vernon Elementary School (MVES), Roundstone Elementary School (RES)

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

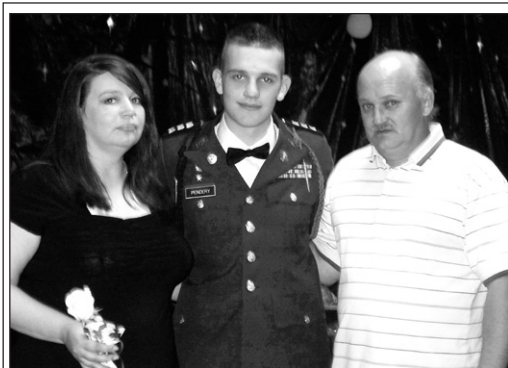
Kindergarten Registration
 Kindergarten students may also register at each elementary school on Saturday, April 25.
If your child attended preschool or head start, they DO NOT have to register, the schools will already have their information.

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

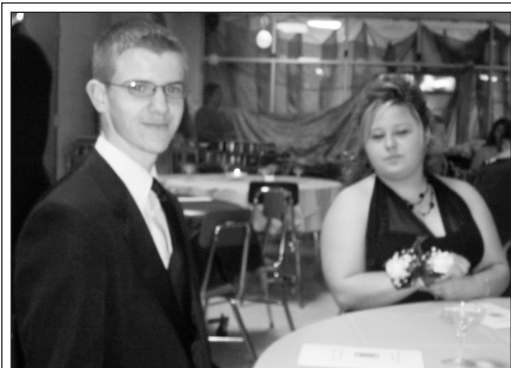
Scenes from Annual Military Ball



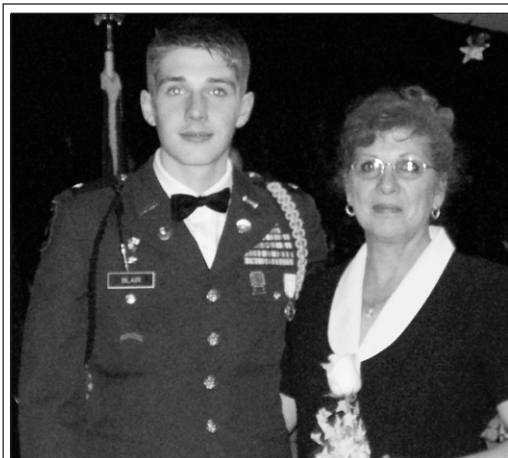
Taylor McGuire and Chris Rendery attended the recent JROTC Military Ball.



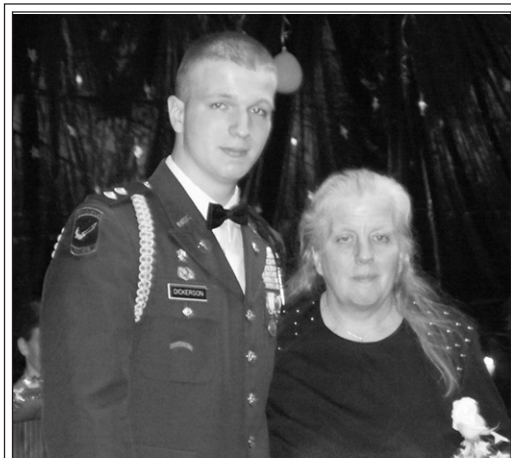
Sharon Rendery, Chris Rendery and Richard Rendery attended the Military Ball.



Attending the Military Ball were Nick Cundiff and Jessica Lautenschlager.



Attending the recent JROTC Military Ball were Buck Blair and Linita Blair.



Charles Dickerson and Shirley Dickerson attended the Military Ball.



Colton Walker and Sharon Walker attended the Ball.



Juanita Barron, Wanda Miller and William Miller were in attendance.



Ericka Isaac, Caitlin Burke and Rachal Hammons were all smiles at the Ball.



Enjoying the Military Ball were Ericka Isaac, Debbie Isaac and Roger Isaac.

JROTC holds Military Ball

Submitted by Ericka Isaac
On Saturday April 11th, the Rockcastle JROTC held their annual Military Ball. This event allows us to recall all the things we had accomplished this year, as well as enabling us to recognize our seniors. Every year we invite our senior cadet's parents to the ball, as well as some special guests.

This year we had 83 people in attendance. Those people were; seniors Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Charles Dickerson, his date Shawna Smith, and his mother Shirley Dickerson, Cadet Major Colton Walker, his date Heather Mink, and his mother Sharon Walker, and her date Edward Atkins, Cadet Major Buck Blair, his date Rebecca Ayers, and his mother Lanita Blair, and her date Wendell Holt, Cadet Captain Ericka Isaac, her date Army Private First Class Andy McFerron, and her parents Debbie and Roger Isaac, Cadet Captain Chris Pendery, his date Taylor McGuire, and his parents Sharon and Richard Pendery, Cadet Staff Sergeant Juanita Barron, her date Bruce Bolyard, and her grandparents Wanda and William Miller. Other cadets were Dillon Hughes and his date Emily Miller, Rachael Hammons and her date Chris Sowder, Casey Hansel and his date Ashley Roberts, Jonathan Alexander and his date Kara Canterbury, Ben Whitaker and his date Samantha Bussell, Anthony Prewitt and his date Christina Pendery, David Luncford and

his date Caitlin Burke, Cullan White and his date Rachelle Halcomb, Craig Stewart and his date Morissa Gill, Jordan Moore and his date Cassie Taylor, Chris Robinson and his date Christa Doan, Joseph Doan and his date Mattie Haynes, Alexandria Shaffer and her date Chris Rogers, Nathan Singleton and his date Sarah Snow, Ronnie Denny and his date Megan Simmons, Luke Allen and his date Sydney Arvin, Andrea Vanwinkle and her date Shane Jones, Jessica Lautenschlager and her date Nick Cundiff, Ian Kelly and his date Samantha Cromer, Stanley Baggett and his date Maria Dees, Brian Pendery and his

date Felicia Boggs, Matt Fletcher and his date Kristen Abney, Phillip Hughes, Marcus Bolyard, Cecil Rucker, Casey Bradley, Jonathan Dekorte, Jesse Artley, Mitchell Collins, Mason Phillips, and Isaiah Bullens. Our special guests for the evening were Mrs. Mattingly and her date Mr. Mattingly, as well as the senior army instructor Captain Thompson and his date Mrs. Connie Thompson, and the army instructor sergeant Graves.

On behalf of the Rocket Battalion, we would like to thank everyone for all their help.

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Mr. & Mrs. Broughton have purchased other property closer to Somerset and have authorized our firm to offer this beautiful home and acreage at public auction.

Auction #1 - House, Garage with Apartment And 2.24 Acres +/-

This charming country style home is situated on 2.24 beautiful acres (232 ft of road frontage along McMullin Road) with some board fencing. A large country porch graces the two sides of the home and would make summer entertaining a breeze! Upon entry this home features a foyer with curved staircase leading upstairs. To the left is the formal dining room and the kitchen. The kitchen has oak cabinetry, kitchen w/island, and all appliances including stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher. Also on the main floor is the living area, which has a gas fireplace, master bedroom and bath, an additional bedroom, guest bath and utility room. The master suite has a walk in closet and the bathroom has a Jacuzzi tub. On the main floor the bedrooms are carpeted and all other living areas have hardwood flooring. The baths have tile flooring.

Upstairs there are two additional bedrooms and a full bath. The upstairs is carpeted and has a balcony overlooking the downstairs living area.

In addition to the house, there is a three car detached garage. The garage has an upstairs apartment which features living room, eat in kitchen, bedroom and a full bath.

Perfect for potential income, mother in law suite or separate apartment for a college student.

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This country estate home is truly picturesque! This property is easily accessible from Pulaski, Lincoln and Rockcastle counties.

(Tract #1 is being offered subject to owner's confirmation.)

Auction #2 - Absolute Auction • 98 Acres More or Less in Tracts • Tractor and Farm Machinery

Directions: Same directions as Auction #1.

Tract #2 measures 5.09 acres and has approximately 302 feet of blacktop frontage along McMullin Road. This tract is all cleared, has city water available and would be an excellent home building site with that additional acreage.

Tract #3 consists of 9.71 acres and has 107 ft of frontage along McMullin Road. This is another all cleared tract that would be an ideal baby farm site or home site with that additional acreage. **Tract #3** would make an excellent combination with Tract #2 giving you a total of 14.80 acres and over 400 ft of road frontage.

Tract #4 has a pond for stock water and contains 15.34 acres. The road frontage along McMullin Road measures 231 feet on this tract. This tract is mostly cleared with some woodland. Again, this tract would be a great small farm site.

Tract #5, the largest of the tracts, measures 51.19 and has 290 feet of frontage along McMullin Road. This tract is improved with 36x50 ft barn. The barn has electric and city water. This tract is mostly cleared with a small amount of woodland in the back.

Tract #6 consists of 11.39 acres with 100 feet of frontage along McMullin Road. This tract is also all cleared. This tract also has a pond for stock water.

Tract #7 measures 5.69 acres and has 277 feet of frontage along McMullin Road. With the large amount of road frontage and additional acreage, this would be a great place for placing a home.

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Auctioneer's Note: This serene acreage offers a barn, ponds, and several great building sites. This farm is divided into nice size tracts, allowing you to choose what fits for you and your family's needs. When combined, the farm has a total of 98 acres and over 1,300 feet of frontage and could be an excellent investment for your future.

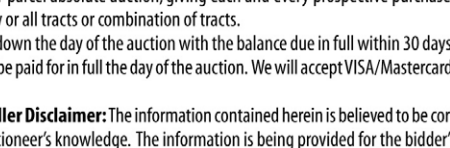
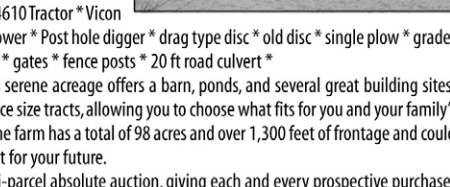
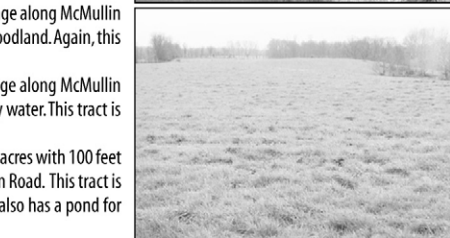
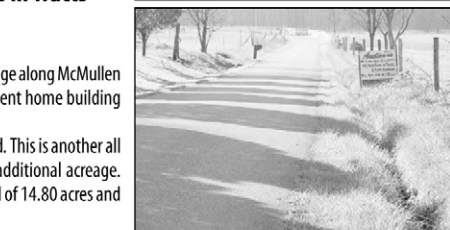
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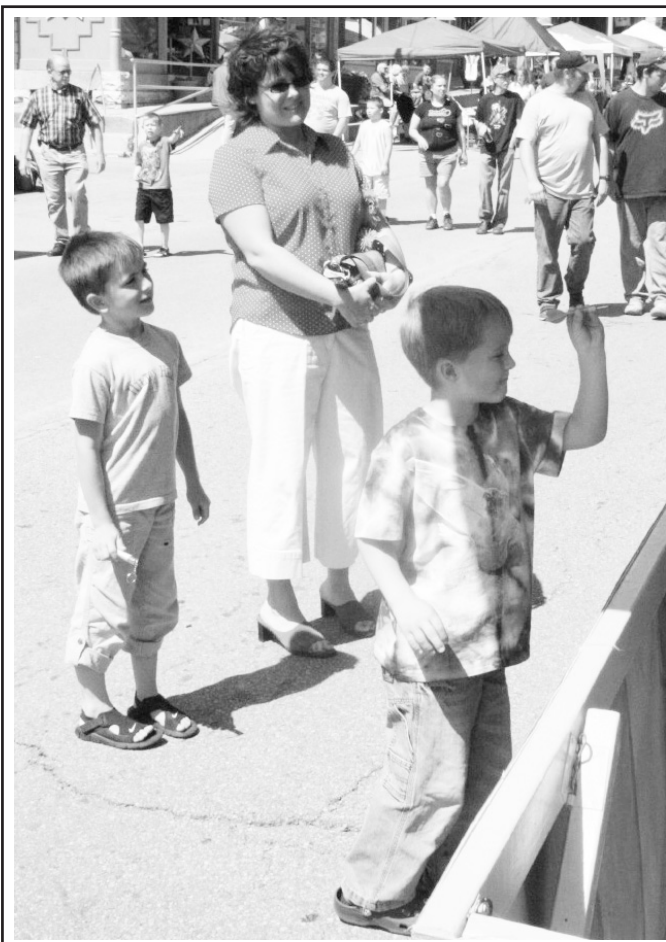


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As always, the Bittersweet Cloggers took part in the festivities at Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon on Saturday. Above, Trina Bustle clogs to Bob Seger's "Old Time Rock and Roll," much to the delight of the crowd.



Sam Gilliam and mom Mindy look on as cousin Noah Parkey tries to win a prize at Saturday's Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon.



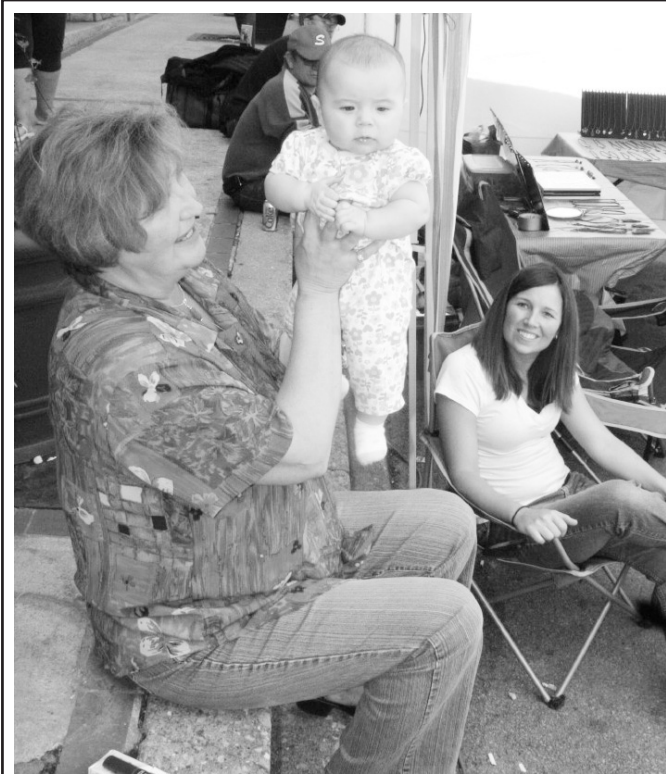
Jerry and Jewell Brown of Ottawa gave their grandchildren, Logan Robinson and Katlyn McGee a ride in their John Deere Gator.



Bobby and Lorene Lawrence rode their Cub Cadet in Saturday's parade in Mt. Vernon.



The overall winner in the Old Fashioned Tradin' Days Pageants in Mt. Vernon on Saturday was little Caulin Wilson. He is the son of Whitney (pictured) and Brian Wilson of Stanford. At right is Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, who passed out the prize money.



Mom Brandy looks on as grandma, Regina Hull-Brown, shows off her granddaughter, Kinsley at the Tradin' Days Festival in Mt. Vernon on Saturday.



Jessie Keith Whitley, son of the late Keith Whitley, was one of the featured performers at last weekend's Tradin' Day Festival in Mt. Vernon.

Public Hearing Notice

Date: May 4, 2009
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: 3rd Floor Courthouse

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A'more Neal was the winner of the birth to 1 year-old category on Saturday at the Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon. Her parents are Ashley, (pictured) and Coby Neal of Mt. Vernon.



Alizabeth Ann Falin was the winner in the 2-3 year-old category on Saturday at the Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon. Her parents are Rachel, (pictured) and Wesley Falin of Willialla.



Holly Jennings was the winner of 7-9 year-old Pageant on Saturday at the Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon. Her parents are Don and Diane Jennings of Mt. Vernon.



Alissa Snyder was the winner of 10-12 year-old Pageant on Saturday at the Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon. She is the granddaughter of Peggy Snyder of Roundstone.



Melanie Vanwinkle was the winner of in the 4-6 year-old Pageant on Saturday at the Tradin' Days in Mt. Vernon. Her parents are Susan, (pictured) and Jesse Vanwinkle of Mt. Vernon.

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Notice As To Reading and Summary of Ordinance

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, at a meeting to be held at City Hall on May 18th in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky will give a final reading to, and consider for passage and enactment, the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-2

This Ordinance shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the jurisdiction of Mt. Vernon, as identified by the Federal Insurance Administration, and mandates that no structure or land in said areas shall hereafter be located, or extended, converted or structurally altered without compliance with its provisions; requires the obtaining of a permit from the County Judge/Executive/Mayor as administrator and the Kentucky Division of Water; permitting of manufactured homes within areas of special flood hazard; requires that all new construction and substantial improvements be constructed with materials and utility equipment resistant to flood damage; provides that in all areas of special flood hazard, the lowest floor of any residential structure constructed or substantially improved shall have the lowest floor elevated to or above base flood elevation or has said floor floodproofed; and provides penalties of \$50 or imprisonment of not more than 10 days for each day a violation of this Ordinance continues.

The full text of the Ordinance is on file at City Hall where it may be inspected.

/s/ Clarice R. Kirby, Mayor

Cecil King, 606-510-3719. 13xntf

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Notice: Looking for recipes that belong to the late Lizzie Sowder - preferably Applesauce Stack Cake or short recipes of any kind. Please send to: 274 S. Main St., West Mansfield, OH 43358.

Invitation To Bid: The Cumberland River Regional Mental Health/Mental Retardation Board, Inc. is accepting sealed bids for the replacement of shingles in Mt. Vernon, Ky. The bid should include removal and disposal of old shingles. It should also include replacement of felt and ridge vent. The bid should show separate amounts for labor and materials. Proof of liability insurance is required. Bids will be received in the office of Paul McGeorge, P.O. Box 568, Corbin, Ky. 40702. For more information, call 606-528-7010. The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids must be received by 10 a.m. May 1, 2009. 22x2

Public Notice: Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, in conjunction with the Kentucky Association of Counties (KACo), will be accepting bids via a Reverse Online Auction on May 7, 2009 at 10 a.m. east-

ern time (9 a.m. central time) for the purchase of road salt for the Rockcastle County Road Department. For bid participation/registration and specifications, contact Orbis Online at 210-576-7600 or log onto HYPERLINK "http://www.orbosonline.com" www.orbosonline.com or contact Rockcastle County Fiscal Court at 606-256-2856 or Scott Martin 502-223-7667. The Fiscal Court has the right to reject/accept any and all bids. Bids will be accepted online only. 22x1

Notice is hereby given Joyce McCracken, 1648 Sowder School Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed guardian of Eric McCracken on the 13th day of April, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Joyce McCracken or to Hon. Roy G. Collins, 109 Dickenson Street, Manchester, Ky. 40962 on or before Oct. 14, 2009 at 11 a.m. 22x2

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Notice is hereby given that Virginia Deniece Waddle, 715 Belle Mills Rd., Shepherdsville, Ky. 40165 has

been appointed Administratrix of the estate of Virginia Maude Mullins on the 8th day of April, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Virginia Deniece Waddle or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Oct. 12, 2009 at 11 a.m. 21x3

Notice is hereby given Phyllis Hines, P.O. Box 101, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Henry Hines on the 6th day of April, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Phyllis Hines or to Hon. William D. Gregory, 240 East Main St., Drawer 220, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Oct. 7, 2009 at 11 a.m. 21x3

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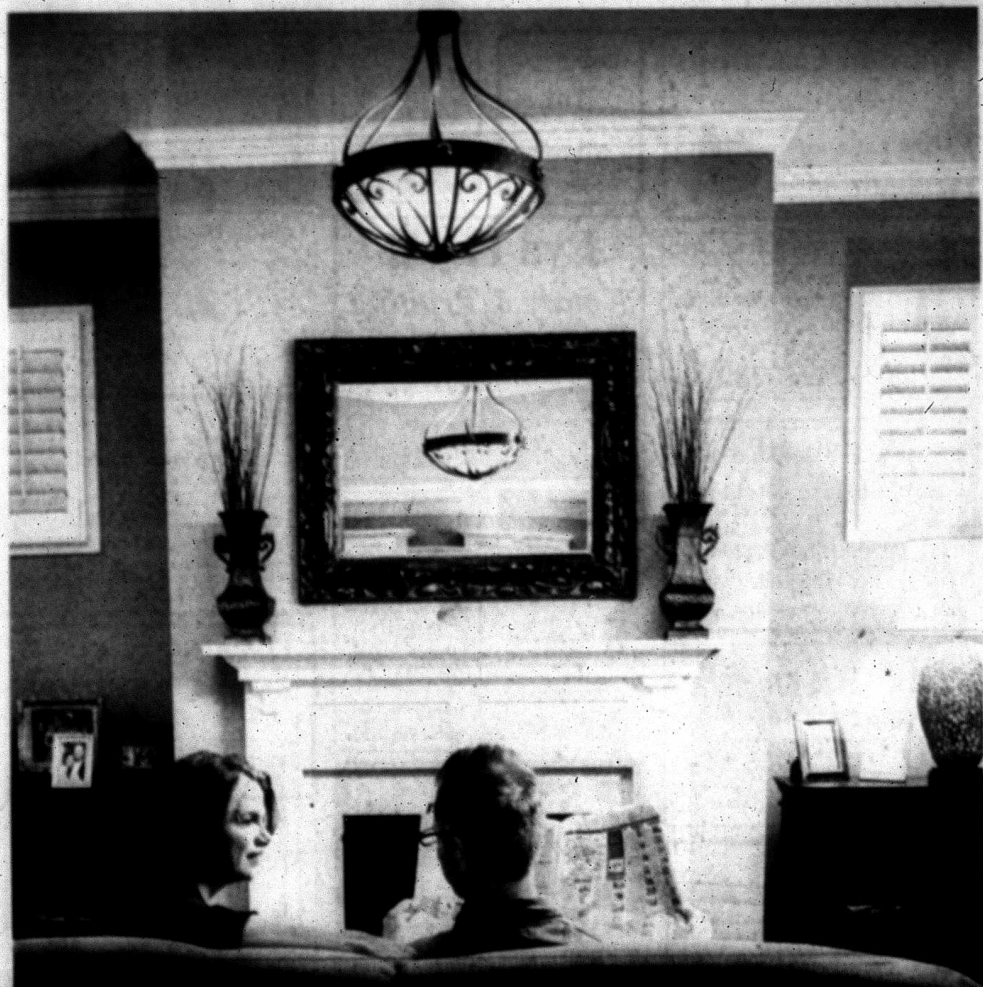
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