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Several ERWA water customers were once again closed out of the regular monthly meeting of the ERWA Board of Directors on Tuesday. Some of those who protested are shown above, from left: John Rodefer, Kristen Harper, Brian Castleberry, Jr., Dennis Clark, Steven Hill, Barbara Castleberry, Linda Craig, Elmer Whitler, Charles Phillips and Virgil Mullins. Kneeling is Diane Helms. At right, Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters, right and Deputy John Guilfoil, left, talked to Kristen Harper before the protestors left Livingston Homecoming Committee room, where Tuesday's ERWA meeting was held. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Local group ready to fight any planning and zoning

By: Richard Anderkin

A group of over 60 people showed up on Tuesday night to gather ideas, sign petitions and strongly voice their opposition to any planning and zoning in Rockcastle County.

The meeting was held at the Rockcastle County Courthouse by the newly formed group, "Concerned Citizens for Fair Government (CCFG)."

Doug Brock, a well-known professional photographer and farmer from Mareburg, chaired the meeting, during which concerns about planning and zoning were aired.

The only public official in attendance was Livingston Mayor J.C. Griffin, who did not make any comment during the meeting.

Brock passed out petitions to the group, which will be presented later to the Rockcastle Fiscal Court.

Local business owner Paul Cummins said he did not think it would be any problem to gather at least 1,000 signatures against planning and zoning and that the group should consider hiring an attorney to make sure everything they did was within the group's legal rights.

Brock said he had talked to Rockcastle County Clerk Norma Houk as to the requirements to have a verified signature on a petition. Brock said Houk told him, signees must include the date they signed the petition, legal name, address and date of birth. Brock also said it would probably be a good idea if each signer was at least 18 years of age although

it was not a requirement.

The group discussed the recently passed planning and zoning ordinance in Lincoln County and other surrounding counties.

Steve Davis, who lives at Mareburg, said one of the reasons he moved his family from Berea to Rockcastle County, was because of the stringent planning and zoning laws there.

Others said they had moved back to Rockcastle County because they did not like being told what to do with their property and many others said they were very happy with the way the laws were in Rockcastle County.

Most in attendance on Tuesday night agreed that local leaders, especially Rockcastle

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Festival in Brodhead underway

Activities at the Headwaters of the Dix River Festival in Brodhead began on Wednesday night and will continue through Saturday.

Events during the four day event include a carnival all four days, entertainment each night, beginning on Thursday and the Amazing Race and Lion's Club Horse Show on Saturday.

For more information contact Becky Bussell at city hall at 758-8635.

ERWA customers again protest closing of monthly board meeting

By: Richard Anderkin

There was another standoff between water users and President David Ballinger at the monthly meeting of the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association's board of directors on Tuesday.

As in the past, Ballinger got enough votes to close the board meeting to the public, leaving over 10 aggravated visitors standing outside the meeting room in Livingston, for a third month in a row. However, it took Rockcastle

Sheriff Mike Peters and Deputy John Guilfoil nearly 40 minutes to convince the protestors they were not allowed in the meeting and to leave peacefully.

During the standoff, Peters

phoned Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds to discuss the situation and see what could be done to resolve it.

Peters said Reynolds told

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City will get \$913,700 to finish sewer project

Jones suggests lowering pay for council, Mayor

By: Richard Anderkin

Mt. Vernon City Council member Don Jones continued to make recommendations and suggest changes to how the city's government is operated, during the council's monthly meeting on Monday.

But, as in the past, he got little or no cooperation from fellow council members or Mayor Clarice Kirby.

Jones recommended that the next Mayor of Mt. Vernon

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100 attend presentation by Development Board

The Rockcastle County Development Board presented project drawings and strategies to approximately 100 community members last Thursday, May 14th at the Teaching and Learning Center in Mt. Vernon.

The presentation was the culmination of meetings held by eight committees over the last two months, to discuss proposed future plans and projects for Rockcastle County that will comprise the revised 2009 Strategic Plan.

The original Rockcastle County Strategic Plan, which was compiled in 2002, resulted in many of the strategies being realized, such as the new vocational school, and expansion of the hospital.

"As new priorities develop, it becomes necessary to prepare for the future direction of the County," according to development board chairman Kathy Robinson.

Many projects were proposed by the committees such as playground improvements at Lake Linville, revitalization of Livingston, improvements to the Lake Linville Boat Dock area, a recreation center, community centers, canoe access to the Rockcastle River at Livingston and the new Dix

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About 100 people attended last Thursday's presentation by the eight committees of the Rockcastle Development Board, which presented proposals for the revised 2009 Strategic Plan for the county. The plan includes many proposals for the future of the county, including improvements at the marina and playground at Lake Linville, revitalization of the city of Livingston, construction of a recreation center and community center and a new city park in Brodhead. Above, Regina Crawford, talks with Roy D. Adams, a member of the Recreation Committee. At right, Bob Fields, left, and Gene Caldwell, right, talked with Jeremy Reynolds, a member of the Land Use Task Force Committee. Other committees represented at Thursday's presentation were: Community Healthcare, Education, Workforce Development, Leadership, Beautification and Tourism. The presentation was at the Rockcastle Teaching and Learning Center in Mt. Vernon.



Awards day next Tuesday Baccalaureate Sunday at 2 p.m.

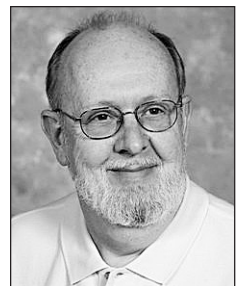
Baccalaureate, for the 2009 graduating class of Rockcastle County High School, will be held this Sunday at 2 p.m. in the new barn at the Renfro Valley Entertainment Center.

The guest speaker will be 2003 RCHS graduate Aaron Anderkin, who is the vice-chairman of the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service.

Awards day at RCHS will be next Tuesday, May 26th.

Undergraduate awards will be presented in a ceremony at 9 a.m. and senior awards will be presented that night at 6 p.m.

RCHS graduation will be held at 7 p.m. next Friday, May 29th.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

Visiting Woolworth's

Someone recently asked if I remember going to Woolworth's department store in Lexington, and the idea brought back floods of memories. My mother (Bee) had a sister who lived on Kees Road in Lexington, and we visited on a regular basis. Almost every time we stayed with Aunt Ruth, she made sure that we boarded the Lexington Transit bus system and took a ride downtown to visit Woolworth's. I simply loved it.

Aunt Ruth and Uncle Charles Brown had one daughter; her name is Janis. She is several years younger than I am but we have been lifelong friends. Janis and I always got very excited when our mothers announced, "Tomorrow we will be going to Woolworth's to do some shopping."

As soon as we entered the Main Street Woolworth store, the first thing to notice was the candy counter - filled with the best assortment of candy anyone could imagine. It was impossible for me to pass by that

section of the store.

The candy was loose, in individual containers. Bee usually allowed me to purchase one bag each of my choice of two or three kinds of sweets. I can remember selecting orange slices, chocolate-covered peanuts, malted milk balls, and jelly beans. Bee insisted that I eat only a few pieces before we had lunch and that I keep the rest until we got back to Aunt Ruth's house.

Next stop - the toy aisle. As a child, I was enamored with little cars and trucks. In my room at home, I had a box filled with Matchbox cars. When I visited Woolworth's it was essential to add to my collection.

Weeks before we arrived at Aunt Ruth's house, I saved my allowance so that I could purchase some new models. Once I found a tiny dump truck similar to the one that my father used in his job with the Rockcastle County road department. I could hardly wait to show it to him.

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Points East

By Ike Adams

When I was just a young lad back in the late fifties and very early sixties of the last century it was not unusual for an old Ford station wagon to pull up in the school yard at Blair Branch Grade School or even into the parking lot at Letcher High School. Strapped on top of the jalopy and usually wrapped in an old but well-fitted, tarpaulin was a huge bass fiddle and every child in every class room knew who had arrived. We would rise as one and excitedly point out the window as though Santa Claus had arrived in person in the broad daylight.

Sometimes the principal had been notified by postcard that they were going to stop by, but usually the Stanley Brothers arrived unannounced and Carter Stanley, fedora in hand, would knock on the door and ask if the band could come in and play for the students for a few minutes. Mountain music that thrilled our souls. Banjo, mandolin and fiddle blended with vocal harmony that made us shiver from our toes to the tops of our heads.

By comparison that would

be like Bruce Springsteen or the Backstreet Boys or Alan Jackson or name a popular band dropping into your favorite school today. On Blair Branch, when I was a grade school student, every kid knew every word to every song the Stanley Brothers had recorded along with those of Bill Monroe, Flatt and Scruggs, Mac Wiseman, Jimmy Martin and numerous other acoustic bands.

But nobody was as popular as the Stanley Brothers, particularly on Blair Branch. After all, they lived just across the bordering state and county line in Dickenson County, Virginia and they were already as world famous as we believed anybody from our hills was ever apt to be.

The school visits, and they hit ever school in the county, were a marketing ploy to get the word out that while they were playing a few songs free for us during school hours, the real action was going to be at a much larger venue on Friday or Saturday night and we should all go home and beg our parents to show up and pay fifty cents or a dollar a head to see the big performance at a nearby gymnasium or high school auditorium.

It worked. On a few occasions I can remember them playing at Blair Branch to a paying audience on Friday night because they knew we'd fill the school on short notice. My Dad used to say that Carter Stanley sang like an angel but he could sell ice to Eskimos at the North Pole on Christmas Day.

When Carter died suddenly and unexpectedly in 1966, most everybody figured the Stanley Brother's were over. The grief was widespread and had as much of an emotional impact on Blair Branch and the rest of eastern Kentucky and southwestern Virginia as the announcement of Elvis Presley's death to the larger world a decade later.

And nobody so much as suspected that soft spoken, banjo picking "Silent Ralph" would try to carry on a band that had depended so much on his

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Aldersgate is all about him, not him

As he sits down for an interview at Aldersgate Camp and Retreat Center, Lee Padgett has one request.

Make the story about Aldersgate, not him.

That's not going to be easy. For the past 20 years, the camp director's life has revolved around the 310-acre facility near Natural Bridge State Park, where the stated mission is to intentionally provide for the faith development of individuals of all ages in Christ and in Christian community within the natural beauty of God's creation.

Leaders are hopeful of greatly enhancing the mission in the near future with completion of a new \$2,000,000 lodge and dining hall that will seat 250. The current facility is licensed for only 55.

Plans are for all future funding to go toward construction of the lodge before any other improvements are made, such as the building of additional housing.

Located in the once thriving community of Fitchburg, Aldersgate occupies much of the property associated with the old Red River Iron Works.

The company operated an iron smelting furnace between 1869 and 1874, leading to a community of 2,000, complete with dozens of homes, post office, blacksmith shop and general store.

Centerpiece of the community was the Fitchburg Furnace, reputed to be the largest of its kind in the world.

The furnace remains intact and in recent months has undergone extensive renovation to protect it for years to come.

Devastated by the shutdown of the iron smelting business, the community bounced back about 1910 when oil was discovered.

Texaco and Ashland Oil Corporation produced the black gold until the mid 1970s, and oil was privately pumped until 1998.

Plans for a camp at Fitchburg began 50 years ago when a committee of the United Kentucky Conference of the

Methodist Church recommended purchase of the property.

Working in conjunction with Irvine Methodist Church under leadership of the legendary Rev. O. P. Smith, progress was made rapidly, leading to an official opening on May 24, 1964.

Art Logue was hired as full time manager and served alongside his wife Libby until 1989 when failing health led to his resignation and Padgett took over.

The position was new to the native of Texas and Arkansas, but not the camp itself.

While serving as program director at Trinity Hill Methodist Church in Lexington from 1981 to 1989, Rev. Padgett was allowed time to do maintenance and grounds keeping work at Aldersgate during his last at the church.

The facility already held a special place in his heart because it indirectly led to him meeting his future wife, Debbie, when both attended the same seminary in Nashville, Tennessee.

The Boyd County native had been brought to the seminary by Logue after spending a summer working as a staff member at Aldersgate.

Little did she know she would one day return as the wife of the new director.

Today, she is senior pastor at St. Luke United Methodist in Lexington, where the Padgetts also maintain a home in addition to one on the grounds of Aldersgate. where Lee spends most of his time.

The couple have two children, Leandra, 17, and Andrew, 14, who attend school in Lexington.

"Maintaining two homes is just one of the sacrifices we've had to make here, but they're all well worth it," says Lee.

"We used to go out riding with the kids and when we would say it was time to go home, they would usually ask 'which one,'" he says.

When time permits, Lee spends time with his family in Lexington, but says that isn't

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What High Blood Pressure Does to You

Presented by Dr. Kimberly Cornelius

For something that you can not feel, hear, smell or see, your blood pressure is a pretty important thing. It is needed to keep your blood circulating. But this is a case where more of a good thing is not always better. Up to a point, the opposite is true--the lower the blood pressure, the better.

Why should you be concerned about your blood pressure? When the pressure is too high, it does unnecessary damage to a number of organs and the blood vessels.

The heart is the first organ damaged by high blood pressure. Not only does the heart have to do the extra work of pumping the blood against increased resistance, but the arteries feeding the heart suffer damage and become obstructed. After years of being overworked, the heart begins to fail and fluid builds up in the lungs and legs from the heart failure.

The brain suffers in the form of strokes. Hypertension is the single most important cause of strokes. Also, damage to the carotid arteries in the neck cuts off circulation to the brain.

The kidneys are also damaged by high blood pressure. Then, as the kidneys begin to fail, they cause further elevation the blood pressure and greater fluid retention. This creates a vicious cycle.

Hypertension will even damage the eyes and contribute to loss of vision.

Nothing is easier than having your blood pressure checked. It is done free at many places. Remember, the first step in treating hypertension is to find out if you have it.



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Obituaries



Bessie Brooks

Bessie Brooks, 88, of Brodhead, died Thursday, May 14, 2009 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Brodhead. She was born in Jackson County on October 10, 1920 the daughter of William Thomas and Maggie Anderson Peters. She was a homemaker and a member of the Valley Baptist Church.

She is survived by: one son, Ralph Edward (Betty) Brooks of Brodhead; two daughters, Edith Marie (Elmer) Burdette of Brodhead and Lena Pauline (Wilbur) McGuire of Copper Creek; one brother, Jake Peters of Copper Creek; and three sisters, Vena Fry, Ida Shell and Edna Amiot, all of Ohio. Also surviving are nine grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by: her husband, Charles Brooks; one son, Ernest Brooks; one brother; and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 17th at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Wayne Henson and Randal Adams. Burial was in the Saylor Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Tony Agee, Carl Ray Brooks, Brian Bullock, Raymond Burdette, Tim Harrison and Todd Moudy. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Lura Lee Anglin Clark

Lura Lee Anglin Clark, 88, of Anglin Falls Road, died Monday, May 18, 2009 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was a native of Rockcastle County, and the daughter of the late John James and Dema Griffin Anglin. She was a housewife and a member of the Climax Christian Church. She was an avid seamstress, quilter and loved flowers.

She was preceded in death by the father of her children and her husband of 17 years, Ben Clark; her daughter, Angie Kay Clark; her sons, James William and Robert Lewis (Rabbitt) Clark.

She is survived by: her sons, Lloyd (Freda) Clark of Mt. Vernon, Cecil (Bert Eva) Clark of Mt. Vernon, and Kenneth (Darlene) Clark of Climax; her brother, John Amos (Betty) Anglin of Berea; 17 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; and eight great great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at the Davis & Powell Funeral Home with Bro. Jack Martin and Bro. Charlie Dean officiating. Burial followed in the Mose Anglin Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

Mrs. Clark's grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearer will be Jonas Clark. www.davisandpowellfuneralhome.com

In Loving Memory of Emory Chandler

Happy Father's Day

We are sending all our love to you in Heaven.

Love Always - Your Family

Wife Rena Chandler



Leda "Gail" Mason

Leda "Gail" Mason, 57, wife of David Mason of Pine Hill, KY, died Thursday, May 14th, 2009 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born on July 27th, 1951 in Richmond, IN, the daughter of the late Clyde Vanwinkle and Esther Fullerlove. Shel was a registered nurse who had been a 19 year employee of the Rockcastle Hospital. She was a member of the Livingston Pentecostal Church, her hobbies and interests included sewing, fishing, hunting, and she was a "people person". On December 6, 1967 she was united in holy matrimony to David Mason and from that union came three children, David Allen Mason, Christopher Dale Mason and Perry Wade Mason.

Those left to cherish her memories include: her husband of 41 years, David Mason of Pine Hill; her three sons; David Alan (Pamela) Mason of Mullins Station; Christopher Dale (Judy) Mason of Pine Hill; and Perry Wade Mason, Sr. of Pine Hill; her mother; Mrs. Esther Fullerlove of Livingston; six grandchildren, Phillip Dustin, William David, Devon Michael, Tiffany LaShay, Perry Wade, Jr., and Cassandra Gail; sister, Starleen Shandy and her significant other Darrell Sexton of St. Petersburg, FL; nieces and nephews, Erica, Matthew, Sam, Daniel, Sarah, Israel, Gabriel, and Shawn; and a host of friends and neighbors. She was preceded in death by her father, Clyde Vanwinkle.

Funeral services were conducted May 17th at Livingston Pentecostal Church with Bro. Jim Miller officiating. Burial followed in Elmwood Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.

Casketbearers were: David Alan Mason, Phillip Dustin Mason, William David Mason, Devon Michael Mason, Perry Wade Mason, Jr; and Rodney Mason.

Condolences may be made online at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Card of Thanks Patricia Rutherford

The family of Patricia Bradley Rutherford would like to thank everyone for the love and support, your prayers, calls, money, the beautiful flowers, keepsakes and kind words during the loss of our loved one.

A special thank you to Dowell & Martin Funeral Home staff, a heartfelt thank you to Bros. Chad Burdette and B.J. Bradley and all the pallbearers and also to Northside Baptist Church for the much appreciated meal following the service. God bless all of you.

The Family of Patricia Bradley Rutherford



Laura Walker Ross

Laura Walker Wertz Ross, 82, widow of Arthur Inif Ross, died Wednesday, May 13th, 2009. She was born October 18th, 1926 in Trenton, NJ, a daughter of the late Walter Wertz and Elizabeth Groves Wertz. She was of the Baptist Faith. She was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother, her hobbies and interests were collecting Angels and watching television. She was united in holy matrimony, June 15th, 1945 to Arthur Inif Ross and from that union came nine children, Betty, Johnny, Donald, Ray, Jerry, David, Freddy, Billy and Charles.

Those left to cherish her memories include: one daughter, Betty Lou Day of Brodhead; seven sons, Johnny Ross, Donald Ross, David Ross, Feddy Ross and Billy Ross, all of New Albany, IN, Ray (Betty) Ross of Crittenden, and Jerry Ross of Brodhead; 17 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; many great great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Arthur Inif Ross; one son, Charles Marvin Ross; four sisters, Catherine DaDonna, Elenore Wall, Adalaid and one infant sister; and two infant grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 15th, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. Randal Adams officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Roger Shaffer, Mickey Shaffer, Charles Day, Jr; Dallas Griffin, Joey Rodewig and Shane Hopkins

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

Christine Large

Christine Morris Large, 89, of Cincinnati, Ohio died Thursday, May 7, 2009 after a short illness.

Mrs. Large was born October 7, 1919 at Burr, the daughter of Steven and Fannie Lovell Morris.

She married Ira Large, also of Rockcastle County, in 1937 in Mt. Vernon.

Survivors include two sons, Reynold Steven and Carl David Large, both of Cincinnati; a brother, James A. (Jo Ann) Morris of Lexington; nine grandchildren and five great great grandchildren.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, a son, three sisters and one brother.

Burial was in Arlington Cemetery, Mt. Healthy, Ohio.

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Cemetery Notices

Pine Hill Cemetery

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

Johnetta Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of Johnetta Cemetery should be sent to Harold Ballinger, 5777 Three Links Road, McKee, Ky. 40447.

Livesay Cemetery

Donations are needed for upkeep and mowing of the Livesay Cemetery. All donations should be sent to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Mareburg Cemetery

Please send donations for the mowing and upkeep of Mareburg Cemetery to: Gloria Seals, 5394 Brindle Ridge Rd., Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Oak Hill Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for upkeep of Oak Hill Cemetery. Anyone wishing to help should mail donations to Oak Hill Cemetery, c/o Bill Lear, 60 Hope Drive, Orlando, Ky. 40460 or donations will be accepted at the cemetery May 23-25. Thanks to everyone for your support, it doesn't go unnoticed.

Negro Creek Cemetery

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

The trust fund for the cemetery has been paying for all mowing since 2002 so donations are badly needed. All gifts are tax-deductible.

Briarfield Cemetery

A potluck dinner will be served at the Briarfield Cemetery shelter on Sunday, May 24th at 1:30 p.m.

Bring a covered dish and plan to spend the afternoon visiting with friends and relatives.

Donations will be accepted for the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery during the holiday weekend.

If you are unable to attend for the potluck or decoration, you can mail your donations to the caretaker: Roger Ely, 2148 Big Cave Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

High Dry Cemetery

Donations are needed for the upkeep and mowing of the High Dry Cemetery. Anyone wishing to help may do so by sending donations to: Jonett Phelps, 91 Old Somerset Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

McKinney Cemetery

The McKinney Cemetery's annual potluck dinner will be held Sunday, May 24th at approximately 1 p.m., followed by the annual meeting. The event will take place at the cemetery shelter. Everyone is invited to come, bring a covered dish and visit with family and

friends.

This year, two positions will be open for office on the board. Everyone with an interest in the cemetery is eligible to vote.

If you are unable to attend decoration or potluck, you can still make a donation to the: McKinney Cemetery Committee, P.O. Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Please indicate how you would like your donation to be used.

Maret Cemetery

The Maret Cemetery Annual Business Meeting will be held Saturday, May 23rd at noon. Donations for upkeep of cemetery will be accepted at the cemetery or may be mailed to: Jack Dailey, 11 Sunset Ridge Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Red Hill Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing and upkeep of Red Hill Community Cemetery to Clifton Bond, P.O. Box 242, Livingston, Ky. 40445 or call 606-256-1374 or Dell Ponder, P.O. Box 238, Livingston, Ky. 40445 or call 606-453-4341.

Phelps Cemetery

Any donations for the upkeep of Phelps Cemetery may be sent to Everett Renner, c/o Phelps Cemetery, 712 Steep Hollow Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. All is appreciated.

Morning View

Donations needed for upkeep of Morning View Cemetery. Send donations to Murphy Martin, 194 Plantation Lane, Livingston, Ky. 40445.

Roberts Cemetery

"Old Freedom"

Donations are needed for upkeep of the Roberts Cemetery. Please send to John D. Cromer, 1240 Bowling Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409. You may also send donations to: Community Trust Bank, 120 East Main St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

The account balance as of 3-31-08 was \$272.68.

We mowed two times and picked up tree limbs this year with labor of \$240 and cash in the account now of \$32.68.

Please help us if you are able to.

Maple Grove Cemetery

Donations are needed to upkeep of Maple Grove Cemetery and Flat Rock Cemetery. Anyone that wants to give can mail donations to: Andy Miller, 1167 Maple Grove Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460 or give on Memorial Day Week end at the cemetery. Mr. Miller will be there all day Saturday and Sunday.

There will be a dinner on Sunday. Bring a covered dish and stay all day. Lunch will be around 1 p.m.

Bryant-Bullock

If you are interested in the upkeep and mowing of the Bullock-Bryant Family Cemetery at Cove Branch, please send donations to: Sandra Bullock Miller, P.O. Box 3095, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 or Deanna Bullock, 260 Halcomb East Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Notice

Due to carnival setting up for Dix River Festival - all parking lots from Earl's across from Citizens Bank and old service station on East side 150 will be closed to parking from May 17th through May 24th.



A wellness event for Rockcastle County Men

HEALTHY JOE EXPO 2009

June 18
6:30 pm
Rockcastle County Middle School

- ◆ Free health checks!
- ◆ Free hat and lots more giveaways!
- ◆ Free boxed dinner!
- ◆ More than \$600 in door prizes!
- ◆ No long speeches—we promise!

Come ready to walk or run, eat healthy, learn and have fun!

To register or for more information contact Josh Bray at 256-0950 or jbray@soahec.org.



The Rockcastle Rescue Squad has received a new John Deere Gator. The 4X2 Gator is equipped with a Med Bed and a trailer and was purchased with a coal severance grant, in the amount of \$13,827, applied for by the Rockcastle Fiscal Court several months ago. The Gator is configured for a driver and two jump seats for EMTs/Paramedics with a stokes basket so injuries to the victims can be treated while they are being transported to a nearby ambulance or helicopter. The Gator will be used in all emergency situations where a victim is in a remote area, such as an ATV, horseback riding, logging accidents, or any large gathering such as fairs, fireworks shows, festivals, and any other situation that it will be needed. It will be housed and manned by the Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue. CSEPP Director Hal Holbrook wrote the application to obtain the grant money.



Two people were seriously injured and another escaped injury in a three car crash on I-75 Thursday morning around 10 o'clock. According to Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters, the accident happened when a 2005 Chevy Tahoe, driven Debra Hacker, 47, of London, shown below, crossed the median from the northbound lane, around the 63 milemarker, and struck two vehicles traveling south. Hacker first hit the '99 Honda Passport shown above, before colliding with a service truck, being driven by an Indiana man. Above, Gary Prewitt talks with Keith Jarboe, 43, before he was removed the vehicle and transported to the Rockcastle Hospital by EMTs Dennis Stewart and Matt Carter. Hacker was also transferred for treatment, but Robert Pate, the driver of the service truck was not injured. Traffic on I-75 was backed up for about six miles because of the wreck Peters said that all three drivers were wearing seatbelts. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Tax credits available for home energy improvements

Family and Consumer Sciences

Hazel Jackson

Rockcastle County Extension Office



Spring is a great time to begin home improvement projects. If you have been planning to improve your home's energy efficiency, this year could be a good time to do it. Not only can these improvements benefit the environment and your wallet through cost and energy savings, but many state and federal tax credits are available to individuals who make energy efficiency improvements to their homes this year. These tax credits would apply to your 2009 tax return due next year.

The federal energy efficiency improvement tax credits are a part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Tax credits are available for improvements made to existing residences and installation of energy-saving products into new homes. The amount of

credit varies depending on the type of energy improvement that was made to the home.

Some of the existing home improvements that qualify for the federal tax credit include the installation of storm windows, storm doors, insulation, central air conditioning and solar water heating. If you are building a new home, you can get tax credits for installing geothermal heat pumps, solar water heaters, small wind systems and fuel cells. It's important to note that unlike existing homeowners, new homeowners cannot receive tax credits for the installation of products such as windows, doors, insulations, roofs, HVAC or non-solar water heaters.

To qualify for the federal tax credit, the home you are improving must be your primary

residence. Only energy improvements installed and in working condition between Jan. 1, 2009 and Dec. 31, 2010 are eligible for the tax credit.

Some energy efficiency improvements are eligible for tax credit on state taxes. The Kentucky Legislature passed the tax credits during the 2008 Legislative Session. Eligible energy improvements must be made between Dec. 31, 2008 and Jan 1, 2016. You can only receive the tax credit for the tax year in which the energy improvement was made. For example, if you made an energy efficiency improvement this year, you could only claim the tax credit on your 2009 taxes, due next April. Only homes located in Kentucky qualify for the credit.

In both cases, you will need to keep copies of your receipts, invoices, installation contracts, and manufacturer's certification statement showing the product qualifies for the tax credit. You do not have to sub-

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ABSOLUTE ESTATE Auction

of the late Mrs. Irene Dillingham's Properties

Saturday, May 23, 2009 at 11:30 a.m.

Auction 1: 40 Acres more or less in Tracts

Hwy. 618, Brodhead, Ky.

Auction 2: 51 Acres more or less as a Whole

Hwy. 1329, near Rockcastle River, Livingston

(Auction will take place at the Hwy. 618 location)

Location: Auction #1- From Mt. Vernon, follow Hwy 150 to Hwy 70. Turn left onto Hwy 70 and proceed to Hwy 618. Turn right onto Hwy 618 (beside Marathon) and proceed 1.1 miles to the auction site. Watch for auction signs. Auction#2- From Mt. Vernon follow Hwy 25 South to the Rockcastle River. Turn right onto Hwy 1329 and proceed 4.8 miles to old dirt road on the right. Watch for auction signs at dirt road. The dirt road runs up to the property. No road frontage.

Auction # 1: 40 Acres more or less



Tract 1: Consists of 34.901 acres with 198.52 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy 618. This tract is mostly cleared with some woods. There is a creek located on the west side of the property. The survey line runs with center of creek. City water is available.

Tract 2: Consists of 1.254 acres with 200.38 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy 618. This tract would make an ideal building site. City water is available.

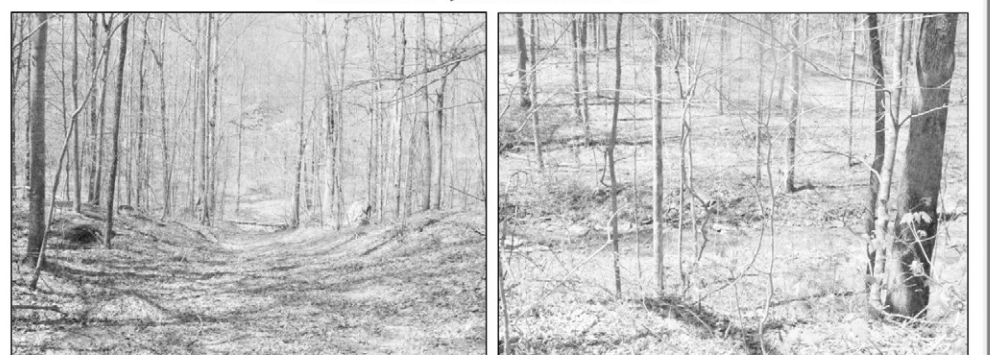
Tract 3: Consists of 1.17 acres with 200.91 feet of road frontage along Hwy 618. This tract would also make an ideal building site. City water is available.

Tract 4: Consists of 0.992 acres with 201.40 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy 618. This tract would also make an ideal building site. City water is available.

Tract 5: Consists of 0.947 acres with 222.96 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy 618. Another great building site! City water is available.

Tract 6: Consists of 1.687 acres with 169.37 feet of blacktop road frontage along Hwy 618. This tract is yet another great building site with the west property line running to the center of the creek. City water is available.

Auction # 2: 51 Acres more or less



This tract is mostly wooded and contains 51.24 acres more or less by deed. A portion of this property joins the United States Forestry Service. There is a creek that runs through the property. This tract is within walking distance to the Rockcastle River. This auction will be selling from Auction # 1's location.

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Singing
There will be a special singing at Scaffold Cane Baptist Church on Sat., May 30th at 6 p.m.

Pastor Chris Cobb and congregation invite everyone to come.

Revival
Union Chapel Pentecostal Church will be in revival May 24-28 at 7 o'clock each night.

Bill Bryant will be the evangelist.

Pastor Ralph Reynolds and congregation invite everyone to attend.

The church is located on Hwy. 1505, 3 miles east of Brodhead.

VBS at Brindle Ridge
Brindle Ridge Baptist Church will be having Vacation Bible School June 1-5, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. each night. For more information, or transportation, call 606-256-9204.

Gospel Singing
The Easter Brothers will be singing Sat., May 23 at 7 p.m. at Lighthouse Baptist Church, 1371 Gabbardtown Road, Berea. For more info, 859-302-3242 or 859-986-4806.

Gospel Singing
There will be a gospel singing, to benefit the Scaffold Cane Cemetery Association, on Sunday, May 24, after church, under the shelter at the cemetery.

Bring a lawn chair and covered dish.

An encouraging word:

An Unpayable Debt

By Howard Coop



Monday, May 25, is a special day in this great land of ours. By an act of Congress, it has been designated as Memorial Day, a day set aside as a time to pause and remember those, no longer with us, who faithfully served their country in times of need.

As a way to observe this special day, people, as many have been done since 1868, will visit cemeteries "for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves" of their loved ones.

Following a parade along a route decorated with flags, others will gather in groups, large and small, at appropriate places within cemeteries to participate in public programs designed to pay tribute to those whose graves have been marked with small American flags for the special occasion. The people gathered in those groups will listen attentively to patriotic music and stirring oratorical flourishes by prominent citizens. Those delivering those orations will solemnly remind those listening of the heroic

and sacrificial service those resting in the marked graves rendered to their country. Also, those listening will be poignantly told that all of us who are fortunate to live in the "land of the free and the home of the brave" are deeply indebted to those who sacrificed so much to preserve, at all cost, the freedom that we cherish so dearly; therefore the debt we owe to them is a debt that will forever be unpayable.

There, in the tranquility of those hallowed places with small flags marking graves on all sides and waving in the May breeze, it is not difficult to comprehend the tremendous cost of our freedom. Family members, friends, neighbors, and many unknown to us made a terrific sacrifice, with some making the supreme sacrifice, when called upon to serve their country. That sacrifice is the cost of freedom. Memorial Day is a special observance that helps us to remember and appreciate the precious heritage that is ours.

Upcoming Reunions

Allen Reunion

The Allen Reunion will be held Saturday, May 23rd at noon at Northside Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Mt. Vernon (follow signs from Exit 62 off I-75). Bring a covered dish.

Alexander Reunion

The Annual Alexander Reunion will be held May 24, 2009 at the Rockcastle Middle School Cafeteria.

All family and friends of the late Alford Alexander are invited to attend.

Lunch will be served around 1 p.m. Bring you family, a covered dish and come enjoy the fellowship.

Be A Mason for A Day

The 7th Annual Mason Day Family Reunion will be held all day Saturday, May 23, 2009 at Flat Rock Baptist Church Fellowship Center on Maple Grove Road, off Big Cave Road (Hwy. 1004), Orlando.

Kirby Reunion

The Kirby Friends and Family annual pig roast and reunion will be held Sunday, May 24th at the home of Patty Richards, 1119 Three Links Road. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m.

Everyone please come and bring a covered dish and enjoy the day.

For more info, call Patty Richards at 606-453-2400, Vicky Hellard at 606-843-6863 or Audrey Hamm at 758-4927.

Mullins Reunion

The Mullins Family Reunion will be held May 23rd at the Great Saltpetre Cave shelter house.

There will be live gospel music. Bring a covered dish, old pictures and lots of memories and enjoy the day.

For more information, call Lyla Bell Mullins Powell at 606-453-9410.

Barnes, Barron, McFerron Reunion

The Barnes, Barron, McFerron Reunion will be held Sat., June 6th at Quail Community Park. All family and friends are welcome. Bring a dish and enjoy the day. Lunch will be served around noon.

Cromer Reunion

The Delbert Cromer Family Reunion will be held Sat., June 6th at the home of Carolyn Isaacs at Conway. Bring a covered dish. Call 256-2324 if you need directions. The reunion will begin at 1 p.m. Come join us for fun, food and family.

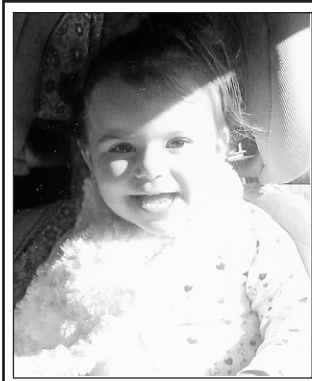
Berry/Ramsey Reunion

The Berry/Ramsey Family Reunion will be held Sunday, May 24th, beginning at 1 p.m. at the park on Clear Creek.

Thacker Reunion

The Thacker Family Reunion will be held Sat., June 6th from noon to ? at Roundstone Baptist Church's shelter. Bring a covered dish. Everyone welcome.

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Happy 3rd Birthday, Gensee on May 26th. We love you very much, Mom and Dad



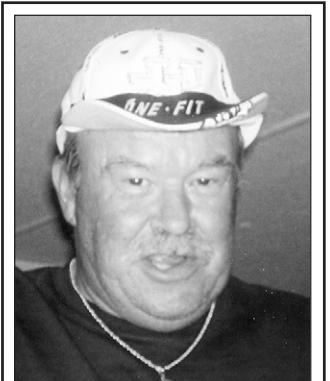
Happy Birthday, Madison "Our Little Angel" We love you, Mamaw and Papaw



Jamie, It seems like only yesterday, you turned into a teenager. How time flies!! On May 23rd, you'll hit the Big 30!!



This is 18



Hey, Hey, Shake-n-Bake Cause now you've turned 48! You can't win every time. This time next year you'll be 49!! Happy Birthday, Donnie From the "Champs"



Happy 6th Birthday Madison McIntosh From Casey (K-K), your little sister, Jaycee and Daddy



Happy Birthday, Mom Love You, Stephanie and Gensee

Guess who turned 80 years old May 20th. She's a former resident of Rockcastle County and has two children and four grandchildren.

Happy Birthday, Bon Ami From the kids, grandchildren and Dennis



Ha!Ha!

Gospel Singing to Benefit Scaffold Cane Cemetery Association Sunday, May 24th
After Church under Shelter at Cemetery Bring Lawn Chair & Covered Dish

"What Is Written"

Communication is indeed one of the most important, if not the most important principle for a good marriage! Peter touched on this principle in 1 Peter 3:7, "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered." The NAS translates the phrase: "You husbands likewise, live with your wives in an understanding way." Notice Peter says that husbands have the responsibility to dwell with their wives, or to live with them. A man says, "I do live with my wife, we live under the same roof, we eat at the same table, we share the same bathroom, we sleep in the same bed." Yes, we can and should do all of those things, but we could still utterly fail to do what Peter exhorts us to do. We are to dwell with them according to knowledge. This beloved, demands that we must communicate with them. There is no way under the sun that you can share knowledge between a husband and a wife without communication! Knowledge is not shared between two people by mental telepathy, or by osmosis (that it is absorbed through the skin), or by assumption. Knowledge must be communicated between two people. Communication involves the willingness to speak, but also the willingness to listen. When men and women work on this very fundamental principle of the marriage relationship, it will only be productive for good. It will head off a lot of problems, that stem from a lack of communication. Husbands, live with your wife.

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



"It was almost like growing up in Mayberry," recalled Sammy Ford, fondly, as he remembered growing up in Mount Vernon in the 1950s. His parents, Robert and Dicie Carter-Ford, after World War II, found it necessary to move to Lockland, Ohio. So many in this area had to move North to find work during that era. They stayed there only two or three years, and moved back home to Mount Vernon.

Upon moving back, in about 1947 or '48, they opened a restaurant, the Ford Cafe, located where the Hysinger Carpet building stands today on Highway 150. Across the street was a stockyard and a mill for grinding corn and such by hand. They closed in the early 1950s.

Sammy's mother did the cooking at the restaurant, and his dad ran it. The restaurant was thriving for the time, as it was the age when Renfro Valley was at its peak, Highway 25 and 150 were going through, and Mount Vernon was prospering. The cafe was the favorite of truck drivers who hauled coal out of Eastern Kentucky. The restaurant closed in about 1951 or '52. Later, they opened up a restaurant on Main Street, where the Teacup Cafe is now located. Between owning the restaurants, for a period of time, Robert Ford worked in Richmond at the Bluegrass Army Depot for about three years.

Next door to the Ford Cafe on Main Street was Jess Cummins' grocery, and Clyde Barnett's grocery was located on down the street. Lance Dillingham owned a grocery over on Richmond Street, between the big, white St. Clair house on the corner, and Highway 150 on up the street, at the top of the hill. Because Mount Vernon was thriving, it could support a number of grocery stores, cafes, hotels, and other businesses downtown.

Other restaurants downtown were The Ideal, owned by Conrad Parrett. It was near the theater, that was owned by Mary Knight. There was Hart's Cafe, which was owned by Julie Hart, and Easter's Cafe, which was owned by Easter Landrum across the railroad tracks near the depot.



Happy 2nd Anniversary Baby
I love you with all my heart!
May 25th

The Greyhound bus station brought travelers through the growing town. It was located on Main Street. Travelers did not have to look very far for a good hotel. The Mount Vernon Hotel was run by Hobe Griffin, who also had a taxi stand there. This hotel's rooms were above the present-day Teacup Cafe, and of course, the lobby was located downstairs. On down Main Street, on the corner, was the Rockcastle Hotel, run by Lewis Miller. It housed an optometrist's office and a barber shop, as well as the lobby. Next door was the post office.

Sammy's first job was sweeping and tidying up about the Boston store when he was about ten or eleven years old. It was co-owned by two Jewish families: the Millers and the Mylins. Four of the Mylin family were killed in a car wreck in the Pine Hill area. Later, Harold Mylin moved to Danville, and started a chain of stores: the Cinderella Shops.

There were two barber shops in town. Lonnie Durham had a shop, evidently located inside the Rockcastle Hotel, and J. L. McHargue's, who had a shop in a streetcar on a lot next to Dr. Griffith's office. There was a Chevrolet Garage, owned by Fred Baker, past Cox's Hardware. There was a Hilton's dime store on the corner.

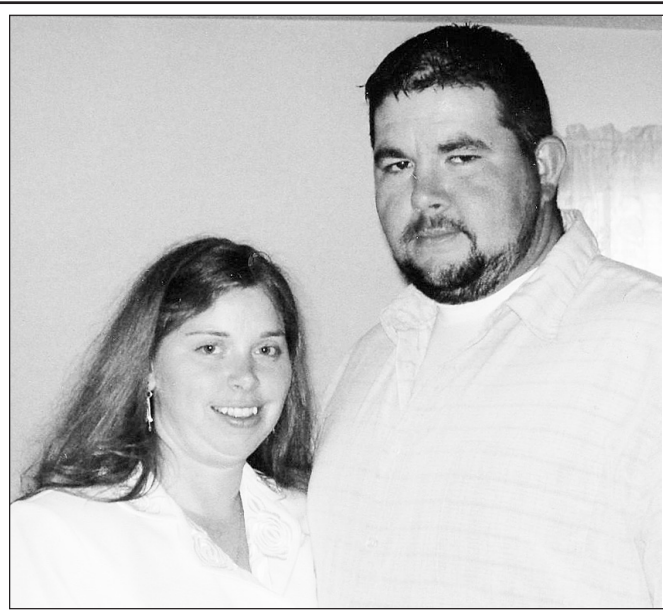
As much of a fixture as anything else along Main Street and here and there around town, was Jack Fish. He was a peddler, and was known to make photographs of the town and its citizens, evidently for a fee.

Then there was Bill "Hully", as he was known; he was Bill Southard, in reality. He shined shoes in front of the Boston store and the streetcar barber shop. He usually wore a suit, or at least a shirt and tie, and had a speech impairment.

Clifford Pittman was the police chief for a time during the 1950s. He had a beautiful palomino horse, and would let Sammy ride it occasionally as he was taking the horse to Spout Springs for a drink of water.

These are a few of the memories of Sammy Ford, and why he remembers Mount Vernon, as fondly as he would Mayberry; a good place to live, where times were simple, and life was a pleasure. Next week, we'll continue to look at life in Mount Vernon through the eyes of Sammy Ford and hear about some of Sammy's favorite stories, including the time John Dillinger came to town, and explore a bit of family history. (Remember, I'm always looking for a bit of Rockcastle history.)

If you have a story to tell, and all of us do, please contact me through the Mount Vernon Signal, or therootsofrockcastle@windstream.net



Michelle Taylor and Josh Martin

Miss Taylor to wed Mr. Martin

Garry and Janet Taylor, of Crab Orchard, would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Michelle Marie, to Joshua Paul Martin, son of Jill Martin of Willailla.

Miss Taylor is the granddaughter of Ruby Reynolds and the late Kenneth Reynolds and the late Delmus and Nadeene Taylor, all of Crab Orchard.

A 1999 graduate of Pulaski County High School, Miss Taylor is also a 2001 graduate of Somerset Technical College and is currently attending Somerset Community College, pursuing an Associates of Arts degree in Elementary Education. She is employed full time at Lake Cumberland Medical Associates in Somerset.

Mr. Martin, the grandson of Brownie and Carol Martin of Willailla, is a 1999 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and a 2007 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a bachelor's degree in Special Education.

He currently teaches full-time at Rockcastle County High School where he also coaches football and softball.

The couple will be joined in marriage at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, 2009 at Fairview Church of Christ in Willailla. All friends and family are invited to attend.

A reception will follow at the groom's home, also in Willailla.

BHS Class of 1959 Reunion

Submitted

On Saturday, April 11, 2009, the 1959 graduating class of Brodhead High School met for their 50th Class Reunion.

There were 56 graduates, six of whom are now deceased, and 24 were in attendance at the reunion. It was a great reunion and, sadly, one of the men in attendance, James Houston, has since died.

Those in attendance were: Carl Blevins and wife, Sharon; Vanous Brown; Carol Bullock Martin; Roberta Bullock McClure and husband, James; Mable Caldwell Cash; Betty Chaney Blanton; Charles Daugherty and wife, Hetty; Katherine Harris Bradley and husband, Frank; Larry Harris and wife, Judy; Leroy Houk and wife, Loma; James Houston and wife, Viola; Ronald Laswell and wife, Joyce; Shirley Catherine Meece Thompson; Barbara McNew Thacker and Cledith; Shirley Nichols Rosinski and husband, Wally; Louanna Norton Purcell and husband, Don; Estill Owens and wife, Betty; Buford Parkerson and wife, Nancy;

Loretta Parr; Max Saylor; Gervis Singleton; Kenneth Stevens and wife, Mary; Linda Sutton Chaney and husband, Bennie and Glee Vance Crowder.

We hope to see all of you, plus others, in ten years.



Members of the Brodhead High School Class of 1959 were among the classes honored at the Brodhead Alumni Banquet held earlier this year. 24 of the 56 graduates were on hand for the festivities. Members of the class present were, front row, from left: Louanna Norton Purcell, Ronald Mason Laswell, Jimmy Houston, Katherine Harris Bradley, Barbara McNew Thacker, Carol Bullock Martin, Katherine Meece Thompson and Glee Vance Crowder. Second row: Vanous Brown, Carl Blevins, Loretta Payne Parr, Shirley Nichols Rosenski, Betty Chaney Blanton, Roberta Bullock McClure, Linda Sutton Chaney, Gervis Singleton and Mable Caldwell Cash. Back row: Buford Parkerson, Charles Daugherty, Kenneth Stevens, Estill Owens, Max Saylor and Leroy Houk.

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Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

USDA Sets Date for Soybean Request for Referendum

The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced that it will offer soybean producers the opportunity to request a referendum on the Soybean Promotion and Research Order (Order), as authorized under the Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act (Act).

The act requires the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a Request for Referendum every 5 years after the initial referendum, which was conducted in 1994. The last Request for

Referendum was conducted in 2004. Soybean producers who are interested in having a referendum to determine whether to continue the soybean check-off program are invited to participate.

The Request for Referendum will be conducted at USDA's county Farm Service Agency offices. To be eligible to participate, producers must certify and provide documentation that shows that they produced soybeans and paid an assessment on the soybeans during the period of Jan. 1, 2007, through Dec. 31, 2008.

Beginning May 4, 2009, and continuing through May 29, 2009, producers may obtain a form by mail, fax, or in person from the Farm Service Agency county offices. Forms may also be obtained via the internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsmarketingprograms> during the same time period. Individual producers and other producer entities may request a referendum at the county FSA office where their administrative farm records are maintained. For the producer not participating in FSA programs, the opportunity to request a referendum will be provided at the county FSA office where the producer owns or rents land. Completed forms and supporting documentation must be returned to the appropriate county FSA office by fax or in person no later than close of business May 29, 2009; or if returned by mail, must be post-marked by midnight May 29, 2009, and received in the county FSA office by close of business on June 5, 2009.

"Tax"

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mit these with your 2009 tax forms, but you should keep them for your records.

Those of you who are planning to claim the tax credit on your 2009 federal taxes will need to complete IRS Tax Form 5695. This form will be available late this year or early 2010.

To find additional information about these federal tax credits, do an online search for "energy tax credits." There are several good Web sites on this topic, including <http://www.energystar.gov> and <http://www.dsire.org>.

More financial resource information is available through the Rockcastle County Cooperative Extension Service at 256-2403.

Educational programs of the Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

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- '03 Ford X-Cab, 3,600 Miles, \$6,900



David Jury and Fred Brashear (board members) playing with John Michael Montgomery and Donnie Helton.

Board members and sponsors recognized during golf scramble

The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame would like to recognize all the board members that participated and helped with the 3rd Annual Hall of Fame Golf Scramble. Roy Martin and Jeff Vanhook (not pictured) also participated during the event at the clubhouse.

The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame would also like to thank all the sponsors that helped the event be such a success: Dairy Queen of Richmond and Berea (Billy Rose); Rockcastle Hospital; Citizens Bank; Community Trust Bank; Jeff and Lisa Smithern; Zaxby's of Richmond; Ford Brothers Realty; King Tax Service; Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce; Craft, Noble Inc; William D. Reynolds, Rockcastle County Kiwanis Club; Geraldine Upton; London Insurance Agency; Hyden Citizens Bank; Prudential Don Foster Realtors; Coy, Gilbert & Gilbert Law Office; Senator Ed Worley; and Renfro Valley Entertainment Center.

The 4th Annual Golf Scramble is set for April 27th, 2010 at Gibson Bay Golf Course. For more information please call (606) 256-1000.



Katy Stephenson (board member) playing with Jan Barnes, Sharon Eden and Missy Smith.



Kim Owens (board member) playing with husband, Jerry Owens and Anthony Park.



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Resolution 5-1109 City of Brodhead

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRODHEAD, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND, UPON APPROVAL, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY (KOHS), TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY KOHS TO FACILITATE AND ADMINISTER THE PROJECT AND TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Brodhead, Kentucky desires to make an application for United State Department of Homeland Security funds for a project to be administered by Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that an application for and approval of Kentucky office of Homeland Security funds impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the city;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved this 11th day of May, 2009, by the City of Brodhead, Kentucky.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and furnish all required documentation, including a memorandum of agreement, as may be required by KOHS for the furtherance of the above-referenced project and to act as the authorized correspondent for said project.

Done this 11th day of May, 2009
on a motion made by Commissioner Ronnie Cash
and seconded by Commissioner Charles Cash

/s/ Walter Lee Cash, Mayor
/s/ Rebecca Bussell, Clerk

"Ag News"

(Cont. from A8)

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Rural Development

The Rural Development Representative with concern to low income housing loans will be in Rockcastle County at the Rockcastle FSA office the fourth Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Office closure

The Rockcastle County Service Center, FSA and NRCS Offices, will be closed Monday, May 25, 2009 in observance of Memorial Day. Offices will re-

open on Tuesday.

May 26, 2009 during normal business hours 7:30 AM-5:00PM.

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Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



RCHS senior Spencer Mullins has a grade point average of 3.92 and is tied for seventh of the 207 seniors in the 2009 graduating class at RCHS. Mullins is the son of Kevin Mullins and Tasha Brown of Mt. Vernon and plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University in the Fall, where he is considering majoring in education. Mullins played basketball at RCHS for four years and was named to the 47th district all-tournament team this season. While at RCHS, Mullins has tutored 5th grade students at Mt. Vernon Elementary School, through a project in the College History Class he is now taking. Mullins is also a member of the Rocket Club, UNITE Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Minds in the Middle

This Friday will be field day for our students. We will be having a rock climbing wall and various other activities for the students in celebration of their efforts this year.

Operation Unite is still taking applications for their Unite summer camp. The camp will be held in Williamsburg beginning July 28th. The camp is free and transportation to Williamsburg will be provided.

Our 8th grade promotion ceremony will be next Friday, May 29th at 9:00. The sixth grade awards program will be on Wednesday morning and the 7th grade awards will be given on Thursday morning.

We greatly enjoyed our visits from the 5th graders. We hope that each of them and their parents can join us Thursday evening at 6:00 for Movin' to the Middle.

The RCMS Band and Choir will perform for us next Tuesday at 9:00.

Congratulations to the Enterprisers team on having 100% attendance last Thursday. We are also proud of Mrs. Tracy's 6th grade Voyagers homeroom on winning the attendance race for last week.

7th and 8th grade try-outs for girls' basketball will be next week May 26th and 27th from 3:00 to 4:30.

School will dismiss on Friday, May 29th at 1:20 p.m. Remember that school will not be in session for students on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th.



Lauren R. Worley graduated from the University of Kentucky on May 9th with a Bachelor degree in Business Administration in Marketing and a minor in Political Science. She will be entering law school in the Fall. Lauren is the daughter of Ed and Jamie Mullins Worley of Richmond and the granddaughter of James and Thelma Mullins of Mt. Vernon and Geneva Worley of Belfrey.



Nearly 50 attended the 5th annual Spaghetti Supper and Pie Auction on May 7 at the Renfro Valley Red Barn. Over \$1900 was raised for Relay for Life. Pictured are James Miller and Teresa Vanzant paying for their auction purchases. Special thanks to our community partners who helped make this annual event a success.

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Kayla Marie Cameron, a senior at Rockcastle County High School, received Eastern Kentucky University's Regional Scholarship for Academic Achievement. Kayla will be attending EKU in the fall where she will pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing. Kayla is the daughter of Mike and Debbie Cameron and the granddaughter of Estill and Marie Kirby and Earl Cameron and the late Pat Cameron.



Tricia Beth Laswell graduated from Somerset Community College on Friday, May 8th, during SCC's graduation commencement and pinning ceremony at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset. Tricia Beth graduated with an Associate Degree in Nursing and an Associate Degree in Arts. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honors. Tricia Beth is the daughter of Jeff and Debbie Laswell of Ottawa and a 2004 graduate of RCHS.

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If you would like to start a team and join the fight against cancer, call Melissa Brock at 256-7703 for more information.

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



New Flagpole In Providence Cemetery

A new flag pole was recently erected at Providence Cemetery, thanks to many local donations. The lot for the flag pole was donated by the family of Preston and Alene Parret, the pole was donated by Rockcastle Hospital and the flag was donated by Ed and Cinda Mink. Thanks to the following for their work in helping to prepare and install the flag pole: Gatliff Craig, Billy Long, Sherman Cook, Pat Craig, Benny Craig, Clinton Thompson and Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

“Festival”

(Cont. from front)

River Park in the city limits of Brodhead.

The renderings are on display in the 3rd floor conference room of the courthouse for public inspection.

The Development Board applied for and received a \$10,000 ARC grant to cover the cost of preparing and printing the update. The final document will be completed by the end of June.

“Meeting”

(Cont. from front)

Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis and the five magistrates, should be made aware of their total opposition to any type of planning and zoning.

“I think we ought to tell our magistrates that if they vote for planning and zoning we are going to vote against them,” said Carl Caldwell. “I know I’m going to tell mine,” he added.

Former business owner Gary Miracle said he also thought that elected officials would pay more attention to a large block of concerned citizens who were eligible voters.

The group also agreed that a full page advertisement in the *Signal*, to attract more people opposed to planning and zoning, might be needed before the next meeting.

Landowner Steven Collins said he would help construct a website for CCFG to also attract more members to the group.

Brock said he hoped that the group would have an immediate impact on elected officials and stop planning and zoning in its earliest stages.

The group scheduled another meeting for Tuesday, June 16th at 6 p.m., also on the third floor of the courthouse.

Brock encouraged everyone who could, to attend the next meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court, which is on Tuesday, June 9th at 1 p.m.

“Jones”

(Cont. from front)

make only \$12,000 a year and that the pay for city council members be cut out completely.

Jones said the money saved, by cutting the pay of both the Mayor and council members, could be used to pay for state training for council members, pay a city attorney and possibly give the city fire chief and asst. chief some type of financial compensation.

Jones said he thought there were plenty of retired people in the city who were capable and would be willing to do the Mayor’s job for the \$12,000 a year.

Currently the Mayor makes \$3,000 a month, plus expenses and health insurance. Council members make \$26.25 per month.

There was no comments from the Mayor or the council on Jones’ recommendations, except for council member Wayne Bullock, who said he had been on the council a long time and they did not have to “have any training.”

At one point during Jones’ comments to the council, Bullock interrupted several times

and Jones asked the Mayor to stop his interruptions. The Mayor took no action after Bullock quieted down.

Jones also asked the Mayor if she had completed any plans for the future skateboard park on land purchased from Perry Mink, which adjoins the city park on Williams Street.

Kirby said she was looking into obtaining grants for the project, but that nothing was complete at this time.

The city paid Mink \$185,000 for the property a few months ago, but his business, Perry’s Auto Body has not yet been relocated.

Jones also again said he thought it was illegal for the city to amend the budget only once a year and he also questioned allowing the Mayor to spend any money without prior council approval.

The Mayor pointed out that, by law, she can spend up to \$20,000 without council approval and that it would be very time consuming for the council to meet every “three or four days” to approve small expenditures for the city. The Mayor also told the council that she had never spent as much as \$20,000 without their approval and that all payments were reviewed by the council each month.

Then Jones said the city’s no-smoking policy, which was passed last month, was not being enforced and needed to be. He said it was a matter of “life or death.”

Jones said the Mayor should be the one to enforce the no-smoking policy in city hall, but the Mayor said it would be difficult because there were no penalties in place for smoking in city hall.

The Mayor also told the council that she had allowed work release prisoners to smoke in the old fire house area on their break, but that was the only place they were allowed to smoke.

Councilman Joe Mullins suggested that the Mayor revisit the issue with everyone and reinforce the seriousness of the resolution.

In other business, the council voted to accept a state grant in the amount of \$913,700 to complete sewer line extensions to approximately 15 residences and businesses on Rose Hill Road.

The council also approved the promotions of Adam Bales and Nathaniel Swartz to Sergeants on the fire department.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the council is June 15th.

Update from Project Graduation

Order DVD that includes Prom, Graduation and Project Graduation for \$35.00. Turn in order forms and money to Ms. Mattingly in the office.

All parents need to bring a dessert to Project Graduation. Please bring in a throw-away container and make finger foods such as brownies, cupcakes, cookies, etc.

Next meeting for Project Graduation will be Monday, May 25th at 6:30 p.m. at Rockcastle County High School.

Thank you from Project Graduation...

The Project Graduation committee would like to thank the following businesses, community leaders, parents and individuals for their support to Project Graduation 2009:

Touch of Class, Charlene Gentry, John Holbrook, William Reynolds Law Office, Collins Respiratory Care, Inc., Virginia McKinney, Rockcastle Co. Board of Education, Rockcastle Fiscal Court, Coca Cola Bottling, Singleton Insurance, Community Trust Bank, Arvin Family Practice, Rockcastle Hospital, Brodhead Baptist Church, Teresa Jackson Insurance, Mt. Vernon Elementary, B&H Tool, Cox Hardware, Eagle Rock Insulation, Ottawa Baptist Church, Joseph B. Clontz - CPA, Ford Brothers, Main Street Pharmacy, Sheriff Mike Peters, Thursday Club, Jerry Cox PSC, C.L. Blevins DMD, Maretburg Baptist Church,

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If we accidentally left someone out, please feel free to call the High School at 256-4816 and let us correct the error.

If you would like to make a contribution, you may do so by sending it to: Project Graduation 2009, c/o Rockcastle County High School, 1545 Lake Cumberland Rd., Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Thank You,
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“ERWA”

(Cont. from front)

him the group should get an attorney and begin the legal process to have their case heard in court.

“I think the only way this situation will ever be resolved is if the group goes through the proper channels and have their say in circuit court,” Reynolds told the *Signal*.

“Obviously the majority of the board at Eastern Water thinks they are within their legal rights to close the board meetings,” Reynolds said. “The courts should ultimately decide.”

The latest problems for ERWA began in March when board president Ballinger closed the monthly meeting to everyone, except board members, general manager Randy Corry, ERWA attorney Jerry Cox and invited guests.

Ballinger said Tuesday he had closed the meetings because it had become impossible to conduct the business of the association without interruptions from guests.

Ballinger also said the association had recently had an audit completed which confirmed they were in good financial shape and “had nothing to hide”.

However water user Barbara Castleberry, who was one of those protesting on Tuesday, said it was still upsetting that members were not allowed to attend meetings.

Castleberry said she had seen the financial information from the audit and that there was an unexplained \$9,000 swing in expenses from one month to the next.

Castleberry said she felt members should be allowed to ask questions of the board, which would clear up any rumors, such as the \$9,000 difference.

Castleberry has already taken steps to get a clear answer as to whether or not the ERWA board can meet in closed session.

First, Castleberry wrote Ballinger on April 23 and told him she believed he was violating KRS 61.810 by prohibiting her and others from attending ERWA board meetings. She said she received no response from Ballinger.

Castleberry also questioned ERWA attorney Jerry Cox as to the legality of closing the ERWA board meetings.

In a letter to Castleberry, Cox told her that ERWA was incorporated under KRS 273 and was not subject to open meeting laws. He also referred to an Attorney General’s Opinion in 1978, by then Attorney General Robert Stephens, which stated water associations were not subject to the open meeting laws of Kentucky.

Castleberry has asked that current Attorney General Jack Conway’s office review the 1978 opinion and has included documentation, which refers to ERWA as a governmental agency.

Castleberry said she was waiting to hear from the attorney general and that the group of concerned water users were prepared to take the issue as far as needed to gain access to ERWA board meetings.

“We think it is our right,” she said.

Castleberry, and other concerned water users, have scheduled a meeting for this Monday, Memorial Day, at the home of water customer Kristen Harper, who lives at the six mile marker on Red Hill Road, for 1 p.m. A potluck lunch is planned.

“We don’t want David and the rest of them to think we are trying to hide anything, we want the public to know we are serious about this matter,” said board member Sue Rodefer.

Rodefer, and board member June Whitler, voted against closing Tuesday’s meeting, while Ballinger, Dell Ponder, Murphy Martin, Margaret Martin, Anna Mize and George Shackleford voted in favor.

Eastern Rockcastle Water Association has approximately 600 members.

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Rockets, Lady Rockets win in first round of 47th district action

Rocket senior ace Tanner Perkins struck out 16 Maroons and gave up only three hits as the Rockets advanced to the 47th district baseball championship with a 4-0 win over Pulaski County Monday night.

Josh McKinney and John L. Saylor each had two hits and Dustin Bullock, Jake Riddle, Jared Smith and Grant Burdette all had hits in the game.

Bullock was scheduled to take the mound for the Rockets in the championship game of the district against Somerset, who are 20-5 on the season.

That game was scheduled for Wednesday night at Somerset.

The 10-16 Lady Rockets also advanced to the

championship game of the 47th district with an 8-2 win over Somerset on Tuesday night.

Senior Mary Saylor led her team to victory, allowing only seven hits and walking only two batters as she went the distance from the mound. Saylor also had four hits in the game.

Timber Shelton and Katelyn Cartwright got three hits each; Ashley Robinson had two hits and Sasha Bullock, Chelsey Hensley, Katelyn Blair and Alivia Bullock all got one hit.

The Lady Rockets will play Pulaski County in the district final on Thursday night at 7 p.m. at Hopkins Elementary School in Somerset. The Lady Rockets are 0-3 against Pulaski County this season.



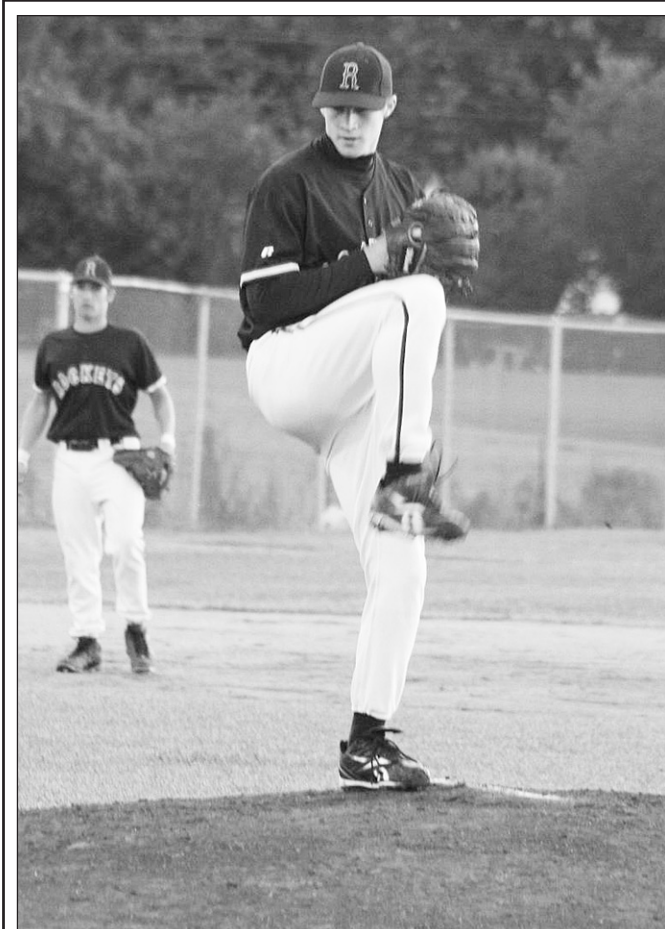
Lady Rocket first baseman Alivia Bullock takes a pitch against Somerset Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets defeated the host team 8-2 and will play Pulaski County on Thursday.



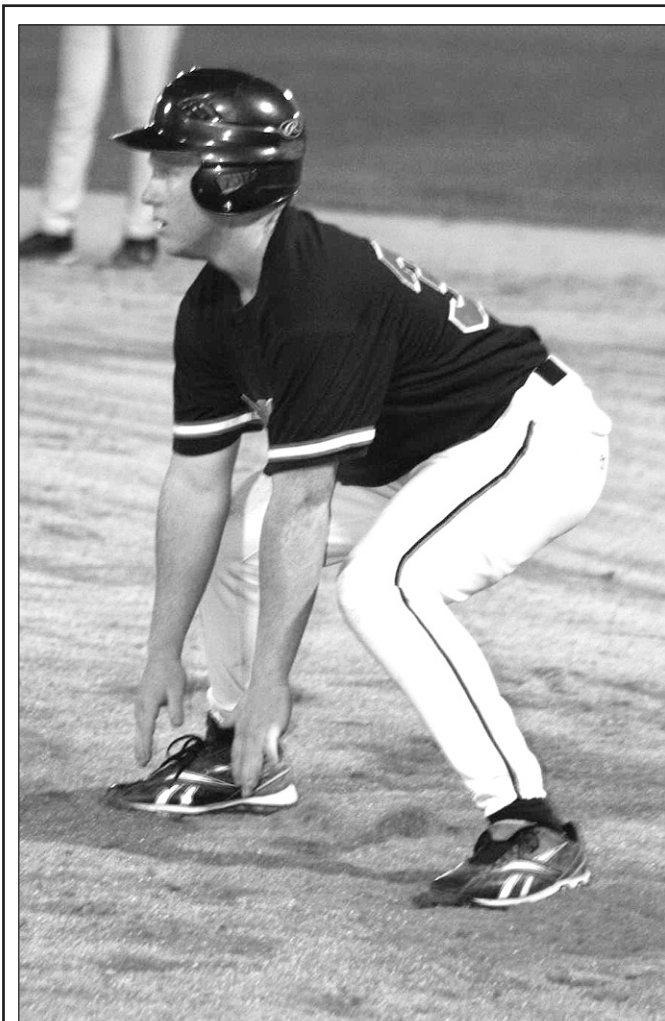
Lady Rocket senior shortstop Chelsey Hensley throws out a Somerset runner in her team's 8-2 win on Tuesday night. Hensley had a hit and scored a run in the first round game of the district.



Rocket senior Mary Saylor goes to the plate in her team's 8-2 win over Somerset on Tuesday night in the first round of the 47th district tournament. Saylor scattered seven hits over six innings and was 4-4 at the plate. The Lady Rockets play Pulaski County at 7 o'clock on Thursday night. The Lady Rockets are 0-3 against Pulaski County this year.



Rocket senior ace Tanner Perkins goes to the plate in his team's 4-0 win over Pulaski County on Monday night in the first round of the district tournament. Perkins struck out 16 batters, gave up only three hits and walked none on his way to his 8th victory of the season. With the win, the Rockets advanced to the 47th district finals on Wednesday night against Somerset, where senior Dustin Bullock will take the mound. The Briarjumpers are 1-1 on the season against the Rockets and 20-5 overall.

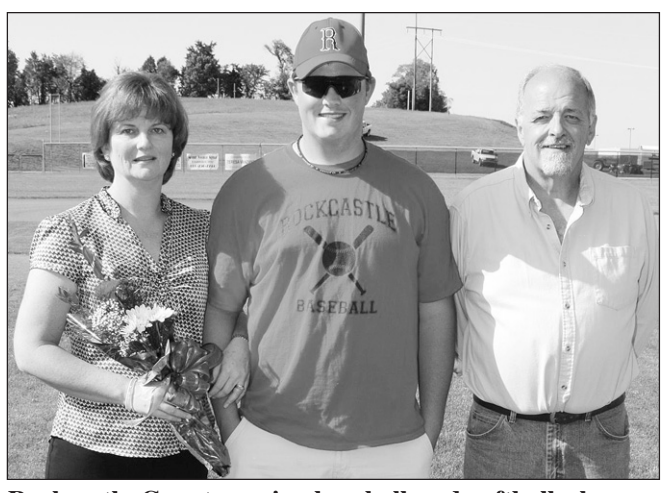


Rocket shortstop John L. Saylor takes a lead at first after getting a hit against Pulaski County on Monday night. Saylor had two hits in the game, which the Rockets won, 4-0. (Sports photos by Kevin Canterbury)

Senior baseball, softball, managers and parents honored last week



Senior Tanner Perkins was honored along with parents, Becky and David and step-dad Tony Saylor on senior night at RCHS.



Rockcastle County senior baseball and softball players, managers and their parents were honored last week before the team's game with Garrard County. Asa Adams, center is shown with parents, Julie and Jerry Adams.



Senior Jake Riddle was honored along with parents, Connie and Ryan on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Logan Kincer was honored along with parents, Melinda and Mike on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Jared Smith was honored along with his Uncle and Aunt, Tim and Glenda Wolfe on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Dustin Bullock was honored along with parents, Sherry Lynn and Jeff on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Justin Bryant, shown with his parents, David and Tammy, on senior night at RCHS.



Senior Patrick Kirby was honored along with parents, Patty and Ricky on senior night.



Softball senior Mary Saylor was honored along with dad, Johnny Boone and mom, Karen on senior night at RCHS.

Qualify for 15 events in state

RCHS girls' track team wins 6th consecutive regional title

The RCHS girls' track team won its 6th regional championship title in a row and their 9th in the last ten years this past Saturday at West Jessamine High School. A member of the largest track region in the state in all three classes, RCHS dominated runner-up West Jessamine by a score of 157 to 99.5. The girls qualified an amazing 10 athletes for the Class 2A State Championships in 15 events. The top two in each event automatically qualified for state, along with the next ten best times/distances in the seven regions representing Class 2A.

Junior Samantha Smith led RCHS, as well as all regional competitors, with a perfect 40 points, including two personal best performances and a new RCHS record. First up for Samantha came the long jump competition. She easily won the regional title with her first jump of 17'1", but leaped an incredible personal best 18'0.5" only minutes later to solidify her spot atop the state leader board in all three classes at region. Shortly thereafter, Samantha won the 100-meter dash regional title with an awesome effort of 13.11 seconds into a strong headwind. Samantha competed next in the triple jump competition where she started out with an amazing 36'1" effort. Not long after, she shattered her own RCHS record mark in the event leaping a state best 36'7.5" to take the regional title by more than two feet. Samantha ended her portion of the competition with another regional title in

the 200-meter dash, where she finished with a superb effort of 27.28 seconds.

8th grader Michaela Hunter scored 32 points for RCHS with four impressive regional runner-up performances and qualified for state in all of her events. Michaela finished 2nd in the long jump competition with an awesome leap of 16'4". Next, she finished 2nd in triple jump with an unbelievable effort of 34'5.5", just short of her personal best in the event. She followed triple jump with her grueling double - the 400-meter dash and 300-meter hurdles back-to-back. Michaela ran well in the 400, finishing 2nd overall in 1:00.78 seconds. She came back only minutes later to finish as regional runner-up in the 300-meter hurdles, posting an impressive time of 51.75 seconds.

Senior Sarah McKinney ran a blistering race in the 100-meter hurdles, easily winning the regional title with a sensational effort of 16.12 seconds. At state, she will be looking to defend her title from a year ago. 7th grader Alyssa Allen gave everyone a preview of her future potential with a 6th place finish in an impressive 18.66 seconds. Sarah also ran an awesome race in the 300-meter hurdles, qualifying for state with a 3rd place finish in an impressive 52.71 seconds.

Senior Katy Mattingly easily qualified for state in the 100-meter dash with an awesome regional runner-up finish. Katy sprinted her way into the state finals with an exceptional time of 13.47 seconds. She



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also finished 6th in the 200-meter dash with a solid effort of 29.29 seconds and just missed state qualification in the event.

Sophomore Sara Hammond qualified for state in three individual events. She dominated the 400-meter dash from start to finish, easily taking the regional title with an awesome Class 2A state-leading time of 1:00.15 seconds. Sara also finished 2nd in high jump with a great leap of 4'8", despite competing in the event immediately after the 400. In the discus competition, Sara finished 5th overall with an impressive throw of 85'7" which qualified her for the state championships, even though she is only just learning the event and has only been doing it for a short time.

Junior Laura Dollins turned in several awe-inspiring performances in the distance races, easily qualifying for the state

championships in all three of her individual events. First up for Laura came the 1600-meter run. She ran toe-to-toe with the state's best, finishing as regional runner-up in the event with an awesome effort of 5:44.8. In the 800-meter run, Laura finished 4th with an incredible effort of 2:33.77 against three of the best in Class 2A. She followed that performance with a regional championship win in the 3200-meter run with a new personal best effort of 13:06.69.

8th grader Amy Johnson qualified for state in the discus competition, finishing an impressive 6th overall with a superb effort of 83'7". Amy just missed making it in shot put, finishing 4th overall with a great throw of 27'9". Amy just recently won middle school state titles in both shot and discus and was named the KYTRACKXC.com Middle School Field Event Athlete of

the Year for her dominating performance at middle school state.

Alyssa Allen followed her impressive performance in the 100 hurdles with an exceptional 8th place finish in high jump. She tied her personal best with a great leap of 4'2".

RCHS also qualified all three of its relays for the Class 2A state finals. The 800-meter relay team of junior Jessica Albright, Sara Hammond, Sarah McKinney, and Katy Mattingly blazed their way to a 3rd place finish in an awesome new season's best effort of 1:54.01. Jessica, Sarah, Katy, and 8th grader Bryonna Cromer ran very well in the 400-meter relay, finishing 4th overall with a terrific time of 54.57 seconds. The 1600-meter relay team of Jessica, Laura, Bryonna, and 7th grader Lacey Gastineau also ran well and finished 5th overall with a solid effort of 4:39.85.

RCHS will compete this Friday in the Class 2A State Track & Field Championships at the University of Louisville. RCHS will once again be in contention for the team state title, as well as many individual and relay titles. The girls will face some tough competition with newcomers Louisville Central, South Oldham, and Trigg County added to the mix, along with perennial powers Highlands, Paducah Tilghman, and Lloyd Memorial who are all capable of winning the team

title. The discus competition will begin at 2:30, while the running events and the rest of the field event competitions will get underway at 4:00.

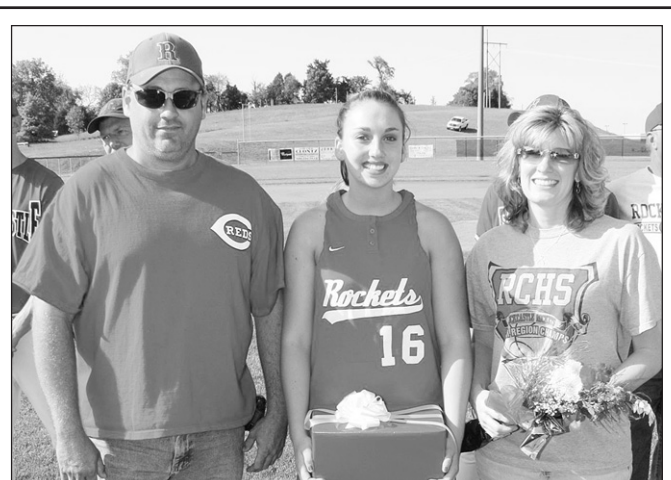
The RCHS girls' track team also recently won their first-ever Central Kentucky Conference Championship at Boyle County High School. RCHS defeated runner-up West Jessamine by 37.5 points to easily capture the team title.

Sarah McKinney placed 2nd in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 16.76 seconds. Alyssa Allen finished 10th overall in 19.05 seconds.

In the 100-meter dash, Samantha Smith led the way for RCHS with a 4th place finish in 13.3 seconds. Katy Mattingly placed 6th with a time of 13.66 seconds.

The girls' 800-meter relay

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Senior Ashley Robinson was honored on senior night along with dad, Bobby Dale and step-mom, Roxanne on senior night at RCHS.



Softball senior Timber Shelton was honored along with parents, Dana and Tony on senior night at RCHS.



Softball senior Sasha Bullock is shown with her parents, Celena and Ricky on senior night at RCHS.



RCHS softball senior Chelsey Hensley and her mom, Melissa, during senior night ceremonies.



Sophomore Sara Hammond won the 400-meter dash regional title, finished as regional runner-up in high jump, and placed 5th in discus at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships. She qualified for state in all three events as well as the 800-meter relay.



Eighth grader Amy Johnson was recently named the KYTRACKXC.COM Middle School Field Event Athlete of the Year after winning both shot put and discus state titles at this year's middle school state championship meet. Johnson also qualified for the state in discus on the high school level, finishing 6th at the regional championships.



Senior Sarah McKinney won the 100-meter hurdle regional title at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships this past weekend and will defend her Class 2A state title this Friday in Louisville. Sarah also qualified for state with a 3rd place finish in the 300-meter hurdles and ran on the state-qualifying 400 and 800-meter relay teams.



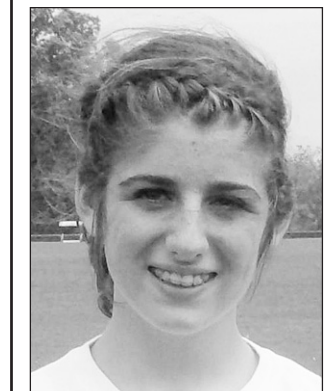
Junior Samantha Smith led RCHS, as well as all regional competitors, with a perfect 40 points and four regional title wins at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships this past Saturday. She won long jump with a state and personal best 18'0.5" and broke her own RCHS record in triple jump, winning with a state best 36'7.5". Samantha also won the 100 and 200-meter dashes.



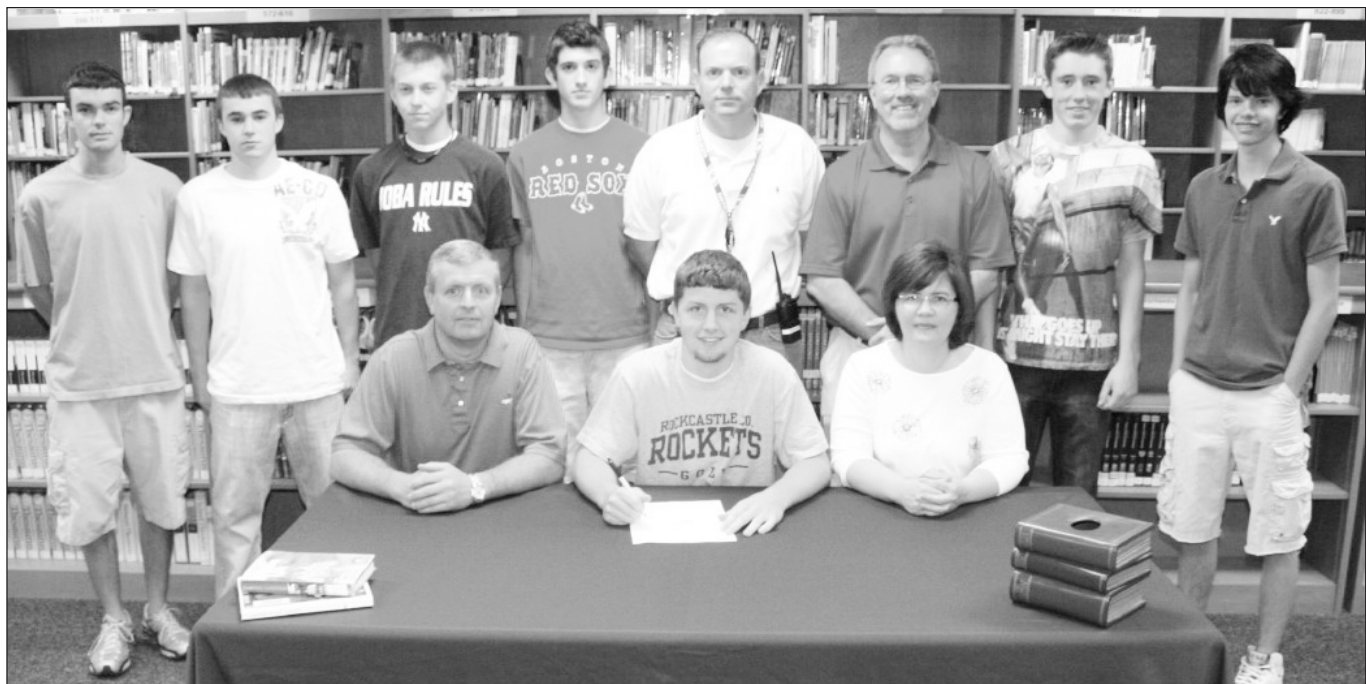
Senior Katy Mattingly finished as regional runner-up in the 100-meter dash and placed 6th in the 200 at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships. Katy qualified for the state championships in the 100, as well as the 400 and 800-meter relays.



Junior Laura Dollins won the 3200-meter run regional title, finished as regional runner-up in the 1600-meter run, and placed 4th in the 800 at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships this past Saturday. Laura qualified for state in all three events, as well as in the 1600-meter relay.



Eighth grader Michaela Hunter scored 32 points and finished as regional runner-up in the 400-meter dash, 300-meter hurdles, long jump, and triple jump at the Class 2A Region 5 Championships. She qualified for the state championships in all four events.



Rockcastle High School senior stand-out golfer Jordan Cash signed a letter of commitment last week to play his college golf at Eastern Kentucky University. Cash, a varsity member of the RCHS golf team for seven years, played the number one position for four years and was named all-state his junior year. As a seventh grader, he won the individual regional championship and was runner-up twice. On hand for his signing were, front row, from left: father, Warren, and mother Becky. Back row, RCHS golf team members, Andrew Pensol, Bryan Clontz, Logan Ponder, Jon Paul Kidwell, head coach, Jessie Mahaffey, asst. coach Dale Whitaker, golf team members, Jordan Whitaker and Will Reynolds.



Rocket senior Justin Bryant dives back into first on Monday night in his team's 4-0 win over Pulaski County in the first round of the district. The 16-10 Rockets were scheduled to face host team Somerset on Wednesday night.

“Track”

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team of Jessica Albright, Kira Deatherage, Katy Mattingly, and Sarah McKinney placed 3rd overall in 1:55.54. The girls also finished 3rd in the 400-

meter relay with a season's best time of 53.91 seconds.

Laura Dollins finished 3rd in the 1600-meter run with a time of 5:54.63. She also finished 5th in the 800 in 2:37.4 and 3rd in the 3200 with a personal best effort of 13:11.94.

Michaela Hunter won the 400-meter dash with a time

of 1:01.8, while Kira Deatherage placed 4th in a personal best time of 1:04.14.

In the 300-meter hurdles, Michaela finished 7th in 53.87 seconds and Sarah McKinney placed 10th in 55.21 seconds.

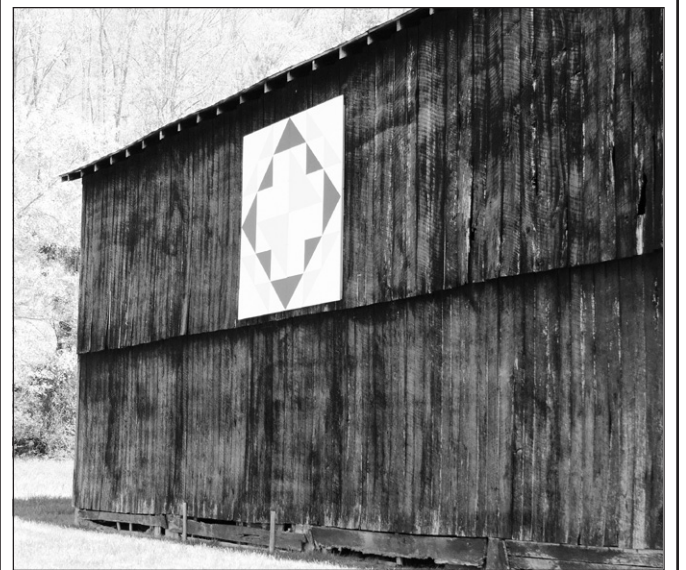
Samantha Smith won the 200-meter dash with a time of 27.05 seconds, while Katy Mattingly placed 8th in 28.35 seconds.

The 1600-meter relay team of Jessica Albright, Bryonna Cromer, Lacey Gastineau, and Kira Deatherage placed 6th overall in 4:37.51.

Amy Johnson won the shot put competition with a personal best effort of 30'2". Amy also finished 3rd in the discus competition with a personal best throw of 93'4".

In long jump, Samantha finished 2nd with a leap of 16'11" and Michaela placed 4th with a jump of 15'8.5". Samantha won the triple jump competition, finishing with a jump of 34'8.25". Michaela placed 3rd overall with an effort of 33'3".

In the javelin competition, Bryonna Cromer finished 3rd with a throw of 69'10". Amy Johnson finished 14th with a throw of 43'8".



A barn on Clear Creek is one of the latest to display a quilt block. The pattern "Corn and Beans" was chosen by Pauline Ramsey, owner of the barn. Ms. Hurst 5th grade class at Roundstone Elementary painted the block.

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If you are interested in trying out for the girls' basketball team, please wear t-shirts, shorts, and tennis shoes and report to the gym at the following times:

Incoming 7th & 8th graders:	May 26th 3:00 - 4:30
	May 27th 3:00 - 4:30
Incoming 6th graders:	May 26th 4:30 - 6:00
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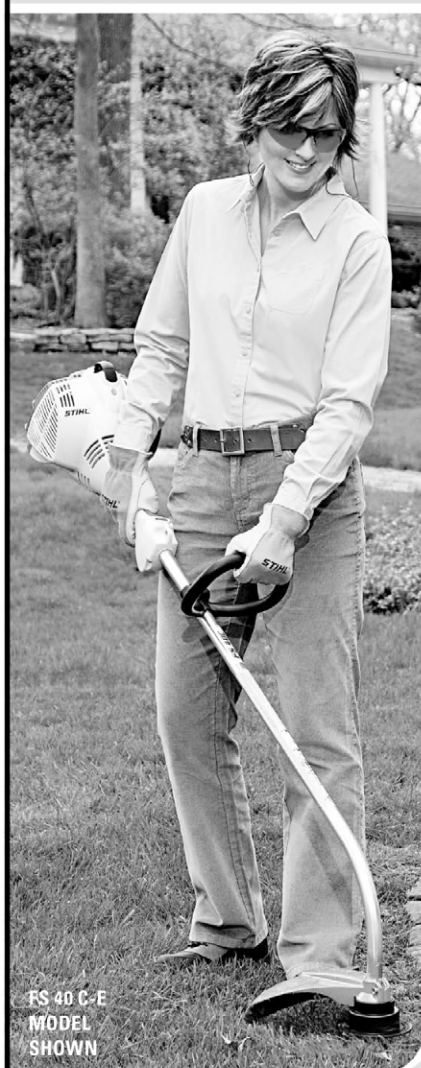
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Music Department holds Spring Concert at RCMS

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe

The Rockcastle County Middle School Music Department, directed by Mr. Greg Daugherty, presented their 2009 Spring Concert on Monday evening. The program opened with the 6th Grade Beginning Band playing some lively favorites: "The Banana Boat Song", "Trombone Rag", "Jasmine Flower" and "Old MacDonald's Band" where the voices of the instruments took the place of the animal sounds one normally hears. It is amazing how much beginning band students have learned by the end of their first year.

The focus then shifted to the RCMS Chorus, directed by Ms. Cassandra Smith. They opened with "Chicago: Choral Highlights". Caleb Coffey rendered a terrific version of "Mr. Cellophane" followed by the entire choir doing selections from "The Lion King" including "Hakuna Matata" featuring Shelby McKinney, Rylan Cromer and Christina Creech. A memorable "Edelweiss" from "The Sound of Music" was then performed by the entire choir. Angel Spurlock took center stage and the hushed auditorium carried her haunting rendition of "Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again". If you have not yet heard her sing, you are missing out on an auditory slice of heaven itself.

The Chorus finished with "Mary Poppins: Choral Highlights" which including "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" that energized all attending. The 7th and 8th Grade Band took the stage next with "In-

cantations" by R. W. Smith, "Yorkshire Ballad" by J. Barnes and "Highlights from the Lord of the Rings, The Two Towers" by H. Shore. Their musicianship and intonation is simply superlative! The entire 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Bands then gathered on stage for the grand finale - "Manitoba March" by Fieldstein and O'Reilly. It was a resounding end to an impressive evening.

Tuesday and Wednesday this week, the RCHS Band, the RCHS Choir, the RCHS Winterguard and the RCHS Indoor Drumline took to the road and toured the area schools. What a road show!

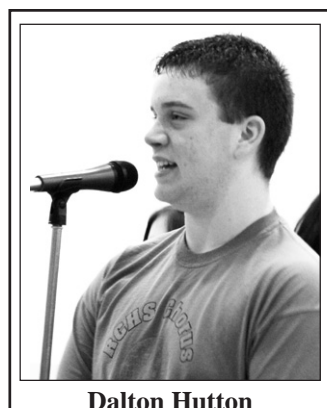
The RCHS Band, led by Mr. Greg Daugherty, starts off with "The Star Spangled Banner" and then goes into "Rock Around the Clock" and Aerosmith's "Walk This Way". The RCHS Chorus, led by the spirited Ms. Amber Thacker, sing and dance in clever choreography many favorites from the 70's including "Joy To the World", "Carwash", "Funky-town", "I Will Survive" and "YMCA" which brings all the children to the feet dancing along with the words. Jaelyn Bullock ends the chorus selections with her incredible solo "The House That Jack Built".

The Band returns and does several Pep tunes including Ozzy Osbourne's "Crazy Train". Then Dalton Hutton sings an evocative "Everything" that stills the crowd. The RCHS Indoor Drumline, under the direction of the talented Mr. Josh Ott, are up next drilling with their resounding "Night Visions". The percussion echoes will be remembered

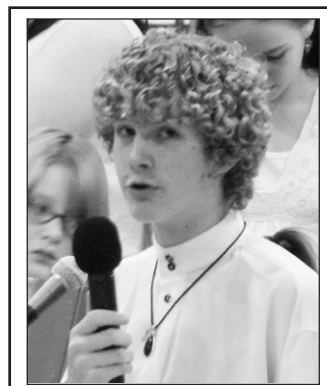
long after the band departs. The RCHS Winterguard Team then performs their competition piece, "Viva la Vida", combining elements of dance, drill and gymnastics. And the whole band gathers again for the finale of "Apache" from the popular movie "Drumline". Now the elementary students are really energized!

It is truly amazing how much talent is enrolled in Rockcastle High School. These are ordinary teens most of the time but give them an audience and they step right up. Many members of the band are also in the chorus and several are take part in the indoor drumline and or winterguard. These high school kids look forward to these tours every year. They are not only sharing their gifts with an engaging diversion, they are ambassadors for the RCHS Arts programs that so richly enable them. Their energy and enthusiasm combined with their abilities to entertain makes the "High School Musical" phenomena seem not so far-fetched!

Upcoming Events
 May 24th - Baccalaureate at Renfro
 May 29th - RCHS Graduation



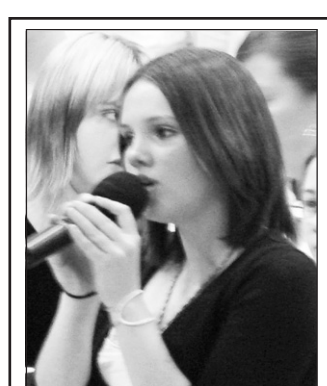
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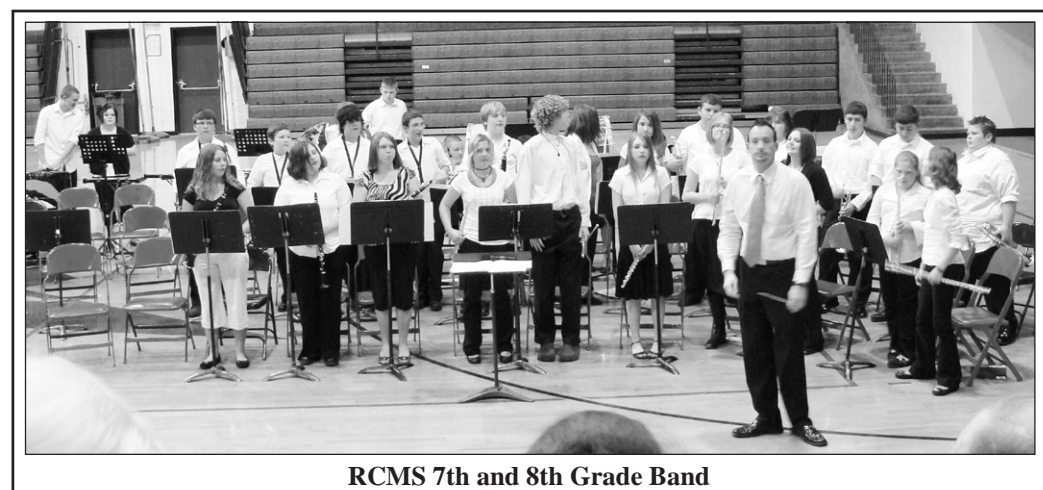
Jaelyn Bullock



Angel Spurlock



RCMS 6th Grade Band



RCMS 7th and 8th Grade Band



RCMS Choir



Members of the Rockcastle County 4-H Land Judging team are: Jeffery Albright, Jessica Albright, Ben Whitaker, Grant Burdette, Brandon Jones, John Lawson, Steven Brown and Dustin Reynolds.

4-H Land Judging team travels to Oklahoma City

Rockcastle County's 4-H Land Judging team traveled to Oklahoma City May 3-9 for the National 4-H and FFA Land Judging contest. Eight young people earned the opportunity to represent Kentucky at this year's National contest by winning Senior team at last year's Kentucky State Fair. For most this was the completion of over five years work in the 4-H Land Judging project. Rockcastle's teams placed 13 and 15 at the National event.

Traveling to the National contest gave an opportunity for several interesting stops and tours as the group crossed the mid western states. At St. Louis, team members traveled up 630 feet in the Arch to view downtown and the Mississippi River area followed by movie on Arch's construction. A quick stop in Springfield, MO, gave time for Bass Pro Shops, large fish tanks and non typical deer mounts. Followed by lunch at Lambert's "Home Of The Thrown Rolls" which was definitely a different dining experience.

After practice sessions in Oklahoma, the team toured Oklahoma's Stockyards area. This included Western tack shops, Western wear, Art and

the "World's Largest Stockyards". In downtown Oklahoma, team members visited the memorial site for Merrill Building Bombing. One of America's first terrorism sites and a very common Agriculture fertilizer was used as the bomb. The reflecting pool, rows of chairs and damage to surrounding buildings had a huge impact on everyone.

After Thursday's contests, team members and chaperones made their way to the Fort Worth Stockyards area in Texas. Superior Livestock allowed the group to set in on their nationwide video auction, which sold over 30,000 head on RFD TV that day. The stop also included shopping in the old stockyards area as well seeing Fort Worth's "famous" long horn cattle. As the group left Texas, a stop at Priefert Ranch Equipment Manufacture allowed an up close tour of the factory. Priefert is well known for their head gates and livestock handling equipment. Topping off the trip was a visit to Mr. Bill Priefert's backyard to see Radar and Goliath, 2 of

the World's largest horses. Pictures taken with horses 19 hands high was only one of the memoirs from our trip.

Special thanks goes out to the following sponsors who assisted in marking this trip a "Once In A Lifetime":

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Thanks to Terry Lawson and Melissa Albright who served as chaperones. The group would also like to thank Karen for her exceptional navigational skills and a memory of a lifetime. "You have reached your destination."

Two local students named Hutton Scholars

University of the Cumberlands is proud to announce the following students designated as Hutton Scholars for 2009:

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- Emily McKinney, of Mount Vernon, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McKinney;

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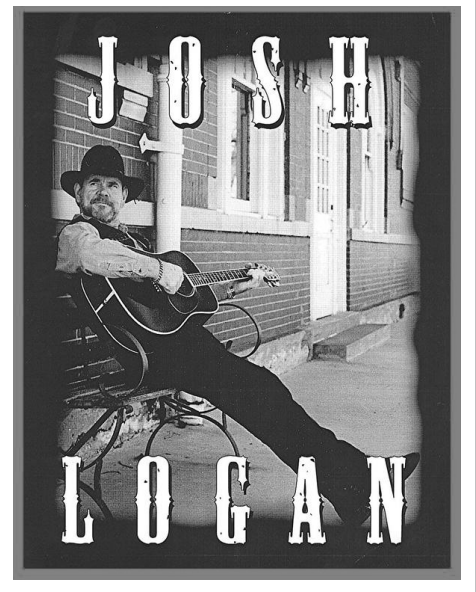
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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, May 21, 2009



A large crowd attended this past weekend's open house at Great Saltpetre Cave on Hwy. 1004 in southeastern Rockcastle County. Shown at left, getting some refreshments while waiting on a tour of the cave, were from back to front: Tricia Taylor, Bob Dobbs, Steve Taylor and Bradley Taylor. At right, Katha Carpenter, a member of the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxillary was one of many who helped the fire department raise money through the sale of concessions. Dobbs is chairman of the Rockcastle Karst Conservancy, which owns the cave. (Photos by: Richard Anderkin)

Open House held at Great Saltpetre Cave

Lyla Mullins Powell was one of the volunteers who helped give tours of the Great Saltpetre Cave over the weekend. Mrs. Powell's parents, Richard and Frances, were caretakers at the cave for approximately 40 years and her family still owns property, which borders the cave, in Singleton Valley.



Among those who attended the open house at Saltpetre Cave on Sunday, were from left: Werner Jud, Cecil McKinney and Ray Graves. Jud is a member of the Conservancy which owns and operates the cave which was discovered in the late 18th century.



Great Saltpetre Cave caretaker, Bill Carr, who has been the caretaker at the cave for 10 years, is shown at the entrance to the cave with little Allison Dowler, whose family came from West Virginia to this past weekend's open house. For more information about the cave, go to: www.rkci.org.



Livingston Fire Chief Sam Stallworth and firefighter Robin Lay were working hard at the grill on Sunday afternoon at the annual open house at Saltpetre Cave. Hundreds attended the open house at the cave located on Crooked Creek.

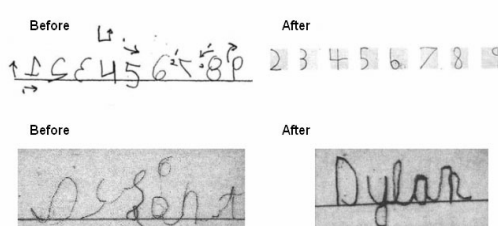
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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Circuit Civil Suits

Pamela Reynolds, et al vs. Heather Hodgkiss, complaint.
Citizens Bank vs. Lucille Goe, et al, \$102,755.03 plus claimed due.

Calvary Portfolio Services LLC vs. Clyde C. Chasteen, \$14,363.98 plus claimed due. CI-00119.

District Civil Suits

Arrow Financial Services LLC vs. Billy G. Rice, \$1,517.29 plus claimed due.

World Finance Corp. vs. David "Robbie" Chasteen,

\$2,374.60 plus claimed due.
Midland Funding LLC vs. Delores Wright, \$631.32 plus claimed due.

Crystal Noble, et al vs. Dale Renner, forcible detainer complaint C-00097.

Deeds Recorded

Ernest Wallin, Jr. and Glenda D. Wallin, property in Bloss Community, to Tanya Moukaddem. Tax \$80.

Beneficial Mortgage Co., property in Lake View Subdv., to Larry and Sonya Gregory. Tax \$62.

Earl and Sharon L. Smith, property on waters of Lake Linville, to Andrew C. and Ione I. Lawson. Tax \$78.

Henry Lee Abney, Lee Hammond and Larry B. and Rebekah Hammond, property in Rockcastle County, to Larry B. and Rebekah Hammond. Tax \$162.

Earl and Sharon L. Smith, property in Rockcastle County, to Roy Robert and Patricia Anne Burt. Tax \$7.

District Court

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
May 11-13, 2009

Jonathan G. Osborne: theft by deception, \$20 fine and costs and 20 days/probated 24 months on condition plus restitution.

Speeding: Paula L. Burnett, paid \$30 fine plus \$128 costs; Henry A. Chapman: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.

Steven Damrell: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine plus costs.

Allissa L. Davidson: no operators/moped license, \$50 fine and costs; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Shadoe L. Day: failure to wear seat belts, paid \$25.

Jerry L. Denny, Jr.: fines/fees due(\$333), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/7 days in lieu of fines/costs or payment.

Jennifer L. Hisle: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine plus costs; no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine.

Tabetha S. Kates: possession controlled substance, 60 days/probated 24 months on condition/costs converted to 3 days/concurrent.

Joseph D. Morris: fines/fees due (\$212), bw issued for fta/5 day or payment.

Jose Perez: no operators/

moped license, \$100 fine plus \$133 costs.

Jonathan C. Ramey: fines/fees due (\$143), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment.

Tim D. Robbins: leaving scene of accident, bw issued for fta.

Brandson S. Wallace: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine plus costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension.

Seth Thomas Taylor: theft by unlawful taking, costs, plus 360 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Kelli A. Tucker: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine; reg. and title requirements vehicle no oper. on hwy., \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine plus costs.

William L. Wesley: harassment, 30 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Jonathan G. Osborne: theft by deception (two counts), \$20 fine and costs, 20 days/consecutive/probated 24 months on condition.

Reginald G. Pennington: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine; failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; possession of marijuana, \$100 fine plus costs.

Jerry R. Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension, 4 days/to serve.

Ashley N. Chattelle: wanton endangerment, \$100 fine and costs.

Jonathan C. Durham: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$350 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 12 months operator license

suspension, ADE authorized.

Jeffery J. Jones: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment.

Douglas Aaron Medley: fines/fees due (\$335), bw issued for fta.

John York: harassing communications, bw issued for fta.

Geoffrey P. Fugate: alcohol intoxication in public, 10 days/ to serve in lieu of fines/concurrent.

William B. Cadle: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$350 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 14 days/to serve, 12 months operator license suspension/ADE authorized.

Henry A. Chapman: resist-

ing arrest, 30 days plus costs; criminal mischief, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition plus restitution.

Angela D. Durham: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs.

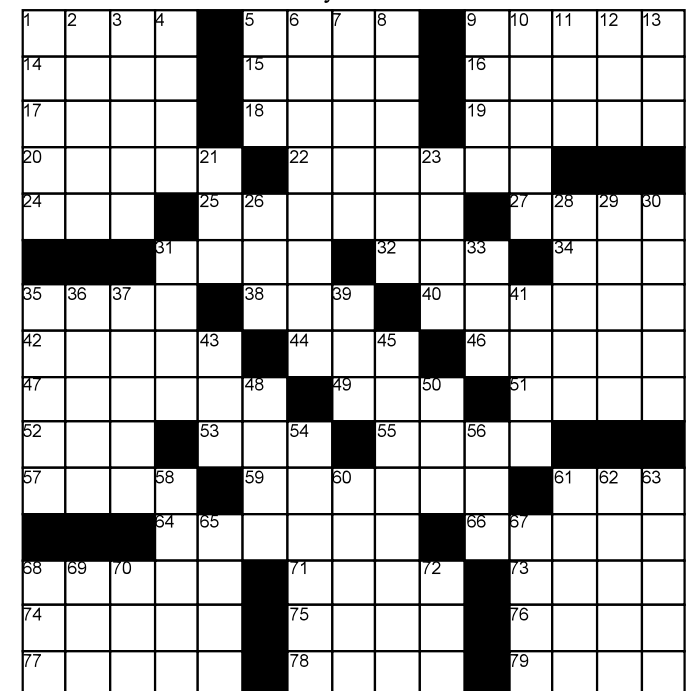
Angela D. Durham: operating vehicle with expired operators license, \$100 fine and costs.

Michael G. Ruwe: assault, costs plus 120 days/probated on condition.

Vontella Wilson: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension/ADE authorized.

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ACROSS

- 1 Island near Java
- 5 Leave out
- 9 Fleece
- 14 Wise to
- 15 Math term
- 16 Lofty nest: Var.
- 17 Balcony section
- 18 Perry Co. area, or misprint
- 19 Kentuckian, long-time NPR broadcaster Noah
- 20 Morgan Co. community, or fire
- 22 Football blunder
- 24 Hankering
- 25 Musical instrument for Kentuckian
- 27 Overseer org. for U of L athletics
- 31 Daviess Co. area, or Italian capital
- 32 Name given to liquor and tobacco taxes under Happy Chandler's governorship
- 34 Curve
- 35 Jerk
- 38 Thickness
- 40 Toni Morrison's "Beloved" is based on this Kentuckian
- 42 McCracken Co. spot, or an evergreen shrub
- 44 Union College mascot, e.g.
- 46 KY's northernmost county
- 47 Clothing line
- 49 Course
- 51 Caribbean and others
- 52 Like Kentuckian Brandon Webb, maybe
- 53 KET's "Kentucky Afield" host, Farmer
- 55 KY's Mauzy or Honker
- 57 Harmony
- 59 Seals, in a way

- 61 Sound with a sigh
- 64 KY has more miles of running streams than any state but this one
- 66 Kentuckian, comic Kenny
- 68 Lift
- 71 Fill to excess
- 73 Varieties
- 74 KY county, borders Simpson, Warren, Barren, Monroe, and the state of Tennessee
- 75 Sister of Osiris
- 76 Urgent request
- 77 Home county of the Kentucky Opry
- 78 Sloughs
- 79 Kentuckian Keith Whitley sang, "Don't Close Your ___"
- 26 Ref
- 28 Breathitt Co. spot, or a light boat
- 29 Freedom Hall in Louisville, for one
- 30 Giles novel, "40 ___ and No Mule"
- 31 Learning method
- 33 Apprehend
- 35 Sends
- 36 Author Wendell Berry's native KY county
- 37 KY county where the historic Limestone Creek empties into the Ohio River
- 39 UK women's basketball coach in 1979-80
- 41 Flower associated with the Kentucky Derby
- 43 Floyd Co. area, Hi ___, or headgear
- 45 KY's smallest county (land area)
- 48 Flexible mineral
- 50 Chatter
- 54 Mountain range
- 56 Troopers' org. in the Commonwealth
- 58 KY county, home to Liberty and Yosemita
- 60 Pronouncement
- 61 Like Eastern Kentucky, maybe
- 62 Jackson Co.'s seat
- 63 Tablelands
- 65 Give temporarily
- 67 Ready for picking
- 68 Brit. fliers
- 69 Totally
- 70 U.N. workers' grp.
- 72 Slalom path

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Mt. Vernon receives \$2,550 in funding from TOUR SEKY

Tour Southern and Eastern Kentucky (TOUR SEKY) celebrated National Tourism Week Tuesday, May 12, 2009 with “A Region Under Construction”. The luncheon event was held at the center for Rural Development in Somerset. More than 200 guests, including Mayors, judges and tourism officials

took part in the celebration. Mrs. Cynthia Rogers and Miss Redbud Madison McCowan were also in attendance.

During the event, TOUR SEKY awarded funds through its “C.I.T.Y.” and “Let’s Paint the Town” downtown revitalization programs. The C.I.T.Y. program is intended to assist southern and eastern Kentucky downtowns in attracting people to live, work, shop and play. The program has secured more than \$600,000 for revitalization efforts in the region’s downtowns. C.I.T.Y. eligible projects include downtown/streetscape master plans, facade improvements and landscape projects, among others.

“Let’s Paint the Town” is a community based program to clean up, paint and revitalize communities in southern and eastern Kentucky. Annually, projects will be eligible for the program with funding of as much as \$2,000 each. Some of the eligible projects under the program include new windows, signage, awnings planters and

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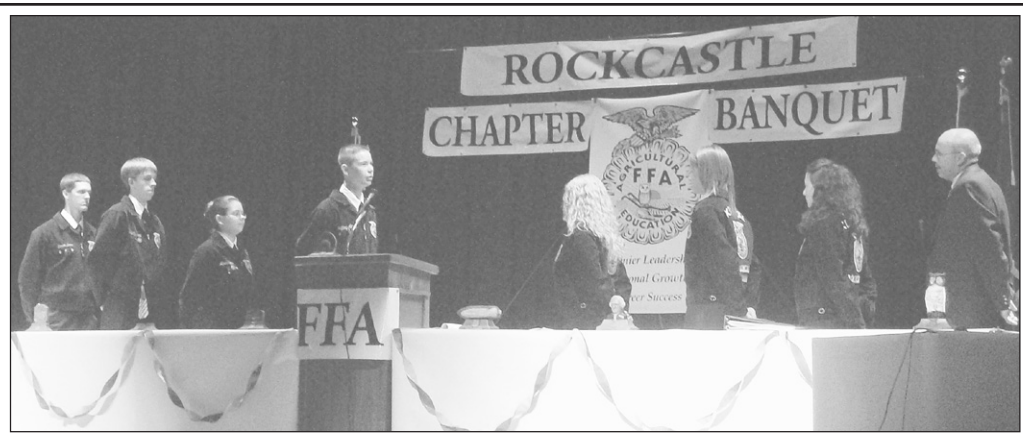
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The Rockcastle County FFA held their annual awards banquet to showcase the chapters many achievements throughout the year. The banquet was held on April 30th at RCHS in the cafeteria and auditorium.

FFA Chapter Banquet held

By Nichole Roberts
Rockcastle County FFA
Chapter Reporter

For many years now, every spring the Rockcastle County FFA has held their annual awards banquet to showcase the chapters many achievements throughout the year. The banquet was held on April 30th at RCHS in the cafeteria and auditorium. As always it turned out to be outstanding with over 260 members and guests attending.

The evening began with an amazing meal prepared by Tom Mills, our county Extension Agent as well as our local FFA Alumni chapter. The actual program began with our chapter Chaplain Steven Brown delivering the invocation. Then the 2008-2009 Officer team opened the meeting for the final time. Our chapter sentinel, Dustin Reynolds came forward with the welcome followed by Jeffery Albright with the introduction of many special guests. This year we had a very special guest speaker, our Kentucky State Treasurer, Derek Adams. Derek is the former Rockcastle County Chapter President as well as the Kentucky River Region President. There were many awards presented to various members that went above and beyond for our chapter. Some of the awards given were proficiency awards, speaking awards, team awards, and many miscellaneous/special awards.

Our advisors, Mr. Jeff Hayes and Mr. Roy Reynolds, present special awards at each banquet. The recipients of these awards were very appreciative and definitely deserving. B.B. Cameron received the Star Greenhand award, Skylar Holcomb received the Outstanding Assistant Officer

award, Jeremy Neal received the Outstanding Committee Chair award, Alexis Brown received the Outstanding Officer award, Jeffery Albright received the Star Farmer and Dekalb award, T.J. Singleton received the Outstanding Leader, Star in Agribusiness and 110% award, Jordon Cook received the Star in Agricultural Placement award, Brittany Adams received the Most Dedicated award, and Kristen Bullock received the Outstanding Service award.

However, our FFA members weren't the only ones to receive a plaque or recognition. The Appreciation awards were presented to people who were a tremendous help to our chapter and continue to show their hard work and dedication. The Mink Family, one of this year's recipients, prepares delicious chili for our Alumni Auction and Chili Supper every year, does work on the Agriculture Department's tractor when needed, puts countless hours in decorating for banquet, as well as many other things. Shari Proctor, another recipient, also puts countless hours in helping us prepare for many events such as the Alumni Auction and Chili Supper even though her daughter has already graduated.

Our Alumni also recognized the following seniors and presented them with \$500 scholarships: Alexis Brown, Jordon Cook, and T.J. Singleton.

The senior FFA officers and assistants presented their parents and Pam Burdette, the manager at Pizza Hut, with honorary degrees to show them their appreciation. The highlight of the evening was the Newscast, performed by Mr. Hayes' Agriculture Communications class. Along with the humorous pictures and the

priceless comments Matt Maples and Jordon Cook dressed up as fire fighters and made it remarkable. The installation of our 2009-2010 officer and assistant team also took place this night. For the coming year Steven Brown will serve as President, Dustin Reynolds will serve as Vice President, Jackie Alexander will serve as Secretary, Amanda Swinney will serve as Treasurer, Nichole Roberts will serve as Reporter, Brittany Adams will serve as Sentinel, and Kristen Bullock will serve as Chaplain. Banquet night came to a close with closing ceremonies by our 2009-2010 officer team and a tribute to our departing senior members.

Every year the FFA looks forward to holding their annual Banquet. Without the hard work of the Agriculture Communications class, along with other current and former members, it would not be as successful as it is today.

On the behalf of the Rockcastle County FFA Chapter I would like to give a special thanks to Tom Mills and the local FFA Alumni chapter for the wonderful meal. I would also like to thank the following sponsors who made the awards program possible:

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

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Brick home with 13 +/- acres. This home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen, large formal living room, and large formal dining room (or could be used as a family room). A unique two room cabin, chain link fence and a 30x32 barn round out this wonderful property. Lots of potential. R91789

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The Mt. Vernon - Rockcastle County Tourism Commission working with Rockcastle County, Kentucky is seeking proposals for services relating to a HUD Economic Development Initiative Special Planning Grant for the RockCastle Tourist Center Project. Qualifications will be taken for architectural services.

Minimum requirements include previous experience in architectural design and inspection on similar projects.

All interested persons and firms should contact Susan Laws or Janine Norman between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to obtain a packet. Qualifications must be received at the office of the Mt. Vernon - Rockcastle County Tourism Commission, PO Box 1467, 2325 Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, June 4, 2009 by 12:00 p.m. The Mt. Vernon - Rockcastle County Tourism Commission working with Rockcastle County reserves the right to reject any and all Qualifications not meeting the requirements of this Request for Qualifications for Consulting Architects.

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Future Auctions

Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Christen's Tractor & Farm Equipment
Friday, May 22nd at 1:00 p.m. • Hustonville section of Lincoln County

Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Greene's 43 Acre Farm
Saturday, May 22nd at 10:00 a.m. • Allen Spring Crosspike Road, Danville, Ky.

Auction of Mr. Mitchell Davis' and Ms. Connie Jane Davis' House and Lot
Saturday, May 23rd at 10:00 a.m. • 127 Eastwood Drive, Stanford, Ky.

Doubleheader Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mrs. Irene Dillingham's Properties
Property 1: 40 acres m/l in Tracts - Hwy. 618, Brodhead • Property 2: 51 acres m/l as a whole - Hwy. 1329, near Rockcastle River, Livingston

Saturday, May 23rd at 11:30 a.m. *Auction will take place at the Hwy. 618 location

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. and Mrs. William K. Kendrick's 35 acres m/l ~ House ~ Store Bldg. ~ Personal Property

Saturday, May 23rd at 3:00 p.m. • Sweetwater Road ~ Copper Creek section of Rockcastle County

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. Cecil Ping's Truck and Personal Property
Saturday, May 23rd at 1:30 p.m. • 6625 South Hwy. 1247, Somerset, Ky.

Absolute Auction of 22 Acre Farm +/- in Tracts
Saturday, May 30th at 2:30 p.m. • Mark Welborn Road, Somerset, Ky.

Court Ordered Absolute Auction Commercial Property in Two Tracts, 4 Wheelers, Motorcycles & Equipment
Saturday, May 30th at 10:00 a.m.

Absolute Auction of House and Lot
Friday, June 5th at 5:30 p.m. • 210 Chaudion St., Somerset, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of the late Mr. Paul Witt's House and Lot ~ Personal Property
Saturday, June 6th at 10:00 a.m. • Renfro Valley, Ky.

Absolute Auction • Saturday, June 6th • 12.08 acres in Tracts - 10:00 a.m. - 6.63 Acres in Tracts - 11:00 a.m.
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Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Padgett's 40 Acres more or less in Tracts
Saturday, June 6th at 2:00 p.m. • Greenbriar Road, Kings Mountain section of Lincoln Co., Ky.

Mink wins Health Career Month Essay Contest

This essay was written by Danielle Mink a senior at Rockcastle High School. She was the winner of this year's Health Career Month Essay Contest. She received a cash prize and recognition for her efforts. April is recognized as Health Career Month in Rockcastle County. Southern Kentucky AHEC helps to celebrate the event with an Essay and Poster contest each year. Part of AHEC's mission is to promote Health Careers in our area to ensure quality healthcare to our community

for many years to come. For more information on health careers call 256-0950. Essay is as follows: In these tough economic times, most families are struggling to make ends meet. Lay-offs are becoming more and more common and major corporations are filing bankruptcy. With unemployment rates the lowest they have been in years, the American people are wondering where to turn for some stability. The only industry that is not being affected by recession is health care.

Unfortunately, people are always going to be sick and need medical care. With hundreds of specialty options, there is a job for everyone in health care. Eight of the top twenty fastest growing jobs are in this ever-expanding field, and the more specialized your training the better. The options in educational experience also have something for everyone. Degrees ranking from GED to Masters can get you in the door of a health care career and higher skill levels means higher pay. And because of advances in technology, the career options are growing every day and will never downsize.

Besides the financial benefits, the health care field is also extremely rewarding on the personal level. Perhaps the biggest benefit of being in the medical field is making a difference in people's lives. You could bring a life into the world or save one from ending. The noblest profession is one where you put all of you into helping someone else. The impact that a great hospital can have on its surrounding community cannot be measured. The perfect example of this is right here in Rockcastle County. Our hospital provides thousands of jobs to local residents and provides new life to the community. The opportunity to prosper in my small town home is one of the reasons I chose to go into health care. Touching people's lives is always rewarding but it is even more so when doing so in your own community with people you know you are truly giving back to your county.

Perhaps the most important thing to consider no matter what profession you are considering is this: A career is more than a paycheck. It's something you'll be doing for 40 hours a week for 40 years

or more. Why would you want to spend that much time doing anything else besides truly changing the lives of people in your own community? A good hospital shapes the community around it, and health care professionals shape the hospital. I believe one person can change the world, and that's the number one reason to seek a job in the health career field.

"Funding"

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murals. These opportunities are available through the efforts of Congressman Hal Rogers.

During the event, the city of Mt. Vernon was awarded a total of \$2,550 in "Let's Paint the Town" funds. The Cooper Building received \$550. The Teacup Café and the Triangle Park Project received \$1000 each.

For more information about National Tourism Week, or how you can get involved with TOUR SEKY, contact Michelle Spencer 606-6747-6142 or mspencer@tourseky.com.

TOUR SEKY is an initiative of Congressman Hal Rogers. The organization's mission is to educate, expand, develop and market the existing and potential tourism industry throughout southern and eastern Kentucky, while contributing to the economic, cultural growth, health and awareness, and overall quality of life of the region. For additional information about TOUR SEKY contact 606-677-6142

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Notice to Public of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

May 21, 2009

Kentucky Housing Corporation
1231 Louisville Rd.
Frankfort, KY 40601
Mark Offerman, Chief Officer

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about June 7, 2009, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds for the following project:

Project: Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. - 2009 DBCAA Homeowner Rehab and Homebuyer Project.

Purpose: Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. (DBCAA) proposes to construct eleven (11) new single-family homes and the rehabilitation of one (1) home. The homes will be on unidentified scattered sites located in Clay, Jackson, Laurel and Rockcastle Counties. Additional units may be completed in the next few years if the initial project goes smoothly.

Location: Unspecified locations in Clay, Jackson, Laurel and Rockcastle Counties, Kentucky.

Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$ HOME - \$440,000 for Homebuyer and \$60,000 for Homeowner Rehab.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business hours.

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by KHC to the Chief Officer, Attention: Crystal Harrod. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before June 6, 2009. All such comments so received will be considered and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department

of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Participating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) That the certification was not in fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer; or (b) that KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. 58.40 or to make the written determination required by Secs. 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Assessment; or (d) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, if applicable; or (e) KHC has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by HUD; or (f) A Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Ms. Virginia Peck, Director, Office of Community Planning & Development, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, 601 West Broadway, Room 110, Louisville, KY 40202. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after June 22, 2009 will be considered by HUD.

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RCHS Class of 1999 10 Year Class Reunion

Saturday, July 25th
Dinner at 6 p.m. at Halls on the River
Medley Boys will perform.

Family Day Sunday, July 26th
at Berea Community School pavilions (beside pool). Pot-luck meal at 12 noon.

Classmates please contact
Cortnie at 859-979-1453 or
Christina at 859-893-1970

Master Commissioner's Sale Case No. 09-CI-00041

Citizens Bank Plaintiff

Town & Country Motors, Inc., Jeffrey T. Gooch, Angela Gooch, and Rockcastle County, Kentucky Defendants

Sale is Friday, May 22, 2009 at the hour of 1 p.m. at Public Auction at or near the front door of the Courthouse on Main Street in Mt. Vernon

Two Tracts (Sold Together)

Amount to be raised: \$265,377.65, plus interest, attorney's fees and court costs and \$351,381.25, plus interest, attorney's fees and court costs.

Pursuant to a judgment entered on April 10, 2009, by the Rockcastle Circuit Court, Division II, in Civil Action No. 09-CI-00041, I will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, the TWO TRACTS of real property described below:

Tract No. 1
Beginning at a found post in the east right-of-way of Highway 461 and is being a corner to Roy Daugherty; thence going with said right-of-way the following calls: S71 degrees 35' 55" W, 80.10 feet; S41 degrees 41' 33" W, 249.04 feet; S41 degrees 37' 06" W, 25.00 feet; S25 degrees 55' 42" W, 36.85 feet to a railroad spike in said right-of-way and a corner to Sam Ford; thence leaving said right-of-way and going with the Ford line S 47 degrees 54' 34" E, 139.34 feet to a set 1/2" conduit with a plastic cap stamped RLS #2773 in the line of Roy Daugherty and a corner to Ford; thence going with Daugherty line N 28 degrees 03' 59" E, 391.61 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.72 acres.

Tract No. 2
A certain tract or parcel of land located on the east side of KY 461 in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, approximately 1.0 mile from the junction of KY 461 and KY 150. Beginning on a pk nail set on the southeast side of a road, said pk nail being a new corner to Tract 1 of the Edwin Mahaffey property (Deed Book 172, Page 628); thence with the southeast side of said road north 41 degrees 10' 11" east for a distance of 121.38 feet to a pk nail found on the southeast side of said road, said pin being a corner to Town and Country, Inc. (Deed Book 175, Page 626); thence with the line of Town and Country, Inc. south 47 degrees 51' 58" east for a distance of 99.72 feet to an iron pin set, said pin being in the line of Roy Daugherty, south 27 degrees 33' 43" west for a distance of 110.94 feet to an iron pin set, said pin being a new corner to Tract 1 of the Edwin Mahaffey property (Deed Book 172, Page 628); thence with the new line of Tract 1, north 54 degrees 13' 28" west for a distance of 126.37 feet to an iron pin set, which is the point of beginning and having an area of 0.2982 acres as surveyed by Bobby Hudson, LPLS 1253 on 09/20/2002. All corners or witness monuments referred to herein as iron pins set are one half inch rebar, 18 inches long and capped with an orange cap marked LS 1253, except as otherwise noted. All bearings are referenced to the meridian. This property is subject to any and all rights-of-way and/or easements of record or in existence at this time and regulations that may apply through planning and zoning.

Grantors retain an easement in favor of Edwin Jessie Mahaffey, II and Anthony Mahaffey, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a Mahaffey's Quick Lube advertisement sign on said premises, for as long as they own the property improved by Mahaffey's Quick Lube.

The Defendant, Town & Country, Inc., obtained title to Tract No. 1 by Deed dated July 30, 1999, executed by Sammy L. Ford, et. ux, of record in Deed Book 175, Page 626, and Tract No. 2 by Deed dated October 9, 2002, executed by Edwin Jessie Mahaffey, et. ux., of record in Deed Book 192, Page 81, both of record in the office of the Rockcastle County Clerk, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The foregoing property shall be sold, subject to the following terms and conditions:

A. The real property shall be sold for cash, or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five (25%) percent of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond bearing interest at twelve (12%) percent per annum.

B. The real property is indivisible and cannot be divided without materially impairing its value. The two tracts shall be sold together.

C. Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.

D. The buyer shall pay the year 2009 local, county and state property taxes and all subsequent years.

E. The buyer shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.

F. In the event the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expenses of the sale.

Bidders shall be prepared to promptly comply with the aforesaid terms and conditions. Buyer shall have possession of the premises upon compliance with the terms of the sale.

Joseph B. Venters, Special Master Commissioner Rockcastle Circuit Court

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New Hope Homecoming
The annual New Hope Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, May 23rd. Bring a covered dish and join us.

Courthouse Offices Closed
All courthouse offices, except 911, will be closed Saturday, May 23rd and Monday, May 25th for the Memorial Day Holiday.

Class of 1999 Reunion
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Bookmobile Schedule
Mon., May 25: No service. **Tues., May 26:** Scaffold Cane, Disputanta, Clear Creek, Wildie. **Wed., May 27:** Pongo Fire Dept., Stops off 461, Negro Creek, Bryant Ridge.

NAMI Meeting
There will be a NAMI meeting at the Comp Care Building in Mt. Vernon this Thursday at noon.

Ruritan Fish Fry
Cartersville Ruritan Club will hold a fish fry, all you can eat, Sat., May 23rd from 4 to 7 p.m. Service line closes at 7 p.m. Adults \$7, Children \$4 (10 and under). All carry-outs \$7 - No children's carryouts. Cartersville Ruritan Park is located on Harmon's Lick Road, 1/4 mile off Hwy. 954.

Class of '84 Reunion
The RCHS Class of 1984 will be having their 25th Reunion on Saturday, June 13, 2009. We are in the process of collecting addresses for the invitations. Class members please send your address to rchs84reunion@windstream.net.

Berea Pool Opening May 23
Berea Parks and Recreation Department announces that the Berea Swimming Pool will open for the season at 11 a.m., Saturday, May 23rd. Please call 986-9402 for more info.

MVHS Alumni Banquet
The MVHS Alumni Reunion Banquet will be held Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009 at 6 p.m. at the middle school. Please plan your vacation around this time so you can join us. Also, we still have some paintings by Barbara Owens of the old school for \$30 each. If you want one, these can be picked up at Brenda's Collectibles, 95 Main St., Mt. Vernon. If there are any remaining, they will be on display the night of the banquet.

Beekeepers Meeting
The Southeastern Kentucky Beekeepers will hold their monthly meeting Thurs., May 21 (today) at the Laurel County Extension office from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Neil Hunt of Pike County will speak on swarming. Bring a covered dish for a potluck meal. Everyone interested is invited to attend. Questions, call 606-864-4179, Debbie at 606-878-9349 or Bruce at 606-843-6775.

Water Aerobics Classes
Water Aerobic classes will be offered at the Berea Swimming Pool on Saturdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., beginning June 13th. Registration deadline is June 10th. Call 986-9402 for more info.

Rockcastle Hospital Diabetes Program
The Diabetes Self Management Program will meet Thursday, May 28 at 6 p.m. The topic will be "Helping our loved one with Diabetes" with Teresa Blair, RD, CDE. For more information, or to register, call 256-7714. Classes are held in Rockcastle Hospital's Outpatient Services Center 2nd floor conference room.

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.

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439 Jerri Lane • Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-0595

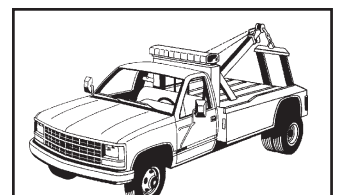
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Yard Sales

3 Family Yard Sale: At Lear Crest Subdv. (Hwy. 1505) at the home of Gordon Bullock. Sat., May 23, 8 a.m. to ? Little bit of everything!

Yard Sale: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 4 Families, 1/2 mile past Cedar Rapids. Jr. clothes, plus sizes, women's L-XL, shoes - sizes 6-9, name brand little boys 6-7, baby bed, booster seat, new bicycle, kid's movies, lamps, comforter sets, microwave, lots of household items and much more.

Yard Sale: Memorial Day. Home of Edith Lamb, Brindle Ridge Rd. Furniture, appliances, dishes, clothes, toys, miscellaneous items.

3/4 Family Big Yard Sale: Thurs., Fri. & Sat., May 21, 22 and 23. Scaffold Cane Road, 1 1/2 miles off U.S. 25 at Roundstone. Old dishes, some clothing, some antiques, tanning bed, old records, Army things. Something for everyone.

3 Family Yard Sale: At Conway, home of Willard

Wynn. Thursday & Friday, 8 a.m. to ?

Yard Sale: Sat., May 23, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1 mile west of Brodhead on Hwy. 150. Household items, women's and men's clothing/shoes, children's clothing and shoes - Girl's (5-6, 6x) boys (3T-4, 4T), toys, 13 in. TV, holiday decor and much more. Given by Mindy Gardiner, Linda Nicely, Brenda McKnight. Rain cancels.

Yard Sale: Sat., May 23, 9 a.m. to ? 960 West Main St. House in front of Middle School. Given by Darlene Mink, Charlene Harris, Christy Phillips and Kaye Rader. Oak table and chairs (like new), large oak floor jewelry box, jewelry, craft supplies, women's clothing 8-14 and large women's clothing, boys - 24 mos.-3T, shoes, purses, household items, many other items. Rain cancels.

Multi-Family Garage Sale: Fri. & Sat., 9 to 2, 902 Chestnut Ridge Road. 1 mile out on the right. Rain or shine. Teens Aeropostale, AE, A&F, Hollister and more. Little boy's clothes, shoes, coats, etc. Baby girl clothes (Children's Place, GAP, Gymboree, Old Navy and Carter's). Shoes, purses, toys, household items -- too much to mention.

Yard Sale: Hwy. 39/70, Thurs., Fri. & Sat., Furniture, Memorial flowers, clothes, baby items, pool, etc.

5 Family Yard Sale: Located on Straight Lane off Poplar Grove in Brodhead. Fri. & Sat., 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Yard Sale: Fri., May 22 and Sat., May 23, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Turn left on Hwy. 70, go 7.7 miles. Sale barn on right. Women's and men's clothes (.50-\$3), power and hand tools, new Workmate benches.
Yard Sale: Fri. & Sat., 9:30 a.m. to ? 117 Wallin St., Brodhead. Lots of nice stuff for guys and gals. Heavy duty tarp, four person tent, large rucksack, camo pants, 175 DVD \$1 each, over 75 pairs nice barely used ladies and junior name brand jeans - sizes 3-12, purses, Mary Kay, Home Interior pictures, color TV, end tables. Come on down cause the price is right.
Yard Sale: Friday and Saturday at Hilltop Produce. Girl's clothes size 10/12; boy's clothes size 4, 5, 6; juniors clothes size 4, 6 small and medium; women's clothes small and medium; men's clothes 30x30 and 32x30, small, medium and large; lots of household items; chest; lingerie chest; computer cabinet; outdoor lounge chair; pictures;

blankets; Vera Bradley bags and lots more! Given by Brandy Brock, Tonya Stewart and Barbara Mullins.

Yard Sale: 4 families, home of Jessie and Cayci Mahaffey in

Hunter Ridge Subdivision, Friday 4 to 8 and Saturday 8 to 2. lots of great bargains, designer clothes, furniture, color TVs, home decor, DVDs, golf supplies. Rain or shine.

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. Board of Directors - Low Income Representative: The Nominating Committee is soliciting nominations from Rockcastle County Low Income population for representation on the Low Income Sector of the Daniel Boone Development Council, Inc. Board of Directors. Nominations will be accepted until close of business on June 10, 2009. All nominations will be placed on a ballot sheet at an ELECTION that is to be held in Rockcastle County at the Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. office located at 105 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on June 25, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. The two winning nominees in this election will serve on the Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. Board for a term of three (3) years. All nominations must be mailed to Roger Schott, Chairman of the Board at the following address: **Roger Schott, Chairman, Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc., 1535 Shamrock Road, Manchester, KY 40962**

Kentucky Department of Education Notice of Vacant Rockcastle County Board of Education Seat Opportunity

The Kentucky Commissioner of Education is seeking applicants to be considered for appointment to the Rockcastle County Board of Education. You are invited to nominate yourself or someone you know who is qualified to serve on the Rockcastle County Board of Education representing Educational Division # 2. This vacancy was created by the resignation of Board Member Brandy Brock.

Under the provisions of KRS 160.190 (2), this appointment is effective until the November 2010 regular election.

This is a public service position and the person appointment will not be employed by the Rockcastle County Public Schools.

- Requirements**
- Board member must be:
 - At least 24 years old.
 - A Kentucky citizen for the last three years.
 - A registered voter in Rockcastle County and a voter in West Brodhead, North Brodhead or Brown precinct.
 - Have a high school diploma or a GED certificate.
 - Must be in compliance with anti-nepotism state laws.
 - Cannot provide contract services for the school district.

Responsibilities

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- Developing policy that governs the operation of schools.
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 - Hiring the district superintendent and issuing annual evaluation reports.
 - Setting local tax rates and practicing vigorous stewardship to ensure that all school district funds are spent wisely.
- Applications must be postmarked by May 26, 2009. Application forms for this position are available from:
- Rockcastle County Board of Education Office at 245 Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
 - The Kentucky Department of Education, address below. Phone Number (502) 564-4474.

All applications must be mailed directly to:
Commissioner of Education
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shall present them, according to law, to the said Linda Sue Parrish or to Hon. John D. Ford, 45 East Main St., P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Nov. 11, 2009 at 11 a.m. 25x3

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