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Graduation at RCHS is Friday night at 7 p.m.

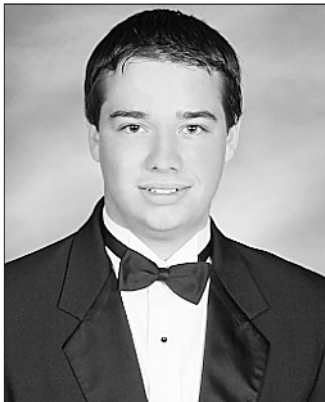
Graduation Ceremonies for the 37th graduating class at Rockcastle County High School will be held this Friday night at 7 p.m.

After opening remarks by graduate and Student Council Vice-President Cody Kirby, and a welcome by graduate and FCA President Loren Reynolds, special recognitions will be presented by RCHS Principal Jennifer Mattingly.

Mattingly will recognize graduates who have enlisted in the military, achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average and those who have perfect attendance.

Class Valedictorian John Lambert and Salutatorian Rachael Cash will address their classmates before Rockcastle School Superintendent Larry Hammond presents diplomas to the 216 graduates.

Student Council President Morgan Campbell will close out graduation when the Changing of the Tassels will take place.



Valedictorian John Lambert



Salutatorian Rachel Cash

Local man found safe in Laurel Co.

A local man was found safe early Monday morning in the Hawk Creek Community of northern Laurel County, after being reported missing on Sunday night.

According to Livingston asst. Fire Chief Russell Barron, caretakers for Gerald Chandler, 73, who lives on River Road in southern Rockcastle County, reported him missing around 8

p.m. Sunday night, after he had not returned home for about a 24 hour period.

Barron said Chandler, who walks everywhere he goes, was last seen eating supper at the 49 Fuel Center around 9 p.m. on Saturday night.

About ten Livingston firefighters, and Rockcastle

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Wreath Laying at War Memorial

Members of the Rockcastle American Legion Post 71 and VFW Post 5908 held the annual Memorial and Wreath Laying Ceremony at the War Memorial in front of the Rockcastle Courthouse in the rain on Monday morning. Members of the JROTC at the Rockcastle High School helped with the ceremony. They are shown, front row, from left: Cdt. Lt. Colonel Charles Dickerson, Cdt. Capt. Samantha Bussell, Cdt. Lt. Ben Whitaker and Cdt. Sgt. 1st Class, David Lunsford. Veterans taking part in the ceremony are shown behind the JROTC members from left: Anthony Hansel, Estill Philbeck, Mike Debord, David Owens, Jerry Payne, Roger McClure, Bobby Kendrick and Russell Coleman. Jacob Owens, grandson of David Owens is also shown at left. At right, Vietnam Veterans Bobby Kendrick, left and Roger McClure, right, waited in the rain to lay the wreath at the war memorial. Central Baptist Church Pastor Mark Eaton, also said a prayer during the brief ceremony.



The Brodhead Baptist Church Float won first place in the parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Saturday. Shown on the float in the top photo are, front row, from left: Pastor Ralph Baker and Callie Parker. Second row, from left: Zach Adams and Rachael Cash. Standing is Tyler Sowder. Above, left, homecoming committee member Brian Bussell presents District Judge Katie Wood with the Grand Marshal Award for Saturday's parade and at right, he presents the Brodhead Elementary Teacher of the Year Award to Kathy Reynolds. Wood is in her third year as district judge for Rockcastle and Pulaski Counties. Reynolds, a longtime educator, teaches 5th grade at Brodhead. A large crowd turned out for the annual festival in downtown Brodhead. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin)

Accused of beating estranged wife Brodhead man held on \$50,000 cash bond

During an arraignment for James Clayton Reynolds in Rockcastle District Court on Monday, District Judge Katie Wood did not lower the \$50,000 cash only bond he is being held under.

The 61-year-old has been charged with assault, unlawful imprisonment and wanton endangerment because of a Wednesday night incident, in which he is accused of badly beating his estranged wife.

Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds said when Phyllis Reynolds, 60, returned home from work around 4:20 Wednesday morning, her estranged husband was waiting at her home on Barker Road in the Willailla community of the county.

Reynolds said James Reynolds had hidden his vehicle in the barn and when Phyllis Reynolds went into the house, James Reynolds assaulted her with an umbrella, knocking her semi-conscious.

The County Attorney said Reynolds tied his estranged wife to a chair, struck her several times, causing multiple in-

juries and bleeding and attempted to get her to call her attorney and tell him she was dropping divorce proceedings.

The County Attorney said James Reynolds then forced Phyllis Reynolds to take her clothes off so he could wash the blood off her body.

According to Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters, Reynolds then put his estranged wife in his car and drove to David's Tire Center, where he had left a truck and horse trailer.

Peters said when Reynolds got out of the vehicle, his estranged wife jumped behind the wheel and attempted to escape.

Peters said James Reynolds gave chase in his truck and that his estranged wife lost control of the car during the chase and James Reynolds rammed her car with his truck.

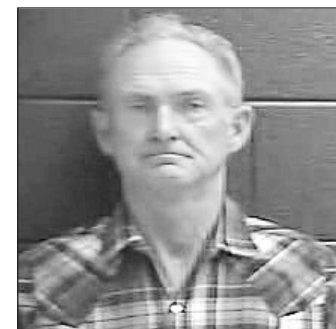
Peters said James Reynolds recaptured his estranged wife and they returned to David's Tire Center in the car, where he was going to wait until David's Tire Center opened.

The Sheriff said Reynolds wanted his estranged wife to tell others she was dropping the divorce case against him.

But, Peters said Reynolds realized he had left the lights on and the door open to his truck and he and his estranged wife returned to the scene where he had recaptured her.

Peters said James Reynolds told his estranged wife to drive back to her house at about 35 miles per hour, while he followed her.

"She knew where Deputy Sheriff Stanley Payne lived and she took off to his house, where she went into the yard with the horn blowing and the lights flashing. Diane (Stanley's wife) got the door open very fast and they called the ambulance service who transported Mrs. Reynolds to the local hospital.



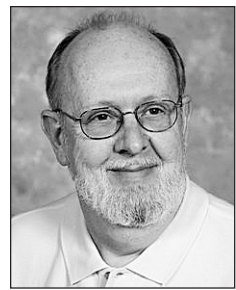
James Clayton Reynolds

Brodhead City Hall closed on June 3rd

City Hall in Brodhead will be closed next Wednesday, June 3rd.

Clerk Becky Bussell said the office would reopen regular business hours on Thursday, June 4th.

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Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

My Radio Flyer

Each Monday morning when I drive down Furnace Mountain, I see my friend Amon Back's little red wagon sitting by the side of the road loaded with bags of garbage, ready to be picked up and tossed into the garbage truck. Amon is a former Kentucky State Police Officer who was injured on the job and as a result cannot lift much weight. His wagon comes in handy whenever he needs to carry or haul something. Seeing that little red wagon takes me back to my boyhood.

When I was seven years old, my grandfather (Pop) took me into Bryant's Appliance Store and purchased a brand new Radio Flyer wagon for me. I had many memorable days as a child, but that afternoon remains solidly in my mind.

That "little red wagon" was constructed of steel and had wooden stakes on the sides and at the back. On our way back to his car, Pop had me hop into my new wagon, and he pulled me down the sidewalk on Main

Street in Mt. Vernon.

The Radio Flyer Company began in 1917, when Antonio Pasin purchased some used wood-working equipment and rented a one-room workshop. He began making wagons at night and selling them during the day. The business kept growing, adding additional employees as necessary.

In the 40's, America was at war, and the company was asked to focus all of its manufacturing efforts to produce five-gallon, steel "Blitz Cans" for the war. They were steel containers which were mounted on the back of Army Jeeps, trucks, and tanks, designed to transport five gallons of fuel or water to troops stationed overseas.

After the war, Antonio applied mass-production techniques to wagon-making, making wagons "for every boy and every girl" in America and thereby created what became one of the true icons of American culture. The company is

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Points East

By Ike Adams

Life at our place, meaning any place we've ever lived, would not be nearly as exciting if we didn't have at least one big snake experience from time to time.

Loretta wants absolutely nothing to do reptiles of any sort but she is particularly alarmed by snakes.

She will not visit a zoo, for example, without first getting a map of the premises and figuring out where they keep the snakes. She then highlights the snake pen, or whatever you call it, with a big red marker and refuses to go within a hundred yards of it. She will frequently orient her location on the map and will back-track if she discovers that whatever path she's on is getting closer to the snake place.

If she has to miss the monkeys, then so be it, even though she may worry that they are being kept too close to the snakes. She questions the wisdom of keeping snakes and monkeys on the same premises.

"What if a big python got loose and ate a baby monkey," she is prone to wonder?

And I say, "Hey baby what

do you think they feed those suckers anyway? Why do you think they have a zillion monkeys here in the first place? Snakes do have to eat, you know."

She scowls and stares me down. Loretta has no sense of humor when it comes to snakes.

Now, I will readily admit that I'd never keep a snake as a pet even if I was not married to the ultimate snakephobic, but I'm okay with snakes as long as I know about where they are. However, I once dated a herpetologist back in the seventies and after a couple or three outings, she invited me to have dinner at her apartment. One of those bring the wine deals and she'd do the cooking and then we'd see what else we had in common.

We had a passionate kiss when she answered the door and then I noticed that she had a boa constrictor in a huge glass terrarium in the middle of her living room and it was bigger around than my leg and twice as long as I was tall.

So we were washing dishes after an excellent meal and I inquired as to what she fed old Pedro, the snake to whom I'd been introduced.

And she said, "Rats. Do you want to watch him eat one?" Fool that I am, I agreed and she proceeded to bring in a cage with a white rat about the size of your average beagle. By the time the snake had devoured the rat, romance was the last thing on my mind and my excellent dinner wanted to come back up. She pointed out that my face was whiter than the rat that Pedro had just enjoyed and I don't recall that we went out again after that.

So last Saturday, I was working in my garden. I grow my beans and tomatoes on big round cages made out of fence wire and/or those rolls of steel webbing used to reinforce concrete. In one, still standing from last year, I had piled in a couple dozen heavy plastic bags that had each contained 50 pounds of the composted cow manure I use for fertilizer. I use the empty bags to keep weeds down in the middle of

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Business started 200 years ago could be about to bite the dust

Living in a down economy isn't having much effect on Harvey Conner.

He still has a job. The same one he's had for 44 years.

And he has enough money to go out in search of some of the products he has manufactured since he was a teenager.

"The other day, over in Nicholasville, I found a piece I made in the early 80s and only had to give \$1.25 for it," says the 63-year-old Madison County native.

His employer, Bybee Pottery, has been in business in the tiny community of Waco since 1809.

Not much has changed in the 200 years since Webster Cornelison founded the enterprise that is now in its fifth generation of family ownership.

Unlike Harvey, who seems to enjoy talking almost as much as turning out beautiful pieces of pottery, Buzz Cornelison, 60, is a man of few words.

He runs the place now, along with his brother, Jimmy, with occasional help from their sister, Paula Gabbard.

Jimmy also serves as coroner for Madison County, and Buzz was once a member of the Kentucky-based band Exile. As the keyboard player, his talents are highlighted on the group's number one hit from 1978, Kiss You All Over.

He's still keyboarding, only now it's the one attached to his office computer. It looks very much out of place in the two-century-old, rambling wooden structure that is the workplace for only two other employees besides Conner and family members.

Near the computer hang framed portraits of great-great-grandfather Webster and each succeeding generation of Cornelisons.

The oldest surviving Cornelison is Buzz's dad, Walter, 80, who was a master at running the pottery wheel before suffering a stroke nearly

two years ago.

Former Kentucky First Lady Phyllis George Brown was instrumental in making Bybee a name with world-wide recognition as part of her promotion of crafts produced in Kentucky.

The product can still be found around the globe, as attested to by the visitors to the unique shop about eight miles east of Richmond just off Ky 52.

"We get people from all over," says Conner, as he shows a visitor the process of adding color to a bowl. "Just this morning, there was a lady in here from London, England."

Visitors who don't mind getting a little dirty from clay dust that coats the floors, walls, and shelves are welcome to tour the entire operation. It is open weekdays only from 8 a.m. until noon and 12:30 until 3 p.m.

A less hectic and, no doubt, cleaner place to buy the merchandise is Little Bit of Bybee, a shop in the Louisville suburb of Middletown operated by a cousin of the family, Ron Stambaugh.

Besides a tour and an opportunity to buy the products at a cheaper price in Waco, visitors can also get a history lesson from employees and from sheets provided free to the public.

They learn that the clay being used is found in ample deposits on a farm about three miles from the shop. It is open-pit mined from several feet beneath the rich topsoil.

Documents have been found revealing this is the same clay mined by the first settlers of Kentucky, then taken to nearby Fort Boonesborough to be used for making crude dishes.

The clay, mixed with water, is ground in an old plug mill and stored in an ancient vault where it is kept moist and pliable.

It is weighed on old balances to secure uniformity, then thrown by the potter and shaped into the desired form.

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May is American Stroke Month

A Warning Stroke

Presented by Dr. George W. Griffith

Before a person has a stroke, he frequently has some warning signs. If these signs and symptoms are heeded, a stroke can be averted and years of good health added to a person's life.

With a warning (or transient) stroke, the circulation to an area of the brain is temporarily decreased or obstructed. This results in weakness, numbness, and often difficulty with speech. These transient strokes completely resolve within 24 hours and a person feels fine again. If a person takes preventative measures at this time, he is likely to prevent a much more serious stroke.

Common causes of transient strokes are small clots that travel from the arteries of the neck to plug the arteries of the brain, a drop in blood pressure from dehydration or shock, and temporary clotting off of a small artery in the brain.

If a person has a transient stroke, the cause should be looked for by exam, lab tests, doppler studies of the arteries of the neck, a CT scan of the brain, and even evaluation of the heart to make sure small clots are not caused by an irregular heart-beat. Stroke-like symptoms can also be caused by tumors, migraines, seizures, hypoglycemia or aneurysms, all of which deserve attention.

Treatment is fairly effective and may be as simple as taking one aspirin a day. This cuts the chances of a stroke by up to 50%. If the aspirin alone is ineffective, stronger blood thinners can be used, but they also increase the chance of more severe bleeding problems. Surgery to open obstructed arteries in the neck may be necessary and treatment of medical problems, such as an irregular heart beat or high cholesterol, is important.



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Obituaries



Robert Lewis Witt, III

Robert Lewis Witt, III, 71, of Orlando, died Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at the Saint Joseph Hospital in Berea. He was born in Orlando, on May 11, 1938 the son of Robert Louis, Jr. and Juanita Branaman Witt. He was a truck driver for Haynes Trucking.

He is survived by: one son, Bobby (Crystal) Witt of Berea; one daughter, Lisa Mason of Mt. Vernon; his mother, Juanita Witt of Orlando; four brothers, Hewitt Witt of Mt. Vernon, James David Witt of McMinnville, TN, Reuben Witt of Roshelle, IL and Gary Witt of Orlando; and one sister, Barbara Ann Jones of DeKalb, IL. Also surviving are: three grandchildren, Anthony Edward Mason, II, Tyler Witt and Dustin Ellis Witt; and one great grandchild, Caleb Jeffrey Mason. In addition to his father, Mr. Witt was preceded in death by one sister, Francis Gayle Witt.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 23, 2009 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jack Martin. Burial followed in the Branaman Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jesse Baker, Larry Crowder, Jimmy Gulley, James Robinson, Vince Townsend and Sam VanWinkle.

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



William "Bill" Bell

William "Bill" Bell, 54, of Fairfield, died Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at his home. He was born July 15, 1954 in Rockcastle County, the son of Mildred I. Gray and the late Millard Lester Bell. On October 22, 2008 in Hamilton he married Sherry Payne. He was a member of the Washington Masonic Lodge in Hamilton, VFW Post 4369 in Sharonville, Eagles Post 3680 in Fairfield, Amvets Post 71 in Fairfield and the United Auto Workers Local 863 (Ford Motor Company). After a terrible battle with cancer for about one year he had to go home.

He is survived by: his mother, Mildred Bales; wife, Sherry (Payne) Bell; two children, Chris (Jennifer) Bell and Jessica (Brian) Mutchler; 10 grandchildren, Mariah and Nicholas Bell, Andrew and Carley Mutchler, and Seth, Devone, Braden, Marcus, Kaylee, and Finley Payne; two sisters, Lois (Wayne) Working and Donna (Dennis) Morgan; and two brothers, Jeff (Sheila) Bell and Henry (Chris) Bales.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Lester "Jake" Bell and David Bell.

Services were held Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at The Webster Funeral Home, 3080 Homeward Way at Rt. 4, Fairfield, with a Masonic Service and Scottish Rite Ring Ceremony followed by a memorial service with Rev. Ronnie Seniors officiating.

www.websterfuneralhomes.com

John Machal

John Machal, 74, of Harrodsburg, husband of Roberta Phillips Machal, died Friday, May 22, 2009 at the Haggin Memorial Hospital in Harrodsburg.

Born November 21, 1934 in Rockcastle County, he was the son of the late J.G. and Sarah Cox Machal. He was manager of Kentucky Finance for some 30 years and was a partner in Machal Tax Service for 30 years. He was a member of the Carpenter's Christian Church, the New Beginning Sunday School Class, the Spirit Lifters and a Kentucky Colonel.

Besides his wife, survivors include four daughters, Judy Curtis of Midway, Cindy (Randy) LeMay of Lexington and Teri Giles and Chrise (David) Burton, both of Harrodsburg; one sister, Virginia "Sis" Machal of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, Bobby (Betty) Machal of Mt. Vernon, Paul Ray (Kathleen) Machal of Harrodsburg and Chock (Joyce) Machal of Mt. Vernon; 11 grandchildren; two great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Steve Machal.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 25th at Carpenter's Christian Church by Greg Warren and Rob Clark. Burial was in the Spring Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg.

Pallbearers will be grandsons. Honorary bearers will be Bob and Brenda Brown, Delmer and Phyllis Warren, Curtis and Dianne Sims and Bill and Alice Montgomery. Memorial contributions are suggested to Carpenter's Christian Church.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com



Gilbert Lunceford

Gilbert Lunceford, 75, husband of Wanda of Brodhead, died Saturday, May 23, 2009 at UK Medical Center in Lexington. He was born January 18, 1934 in Brodhead, a son of the late Cossie and Bessie Loraine Reynolds Lunceford. He was a member of the Sheperds Chapel Church. He was a self employed carpenter whose hobbies and interests included guitar, music, cooking, gardening, and fishing. On August 9th, 1959 he was united in holy matrimony to Wanda Burton Lunceford and from that union came two children, David Wayne and Mellisa Rose.

Those left to cherish his memories include: his wife, Wanda Burton Lunceford of Brodhead; a son, David Wayne Lunceford of Brodhead; daughters, Melissa Rose Mendoza of Oneida and Wanda Gail Messer of Brodhead; three grandchildren, Tina Marie Galleous, Michael Andrew Mendoza and David Wayne Lunceford, Jr.; three great grandchildren; two sisters, Ella Mae DeBorde of Mt. Vernon and Lucinda (Jim) Hohimer of Beaver Dam; two brothers, John (Caroline) Lunceford of Evansville, IN and Ray Mack (Pamela) Lunceford of Brodhead; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters, Evelyn Kennedy, Ina Grace, and Loretta Bowling.

Memorial services were conducted Tuesday, May 26th, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Dan Gutenson and Bro. Jim Hohimer officiating. Burial followed in the Piney Grove Cemetery in Brodhead.

In lieu of flowers, please make Memorial contributions to the National Lung Association.

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

Cards of Thanks

James Robert (Jim) Houston

The family of Jim Houston would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for everyone who shared their love, concerns, and kindnesses with us during this difficult time. A special thanks for all who sent flowers and food. Thanks to Vale Funeral Home, Marvin and Judy Owens who assisted us in so many ways with the arrangements for the service. Thanks to those who sang, especially Caroline Graves for playing the piano and singing. Thanks to the pallbearers, and to Irving Ross, and Curtis Bauske for their comforting words. They were greatly appreciated during the loss of our loved one.

Viola Houston

Leda Gail Mason

We, the family of Leda Gail Mason, would like to express

our sincere thanks to all our friends for their love and support in the time of Gail's sickness and also at the time of her death. Thank you to Dr. Rowe and his staff, a very special thank you to the staff at Rockcastle Hospital, all the people in housekeeping, the nurse assistants, respiratory care and nurses. Thank you to the Doan family, Pentecostal Church and to Bro. James Miller. Thanks to all the fire departments and law enforcement. Thanks for all the food and flowers. Thank you Danny Ford and Hal Rogers for all your help and a very special thank you to Marvin and Judy Owens for your support and kindness.

Thank you all,

David Alan and Pam Mason
Chris and Judy Mason
Perry Mason
Esther Fullerlove

In Loving Memories

In Loving Memory of Lewis & Georgia Chaney

God called her home before him, He had to wait a few years more But now they are together, Upon Heaven's golden shore. They are singing with the angels

In that Heavenly gospel choir, Oh! I can just see them, They're the brightest angels there.

They're at home with Jesus In that bright and happy land, Upon the shiny streets of gold, They're walking hand in hand. I'm sure that if they could come back,

They wouldn't want to come, Their trials on earth are over, And their life crown has been won.

Someday we'll go meet them When our time is up to wait. They'll be smiling, watching for us

Just inside those pearly gates.

By Etta Chaney

Sadly missed by children, Steve, Stanley, Dennis, Twila and all family and friends

In Loving Memory of Clinton McFerron

who passed away Sept., 2008 I should have said them often, The words "I Love You," but deep within your heart, I know that you knew.

You were a very special uncle, And you're missed very much. You brightened up many lives, and many hearts you touched.

I saw you open up your wallet To a stranger in need, You gave with a glad heart, And so willingly.

You never held a grudge, You were so willing to forgive, To honor God's Commandments

Was the way you strived to live. "I love you" were the last words,

I ever heard you say That one last precious memory That's in my heart to stay.

I'll try not to grieve too long, For you're in a better place, You're up there in Heaven, surrounded

By God's Amazing Grace.

By Etta Chaney

In Loving Memory of George Hasty

Happy Birthday

April 24, 1937

You never said I'm leaving, You never said goodbye, You were gone before we knew it

And God only knows why. A million times we've needed you,

A million times we've cried, If love alone could have saved you,

You never would have died. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still, In our hearts you hold a special place,

No one can ever fill. It broke our hearts to lose you, But you didn't go alone, For a part of us went with you, The day God called you home.

Sadly missed by

Mary Owens

Does your child have difficulty with handwriting?

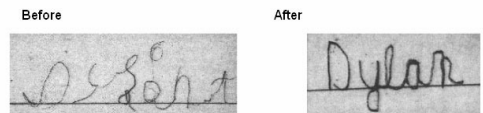
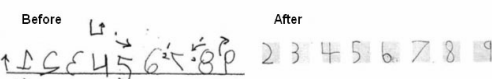
Or do you want to get your preschooler off to a good start?

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This is a unique, but simple, developmentally based curriculum for print and cursive, which is designed to help eliminate problems with letter formation, reversals, legibility sentence spacing, cursive connections, posture, and pencil grip.

If you would like more information on this program or would like to schedule an evaluation for your child, please call the Occupational Therapy department at Rockcastle Hospital at (606) 256-7763.

Evaluations begin in May and the program will begin in June. Spaces are limited. This is not a free program; however, the program is covered by many insurance companies including Kentucky Medicaid.



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Cemetery Notice

Three Links Cemetery

Please send donations for mowing of Three Links/Phillips Cemetery to Joyce Phillips, 3967 Three Links Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. Ph. 606-256-1591.

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

Our Readers Write

Group of ERWA water users form three committees on Monday...

Dear Editor,
A group of Eastern Rockcastle Water Association (ERWA) members met Memorial Day to plan activities for achieving a better managed and more effective board of ERWA directors. The group chose the name, The Real ERWA, to indicate that it is comprised of ERWA water users who are concerned about the future of the ERWA. The group believes water users have the right to attend ERWA monthly board meetings and will not rest until it achieves this goal.

The group concluded that the ERWA will be more effective if it is open and transparent in all of its activities. It was decided that the advantages of open ERWA meetings include: a non-threatening environment with more respect for concerns of water users, better financial management, and greater fairness in deciding where new water lines are expanded and which homes are added. Open meetings will let water users and taxpayers hear how their money is being spent by the ERWA and decide whether ERWA staff and board members are doing a good job. Everyone knows that well managed organizations are not hampered in conducting their business when their board meetings are open to the public. If open meetings were inhibiting organizations such as the County Fiscal Court or the Board of Education could not operate.

The Real ERWA group formed three committees to pursue its goals. The committees are: petitions, elections, and communications. The next meeting is Sunday, May 31, at 1PM, located at 7704 Climax Road. All water users and members of the public are welcome.

Barbara Castleberry
Concerned ERWA
Water User

Thanks for donations...

Dear Editor,
The Rockcastle Community Scholarship Committee would like to thank the following for their donation to the 2009 Scholarship drive:

Gold Scholarship - Citizens Bank and Community Trust Bank; Silver Scholarship (for Wayne Stewart Scholarship Fund) - Rockcastle Hospital; Wayne Stewart Adult Day Care; Rockcastle Professional Pharmacy; Dr. Karen Saylor; Dr. David Bullock; Dr. Kim Cornelius; Dr. Callie Shaffer; Dr. Kevin Rowe; Dr. William McElwain; People's Bank and Trust; Singleton and Associates; Margena Keltner O.D. PSC; and Richmond Street Eyecare.

The Rockcastle County Scholarship Committee offers scholarships to qualifying

Rockcastle County High School seniors. These scholarships are possible because of generous donations from individuals and businesses in the community.

For more information or to donate to the Scholarship fund, please contact Stella Young at (606)256-5007.

Sincerely,
The Rockcastle Scholarship Committee

City did not need more tax money to balance their budget...

Dear Editor,

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Over this past year approximately \$300,000 of your occupational tax has been taken by the city when it wasn't NECESSARY.

The increased tax, which started last July, was passed by your mayor led city council and everyone was told it was required to balance the current years budget. "WRONG", the city NEVER needed the money. I don't know "if" this was legal, but I do know it was morally and ethically wrong.

Anyone who pays this tax, as well as city employer's, need to be at the next city council meeting and insist they repeal this extra tax they passed last year. The next year's budget starts in June and if this is not repealed, the mayor will figure out a way to spend the extra money for the next fiscal year.

You have a chance to make a difference!

Sincerely,
Rick Courtney

Next meeting for CCFFG is June 16th...

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the *Mount Vernon Signal* for reporting what we are doing as concerned citizens for fair government of Rockcastle County (CCFFG).

The next meeting of the CCFFG will be June 16th at 6:00 p.m. at Rockcastle County Courthouse, 3rd floor. Our website is ccffg.com. Hope to see a 100 plus at the next meeting. If you are against zoning we need to know how you feel. We just want the county left like it is with no zoning!

Doug Brock, Sr.

Names needed for 1984 Reunion...

Dear Editor:

The RCHS Class of '84 Reunion Committee is in need of help locating addresses for former classmates for our upcoming 25th reunion. If you have any information for the following classmates, please email us at rchs84reunion@windstream.net.

Tim Alexander, Melissa Arnold, Terry Barnett, Troy Bengé, Steve Blair, Victoria Bond, Chad Brock, Sheila Brown, Terry Brown, Charles

Bryant, Linda Bryant, Mark Bryant, Rhonda Burton, Jerry Cales, Anthony Carroll, Danny Childress, James Clark, Ruby Collins, Brutus Cook, Renee Dooley, Harry Feltner, Danny Frederick, Kenneth Gadd, Brenda Gibbons, Michael Haaron, Patricia Hampton, Suzy Harris, Loretta Howard, Stephen Howerton, Diane Hunt, James Isaacs, Lisa Kirby, Jonathon Kirby, Troy Kirby, Charles Lamb, Michelle Lear, Christopher Lewis, Sharon Lovell, Barbara Lunceford, Tamara Lunceford, Dorothy Marler, Larry Marler, Joseph Mathis, Michael Mason, Sheila McClure, Randy McFerron, Chris McKinney, Jerry Mink, Tony Monk, Robert Mounce, Clifford Newton, Carolyn Parker, Melissa Partin, Lora Poynter, Sherry Pruitt, Scotty Robinson, Tim Saylor, Donald Singleton, Mark Singleton, Regina Smith, Dwayne Sowder, James Sowder, Christine Swinney, Donna Taylor, Bobby Thompson, Kristie Thompson, Tina Vanwinkle and Deborah Wright.

Class of '84
Reunion Committee

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, AVON - Jenny Beth Neeley, Country Flowers, First Pine Hill Church, City of Brodhead, Integrity Mold, McDonalds, First Baptist Church, Skaggs Creek, Larry Daugherty DMD, J&D Cabinets, Mt. Vernon Auto, Pleasant Run Baptist Church, Days Inn, Richmond Street Eye Care, Scaffold Cane Baptist Church, Livingston Baptist Church, Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, Conway Baptist Church, Lykins Oil Co., Tokico, Central Kentucky Surgery, Brodhead Christian Church, James Miller, Mink Apartments, Gary Miracle - GLM, Inc., Mt. Vernon Scrap and Recycling, Citizens Bank, Lovell Gun Repair, Berea Lodge, Jerry's Laundromat, Grace Baptist Church, Wildie Christian Church, Livingston Annual Homecoming, Livingston Christian Church, R&J Printing, Coffey & Ford, Teresa Vanzant, Pam Chaliff, CBJ Designs, Climax Water - King Bottling, Wal-Mart - Berea, Lisa Cook, Brunner Studio, Bissell's Inc., Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance, Dream Stylzz Salon, Briar Bowl Lanes, Rose's One Stop, Golden Corral, Cummins Sporting Goods, Clifford Collins Construction, Roy Todd Builders, Scaffold Cane Baptist Church, Skaggs Creek Baptist Church, Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Catholic 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,
Project Graduation Committee

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

now 92-years-old and is still producing the famous toys.

My little red wagon was used for a wide assortment of games and chores on our small rural farm, but simply riding it was the greatest of fun. The terrain was such that I could begin at Pop's rye patch at the top of the hill and ride almost to KY 25 at the bottom of our land. At that point, I simply got out, pulled it back uphill, and then headed down again on another ride. Kenneth Hansel and I were also known for towing each other all around the neighborhood in that cool wagon.

Kenneth and I visited the Vaughn family, who lived down the road from my house, quite often. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn both smoked "corn-cob" pipes with Bull Durham tobacco. The tobacco came in small white sacks with yellow draw-string ties at the top. Mrs. Vaughn kindly saved those bags for me, and Kenneth and I collected them on a regular basis. We filled the bags with sand and pretended they contained gold dust.

I remember filling bag after bag with "gold" to haul back to my house. Of course, our precious cargo was carefully placed in the little red wagon. Along the way, Kenneth and I had to fight off both Indians and "outlaws," who were trying to steal our gold. I am happy to report that we were successful in reaching our destination with the prized cargo intact.

When I was not using my wagon to haul things on the farm (like kindling or groceries), it was always parked in my bedroom. While inside, it was used as a toy box to hold all of my valuable possessions.

I recall one rainy afternoon when I got the bright idea to see if the wagon would hold all of my Matchbox cars without having to stack any of them on top of each other. There was just enough room for every single one of my cars and trucks. Somehow, I was pleased with such perfection.

When Pop got out his

wheelbarrow to haul leaves or kindling, out came my wagon so that I could assist him. One afternoon we carried all the leaves from his yard to a spot where he burned trash, and he gave me \$1 for being such a good helper. I was immensely proud of myself and of my wagon.

When I was a little older, I used the wagon to carry coal and kindling into our house on a regular basis. Of course, when I used it for such a messy job, I covered the bottom with cardboard boxes so the coal would not stain the wooden bottom. I kept my wagon very clean and spotless. It was my pride and joy.

I cannot fathom the number of children who have been endowed with years of enjoyment from such wagons - new or old, clean or dirty, red or green. Just ask anyone from my era about their childhood wagon. I guarantee you'll get a story and a little smile to go with it.

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



This week, we'll continue to take a look at local history, as remembered by Sammy Ford.

Sammy's namesake was his grandfather, James Samuel Ford. He worked for the Kentucky Utilities Company, and was instrumental in putting the first electric lines through Kentucky in 1925. This was a dangerous job, as it is today, and he was electrocuted while he was at work in Mercer county. This left his wife, Cordelia (or "Cordia", as she was known) Hasty-Ford, a widow at age twenty-five. They had two small children. She managed to get twelve thousand dollars together, and build a home for them.

Cordia Ford was quite the industrious woman, for that era. She sold Raleigh products, kind of a forerunner to Amway. She traveled by train to local towns to sell her products, and was usually gone all day. Later, she remarried, and had three more children.

Sammy shared some of his favorite stories with me that had been handed down through his family, that he remembered from when he was a boy. Some stories leaned toward the humorous side, and others were

filled with history and adventure. As we grow up as children, we hear stories passed down through the family, and can now recall them, as they are a part of our childhood. One such story was the big holdup at the Bank of Mount Vernon that happened in 1952 or 1953.

The robbery occurred while Lynn Davis was the sheriff. He, and other individuals, probably his deputies and others, went in pursuit of the robbers when a terrible car accident occurred. The two robbers were killed in the car wreck, as well as some other people driving in another car, who were from the Conway community. The sheriff died from a heart attack, as did another gentleman who was observing the wreckage.

Back in the 1940s, word came to local law enforcement that John Dillinger was in the Mount Vernon area. A stake-out was planned. As it turned out, John Dillinger had hidden himself away for a period of time in the Freedom/Skaggs Creek area. The locals who lived there had no idea of what this outlaw looked like, so he was unknown to them. He had evidently bought food from a family of Whitakers who lived

there, and left the area without incident.

Even before then, in the 1930s, there was what Sammy remembered hearing as a child, being referred to as the "big killing" at Brodhead. It had left seven dead. This spree evidently prompted quite a bit of talk and intrigue for years to come, but Sammy thought it best to let the story be claimed by history itself.

Sammy remembered a rather humorous tale involving his father, Robert, having bought an Amish buggy from Dallas Norton, a cousin of mine. Dallas had originally bought it in Indiana before selling it. Robert had hitched two mules, who were accustomed to hard work in the logging business to the buggy. Pulling one little Amish buggy was light work, compared to pulling wagons full of logs. In any case, the mules started to pull full-force, and couldn't be held back. Robert Ford, another gentleman, and the little Amish buggy headed west, out 150, and ended up wrecking in a hole past George Owens' gas station, that was located at the bottom of Sand Springs Road. The last thing the passenger with Robert said was "Hold 'em back!" but Robert said they had "done gone on."

Sammy's maternal grandfather, Charlie Carter, served five terms as county judge, one term as deputy sheriff, and one term as state representative. Sammy still has some of his old papers and memorabilia he has agreed to share with us in the following issue of The Roots of Rockcastle.

(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)

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

Each piece is allowed to dry completely, then it is glazed and fired in a kiln heated to 2,200 degrees.

Emerging from the kiln, the clay, now a finished piece of pottery, is ready for sale.

This story has been told thousands of times over the years, but there is speculation the final chapter of Cornelison-family involvement may be coming to an end soon.

The next generation, which consists of three granddaughters, two of them teens and the other an attorney, aren't inclined to continue the business.

Closing would be sad for many, but maybe not so much for Harvey Conner.

He would have more time to search for his handiwork.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

my cages.

I picked up the cage and set it aside and all of a sudden the pile of bags commenced moving as if they had a life of their own. For whatever reason, I was thinking four-legged creature and expecting a ground hog to materialize.

I used my hoe to rake the top

several bags away and all of a sudden, faster than a jack in the box, the biggest garter snake I've ever seen in my life sprang up like a cobra no more than three feet from my face and began flashing its tongue at me.

Suffice to say that there is some fresh manure in the garden and it will compost in time. But after collecting my wits, I poked the bags a bit and the snake took off across the gar-

den at a rapid clip. I'd already noticed that my bean and potato vines have been bug free all spring and now I know why.

So it never crossed my mind to do the snake any harm but we're going to have to figure out a way to keep from surprising each other. To further the relationship, I've named the reptile Gomez after my favorite character on the old TV series, "The Addams Family."

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 pro-

ducer 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.

USDA will conduct a referendum if at least 10 percent of the nation's 589,182 soybean producers support a referendum. Not more than one-fifth of the producers who support having a referendum can be from any one state.

The soybean checkoff program is administered by a 68-member producer board and is designed to expand uses of soybeans and soybean products in domestic and foreign markets. The national program is financed by a mandatory assessment of one-half of 1 percent of the net market price of soybeans.

Notice of the Request for Referendum will be published in the March 4, 2009, Federal Register. For more information, contact the Marketing Programs Branch; Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA;

STOP 0251 - Room 2628-S; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, D.C. 20250-0251; tel. (202) 720-1115; or via the Internet at www.ams.usda.gov/lsmarketingprograms.

2009 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment (DCP)
Did you receive a DCP payment in 2008? Have you signed up for the 2009 payment?

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

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

Important program dates
DCP signup continues
MILC signup continues
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Farm Ownership Loans.
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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.

Benefit Singing

There will be a Benefit Singing at Sand Springs Baptist Church on Sat., June 6th at 7 p.m. for Danny Wilkerson. All singers are invited.

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.

VBS at Northside

Northside Baptist Church will hold their Bible School "Group's Roccodile Dock" June 1st -5th from 6:30-8:30 each night.

Meet Jacques the Croc! at our VBS kick-off on Sunday, May 31 at 6 p.m. *This Dock Rocks with new friends, amazing crafts, wild games, lip-smacking snacks, mind-blowing Bible adventures and incredible music.*

Northside Baptist VBS -- "Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light." Call 606-256-5577 for more information.

Singing

Singing at Ottawa Baptist Church featuring the Patriot Quartet on May 31st at 7:00 p.m. Everyone invited.

Special Speaker

Bro. Billy Bryant will be preaching Sunday morning, May 31st at 11 a.m. at Mt. Vernon Church of God. Pastor Bobby Owens welcomes everyone.

VBS at First Christian

Vacation Bible School will

Subscribe to the Signal Call 256-2244

An encouraging word:

Something to Sustain

By Howard Coop



While it may not have been the worst of times, it surely had not been the best of times for my friend. In fact, life had been extremely difficult for him. He had experienced a number of things that hurt him deeply. Yet, as he stood there, he was cheerful, and a pleasant smile graced his face. At the moment, he appeared to be the epitome of happiness. From his outward appearance, no one would have thought that he had lived through so many unpleasant hardships. But he had, and those hardships had not got him down. He was robust in spirit, and it was evident to everyone.

As I talked with my friend, I thought of another individual who knew, better than most of us will ever know, the harsh realities of everyday life. He had been in prison frequently and flogged severely. He was exposed to death again and again. Five times he received forty lashes minus one. Three times he was beaten with rods,

and once he was stoned. Three times he was shipwrecked, and he spent a night and a day in the open sea. He faced danger from rivers, bandits, and his own countrymen. He knew hunger and thirst and had been exposed to cold weather. Yet, in spite of all of that, he could say, "I am greatly encouraged; in all our troubles my joy known no bounds." In those troubles, he had found something to sustain him, and that which he found gave him a triumphant attitude toward life in all circumstances.

We have little control over the hardships of life; they may come at us from all directions, and they may come at any time. But they do not have to get us down. Like one who lived many centuries ago, we can "walk through the valley of the shadow of death" with confident assurance and "fear no evil" because a Presence is with us to support and give comfort.

News from First Christian

Greetings from all of us at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon.

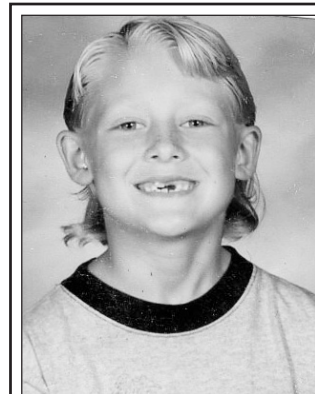
A summertime project for some members of our Willing Workers group is to complete the archival records of our church. If anyone has photos, program of events, stories or articles or other memorabilia (past and present) about First Christian Church that you would like to share with us, it will be greatly appreciated. We'll be glad to make copies and return the originals if desired. You can contact the church office at 256-2876 between the hours of 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday through Friday. Thanks for your help. While our goal is always to be looking ahead and building for the future, we don't want to lose our past.

Our Vacation Bible School takes place May 31st through June 4th from 6 to 8 p.m. at the church. A Vacation Bible School is a custom or tradition in almost every church in the county. Everyone has fond memories of creative teachers who illustrated the Bible stories by use of flannel boards or chalk drawings, crafts projects that required colored construction paper, lots of Elmer's paste glue, boxes of crayons and colored pencils, colored beads and macaroni, empty spools of thread and many, many popsicle sticks. The volunteer refreshment ladies provided Kool-aid and cookies, snacks that always seemed to fit the "theme" of the daily lesson. For the closing exercise there were skits to be rehearsed, songs to be practiced and Bible verses to be memorized. Local history tells us that the first daily Va-

cation Bible School in Rockcastle County was conducted by Langdon School in 1923, making that one of the oldest in the nation also.

The theme for this year's VBS at First Christian is "Rome and the Underground Church". Today's teachers and students are much more innovative and in-depth in their Bible study with modern technology to enhance the lessons and provide a more exciting way to learn and have fun. Looks like a great adventure ahead, wouldn't be too surprised if it included a two-day trip to the ancient city!

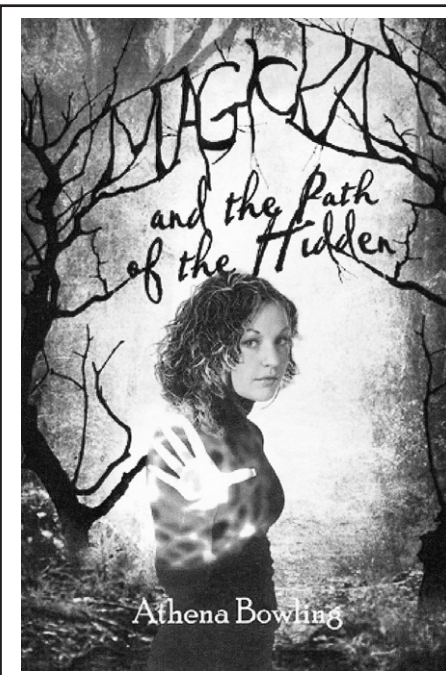
Memory verse for the week: Proverbs 22:6.



Happy 13th Birthday Harley D. Love - Mom, Dad & Sis

Rockcastle UNITE Coalition

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



Local author announces release of first book

Rockcastle County Library host book signing! Saturday, May 30th 1 to 3 p.m.

"What Is Written"

In Prov. 13:3 **NKJ** we read, "He who guards his mouth preserves his life: but he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction." May we consider the thoughts of this verse of scripture for a few moments. Notice the text tells us that we need to guard our mouths! Our mouths can so easily get out of control if we do not keep a check on it. Listen to what James said in James 1:19, "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath." Being slow to speak is sound advice for all of us to consider. It seems what we do too often is: Be very quick to speak, very slow to listen, and quick to fly off the handle in anger. Notice our text also tells us that the man who will guard his mouth, will preserve his life. Jesus tells us in Matt. 12:37, "For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." Our tongues can be used in a very constructive, beneficial, worth while way or it can be used in a hurtful, maiming, and harmful way. Finally, let's take note of the last phrase in our text, that if we open wide our lips, it will bring destruction our way. When we speak unadvisedly with our lips, it can bring harm and hurt to others, but it will hurt us the worst, for it will bring spiritual destruction and condemnation upon us, for "by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

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Sunday Services 7 p.m.

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Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
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Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wade Johnson, Minister

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Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
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1st Sunday of each mo. at 11 a.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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606-256-1645

Crossroads Assembly of God
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Steven Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

Cupps Chapel Holiness
Copper Creek Rd., Crab Orchard
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Thursday Service 7 p.m.
Dwayne Carpenter, Pastor

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Berea, Ky. 40403
859-623-8292 • 859-985-2484
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Gene Smith, Pastor

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520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
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Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
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Friday Worship 7 p.m.
Sunday Worship 6 p.m.
Pastor: Benton Hurd

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor

First Baptist Church
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Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: AWANA and Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
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First Christian Church
West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-256-2876
Bro. Bruce Ross, Pastor
Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Kenny Shubert, Youth Pastor

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

Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church
504 Maple Grove Rd. Hwy. 1004

Orlando, Ky. 40460
859-925-4048
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour 11 a.m.

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

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35 McFerron St.
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Wed. Night 7 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 3 p.m.
Pastor: Fred Hecker

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Randal Adams, Pastor
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Lighthouse Assembly of God
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercountry Prayer 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livingston Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Adult & Youth Classes Available
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Meeting 7 p.m.
Bro. Steve McKinney, Pastor
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Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
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Maple Grove Baptist Church
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. 40460
606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Mareburg Baptist Church
2617 New Brodhead Rd.
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
Wayne Harding, Pastor
Phone: 256-8844
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Youth Missions 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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mareburgchurch@yahoo.com

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor

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Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

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

New Hope Baptist Church
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
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Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
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Minister of Music: Bro. Tony Renner

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training/ Youth Mission Groups 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Youth Choir 6 p.m.
Children's & Youth Bible Study 6:45 p.m. • Service 7 p.m.
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Holy Days 5 p.m.
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Pastoral Associate

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Brodhead, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-256-9724

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Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Allen Hensley, Pastor
453-4801
www.pinehillholinesschurch.com
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Thursday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Night Worship 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting monthly every second Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Poplar Grove Baptist
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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
email: dan.mckibben@juno.com
www.WhatSaithTheScriptures.com

Rose Hill Church
Pastor: Bobby Barnett
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Wildie Christian Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Kenton Parkey, Minister
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Nite Cafe 5:15 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.

Church news
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Hayes - Dees

Sam Dees and April Hayes would like to announce their wedding. The ceremony will be at Clear Creek Baptist Church on Saturday, May 30, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. Everyone invited to attend.



Clemmons - Lawrence

Junior and Connie Clemmons of Sand Gap, would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Melissa Fay to Larry Dustin Lawrence, son of Larry and Jeanine Lawrence of Brodhead. The ceremony will take place June 13, 2009 at Brush Arbor in Renfro Valley at 2 p.m. A potluck reception will immediately follow.

Rockcastle Hospital wins several awards

Rockcastle Hospital & Respiratory Care Center, Inc. recently was recognized for community relations projects.

At the Kentucky Society for Hospital Public Relations and Marketing (KSHPRM) luncheon in Louisville, the hospital received four Certificates of Merit for projects completed during the 2008 calendar year. The community relations projects that were recognized included the Medical Arts Building patient exam room video featuring Dr. Kevin Rowe. The video is played for new patients while that wait in the exam room. It educates patients on health topics and disease prevention. Comments from the judges included "excellent way to introduce patients to practice and procedures" and "great idea".

The hospital was also recognized for the quarterly publication Health Signal, the hospital's annual report and a speech given at Livingston

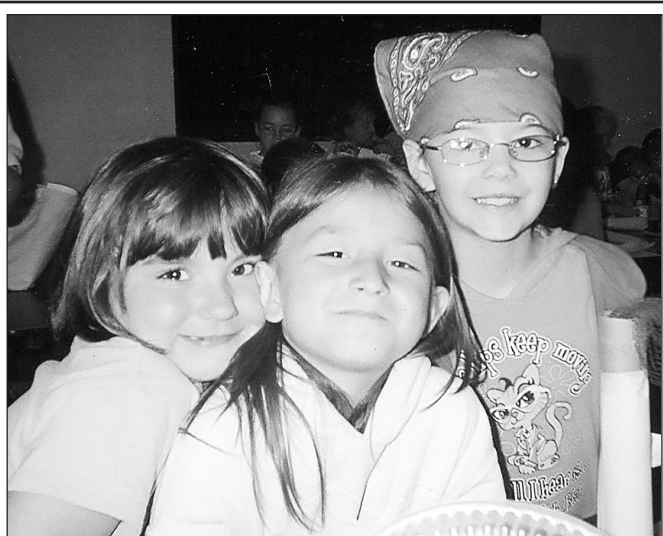
Homecoming titled A Reason to Celebrate. The KSHPRM awards were judged by the Tennessee Society for Hospital PR and Marketing.

"It's an honor to be awarded by a statewide organization that put us in competition with hospitals from across the Commonwealth," said Steve Estes, president and CEO of Rockcastle Hospital. "We're pleased to be recognized in a competition that included public relations agencies and large healthcare systems."

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. is a not-for-profit community hospital that operates inpatient and outpatient acute care programs, 79 long-term care beds for ventilator-dependent patients, a home health care service and Medical Arts Building.

The hospital was established in 1956, is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), and treats patients from across Kentucky and several other states. The hospital has received patients from as far away as Nebraska and Texas and from hospitals such as Johns Hopkins and Duke University.

For more information, log on to www.rockcastlehospital.org.



Girl Scouts from Brownie Troop 484 at Mt. Vernon Elementary attended Girl Scout Camp in London on May 1st and 2nd. Pictured from left are Chloe Shaver, Jasmine Daniels and Robin Hensley. Vicki Chasteen is the leader.



Only a few animals are up for adoption at Shelter

Only a few animals are currently up for adoption at the Rockcastle Animal Shelter, after several had to be put down last Friday. One of those up for adoption is the above, Dachshund, (Wiener Dog), which is about 8-months-old. The adoption fee for any animal is \$20. The animal shelter is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except for Tuesday when it is closed from noon to 2 p.m. For more information call (606) 256-1833 or go online at www.pets911.com.

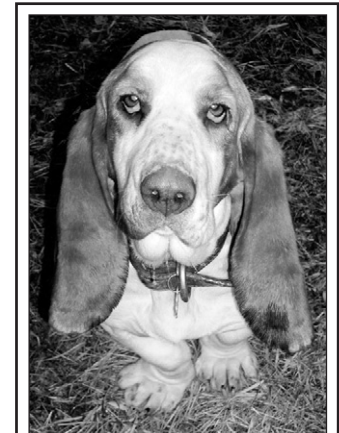
David Griffin receives KPA Award

Hard work does pay off. If you don't believe it, just ask the Mountain Man.

Weekly columnist David J. Griffin recently received an honor in the Best Column category of the Kentucky Press Association's General Excellence Contest. Griffin, who has been writing his column for the past four years, was surprised by his honor. "When I first started writing this column, I never dreamed that it would be so popular and even win an award," he explained.

The judges for the contest were from the Arizona Press Association. "It is good to know that even my peers like my column," Griffin said. He took home a second place in the Best Column category.

The judges said, "David is a master story teller with an excellent memory. He makes nostalgia hip again." Griffin's column, "Rockcastle Memories" appears each week in the *Mount Vernon Signal*.



Beloved Family Pet Missing
Have you seen me? My name is Minnie and I'm missing from the Blue Springs McKinney Cemetery area. I am a brown and white Basset Hound and I have a broken right hip and need my medications. If you see me, please call: 606-256-4423, 859-248-5861, 606-416-9131 or 606-875-0646. If you have taken me, please return me to McKinney Cemetery area.



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

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ABSOLUTE ESTATE Auction

of the late Mr. Paul Witt's
House and Lot - Personal Property
Saturday, June 6, 2009 • 10:00 a.m.

Renfro Valley, Kentucky

Location: Turn off US 25 in Renfro Valley onto Hummel Road. Go 2/10 of a mile and the property will be on the left. Watch for the auction signs.

In order to settle the estate of the late Mr. Paul Witt, our firm has been authorized by Mrs. Bonnie Coffey, trustee, to sell this home and personal property for the absolute high dollar.

This lovely brick home offers an entry foyer, kitchen, dining room, living room, large family room with fireplace, two bedrooms, and a bath. In addition, there is a full basement with kitchen, family/recreational room, laundry room, bathroom, and two-car garage. Other amenities include: new Lennox heat pump, central air, hardwood floors throughout covered in carpet, fully insulated, and city water.

The home is situated on a nice lot measuring approx. 3/4 of an acre with a grape harbor and blackberry vines.

In addition to the real estate, the following is a partial list of personal property that will be selling: Roper Refrigerator (like new) ~ Sears Chrome Refrigerator with Ice Maker ~ Kenmore Electric Range ~ Magic Chef 30" Electric Range ~ Sears Chest-type Deep Freeze ~ Early American Two Pc. Living Room Suite ~ Early American Loveseat ~ Chrome Kitchen Table ~ Six Chairs with Chrome Legs ~ Breakfast Table ~ Breakfast Set with Four Chairs ~ Dehumidifier ~ Coffee and End Tables ~ Lamps ~ Book Shelf ~ Old Chair ~ Hoover Steam Vacuum ~ Cast iron skillets ~ Cast iron bread rings ~ Pressure Cooker ~ Ball and Mason Jars ~ Granite Cooker ~ Kitchenware ~ Glassware ~ Books ~ Craftsman Lawn Riding Mower (like new) ~ Murray Riding Mower 40" cut ~ Yardman 6 HP 20" Cut ~ Air Tank ~ Garden Sprays ~ Step Ladder ~ Pickup Truck Tool Box ~ Wheel Barrow ~ Shop Vac with Attachments ~ Hand Tools ~ Small electric tools ~ Pet Crate ~ Bicycle ~ Plus Many More Miscellaneous Items

Auctioneer's Note: If you'd like to live in a great neighborhood in Renfro Valley and be in walking distance of the shows, then don't miss this absolute auction on Saturday, June 6th at 10:00 a.m. There will be something here for everyone. **Terms:** Real estate: 20% down day of sale, balance in 30 days. Personal Property: Cash or check in full day of sale. MasterCard or Visa will also be accepted with a processing fee.

Note: The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property for the presence of lead base paint. The period for inspection begins May 26th through June 5th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day post sale inspection period.

Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed matter. For additional information, contact the selling agents.



Absolute Court-Ordered Auction of Commercial Property
Saturday, May 30, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.
Hwy. 914 Bypass • Somerset

Location: This property is located on the Highway 914 Bypass, near the intersection of South Highway 27 in Somerset.

Building Tract (Tract 2A): The pictured commercial building is nearly new and fronts the Highway 914 Bypass, offering great visibility. It contains a total of approximately 13,483 square feet and is situated on a total of approx. 2.08 acres with 297 feet of frontage along Highway 914. Upon entrance, the building features a showroom containing approx. 5800 sq ft. and has multiple large windows for viewing retail items. Just off the showroom are 3 sales offices as well as two handicap-accessible restrooms. Also on the main level is a large customers' lounge. In addition, there is a parts area containing approx. 590 square feet plus an additional room currently used for storage space that would be suitable for a large conference room or an additional office.

The first service area consists of approx. 1793 square feet featuring 5 drive-in doors. An additional service area features approx. 2286 square feet with a drive-in dock and a loading dock. In addition, there is a mezzanine level that has 2 offices with hardwood flooring, a kitchenette, a full bath with showers, and a media room.

EXTRA LOT (TRACTS 2B, 3 AND 4): This adjoining lot contains approx. 1.54 acres and has 310 feet of frontage m/l along Highway 914 and 168 feet of frontage m/l along Enterprise Drive. This tract has a large concrete pad and would be ideal for any type retail sales, car lot, equipment sales, etc.

Auctioneer's Note: Very seldom do you have the opportunity to purchase commercial property consisting of a nearly new building in a very sought-after location. Nor can you find a spacious lot that would be adaptable to many commercial ventures. Make plans to attend this auction on Saturday, May 30th at 10:00 a.m. E.D.T.

Note: The real estate will be offered via the multi-parcel method giving each and every prospective purchaser the ability to purchase either or both tracts.

Note: There will be a 6% Buyer's Premium added to the last bid to determine the final sales price.

Terms: At the time of the sale, the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 20% of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. In the event the successful bidder desires or elects to credit the balance, he or she will be required to post bond and furnish an acceptable surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of twelve (12%) percent per annum, for the date of the sale until paid.

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Four local students make finals in Kentucky National History Day

Submitted by Belle Espirit
 Four students from Rockcastle were finalists in the Kentucky National History Day Contest. Eleven young scholars competed in



Justin Houk, Logan Durham, Garrett Hasty, and Alyssa Allen preparing for the interview portion of the competition.



A special thanks to Arielle Reese, Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care, for our "History Crew" polo shirts. Pictured front from left: Justin Houk, Casey Walker and Laiken Coffey. Second row from left: Arielle Reese, Alyssa Allen, Will Walker and Jacob Houk. Third row from left: Jay Lawson, Rylan Cromer, Austin Jordison, and Logan Durham.



Rylan Cromer with his exhibit "Vlad Tepes Dracula."

Frankfort on April 18th after months of college-level research. The four winners are RCMS 8th graders Austin Jordison and Jay Lawson, 6th grader Casey Walker and RCHS freshman Will Walker.

Rylan Cromer, who had placed first at the regional competition in March, placed 4th at state with his exhibit on Vlad Tepes Dracula. Alyssa Allen also placed 4th at state with her website design about Dorothea Lange. Logan Durham, Justin Houk, and Garrett took 6th place with their website design about Qin Shi Huangdi, China's first emperor. Jacob Houk and Laiken Coffey were 5th in website design with their research on Daniel Boone. All students are to be commended on their hard work and performance at the Kentucky National History Day contest.

Austin and Jay placed first for their Group Documentary, Junior Division, on Adolph Hitler. Casey placed First for her Individual Performance, Junior Division, on Mary Edwards Walker and other "Free" women, and Will took Second for Individual Performance, Senior Division, portraying Nikola Tesla.

These four students will now represent the commonwealth of Kentucky at the finals of the National History Day competition which is being held at the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland on June 14th to 18th. There they will compete against representatives from all 50 states as well as Guam, American Samoa, Puerto Rico and the Department of Defense Europe.

Until then they will be continuing to research, rehearse and improve their projects. They also will have to get busy fundraising to help defray the costs associated with this trip to Col-

lege Park, Maryland. Many states completely support their National History Day contestants.

However Kentucky's budget cannot be stretched that far. All the costs of their research and projects and travel to the regional and state contests have been borne by their families and moderators. Times are lean and there are so many worthy projects with their hands out. These participants do ask for your consideration and thank you for your generosity. Thanks to Rockcastle Hospital. Our kids all had matching shirts at Frankfort and they really looked sharp.

An Evening of Bluegrass Music and Pie Auction
Thursday, June 4th
Kentucky Music Hall of Fame

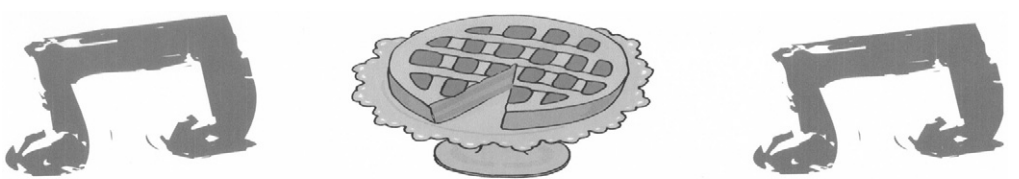
Proceeds go to support Rockcastle students attending National History Day competition in Maryland



Competing in the National History Day Contest in Frankfort were, front from left: Garrett Hasty, Laiken Coffey, Casey Walker, Alyssa Allen and advisor Melissa Singleton. Second row from left: Justin Houk, Logan Durham, Jacob Houk, Will Walker and advisor Kathy Bobo. Back row from left: Rylan Cromer, Austin Jordison and Jay Lawson.



Will Walker in his performance of Nikola Tesla.



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On Tuesday, May 19th, the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce awarded its annual scholarship to Rachel Woodall. Presenting the award was Jenny Sweet.

Woodall receives award from Chamber of Commerce

On Tuesday, May 19th, the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce awarded its annual scholarship to Rachel Woodall, daughter of Harold and Mary Woodall of Brodhead. Rachel is a current senior at Rockcastle County High School. She plans to attend Georgetown College and major in pre-pharmacy. She is active in Student YMCA, Health Occupation Students of America, National Honor Society, Beta Club, Piano, Key Club, French Club, Class Officer/Student Council, Rocket Club and Golf Team.

As part of the application

process, Rachel wrote an essay detailing the creation of a Rockcastle County Community Center and adjoining Arboretum which would include walking trails, recreational areas and an outdoor amphitheater.

The Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce Scholarship supports Rockcastle County students in their pursuit of a higher education. Recognizing that our young people are the county's most important investment, the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce established the scholarship in 2007.

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, cup-

cakes, cookies, etc.

All parents are urged to participate in setting up for Project Graduation. We need to assist the custodians in clearing the graduation set-up.

Registration - the doors open at 10:30 p.m. The doors will lock at 11:30 p.m.

Community scholarships and awards

(See more scholarships and departmental awards in this week's Graduation issue)

Morgan Harper - Community Trust Bank Community Gold Scholarship, \$1,000;

Katrina Chasteen - Citizens Bank Community Gold Scholarship, \$1,000;

Meghan Nation - Rockcastle County Community Scholarship, \$1,000;

Jeffrey Smith - Rockcastle County Community Scholarship, \$500;

Dustin Rader - Rockcastle County Community Scholarship, \$500;

Danielle Mink - Wayne Stewart Scholarship, \$1,000;

Ronald Lainhart - Wayne Stewart Scholarship, \$1,000;

Jillisa Lay - Wayne Stewart/Rockcastle Hospital Scholarship, \$500;

Samantha Renner - Wayne

Stewart/Rockcastle Hospital Scholarship, \$500;

Lauren Graham - Wayne Stewart Scholarship, \$500;

Brooke Bowlin - Brittany Pruitt Scholarship, \$1,000;

Cody Kirby - Rockcastle Hospital Scholarship, \$1,000;

Rachel Woodall - Rockcastle Hospital Scholarship, \$1,000;

Katy Mattingly - Scott Henderson Scholarship, \$500.

Additional

Departmental Awards

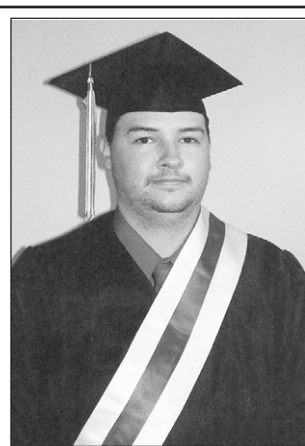
Wendy's High School

Heisman School Winners -

Tanner Perkins and Mary Saylor.

President's Challenge

Presidential Award - Ashley Robinson.



LaJoy and Nelson Graves, both of Brodhead, wish to announce the graduation of their son, DeJon, from Eastern Kentucky University on May 9th. DeJon received his Bachelor's Degree in Biology Pre-Medical Science and attained a 4.0 GPA. He will begin dental school at the University of Louisville School of Dentistry on July 1st. *Congratulations DeJon! We are very proud of you.*



Holly Brown

Holly Brown inducted into Honor Society

Rockcastle County High School graduate and Transylvania University first-year Holly Brown was recently inducted into the inaugural class of the Transylvania First-Year Honor Society.

The society recognizes students who are in the top 20 percent of their class during their first year and have a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Brown is the daughter of Michael and Patricia Brown of Brodhead.

Two graduate from UC May 9th

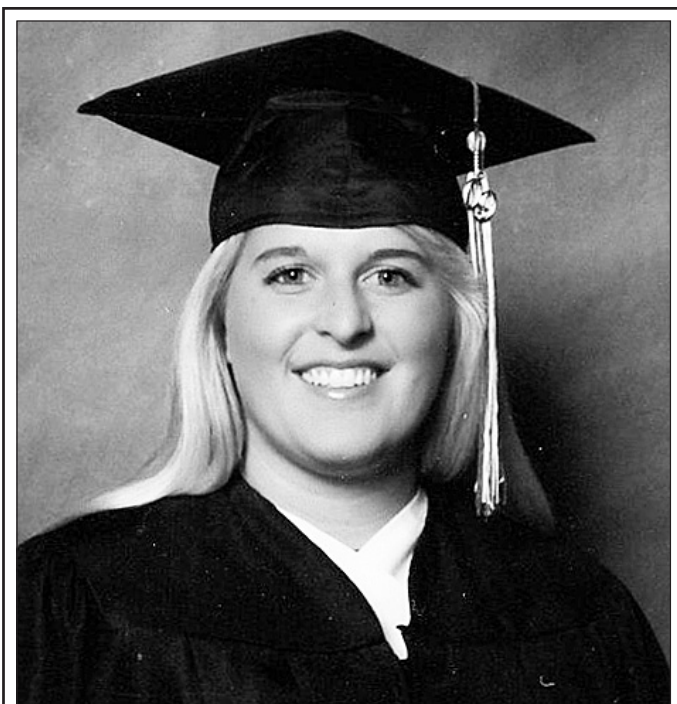
University of the Cumberlands announces that two local students received diplomas on May 9. Tosha Farris, of Mount Vernon, who received a Bachelor of Science in Accounting, with a minor in religion. She is the daughter of Mr. Billie Renner and Ms. Leland Farris. Emily McKinney, of Mount Vernon, who received a Bachelor of Science in Communication Arts, with a minor in religion. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McKinney.



Brooke Bradley 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. Brooke received her Associate Degree in Nursing. She graduated with a GPA of 3.907 and high distinction. Brooke is the daughter of Troy and Sandy Bradley of Mt. Vernon and a 2005 graduate of RCHS.



On May 9, 2009, Allison Durham graduated from Lindsey Wilson College with a BA in Business and Accounting. Allison, a 2005 Rockcastle graduate was also involved with the softball program while at Lindsey Wilson. Allison is the daughter of James and Amy Durham of Mt. Vernon.



Kayla Paige Bryant graduated from Eastern Kentucky University May 9th with a Bachelor's degree in Learning and Behavior Disorders with Elementary Education. She graduated Summa Cum Laude with a GPA of 4.0. Kayla is the daughter of Rick and Jamie Bryant of Mt. Vernon and granddaughter of Perlina Anderkin of Mt. Vernon and the late Jim Anderkin and Lester and Allynne Bryant of Crab Orchard.

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Mon., June 1: Calloway, Red Hill, Livingston, Lamero, Pine Hill. **Tues., June 2:** Maple Grove, Orlando, Climax, Three Links. **Wed., June 3:** Ottawa, Bee Lick.

Local Author Athena Bowling will sign her book, "Magicka: and the Path of the Hidden" Saturday, May 30th at the Rockcastle County Public Library, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Schools Dismissed Early Friday

The last day of school will be Friday, May 29th. School at the high school and middle school will be dismissed at 1:20 p.m.

Free Movies at Berea

Berea Parks and Recreation will once again be offering Free Movies Under the Stars! Enjoy a family friendly flick at the Berea Swimming Pool on Sat., June 13th. The show will begin at 8 p.m. Patrons may call 623-555, the day of the show to find out movie title. Please call 986-9403 for more info.

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.

Benefit Concert

Kentucky Rain, a Bluegrass band from Harlan, will headline a Benefit Concert at 7 p.m., Friday, June 5 at the London Community Center, 529 S. Main St., London. Proceeds will go to the Battle of Camp Wildcat Civil War Reenactment event, sponsored by the Laurel Home Guard. Other Bluegrass musicians will also perform. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. For advance tickets, call the London-Laurel Tourist Commission at 606-878-6900 or 1-800-348-0095. Visit www.wildcatreenactment.org 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.

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.

Car Wash

On Saturday, June 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Freedom Baptist Church will have a car wash at the Rockcastle Baptist Association. Proceeds benefit Relay for Life. We appreciate your support in the fight against cancer.

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.

Summer Reading 2009

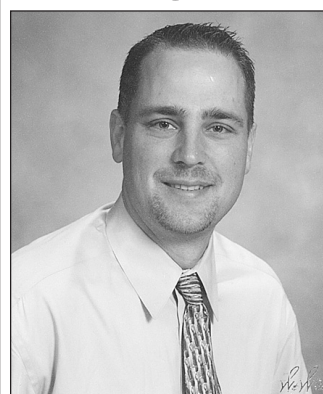
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Summer Meal Program

Rockcastle County to Participate in Summer Meal Program

Rockcastle County School System will participate in the federally funded Summer Food Service Program for children below the age of nineteen. The program operates under guidelines similar to those of public school food service programs. Participation in the program enables sponsors to provide lower program costs.

All children will be served the same meal at no separate charge regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or handicap. The following site(s) will be open for food service to all children under 19 years of age.

School	Dates of Service	Type of Meal	Time
Rockcastle Co.	June 1 - 12	Breakfast	7:45 - 8:10
High School		Lunch	11:30 - 12:30
RCMS	June 1 - 12	Breakfast	7:45 - 8:15
Summer School		Lunch	11:15 - 11:40
BES	June 17 - 18	Lunch (2 Groups)	10:30 - 11:00
Basketball Camp			2:00 - 2:30
RCMS Girls'	July 20 - 23	Lunch	12:00 - 12:20
Basketball Camp			

Persons who believe they have been discriminated against in the Summer Food Service Program should write the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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Members of the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department gathered at the firehouse on Sunday evening before they began to search for a 73-year-old Rockcastle man who went missing on Saturday night. Shawn Pollock, Robin Lay, Helen Pollock, Russell Barron, Wayne Carpenter, Ed Lile, Jessie Vanwinkle, Chief Sam Stallsworth Bobby Phelps. Gerald Chandler of River Road was eventually found in the Hawk Creek Area of Laurel County.

“Found”

(Cont. from front)

Emergency Management Director David Colson, searched a large area, including around the Rockcastle River, for about five hours Sunday night until the search was called off around 1:30 a.m. Monday.

Barron said volunteers were planning to meet at the Livingston firehouse and resume their search early on Monday but a resident in the Hawk Creek Community found Chandler in the woods behind their home, sometime between 1:30 and 2 a.m.

Kentucky State Trooper Scottie Pennington transported Chandler to the Rockcastle Hospital where he was treated and released.

Barron said Chandler’s caretakers said the elderly man had been gone before for several hours, but had always returned home.

“I guess he just got turned around,” Barron said.

“Held”

(Cont. from front)

James Reynolds did not go to Payne’s house and was arrested a short time later by Deputy Shannon Franklin at his home on Water Tank Hill in Brodhead.

“She is lucky to be alive and we are going to make sure he is indicted and serves time,” Billy Reynolds said.

A preliminary hearing for James Reynolds is scheduled for next Monday in Rockcastle District Court.

Two Rockcastle students to join Rogers Scholars

Submitted by Sharon Dodson, The Center for Rural Development

Past participants have described Rogers Scholars as an “experience of a lifetime.”

Rockcastle County’s Justin Poynter and Ethan Miller will get the chance this summer to have that experience themselves and become part of a program that’s providing leadership and scholarship opportunities to the region’s future leaders.

They will join 60 rising high school juniors from across Southern and Eastern Kentucky for an intensive one-week summer session of Rogers Scholars. The program will be held at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset, Ky., host site and program sponsor.

Rogers Scholars, named after U.S. Congressman Harold “Hal” Rogers, (KY-05), emphasizes the development of technological skills and builds in participants a sense of leadership, an entrepreneurial spirit, and a commitment to rural Kentucky.

Poynter said he first heard about the Rogers Scholars pro-

gram when he was in the eighth grade, and that “ever since then I couldn’t wait to be a Rogers Scholar.”

He is a participant in Leadership Next, Student YMCA, Kentucky Youth Assembly, Kentucky United Nations Assembly, UNITE leadership team, and Teenage Republican Club. Poynter said he has worked on community service projects for UNITE, PRIDE (Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment), and his church.

His mission in life is “...to always do the best I can and give God all the glory and honor.”

Looking to strengthen his leadership skills, Miller said he plans to use the experience in Rogers Scholars to bring out his personal best in school and in the community.

“I want to be a leader in my school and community,” he said. “I hope to use my education and skills in a field that could help my community in the future.”

Miller is secretary for BETA Club, reporter for Technology Students of America, and participant of Leadership Next training. He said he works each

year on a community beautification project for Rockcastle County in conjunction with the band program. Some of the past projects have included gardening and landscaping.

Both are 15-year-old students at Rockcastle County High School.

The Center is very excited about the Rogers Scholars program this summer,” Jessica Melton, associate director of education and training, said. “We received a large number of applications again this year, and we look forward to meeting all the students who were selected to participate.”

“These students will become our region’s future leaders,” Melton continued. “The Center is anxious to provide them with skills that they need to succeed in life and their future careers.”

Graduates of Rogers Scholars—The Center’s flagship youth program—are eligible to apply for college scholarships from 13 colleges and universities.

The students, who currently are completing their sophomore year, were selected from The Center’s 42-county primary service area to represent their home counties as Rogers Scholars. They will be attending one of two week-long summer sessions planned for June and July.

During each of the sessions, Scholars will receive hands-on instruction in one of their declared majors—informaton technology, video production or engineering—participate in a

series of team-building leadership exercises, be involved in a community service project, and interact with some of the nation’s leading entrepreneurs and renowned business professionals.

“The Center’s mission is to provide leadership that stimulates innovative and sustainable economic development solutions,” Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center, said. “We will accomplish that goal by providing our youth the skills they need to thrive and succeed in their careers without having to leave our region.”

“I truly believe if we keep these talented young people at home, we can transform this region for generations to come,” Lawson added.

Poynter, who plans to pursue a career in civil engineering, is the son of Russell and Anna Poynter of Cooper Creek Road, Crab Orchard.

Miller is the son of Kenneth and Janice Miller of Bee Lick Road, Crab Orchard. He plans to pursue a career in engineering.

Since 1996, approximately 599 Rogers Scholars have graduated from the program and potential scholarships, valued at \$7.2 million, have been offered to graduates by participating colleges and universities.

The program continues to reinforce the goals and vision by Congressman Rogers that “...that no young person will need to leave home to find his or her future.”

Local student to attend ELI program in June

Submitted by Sharon Dodson, The Center for Rural Development

Rockcastle County student Justin Poynter is interested in starting his own business.

This summer, he will get the opportunity to grow his business and entrepreneurial skills as one of 30 students from across Southern and Eastern Kentucky selected to attend the Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute (ELI).

Poynter, 15, a student at Rockcastle County High School, will attend ELI during the week of June 14-19 in Somerset, on the campus of The Center for Rural Development, the program’s host and sponsor.

ELI—one of three summer youth programs sponsored by The Center—is designed to inspire students to be creative thinkers, work as a team, and develop skills that will allow them to become the next generation of business leaders or entrepreneurs.

Poynter, who plans to pursue a career in civil engineering, said he intends to return to Rockcastle County after he graduates college and start “my own business.”

The experience in ELI and the skills he learns while participating in the program, he said, will “benefit me later in life.”

Poynter is a member of Leader Next, Student YMCA, Kentucky Youth Assembly, Kentucky United Nations Assembly, Teenage Republican Club, and on the UNITE club leadership team.

He listed his mission in life as, “to always do my best and give all the glory and honor to God.”

“The purpose of ELI is to develop future business leaders and entrepreneurs in Southern and Eastern Kentucky,” Jessica

Melton, associate director of education and training for The Center, said. “Our dynamic program focuses on creativity, teamwork, and the development of business skills, and encourages participants to consider starting a business as a career option.”

During the week, student business teams create a business plan and present their proposals before a panel of judges in a business concept competition on the final day of the session.

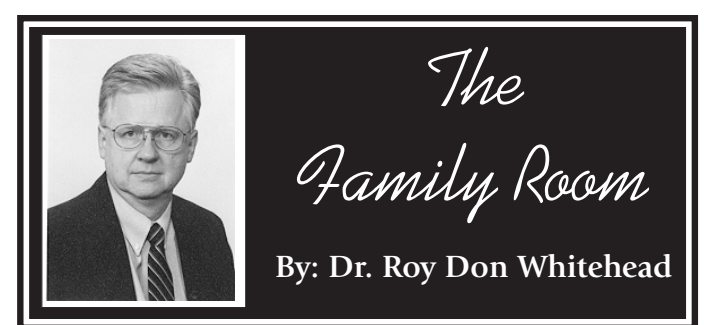
Lonnie Lawson, president and CEO of The Center and a panel judge in previous ELI competitions, said he is always impressed by the quality of work presented by the promising young business leaders.

The business proposals often display a great amount of originality and creative thinking by a group of talented high school students on track to be our next generation of business leaders,” Lawson said. “I am confident we will be impressed by this year’s students and the innovative ideas they will bring to the program.”

Members of the first-place business concept team are eligible to receive a Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) in Richmond, Ky. The winning team also will be recognized at the 2009 Excellence In Entrepreneurship Awards (EIEA) program this fall at The Center.

High school freshmen, sophomores, and juniors within The Center’s 42-county service area are eligible to apply. Program expenses (excluding transportation costs to and from the host site) are provided free of charge to participating students.

Poynter is the son of Russell and Anna Poynter of Copper Creek Road, Crab Orchard.



Sadly, there is no shortage of current events to illustrate the epidemic of domestic violence that is happening in America. The most recent, and one of the ghastliest, occurred April 4 near Tacoma, Washington in the small town of Graham. It is a town where everybody knows everybody and tragedies such as this just do not happen. Unfortunately, these tragedies can happen anywhere, even in small towns.

The headline in the online Huffington Post told the story: “Dad killed kids because wife was leaving.” As horrible as it sounds, this man shot and killed his five children (ages 7-16) after his wife told him she was leaving and he found out there was another man. Police believe he was also planning to kill his wife, but, when he couldn’t find her, he committed suicide. The children were each shot multiple times, with at least one surrounded by signs of a violent struggle.

What would drive a man to such cruelty and insanity that he would kill his own children? Certainly his wife’s leaving would be upsetting but his actions go far beyond the bounds of any normal, acceptable response.

This husband did not suddenly change and become a monster when he heard the distressing news that his wife was leaving. There were signs. A relative described him as “a strict, controlling husband who didn’t allow his wife to make decisions without asking him first.” The relative said the wife had been “so controlled from the time she was young.” She was only 13 when she became pregnant with their first child.

Also, the father had a brush with state child welfare officials in 2007. He was accused of a “minor assault” on one of the children, and the case was dropped after he agreed to a

parenting plan. Usually, the abuse that is reported to officials is only the “tip of the iceberg” whether it is spouse abuse or abuse of children. There was probably much more to this story. This man had been controlling and abusive for many years and finally went so far as to take the life of his own children.

These are the kinds of cases that keep social workers awake at night. How can society predict which of these abusive, controlling men is capable of killing someone? Not all abusers kill but some do. Any abuse has the potential for becoming fatal and therefore is taken seriously by social workers and the courts.

Because the father killed himself and the children, his wife is the one who is left to deal with the trauma. What must that be like? The pain has to be nearly unbearable because he took all that she had. There is no remaining child on whom she can focus her love. There are only the questions: what if? How could it have been different?

While this man had a history of abuse and control, there was no one in that small town of Graham, Washington who would have been so “crazy” as to predict he would kill his family. And, yet, they are all dead, and Mom is left to deal with the pain and the questions.

Abuse is all about control. The abuser seeks to control the victim by whatever means necessary. If the abuser is about to lose control because the victim is leaving, he may become violent. Leaving is the most dangerous time for a victim. In Graham, Washington, it was the children who paid the ultimate price.

[If you or someone you love is in a violent relationship, call Family Life Abuse Center at 800-755-5348.]

Upcoming Reunions

Ambrose Reunion

The Ambrose Family Reunion will be held Sunday, June 7th at the home of Roxie Ambrose at Scaffold Cane. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. Family and friends invited. Please bring a covered dish and a lawn chair.

Thacker Reunion

The Thacker Family Reunion will be held Sat., June 6th from noon to 2 at Roundstone Baptist Church’s shelter. Bring a covered dish. Everyone welcome.

Miller Reunion

The Millers from Rockcastle County will be having a family reunion July 24th, 25th and 26th at the Mountain View Lodge in Corbin. If you are a descendant of this family, email me Jeff24go@aol.com or

call Kim Miller at 228-831-3619 for more information. Everyone is asked to bring old family photos as we would like to scan them and make a CD for everyone attending.

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.

GEAR UP

Parental balancing act

As children mature, parents often have difficulty adjusting to their new role. Teenagers tend to test their independence by rebelling, sometimes deliberately breaking rules their parents have set or doing something they know their parents disapprove of.

It’s a rough time for parents who truly want to do the best for their children but aren’t sure how to do that at this new stage. Children need to have some independence so they will learn to make their own decisions. Yet, parents want, and in some cases need, to protect their children as best they can from decisions that can be negatively life altering.

Certified Parent Coach Jennifer Wolf (website <http://singleparents.about.com>) says parents should help their teens prepare for life by: teaching basic household chores, like laundry and making meals; following through consistently with consequences so teens learn to accept responsibility for actions; guide teens in safety, especially as related to sex, driving and the Internet; and model how to resolve interpersonal conflicts.

Teacher and parent Sandy Fleming (website <http://www.associatedcontent.com>) suggests independence should be built gradually through a child’s life. For example, everyone needs to have good decision-making skills. Children begin making decisions when they are young by choosing what to wear or what toy to share.

As the decisions a child makes begin to have more impact, such as which classes to sign up for and which peers to hang out with, parents can help their children see the different consequences in their choices. One class, for example, might require more studying than another. If you don’t take that class, will you be able to get into the college of your choice? Will you be at a disadvantage when applying for scholarships? Explore the various possible outcomes with your teen.

Children often don’t understand the consequences of actions from mere words, they need to understand with ac-

tions. But if the potential actions are harmful, a parent needs to step in. For example, just as you wouldn’t allow a toddler to play alone at the top of a tall flight of steps, you wouldn’t give your teen the car keys if the road was ice-covered and he or she had no experience driving in those conditions. Allowing young people to do what they are able is important, but parents need to consider their individual child’s ability.

When it comes to preparing for college, there are times a parent can help teens learn to find the information they need, times to stand by for moral support and times to take care of something yourself if the teen hasn’t done it or is not able to do it alone. Much of the career and college exploration process can be done together and can be fun, such as going on a college tour to learn more. The Know How 2 Go campaign (www.knowhow2go.org) suggests capturing college and career ideas on paper with words and pictures then creating a scrapbook of future plans.

There are also deadlines and requirements that cannot be changed. It’s important that parents and teens both understand that. Post deadlines for college, financial aid and scholarship applications on a common calendar that everyone can look at. To insure your student is taking the correct classes for college admission, suggest he or she meet with a school counselor at least once a year beginning in the 10th grade. If your teen or the counselor requests you attend the meetings, or do something else to help, support your child by doing it.

There is no guidebook to parenting with all of the answers easily outlined. Encouraging independence and good decision-making skills are two of the most important gifts you can give your children.

For more information on how to help your child succeed in high school and be prepared for post-secondary training and education contact Nancy Hale, GEAR UP Counselor at RCHS (nancyhale@rockcastle.kyschools.us) or the school Guidance Counselors.

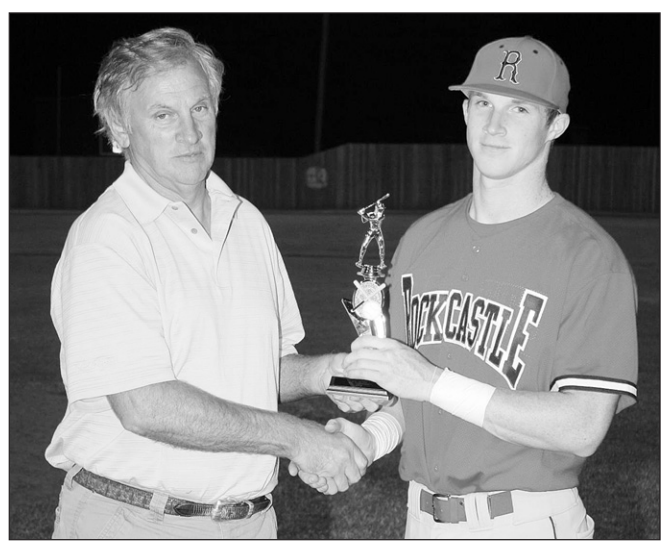
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Rocket pitcher Tanner Perkins, left, got some encouragement from teammates, Justin Bryant, Dustin Bullock, John L. Saylor and Grant Burdette, in their first round region game with Southwestern on Monday. Perkins gave up only four hits and struck out nine, but the Rockets lost 7-0. Rockcastle batters had a combined three hits in the loss, which ended their season. Rockcastle finished with a mark of 17-12.



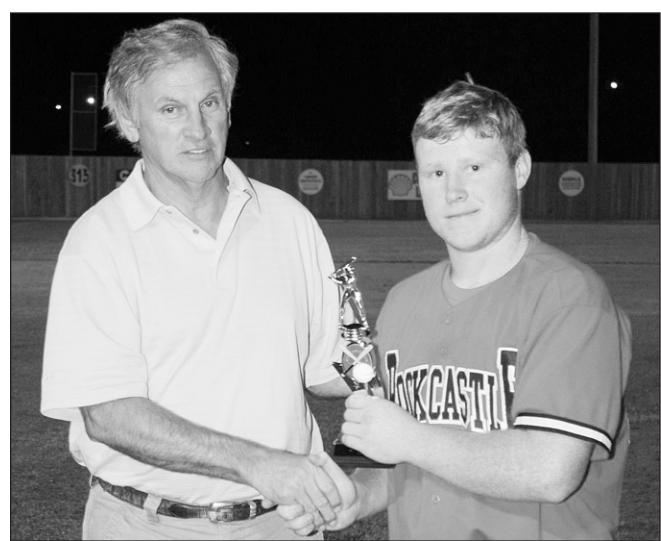
The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets' finished as 47th district runner-up last week after losing to Pulaski County 10-6 in the district finals. Members of the team, shown with their runner-up trophy are, front row, from left: Timber Shelton, Ashley Robinson, Mary Saylor, Sasha Bullock and Chelsey Hensley. Second row: Katelyn Cartwright, Jaclyn Wolfe, Amanda Peters and Alivia Bullock. Back row: manager, Felicia Cameron, asst. coach Amber Falin, Lindsey Northern, Holly Ham, Katie Cowan, Katelyn Blair and head coach, Josh Martin. In the back is asst. coach Matt Brown. The Lady Rockets' season ended on Monday in the first round of the regional tournament, when they lost to Garrard County, 13-3. Their 2009 record was 11-18.



RCHS senior ACE Tanner Perkins was named to the 47th district all-tournament team. Perkins was the winning pitcher against Pulaski County and he had a homerun against Somerset in the loss on Wednesday night.



The Rockcastle County High School Rockets finished second in the 47th District baseball championship, when they lost to Somerset 11-5 in the finals. The team is shown above with their runner-up trophy, front row, from left: Tyler Parsons, Damion McDaniels, Grant Burdette, Shawn King and John L. Saylor. Second row, from left: Tyler Harper, B.B. Cameron, Josh McKinney, Logan Ponder, Patrick Kirby, Robert Reynolds, Clark Rowe, Luke Allen, Zach Reams, Tanner Childress, Justin Bryant, Jake Riddle and Matt Lunsford. Back row, from left: asst. coach Chris Bishop, asst. coach, Brad McNew, Ben Lake, Asa Adams, Kenton Adams, Jared Smith, Dustin Reynolds, Tanner Perkins, Dustin Bullock, Logan Kincer, Jon Paul Kidwell and head coach J.D. Bussell. The Rockets 2009 season ended on Monday when they lost to Southwestern 7-0 in the first round of the regional tournament. (Sports photos by: Kevin Canterbury)



RCHS shortstop John L. Saylor, right, was named to the 47th district all-tournament team last Wednesday night.



Sophomore second baseman Grant Burdette had a single against Somerset on Wednesday night and he picked up one of only three Rocket hits against Southwestern on Monday, when the Rockets fell 7-0 in the first round of the region.



Rockcastle County High School senior softball players, Mary Saylor, left and Timber Shelton, were named to the 47th District all-tournament team last Thursday.



RCHS senior Ashley Robinson takes a lead against Pulaski County during the championship game of the 47th District on Thursday night. Robinson and her teammates lost to PC 10-6 and then to Garrard County 13-3 in the first round of the region on Monday afternoon.



RCHS Lady Rocket catcher, Sasha Bullock had two hits in her team's 10-6 loss to Pulaski County in the district finals last Thursday night.

Rockcastle County Boys and Girls Basketball Camp

June 17th & 18th
Brodhead Elementary

Boys & Girls ~ Kindergarten - 2nd Grade
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Girls ~ 3rd Grade - 5th Grade
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Boys ~ 3rd Grade & 4th Grade
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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5th - 8th grade boys camp will be July 13th - 15th. More info. to follow

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Smith, Hunter win state titles

RCHS girls' track team places 4th at state championships

The RCHS girls' track team finished another impressive season this past weekend at the Class 2A State Track & Field Championships in Louisville. With the addition of several more teams from Class 3A and Class A, the field of teams and competitors was quite possibly the deepest it's ever been in many events. Besides the competition, the teams had to deal with extremely hot temperatures in a meet that lasted over seven hours. Also factoring into the meet was the elimination of preliminary heats, which allows for a level playing field in the finals. This certainly put RCHS and other teams in Region 5 at a distinct disadvantage since their regional championship was run into a strong head wind,

thereby making times considerably slower going into the state championships. This resulted in many of the state's fastest runners qualifying in slower heats due to their times. Despite the hot weather and the addition of track powers Louisville Central, Trigg County, and South Oldham to Class 2A, RCHS had a spectacular meet and finished 4th overall. Highland picked up their 2nd straight state title with 62.5 points. Lloyd Memorial was a close 2nd with 61. Central placed 3rd with 53 points, while RCHS was close with 48. South Oldham finished 5th with 42 points and Trigg County and Paducah Tilghman tied for 6th with 37 points. This was the closest in terms of point differential that the

RCHS girls' team has ever been to winning the outdoor state title. Junior Samantha Smith led RCHS with several outstanding state championship performances and a total of 18 points. After claiming indoor state titles in both long and triple jump earlier this year, Samantha added her first outdoor title in the long jump competition. Samantha easily made the finals after her first three jumps and never trailed in the competition. She won the state title in the event with an awesome leap of 17'2.5". Senior Sarah McKinney attempted to defend her state title from a year ago in the 100-meter hurdles. Sarah ran a blistering race and finished 5th in 16.19 seconds. It took the top four competitors running their personal bests to defeat her.

Samantha next competed for the 100-meter dash state title. Despite being forced to run in the 2nd heat, she blazed her way to a strong 10th place finish in an impressive 13.14 seconds, just missing scoring in the event. Senior Katy Mattingly's quest for the title came in the first heat of the 100-meter dash. Despite the hot temperatures, she sprinted her way to an impressive 18th place finish with an awesome time of 13.51 seconds.

Sophomore Sara Hammond had the daunting task of competing in the discus competition and the high jump at the same time. The discus venue was nearly a mile away from the track, making it very difficult to compete in both. Sara competed in the first flight of



The RCHS girls' track and field team finished 4th in the Class 2A State Championships this past Friday at the University of Louisville. The girls came the closest to winning the state title in the team's history. This was also their eighth top four finish at state in the past nine seasons. Team members include, front from left: Sara Hammond, Katy Mattingly, Sarah McKinney, Laura Dollins and Jessica Albright. Back row from left: Lacey Gastineau, Michaela Hunter, Samantha Smith, Kira Deatherage, Bryonna Cromer, Bridget Pittman, Alyssa Allen and Amy Johnson.



The Rockcastle County High School Girls' track team placed fourth in the state championships in Louisville on Friday. 8th grader Amy Johnson, shown above competing on Friday, finished 16th overall in discus competition with a throw of 82'7".



RCHS junior Samantha Smith led RCHS with several outstanding performances on Friday, including capturing the state title in the long jump with a leap of 17' and 2.5".



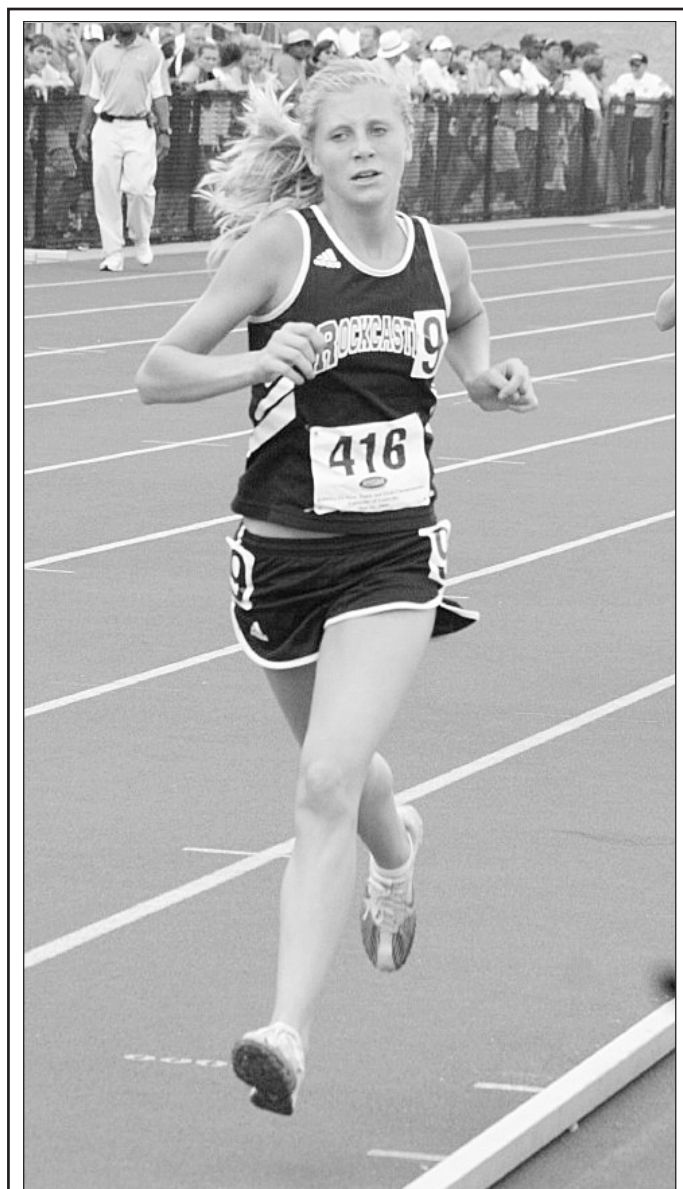
RCHS sophomore Sara Hammond competed in the discus throw and the high jump on Friday at the state championships in Louisville. Because she had to compete in the high jump, Hammond got only one throw in the finals, but still finished fifth with a throw of 93'1".



Junior Jessica Albright competed in both the 800 meter relay and the 400 meter relay at the state championships on Friday. (Track photos by: Richard Anderkin).



Senior Katy Mattingly competed in the 100-meter dash on Friday and in two relays for the Lady Rockets, who finished fourth in this year's state track championships.



Junior Laura Dollins competed in the 1600 and 800 meter runs in the state track meet in Louisville on Friday.



RCHS junior Samantha Smith garnered 18 points in the state track championship on Friday.

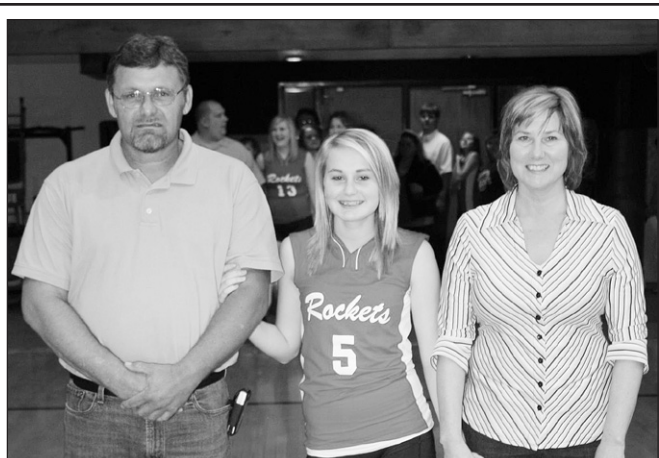


Senior Sarah McKinney finished 5th in the 100-meter hurdles on Friday with a time of 16.19. She was the defending champion.

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Members of the Rockcastle Middle School 8th grade volleyball team, parents, family members and friends were honored recently on 8th grade night at the school. Shown above are player Neysa Bullock, with dad Tim Bullock, Hannah Bullock and mom, Renee Bullock.



Lauren Denny, 8th grade volleyball player at RCMS, with her parents William and Kimberly Denny on 8th grade night.



8th grade RCMS track team member Michaela Hunter scored 18 points for her team at the state track meet on Friday. Hunter won the state championship in the 400-meter dash and placed 5th in the long jump.



Volleyball team member Courney Hasty is shown with mom, Rhonda Hasty, during 8th grade ceremonies at RCMS.



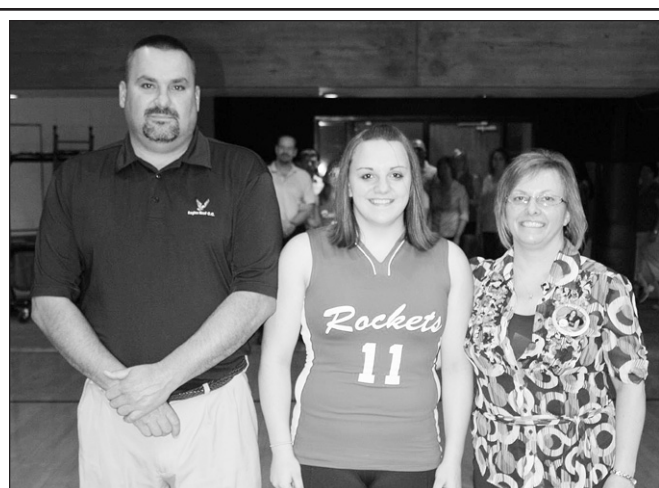
Volleyball player Alexis Chasteen with her parents, Roy and Patricia Chasteen on 8th grade night.



RCHS junior Jessica Albright hands the baton to 8th grader Bryonna Cromer in the 400 meter relay on Friday at the state track meet in Louisville.



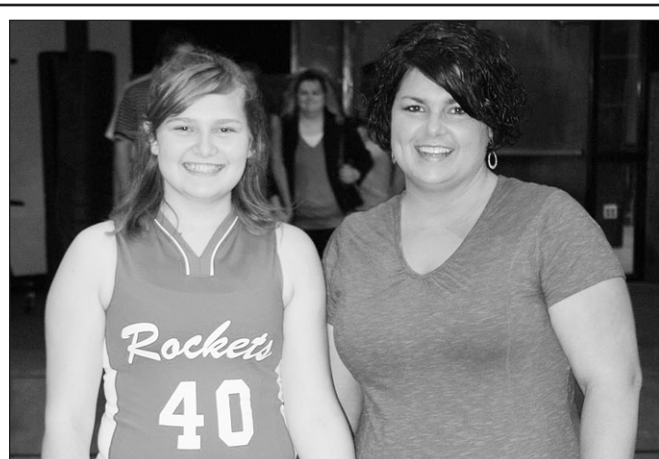
Shelby McKinney was one of the 8th grade volleyball players honored on 8th grade night at RCMS. Shelby is shown with dad, Jeff McKinney, sister, Ashley McKinney and mom, Tammy Riley.



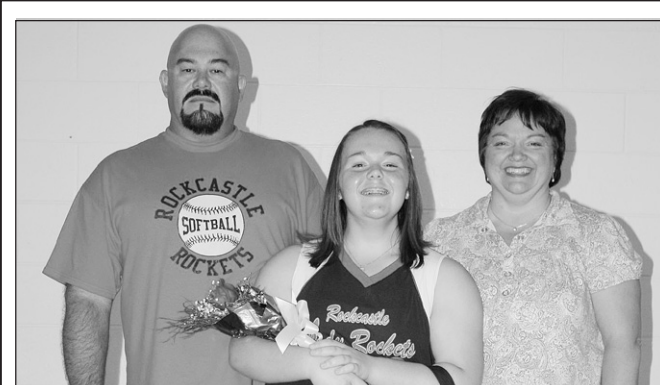
Heather Clontz, a member of the volleyball team at RCMS, is shown with her parents, Jim and Tammy Clontz.



Rockcastle Middle School 8th grade softball players, their parents, family members and friends were honored recently during a ceremony at RCMS. Shown above is Brooklyn Blanton and mom Donita Blanton.



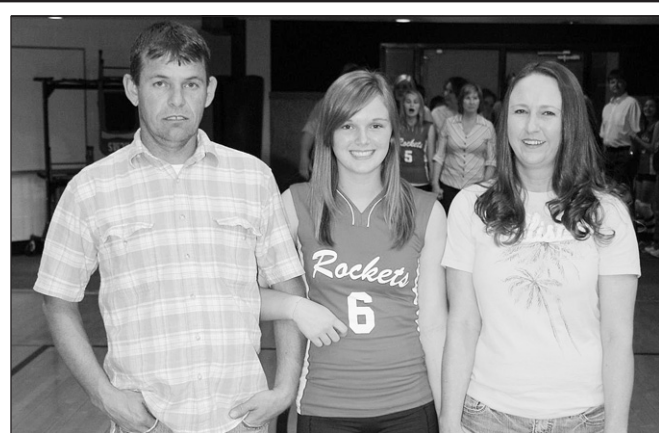
Michaela McFerron, with mom, Briana McFerron, was one of the 8th grade volleyball team members honored on 8th grade night.



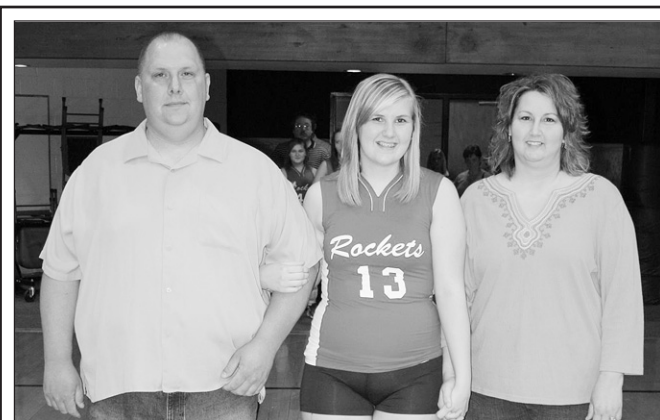
Katie Clements, shown with dad, Doug and mom, Shelly, was one of the 8th grade softball players honored on 8th grade night.



8th grade softball player Brooke McGuire with her father, Greg McGuire and friend, Ashley Bussell.



Bridgette Denny, a member of the volleyball team at RCMS, with parents David Denny and Brenda Hayes on 8th grade night.



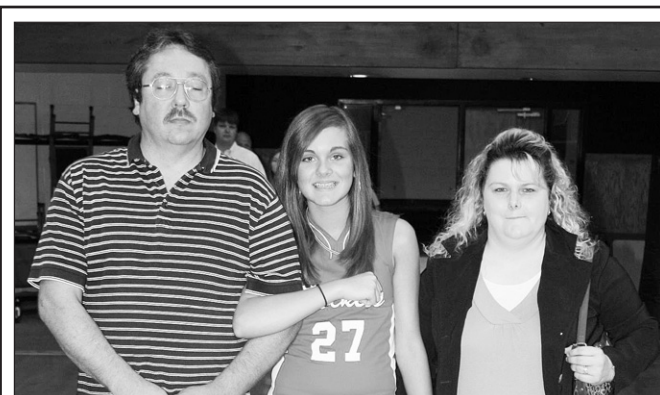
Hannah Eaton was one of the volleyball players honored on 8th grade night. With Hannah is her parents, David and Beth Eaton.



Brianna Keating, 8th grade softball player, was one of those honored on 8th grade night at RCMS. She is shown with her mom, Kim Taylor.



Kennedy Convery, with parents, William and Sonya Convery, on 8th grade night.



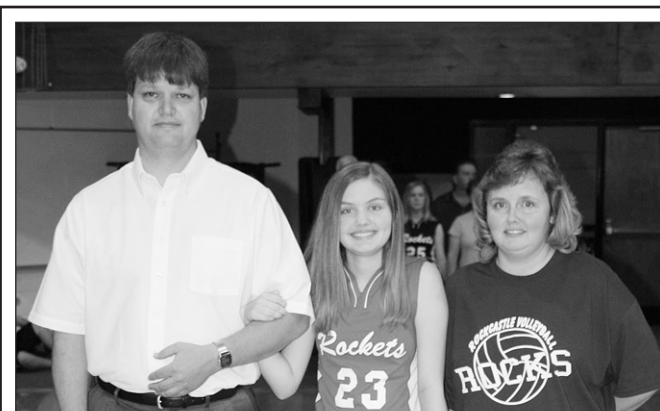
Jade Taylor, with parents, Carl and Kelly Cain, was one of the 8th grade volleyball team members honored on 8th grade night.



8th grade softball player, Jaleigha York, was honored on 8th grade night at RCMS. She is shown with her grandparents, James and Judy Kidwell and sisters, Alyssa and Jahrisa.



Talia Woodall was one of the 8th grade volleyball players honored on 8th grade night at RCMS. Talia is shown with dad Frankie Woodall, step dad, Lance Adams and mom, Debra Adams.



8th grade volleyball team member Jessica Thacker is shown with her parents, Jeff Thacker and Lisa Thacker during 8th grade ceremonies.



Juvenile Drug Court Team: Judge Katie Wood, Judge, 28th Judicial District; Michelle Bland, Cabinet for Families and Children; Tresa Blevins, Cabinet for Families and Children, Marcus Vanover, Assistant County Attorney, Kevin Slone, Juvenile Drug Court Program Supervisor; Brad Mounce, Truancy Officer/Court Liaison for Pulaski Board of Education; Dorinda Maynard, Pulaski County Board of Education, Adult Education; John Pickett, Department for Juvenile Justice; and Nathan Shirley, Department for Public Advocacy. Absent from photo: Rayma Madden, Adanta; Tina Morrow, Court Designated Worker; Misty Cundiff, Court Designated Worker, Joy Wheeldon, Fresenius Medical Care.

Judge Wood and Juvenile Drug Court Team complete training

Juvenile Drug Court Judge Kathryn G. Wood and Team Members completed a four-day training, "Enhancing Your Juvenile Drug Court." Judge Wood, District Court Judge for Pulaski and Rockcastle counties, volunteers her time, in addition to each of the Team Members, to conduct Juvenile Drug Court proceedings.

Members of the Juvenile Drug Court Team who attended the training were Kevin Slone, Juvenile Drug Court program supervisor for Pulaski and Rockcastle counties; Brad Mounce, truancy officer/court liaison for Puaski County Schools; Misty Cundiff and Tina Morrow, Pulaski and Rockcastle County court designated workers; and Marcus Vanover, assistant county attorney for Pulaski County.

"Our Juvenile Drug Court Team is dedicated and works toward goals for each youth - not only in the courtroom but on an ongoing basis. Each Team Member volunteers their time, with no compensation at all, and regularly attends court before the start of the school day. I am so grateful for each member of our team and proud

of the wonderful work they do with our youth. The regimen we require of our youth is demanding and difficult on the parents and we appreciate their support. I would proudly put our Team up with any in the state," says Judge Katie Wood.

The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges sponsored the training conference February 2-5 in Louisville. Sessions included Fidelity to the Juvenile Drug Court Model, Reaching and Maintaining Capacity, Working with Special Populations, Sustainability, and Team Transitions. The objective of the training was to give Kentucky Juvenile Drug Court teams the opportunity to examine the national juvenile drug court model and share their thoughts with juvenile drug court teams throughout the United States.

Juvenile Drug Court programs depend on a strong collaboration among a program team, which includes the judge, prosecutor, court designated worker, treatment liaison, case specialist and school personnel.

Other Juvenile Drug Court judges and team members who attended the training confer-

ence were from Boone, Christian, Clark, Daviess, Fayette, Franklin, Henderson, Jackson, Jefferson, Kenton, Knox, Laurel, Madison, McCreary, Letcher, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Shelby, and Whitley counties.

Juvenile Drug Court

Drug and alcohol use among young people presents unique challenges to schools, families, communities, law enforcement, and the juvenile court system.

Juvenile Drug Court is designated to meet the needs of young people who are engaging in a destructive lifestyle through using drugs and alcohol. The program provides education, prevention/intervention, accountability, and treatment referrals to young people and their families.

Juvenile Drug Court identifies young people ages 13 to 17 with current or past drug and/or alcohol charges. They also may have non-related drug charges stemming from their substance abuse. Youth in Pulaski and Rockcastle counties are ordered to complete Drug Court stemming from District Court charges under District Judge Jeffrey Scott

Lawless, District Judge Kathryn G. Wood, and from Family Court cases under Judge Walter Maguire.

Juvenile Drug Court is administered through the Department of Family and Juvenile Services at the Administrative Office of the Courts in Frankfort. The AOC is the operational arm of the Kentucky Court of Justice and supports the activities of 3,800 court system employees, including the elected offices of justices, judges and circuit court clerks.

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easily cleared the height and finished 14th overall, only two inches away from a 4th place finish.

Next for Sara came the 800-meter relay, an event she only recently began participating in. Along with seniors Katy Mattingly and Sarah McKinney, as well as junior Jessica Albright, the team came through with a season's best performance. Great baton exchanges and some fast 200-meter splits allowed the girls to finish 13th overall in a stellar 1:53.45.

Junior Laura Dollins competed next for RCHS in the 1600-meter run, the first of four grueling races she would endure on the day. Laura got off to a great start despite the crowded field of competitors. She ran a strong race, finishing 13th overall in 5:48.23.

The 400-meter relay team ran a great race and finished an impressive 18th overall. The team of Jessica Albright, Sarah McKinney, 8th grader Bryonna Cromer, and Katy Mattingly combined great hand-offs with some fast 100's to finish in 54.78 seconds.

Samantha's next two events, triple jump and the 200-meter dash, were somewhat off schedule so she was forced to stand for an hour, awaiting the 200-meter dash while her flight of triple jumpers competed. Despite the long wait and running from the second heat, Samantha came through with a brilliant performance, finishing 7th overall in an exceptionally fast 26.71 seconds, the fastest

200-meter dash time at state in RCHS history. She came back over to triple jump and had to get her three jumps in before being allowed to catch her breath. Nevertheless, she easily made the finals in the event. Samantha finished with an amazing effort of 34'9" and placed 3rd overall. She was less than 7" away from the state title in the event.

8th grader Michaela Hunter also scored 18 points for RCHS with several impressive performances. She first competed in the long jump competition. With several exceptional jumps she easily made the finals. Michaela placed 5th overall with an awesome leap of 16'2.75".

Next up for Michaela came her attempt at one of the most difficult doubles in track - the 400-meter dash and 300-meter hurdles. In the 400, Michaela overcame a slow start with an incredible come-from-behind finish. She out sprinted all other competitors coming down the final stretch to capture the individual state title in the event with an awesome time of 59.33 seconds.

Sara Hammond also ran a great 400-meter dash state final, leading for the first 200-meters. Running with everything she had left, Sara sprinted down the final stretch and finished 6th overall with an awesome time of 1:01.19.

Only minutes later, Michaela had recuperated enough to take on the challenge of the 300 hurdles. She ran a hard-fought race in the second heat, finishing 13th overall in 50.35 seconds.

Sarah McKinney also ran well in the first heat of the 300-meter hurdles. She started out in front at the beginning of the race and held her nearly perfect form throughout, finishing 16th overall in an incredible season's best time of 51.13 seconds.

Soon after the hurdles were completed, Michaela competed in triple jump. Despite being exhausted, she qualified for the finals and came through with an exceptional effort of 34' and finished 5th overall.

After the hurdle races, Laura Dollins set her sights on the 800-meter run state final. Qualifying for state out of the region containing the most talented 800 runners in Class 2A,

Laura competed in the fast heat. She got the race off to a great start, hanging close to the state's best. With a strong finish on the second lap, Laura finished an incredible 8th overall with a sensational time of 2:30.04.

Shortly thereafter, Laura completed the distance portion of her day with the 3200-meter run state final. Laura got the race off to a good start, but the heat finally took its toll and slowed her progress through eight laps. She still finished an impressive 21st overall in a solid 13:27.77.

Amazingly, after the exhausting 3200-meter run, Laura joined the 1600-meter relay team for the final race of the competition. Jessica Albright, Laura, Bryonna Cromer, and 7th grader Lacey Gastineau ran a superb race, finishing 22nd overall in 4:45.14.

The girls' 4th place team finish added to the programs' impressive run at the state championships over the last nine years. The girls have placed in the top four teams in Class 2A for eight of the past nine seasons at state. That streak includes two state runner-up finishes, two 3rd place finishes, and four 4th place finishes. The only year they were not in the top four they finished 7th.

The girls' also won their 6th straight and 9th overall regional title this year along with their first conference championship since joining the Central Ky. Conference two years ago.

In March, the girls won their 3rd straight Mason-Dixon Games Indoor State title, while the RCMS girls' team also won state. RCMS would later win their first outdoor state title as well.

In the next couple of weeks, RCHS should have some athletes named to the all-state track and field team, along with several who will qualify for academic all-state honors.

The RCHS coaching staff and athletes would like to wish seniors Sarah McKinney and Katy Mattingly well as they graduate and pursue their college careers. Sarah has signed to run track and play volleyball with Union College, while Katy will be attending the University of Kentucky.



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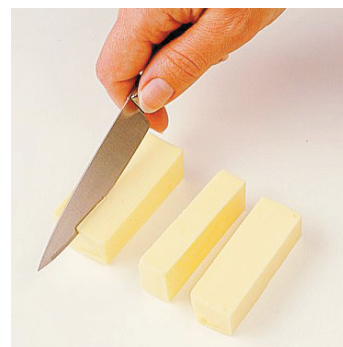
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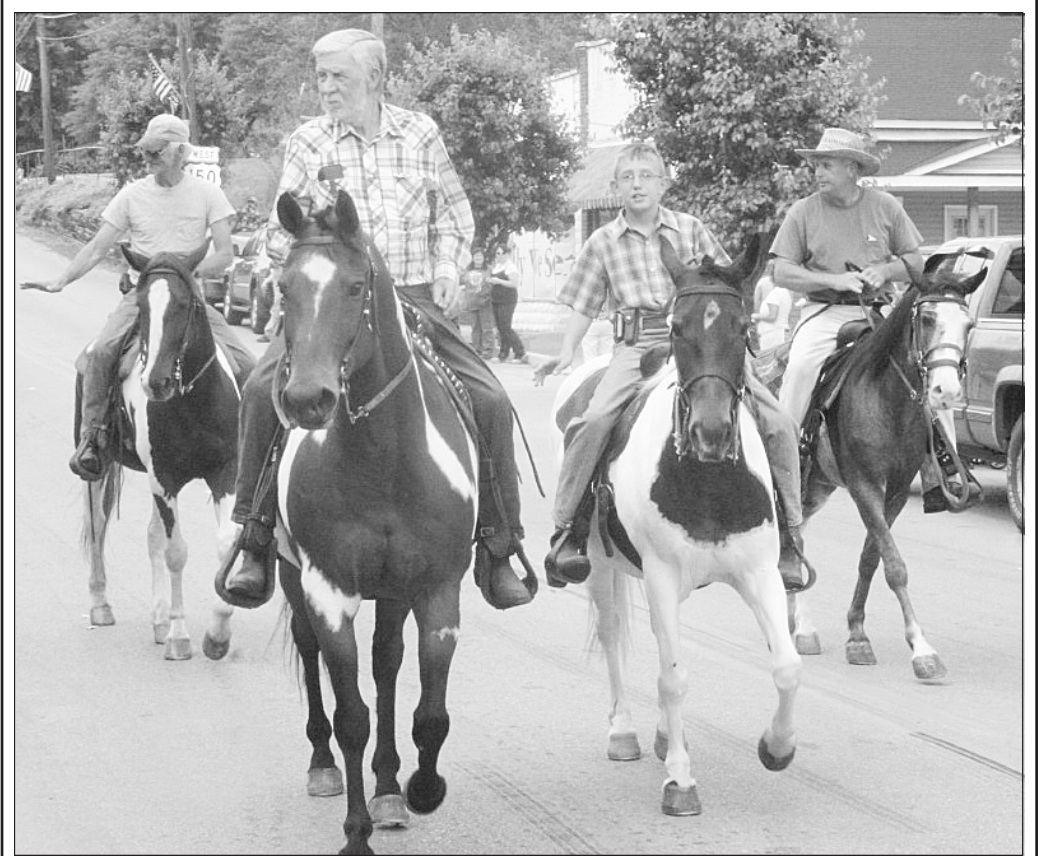
Second Section

Thursday, May 28, 2009

Large crowd turns out for Dix River Festival held in Brodhead



Linda Burton, left, visited with Shirley Martin and Arlis Proctor at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead, while she helped with the booth for the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department. (Saturday festival photos by: Richard Anderkin)



Bobby Taylor, left and his great grandson, Avery Bradshaw, led several horseback riders in Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.



As always, members of the Bittersweet Cloggers performed at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Saturday. Some of their members are shown above, from left: Veronica Johnson, Joe Hardin, Gail Hardin, Amy Gosser, Director Shari Proctor and Casey Hardin.



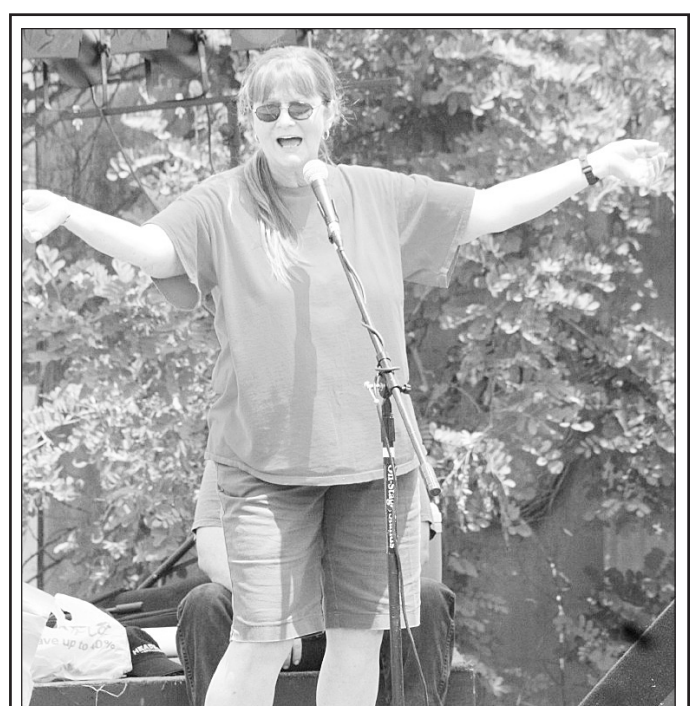
Members of the Brodhead Church of God took part in Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.



Jason Medley, left, the lead singer for the Medley Boys and Heather Bussell, right, go over the parade line-up before Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival.



Linda Whitt and her granddaughter, Faith Harris, watched the Bittersweet Cloggers perform at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Saturday.



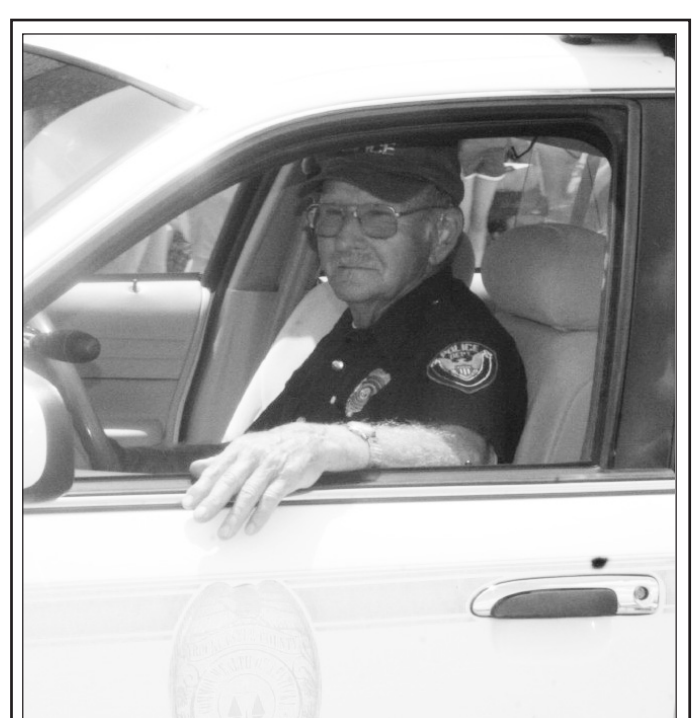
Glenna Robinson and her group, Whispers and Krankie, performed Saturday at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.



Jacob Lawson gave sister, ArieAnna and friends, T. J. Bussell, left, and John Harris, back right, a ride in the parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Saturday.



Rockcastle Rescue Squad members Adam Bales, right and Dallas Todd, drove the squad's new John Deere Gator in Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead. Along for the ride was Bales' daughter, Hallie.



Longtime Brodhead Police Chief Joe Bussell, and now Rockcastle Constable, led Saturday's parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.



Rockcastle Deputy Sheriff Shannon Franklin participated in Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.



Eugene and Sarah Taylor drove their 1940 Ford Coupe in Saturday's Parade at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead.

See more photos from this year's festival on page B4

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Circuit Civil Suits

Cabinet for Health and Family Services, ex rel Sabrina M. Smith vs. Cromer Smith, complaint for medical support.
 Cabinet for Health and Family Services, ex rel Carolyn Abney vs. Jeff Kendrick, complaint for child support and medical support.
 Cabinet for Health and Family Services, ex rel Carolyn Abney vs. Kathleen Kendrick, complaint for child support and medical support.
 ATIS, LLC vs. Kaci R. Mink, \$6,970.99 claimed due.
 Leroy Gerhardt, et al vs. Debbie Keith, et al, complaint.
 Tammy Samples, Admx. vs.

Billy Whitaker, et al.
 HSBC Bank vs. Ruth A. Nazar, \$27,881.03 plus claimed due.
 Citimortgage, Inc. vs. Carol Vaughn Bowman, \$59,150.61 plus claimed due.
 Lendmark Financial Services vs. Floyd Hedgepath, \$105,205.15 plus claimed due.
 Flagstaff Bank vs. James Copenhaver III, et al, \$138,785.47 plus claimed due.
 Nellie Bocoock vs. Ronald Bocoock, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Phillip Ray Carpenter vs. Jennifer Kay Carpenter, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 DH Capital Management, Inc. vs. Ronald Hess, \$4,004.85 plus claimed due.
 Hazel Edie Sagraves vs.

Christopher Harvey Sagraves, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Victorino Valle vs. Lourdes Melendez Valle, joint petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Ky. Housing Corp. vs. Linda M. Johnson, \$51,977.90 plus claimed due.
 Daniel Boone Community Action Agency vs. Bri Payne, et al, \$3,497.38 plus claimed due.
 Citizens Bank vs. John D. Adams, \$4,216.28.
 Dale Kelley, Admr. vs. Jason Horne, et al, complaint.
 Frank Bradley vs. Jerry Prewitt, \$4,356.50 plus claimed due. CI-00139.

Eva Ambrose, property in Scaffold Cane Section, to Donald Ambrose. Tax \$10.

Marriage Licenses

Stacie Denae Gabbard, 21, Mt. Vernon, Snack Shack to Glenn Howard Graham, Jr., 29, Mt. Vernon, unemployed. 5/18/09.
 Lisa Faye Lovell, 44, Mt. Vernon, disabled to Carl Mike Winkler, 47, Brodhead, disabled. 5/19/09.
 Sauna Rae Poynter, 31, London, occupational therapy assistant to James DarrenMesser, 33, London, physical therapist. 5/19/09.
 Robyn Sturgill, 17, Mt. Vernon, to Michael Cook, 21, Mt. Vernon, college student. 5/21/09.

Michelle Taylor, 28, Crab Orchard, transcriptionist to Josh Martin, 28, Brodhead, teacher. 5/21/09.

District Court

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
 Adron W. McKinney: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension/ADE authorized.
 Kevin D. Alexander: no operators license in possession, \$50 fine and costs.

Jeremy D. Caldwell: fines/fees due (\$283), 6 days in lieu of fines or payment.

Johnny R. Carpenter: fines/fees due (\$857), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), 18 days or payment.
 Linda Nicole Gadd: fines/fees due (\$188), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment.
 Russell T. Gilmore: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension/ADE authorized.

Christopher L. Goins: fines/fees due (\$238), bw issued for fta/5 days or payment.
 Debra L. Hellard: fines/fees due (\$163), 4 days/concurrent.

Roy G. Miller: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol, \$100 fine and costs, 30 day operator license suspension.

Phillip W. Smith: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension/ADE authorized.

Larry R. Strunk: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Teresa A. Willis: public intoxication, possession of marijuana, probation violation, bw issued for fta.

Speeding: Jason N. Caudill, \$40 fine plus \$128 costs;
 William S. Coleman: no/expired registration plates/receipt, failure to maintain insurance, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Joseph S. Holsing: no operators/moped license and failure to maintain insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Angela M. Hopkins: failure to maintain required insurance, \$500 fine/suspend \$450 on condition.

Chance J. Howard: possession of controlled substance, 2nd degree, and other charges, bw issued for fta.

Daniel J. Hunsucker: theft by unlawful taking, bw issued for fta.

Kevin S. King: failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine plus costs/suspend \$450 on condition.

Daniel Morgan Loveless: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs,

\$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 day operator license suspension/ADE authorized.

Paul Manus McNew: motion to revoke probation, bw issued for fta.

Miguel Diaz: no operator/moped license, \$50 fine and cost.

Paula M. Stewart: failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine and costs/suspend \$450 on condition.

Randy Lee Vanwinkle: violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO, 30 days/probated 24 months on condition.

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ACROSS

- Gun the engine
- KY governor Shelby
- Delicate
- Poem of praise
- Kentuckian, artist Thomas Satterwhite
- Capital of Ghana
- Ripen
- Hose material
- KY's highest waterfall
- Kentuckian, "Captain Jack Sparrow"
- Retro car
- Nav. rank
- Dined
- Posting at Bluegrass Airport: Abbr.
- A "Top Five" county in KY ag sales
- A former UK basketball coach
- Founder of Berea College
- Son of Cain
- A red dye
- Big name in oil
- Scarecrow stuffing
- KY's first state park, ___ Mountain
- Endorsement
- Continental money
- Owensboro to Louisville dir.
- Stamp
- A genre of Kentuckian Jim Wayne Miller, et al
- Kentuckian, mystery writer Grafton
- Famous KY horse
- Lend a hand
- Morgan Co. hamlet,

DOWN

- KY's Wilderness
- Slight advantage
- Truman's vice president, Kentuckian Alben Barkley's nickname
- B & B
- A crop in KY's "Top Five" ag exports
- Up to snuff
- Sunburn soother
- Abe's coin
- A "Top Five" county in KY ag sales
- Big TV maker
- Yearn
- Wrinkle remover
- Mekong River land
- Chum
- Moldovan money
- Golf peg
- Perched on
- Kentuckian, Grammy winning guitarist Travis

30 Body cavity
31 Jottings
32 Kentuckian, 1993 Nobel Prize winner
33 Willow
34 Fall guy
35 Groovy
37 French vineyard
39 Heather Henry, ___ French
41 Globes
43 A "Top Five" county in KY ag sales
46 A "Top Five" county in KY ag sales
48 Caribbean, e.g.
51 Understand
53 Cable channel
56 Zenith
57 Spring bloom
58 They're on the Dix and Kentucky Rivers, among others
60 He's credited with conducting first Christian church service in KY
61 Corn Belt State
62 Ogler
64 One of three KY counties named for a river
65 Opera star
66 Bucks and does
68 Spelling contest
70 Snoop

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RCHS Band plays at 2009 Baccalaureate

Submitted by A. B. Sharpe

Graduation season is filled with traditional rites of passage to honor accomplishment. The baccalaureate by definition is a farewell address delivered in the form of a sermon to the graduating class. In some places it is incorporated into the graduation ceremony itself, but most commonly it is held separately a short time before commencement exercises. The first baccalaureate recorded in history was held at Oxford University in England in 1432 and originally it was the graduates who each gave a sermon, in Latin. Thankfully it has evolved into the special ceremony we enjoy today with sermons given by inspiring preachers, in English!

The Rockcastle County High School Class of 2009 Baccalaureate was held on Sunday at Renfro Valley. The cheerful welcome and moving invocation (opening prayer) was given by Bro. Eddie Nation, Pastor of First Baptist Church in Mount Vernon and proud father of graduate Meghan Nation. The RCHS Band inspired the graduates with their rendition of "Amazing Grace" by Frank Tichelli. The RCHS Chamber Choir then sang an exceptional "Bridge Over Troubled Water". Aaron Anderkin, 2003 graduate of RCHS, delivered a stirring address to the graduates and Graduate Zach Davis sang the beautiful "My Wish" by Rascal Flatts.

After the motivating Benediction, given by Rev. Tony Shelton, the RCHS Band played the always memorable traditional recessional "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar.

The calendar has grown very short, as has the school year. But remember your appetite to help the band.

Monday JUNE 1st - Don't forget Pizza Hut Night! Mention the band when ordering and know that you are helping support

these wonderful kids.

Monday July 6th - Eat at Pizza Hut and mention the band!

Monday August 3rd - Wave at the Marching Rockets working hard on the front lawn of the high school, on your way to Pizza Hut!

Minds in the Middle

The RCMS Relay for Life team would like to thank the Leadership Team for helping to meet the goal of \$1,000. The team has conducted several fundraisers throughout the last two months in a great effort earning approximately \$1,200. Leadership team members are looking forward to June 19th and assisting with this great event.

Eighth grade students who want to purchase a video of 8th grade night and the 8th grade promotion ceremony need to turn in forms and money to Mrs. Miller before May 28th to get the special rate of \$25.00. After May 28th, the videos will cost \$35.00.

Yearbooks were distributed on Wednesday. If you did not purchase one, but would like to have one, extras may be available for \$30. Call us for more information.

The 8th grade awards and promotion program will be held Friday morning at 9:00.

Please remember to pay lunch charges and return all overdue books to the media center before Friday. School will be dismissing at 1:20 on Friday afternoon. Thanks RCMS students and staff for a great year! Enjoy your family time together this summer!



Graduate Zach Davis performed at the Baccalaureate.



Hillary Davis, graduate Jaelyn Bullock and Johnna Ballard performing at the 2009 Baccalaureate.



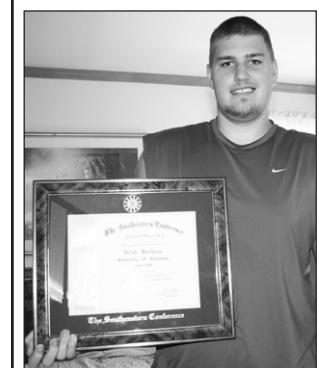
The RCHS Band performing at the 2009 Baccalaureate.



Graduates Morgan Harper and Meghan Nation at the 2009 Baccalaureate.



Knowing How 2 Go just got easier for students at RCHS. The Rural Scholars College Fair was held Friday, May 22nd in the library. Rural Scholars filled the library with college pennants, candy and a fun filled atmosphere to help their fellow students learn how to get to the college of their dreams. Freshman and sophomores were treated to a free "Know How 2 Go" t-shirt and their were plenty of prizes on hand. Over 240 students and staff participated in this year's event and the scholars are hoping to encourage even more next year. For more information on how to get to college go to <http://www.knowhow2goky.org> Pictured in the above, back row from left: Courtney Baggett, Jacob Langford, Robert Reynolds, Felicia Cameron and Jon Paul Kidwell. Second row from left: Brittany Boreing, Morgan Dixon, Tara Baldwin, Ashley Partin, Kara Canterbury, Spencer Childress and Derek Jones. Front row from left: Marie Poynter, Emily Clark and Sha Bustle.



Brad Durham, a 2007 Rockcastle graduate was named Academic All-SEC at UK for the 2008-2009 school year. To achieve this honor a student athlete must maintain a 3.0 GPA. Brad also was one of two football players named to the Dean's List for the spring semester with a 4.0 GPA. Brad, a junior, will be competing for the starting right tackle this fall. Brad is the son of James and Amy Durham of Mt. Vernon.

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Mobile Home sits on 1.6 acres and consists of 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, kitchen/dining combo. Appliances along with washer/dryer remain and home has central heat/air. Property has storage building and the home is ready to move into. M2459.

New Listing
Enjoy! Imagine drinking an ice cold glass of lemonade on the spacious front porch of this beautiful vinyl sided home. Enjoy 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room with ventless log fireplace, kitchen with oak cabinets and all appliances included with this home. Call today to get this dream started. Home priced at \$99,000. M2464

Got Land? Looking For A Home? This Clayton 28x60 doublewide mobile home could be just what you've been wanting. This home offers 3 BR, 2 BA, living room, dining room, kitchen and utility room. The home is constructed of 4x6 walls and has a heat pump with central air. \$22,900. M2461.

Historic! Describes this 2-story log home (Lair House) + 5 acres. Home has been completely renovated and has approximately 5,600 sq. ft. of living area. Great for commercial use or residential. Unsurpassed workmanship. There is an apartment over the garage. Priced at \$427,000. M2460.

Big & Beautiful! This spacious vinyl sided home at the Rockcastle/Lincoln Co. line has much to offer. Its floor plan could be used as four or five bedrooms. There's also a formal dining room, living room and family room. A two-car garage and additional bay in the basement allow for plenty of space for your vehicle or storage. Call today to view. \$190,000. M2423

Elegant Home...in Mt. Vernon. Frontage on two roads. Home features a family room and living room each with a fireplace, eat-in kitchen, dining room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths all on the ground level. Large family/recreation room plus other room in basement. Carport as well as garage. Take a look! \$299,000. M2453

165 Acres more or less by survey. This property is improved with a 1 1/2 story home (fixer upper), barn and water falls. If you're looking for acreage for hunting, recreational or a get-away then be sure to call today for an appointment to look at this property! \$175,000. M2415

Reduced
Indulge in the value of this quality brick home. This home offers an open living area consisting of living room, kitchen and dining area. There are 2 spacious bedrooms and 2 baths. Other amenities include new central heat/air system, fireplace in the living room, 2-car garage, and a partial basement with plenty of storage area. Call today to see this home located in the Mt. Vernon city limits. \$124,900. M2407

Character and Charm! This 3 bedroom, 1 bath home with full unfinished basement is priced right at \$85,000. This home has been newly remodeled. It has a great fenced yard for your enjoyment. Call today for your appointment. M2424

Lincoln County 116 Acre Farm - 2 story completely renovated home with over 4,000 sq. ft. of living area, overlooking the bottom land. Barns - Ponds - Creek - End of road privacy, road frontage on 2 additional roads. In-ground pool, 2-car garage. All for \$359,000. M2438

SOLD
End of the Lane. This tan, vinyl sided home is a new build with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, kitchen/dining room combo, heat pump, great view from rear patio overlooking pond. M2447

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

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

329 Black Bear Lick! This ranch style brick home offers 3 spacious bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room with fireplace, dining room and kitchen with oak cabinets. There's also a full basement with washer/dryer hookup and plenty of square footage for storage or to convert into additional living space. The home has KU electric and city water. Priced at only \$89,900, it won't last long so call today! M2452

Mountain-top Splendor! 50 acres more or less with lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen, dining room and living room overlooking the meadow with a finished basement. Property includes a horse barn, machinery shed and workshop. You must see it, priced at only \$229,000. M2451

New House in the Country! Situated on a one acre lot, this home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, a kitchen/dining room combo, tray ceilings, heat pump, and white vinyl siding. Possible 100% financing. Priced at \$94,500. M2448

Sneak a peek at this brand new home that has never been occupied. Features include 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and a dining room - kitchen combo with Oak cabinetry. This home is near a stream, has a concrete drive, vinyl flooring, heat pump, a 2-car garage all on a one acre lot. \$87,500. Call today! M2446

Future Auctions

- 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.** - Hwy. 39, Somerset, Ky.
- Absolute Estate Auction of the late Ms. Nancy Taylor's 40 Acre Farm & Brick House in Tracts** - Saturday, June 6th at 1:30 p.m., Nancy, Ky.
- 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.
- Auction of Bobby Eldridge and Marie Eldridge's 11 Acres, House, Metal Bldg. & Barn** - Friday, June 12th at 5:30 p.m. - Hwy. 328 West, Eubank.
- Auction of Ken Morgan and Sheila Ledford Commercial Lot** - Friday, June 12th at 5:30 p.m. - Hwy. 192
- Two Day Absolute Auction of Mr. Larry Hensley's and Ms. Kathy Hensley's** - Friday, June 12th at 1:00 p.m. - Coins ~ Guns ~ Jewelry - Hwy. 150, Mt. Vernon, Ky.
- Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Roark's Garage Bldg., Equipment and Personal Property** - Saturday, June 13th at 10:00 a.m.
- Absolute Auction of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Roark's Garage Bldg., Equipment and Personal Property** - Saturday, June 13th at 10:00 a.m. - 13735 N. Hwy. 27, Eubank, Ky.



The band Hot Pursuit was one of many groups that entertained at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead over the weekend.



Over 400 people showed up in Brodhead last Thursday night to hear Josh Logan and his band perform on the main stage. Logan was a big hit with the crowd, selling over 60 CDs after his performance as part of the Dix River Festival.



John and Brenda Stewart, of Corbin, showed off their 2004 rebuilt and customized bike. The Stewarts were among 150 entries on Bike Night at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Friday night, according to Bike Night coordinator, Kay Shelton.



The winner of the Pretty Baby Contest at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Friday night in the 0-6 month-old category was Jeri Fayth Kirby, daughter of Billy Kirby (pictured) and Keri Bell Kirby from Mt. Vernon.



Brooklyn and Slade Houk, of Maretburg, were two of the many youngsters who enjoyed the carnival rides at the Dix River Festival in Brodhead on Friday night. A very good crowd attended the four day event. (Friday night festival photos by: Kevin Canterbury)

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 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

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Please R.S.V.P. to Melissa Brock at 256-7703 or Arielle Reese at 256-7880.



The winner of the Pretty Baby Contest in the 7-12 month-old category was Adreona Ada Julian Douglas, daughter of Ashley Patterson (pictured) and Matthew Douglas of Brodhead.



Brianna Mullins, a member of the Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department and the homecoming committee of the Dix River Festival, rode in Saturday's parade.

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The winner of the Pretty Baby Contest in the 13-24-month-old category was Jason Paz son of Kelly (pictured) and Cutberto Paz of Lincoln County.



Brodhead volunteer firefighter, Shay Barnett, throws candy to the crowd in Saturday's Parade.



The winner of the Pretty Baby Contest at Brodhead in the 25-36 month-old category was little Savannah Stewart. She is the daughter of Megan Stewart (pictured) and Justin McCracken of Brodhead.

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Posted: No fishing, hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Dwight and Carmen Poynter in the Level Green section of Rockcastle Co. Violators will be prosecuted.

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Posted: No hunting, trespassing or 4-wheeling on property owned by Vivian Smith and the late Russell Smith, totaling over 300 acres in the Lamer Section of Rockcastle County. Violators will be prosecuted. 22(09)x12

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

Posted: No hunting/trespassing on property belonging to Farmer Waddle and Clista Spivey heirs on Hwy. 490. Violators will be prosecuted. Not responsible for accidents. 42(08)x50p

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

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

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Notice is hereby given that Linda Sue Parrish, 786 South Laurel Road, London, Ky. 40744 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Goldie Evelyn Poynter on the 11th day of May, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate 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. 26x3

Notice is hereby given that Donald Ambrose, 360 Scaffold Cane Loop, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed administrator of the estate of Thursie Ambrose on the 20th day of May, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Donald Ambrose or to Hon. William D. Gregory, 240 East Main St., P.O. Drawer 220, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Nov. 23, 2009 at 11 a.m. 27x3

Notice is hereby given that Dortha J. Shoemaker, 143 Upper Calloway Loop, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executrix of the estate of James W. Shoemaker on the 6th day of May, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Dortha J. Shoemaker or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Nov. 9, 2009 @ 11 a.m. 25x3

Notice is hereby given that Anna Looney, 363 McHargue Branch Rd., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Troilus W. Mullins on the 6th day of May, 2009. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Anna Looney or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Nov. 9, 2009 at 11 a.m. 25x3

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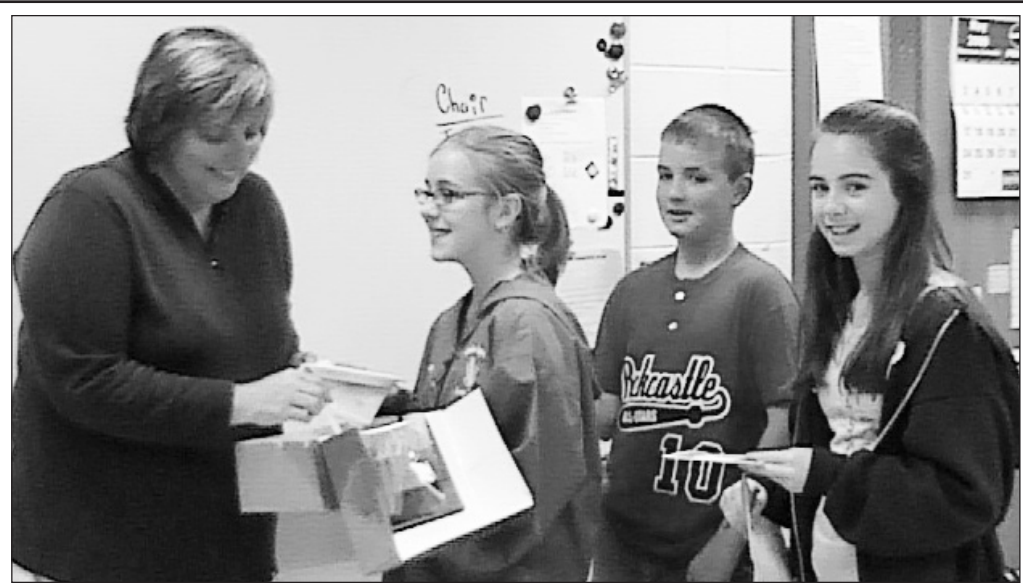
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Mr. John McQueary presented Surena Miller from Roundstone a certificate of appreciation from the Rockcastle County 4-H Council.



Brenda Saylor, EFNEP Assistant from Rockcastle County Extension Office, presented Ricki Jean Lay a t-shirt for her accomplishments in 4-H.



The Rockcastle County 4-H Council celebrated their annual 4-H Banquet on Thursday, May 21st at the Rockcastle County Extension Office. 50 youth from Rockcastle County were able to have lunch and celebrate their accomplishments. Pictured from left to right are: Hailey Harper from Brodhead, Morgan Renner from Mt. Vernon, John Hughes from RCMS, and Ashley McKinney from Roundstone.

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"Get in the Pink" Women's Health Day is June 4th

"Get in the Pink" Women's Health Day will be held June 4th at the Rockcastle Co. Health Department from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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The only way to save the United States is to stop buying foreign products we do not need. Our forefathers fought for our independence and to be free from being ruled by other countries. We should be ashamed. Our ancestors fought for us and we are just giving our country away by buying foreign products. Jimmy Carter once said, "We must adjust to changing times and still hold to unchanging principles."

So, let's change, let's adjust, let's buy American made.

And so, my friends and fellow Americans, we can and

will change but only together can be achieve this goal.

Bradley Taylor
5th Grade
Brodhead Elementary School



On March 12, 2009, Bradley Taylor visited Frankfort as a page for Rep. Danny Ford. Thank you Rep. Ford for this opportunity.



Morehead State University recently celebrated scholastic excellence with a variety of programs. Among the students recognized during the College of Science & Technology Academic Honors Banquet was Vanessa Adams (left) of Brodhead, who was given the Outstanding Mathematics Teaching Student Award. Making the presentation was Dr. Dora Ahmadi, chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. Additional information is available by calling the College of Science & Technology at (606) 783-2023.

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Students in 7th grade Social Studies BRAVO presented Native American culture from the Plains, Eastern Woodlands, Tling-it, and Hopi Indians to a sixth grade audience on Wednesday, May 20th. The students would like to thank Mrs. Karen Powell, Mr. Ken Abney and Mr. Allen Pensol for their hard work in preparing for these presentations. Pictured are, front from left: Jake Mink, Kelsey Mattingly, Madisan Miller and Anthony Miller. Back row from left: Emily Roark, Jacob Taylor, Jared Lake, Carissa Looney, and Lilly Beichler.

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Saturday, July 25th
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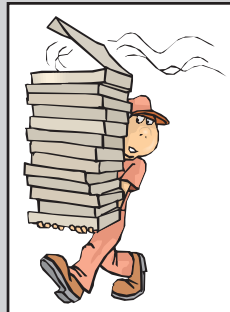
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Dear Class of 2009,

If you are like me, you find it difficult to believe that your senior year is rapidly coming to a close. It seems like only yesterday that you walked through the doors of RCHS, a little intimidated, but undoubtedly excited about the promise and possibility of high school. You quickly established yourselves as a unique and gifted group of young men and women, focused on excellence and determined to succeed, no matter the venue. You staked your claim in the classroom, on the courts, fields and tracks of athletics, as well as on the fields of band competition. You have excelled on the stage, the obstacle course and in every FFA contest you have entered. Many of you have earned regional and state awards for a variety of endeavors; however, I will remember you most for your kind, gentle spirits, your pure hearts and your uncanny ability to bring joy and laughter into our school each and every day.



It is part of my responsibility to impart words of wisdom to you as you begin the next phase of your lives. I hope that you know how much we believe in you and your potential to make the world a better place to live. That, in a nutshell, is the most important piece of advice I can share -- to make difference in the world and to leave it a better place than you find it today. At this writing, there is much uncertainty about our nation's economy, with the sharply rising cost of higher education, the environment, and the conflicts abroad, with young men and women only one year removed from your age facing each day at war. Let me first assure you that every generation faces trials and tribulations, and yours will not be any different. What will be different is the reaction you have to the challenges you face and the fortitude you possess with which to not only endure, but to overcome them.

You see, the adults of this community have invested much time, money and energy into providing you with every chance to succeed. They have mentored, coached, cheered and encouraged you toward a brighter future. Not a single member of this senior class will graduate without someone applauding him or her as they cross that stage. How will you show your gratitude for everything these folks have invested in you? You have a tremendous opportunity, at this juncture in your lives, to make a conscious decision about the way you might repay that inestimable debt. I hope you will opt to include love in every equation and integrity in every decision you make.

Integrity, a component embedded in the fiber of every tough choice for the right, will serve you well in a complicated world, where many a good person has been compromised for money, fame and power. Stay true to yourself and always err on the side of truth and honor and you will not often veer off course. Your parents and family members will be proud of you if, more than anything else, they see that you consistently do the right thing. In addition, they will want nothing more than to know that your lives are filled with love and that emotion is communicated in all you say and do at school, at work and in the community in which you choose to live. Love is the greatest gift you can share with others and I encourage you to allow it to infuse your words and actions every day.

Finally, know that we are so proud of you and the milestone that you have reached this year. Graduating from high school may be something some of your families did not expect to happen; in fact, you may be the first in your family to reach this goal. Your accomplishment, as for your classmates, is profound, but it is not the end. This is merely a signpost on your journey; hopefully one that will point you to a fulfilling and productive life as a citizen of the world. You can rest assured that everyone at Rockcastle County High School will remain here, continuing to cheer you on as you move forward into a brighter future than you have ever imagined.

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Asa Adams, Brodhead, son of Jerry and Julie Adams. Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; Baseball, 3; UNITE 2.

Sarah Catheryn Adams, Brodhead, daughter of Charlotte and Donnie Hayes and Tommy Adams. FCA, 3; HOSA, 3; Rocket Club, 1; Academic Honor Roll, 4.

Kayla Ray Adkinson, daughter of Leshia and Marvin Nelson Gill, Jr. and Glenn Ray Davidson. FFA, 4; Rocket Club, 2; Creative Works, 1; UNITE, 1. Plans to attend Somerset Community College for Cosmetology degree and then a business degree.

Hannah Danielle Adkisson, Brodhead, daughter of Bill and Jennifer Adkisson. Student YMCA, 4; Historian, 2; Teenage Republicans, 2; secretary, 1; Key Club, 3; Honors Club, 3; French Club, 3; FCA, 1. Governor's Scholar Program (Bellarmine University); National History Day - 1st in region, 1st in state, national level - best state entry; honor roll, 4; Skills Standards Award. Girls Golf Team, 3.

Jeffery P. Albright, Mt. Vernon, son of Jeff Albright and Melissa Albright. FFA, 4 - Vice President, Chaplain, Asst. Vice President, committee chair, state junior chapter meeting team, state record keeping team, state creed contest, star greenhand, star farmer crop, impromptu contest, 2 years, specialty crop proficiency, years, state land judging team, state tractor driving contest, Dekalb Award winner, regional welding team, varsity chapter meeting team, regional vice president, 4-H state land judging, 4 - national 4-H land judging contest, PRIDE Club 1; UNITE, 1.

Kimberly Alcorn, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Nora Cain and Roger Alcorn. FFA; UNITE; FCLA; Health Explorers.

Megan Baker, Berea, daughter of Brent and Angela Baker. 9th grade English Award; 10th grade HOBY Youth Leadership Award; KAPOS Academic Award; Rocket Club; Key Club; National Honor Society/Beta; FCA; 9th and 12th cheerleading; 10th and 11th Volley.

Nakeshia Baldwin, Crab Orchard, daughter of Joe and Kathy Baldwin. FCA, 2; UNITE 1; Art Club, 2; Cheerleading, 2; Business Law Award; ACC Geometry Award; Culinary Excellence Award; *Who's Who Among American High School* recognition.

Josh Ballard, Mt. Vernon, son of James and Mildred Ballard.
Danny Aaran Barnes, Orlando,

son of Danny and Christine Barnes. Physical Science award; Biology I award; Library award. Communications Skills Standards award: Chess Club, 4; Math Club, 2; STLP, 2; Book Club, 4; Upward Bound, 4.

Dustin Ray Barnett, Mt. Vernon, son of Eddie and Eliza Barnett.

Sara Barnett, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Edith Barnett and John Barnett. Basketball, 2; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 2; Young Republicans, 4; Math Club, 2; Art Club, 1. Accepted to Somerset Community College.

Austin Barron, Livingston, son of Ricky and Virginia Barron.

Brandon Barron, Mt. Vernon, son of Joe Barron and Patty Barron. FFA, 3.

Danny Barron, Mt. Vernon, son of Roger and Carolyn Barron. Skills, 2; FFA, 3.

Juanita June Barron, Mt. Vernon, granddaughter of William and Wanda Mullins. JROTC.

James R. "Buck" Blair, Mt. Vernon, son of Lanita Blair. JROTC, Book Club.

Marlinda Brooke Bowlin, daughter of Marvin and Lana Bowlin. FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 4; Key Club, 4 - vice president; Young Republicans, 4 - president; UNITE, 2; Honor Roll, 1; Football Homecoming Queen Candidate; Jamboree Bowl Candidate.

Brittany Shay Bradley, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Loretta Marler and Steve Bradley. Rocket Club, 1.

Kelsie R. Bradley, Mt. Vernon, son of Teresa Cunagin and Donald Bradley.

Timothy James Bradley, Mt. Vernon, son of Raymond Bradley and the late Enita Bradley.

Tanner Dalton Bray, Brodhead, son of Dennis and Rhonda Bray. FCA, 4; Key Club, 4; FFA, 4.

John Travis Brock, Brodhead, son of John and Brenda Brock. FCA, 3; FFA, 3.

Jordan Brock, Crab Orchard, son of Tammy and Roger Brock.

Tonya Brock, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Ben and Jane Brock. HOSA, 3; FBLA, 1 - secretary; UNITE, 1; Academic Team, 1.

Sara Alexis Brown, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Robert and Sara Brown. FFA, 4 - reporter, 2; Outstanding Officer Award; FFA; National Honor Society; Beta Club; Book Club, 3 - secretary, 1 - vice president, 1.

Andrew W. Bryant, Brodhead, son of Boyd Bryant and Tammy Bolin. Math Club; FCA; UNITE; Baseball.

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Justin David Bryant, Brodhead, son of David and Tammy Bryant. Baseball, 4; Basketball, 1; FCA, 4; Math Club, 4; Rocket Club, 4; FFA, 1; UNITE, 2.

Samantha Lynn Bullen, Brodhead, daughter of Jeff and Jennifer Houk. Band, 4; Colorguard, 4-captain.

Jaelyn Sylvia Bullock, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Jackie and Debbie Bullock. Choir, 4; Chamber Choir, 2; All-Festival Choir, 2; All-State Choir, 1; Beta NHS, 3; Art Club, 1; Interpretive Movement Club, 2; Rocket Club, 1; UNITE, 1; Solo and Ensemble - Proficient, 1; Virtuoso Senior Chorus Award.

Jeffrey Dustin Bullock, Mt. Vernon, son of Jeff and Sherry Bullock. Baseball, 4; Football, 4; Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; UNITE, 4.

Michelle Bullock, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Debbie Daniels and Michael Bullock. FCA, 3; PRIDE, 1; Leadership Workshop, 1.

Sasha Elaine Bullock, Brodhead, daughter of Ricky and Celena Bullock. Softball, 6; Basketball, 5; Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; UNITE, 2; Y-Club, 1; Art Club, 1; Academic All State-Basketball; Community Service, Mt. Vernon Elementary and Brodhead Baptist.

Tyler Gene Burris, Brodhead, son of Bobby and Michelle Burris. FCA, 3; Honors Beta, 2; Math, 4; Honor Roll, 7. Full scholarship to Berea College - value over \$100,000.

Brandon Lynn Bussell, Mt. Vernon, son of Machelle Decker-Callahan and the late Jerry Bussell. Rocket Club, 3; FCA, 3; former member of UNITE Traveling Theatre.

Logan Ross Cable, Brodhead, son of Michael and Marian Cable. VICA.

Joseph Zachary Caldwell, Brodhead, son of Billy and Nancy Caldwell. Guitar Club.

Eric Calico, Orlando, son of Joey and Kim Calico. FFA; FCA; Math Club.

Melissa Callahan, Berea, daughter of Robert and Rosie Callahan and Jeanie and Vernon Johnson. FBIA, 2; FCA, 1; English II Award; Math II Award.

Kayla Marie Cameron, Brodhead, daughter of Mike and Debbie Cameron. Rocket Club, 4; UNITE, 4; FCA, 4; Beta Club, 4; National Honor Society, 4; HOSA, 4; Highest GPA Physics I; Eastern Kentucky University Regional.

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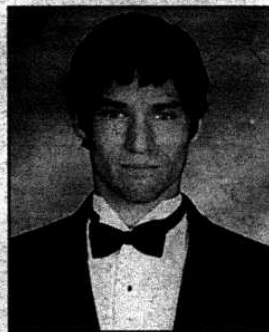
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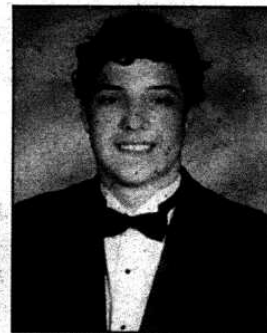
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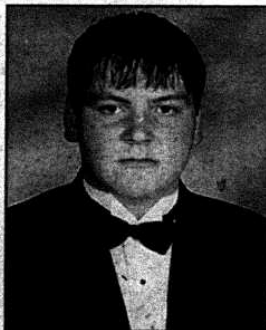
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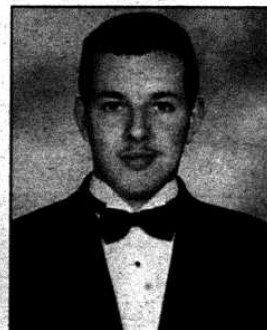
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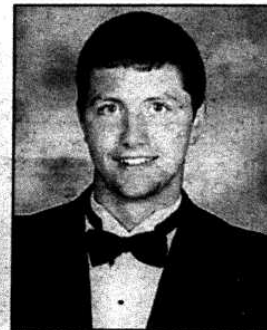
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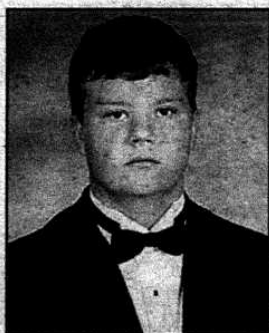
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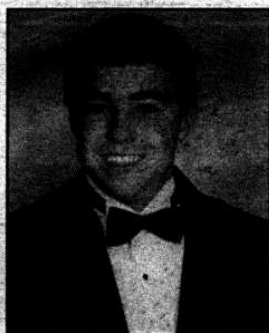
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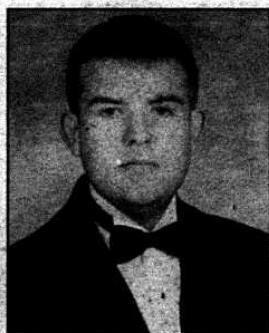
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Jordan Wade Cook

Scholarship; State Registered Nurse Aid.

Jordan Gault Cash, Brodhead, son of Warren and Rebecca Cash. Rocket Club, FCA, UNITE, FFA, Y-Club; Golf Team, 9.

Rachael Cash, Brodhead, daughter of Ronnie and Katreka Cash. Golf Team, 3; Kentucky Governor's Scholar, Key Club, 3; Rocket Club, 4; National Honor Society, vice president, 1; National Honor Society, president, 1; French Club, 3; Highest Average: APUS History, Honors English III, Chemistry I and II, Physics, Honors World Civilization, French II.

Katrina Chasteen, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Angela Chasteen and Carl Chasteen. Rocket Club, 1; PRIDE, 1; Skills USA, 2; UNITE, 1; 3rd Place Extemporaneous Writing in Skills USA Competition; 2nd Place Bulletin Board in Skills USA Competition; Outstanding Underclassman Award, Electrical Construction I; Special Recognition Award, Electrical Construction I.

Ashley Nicole Elizabeth Chattelle, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Joey Chattelle and Scott Chattelle. FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 2; UNITE, 2; Young Republicans, 1.

Felicia Faith Chesnut, Orlando, daughter of Robert and Teresa Chesnut. Chess, 2; Golf, 1; Club, 1; Beta Club, 1; FCA, 3; Young Democrats Club Committee Chair, 1; Rocket Club, 2.

Joshua Logan Childress, Mt. Vernon, son of Teresa and Cecil Childress.

Bryan Lovell Clontz, Mt. Vernon, son of Joseph and Linda Clontz. Basketball, 4; Golf, 4; Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; UNITE, 4.

Brittanie Danielle Coffee, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Judy Coffee and Michael Coffee. FCA, 3; Art Club, 2.

James Lucas Cochran, Brodhead, son of James Cochran and Karen Carl. Math Club.

Alena Cole, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Bonnie Cole and Russell Cole. Art Club.

Angela Michelle Collett, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Clyde Derrle Collett and Lisa Marie Witt.

Morgan Hilary Collins, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Michael Collins and Traci Collins. Basketball, 4; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 4; Y-Club, 2; Art Club, 1; UNITE, 3.

Jordan Wade Cook, Mt. Vernon, son of Lisa Cook. FFA, 4 - Committee Chair, 4.

Brittini Cope, Mt. Vernon, daughter of James and Angela Cope. HOSA, 1; FCA, 1; Youth Group, 6.

Stacy Kay Cope, Mt. Vernon, daughter of James and Angela Cope.

National Honor Roll, 1; HOSA, 2; FCA, 4.

William Cauley, Brodhead, son of Trina Frederick. FFA, 4; Football, 2.

Michelle Lee Craig, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Anna Craig. Skills USA, 1.

Matthew Derrik Cromer, Mt. Vernon, son of Roger and Bonnie Daugherty and the late Karl David Cromer. Skills USA, 1.

Normagena Faye Cromer, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Skeeter and Brenda Cromer. Rocket Club, 1; PRIDE, 1; UNITE, 1; FCA, 4; HOSA, 1.

Kayla Damrell, Berea, daughter of Steven Damrell and Mary Ann Damrell. Chorus, 2 years; Most Versatile Award, Art Club; Volleyball, 4.

Toni Miranda Blaze Damrell, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Tony and Judy Damrell. Rocket Club, 1; Art Club, 1; Math Club, 1.

Tiffany Michelle Davidson, Orlando, daughter of Michelle Davidson and Glen Ray and Leshia Gill Davidson. FCA, 2; Rocket Club, 3; ROTC, 1; Crafts, 1.

Zach Davis, Mt. Vernon, son of Steve and Paula Davis. FCA, 4 - Worship Director, 3; UNITE, 4; YMCA, 3; Chorus, 2; English II and III Awards; Rocket Club, 4; Art Club, 2; Yearbook Staff; National Honor

Roll.

Angela DeBord, Brodhead, daughter of Tommy and Gayle DeBord. HOSA, 3 - vice president; Student YMCA - 4 - Treasurer; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 3; PRIDE, 1; UNITE, 1; Medical Terminology Award; Anatomy/Physiology Award; English II Award.

Cody Delph, Mt. Vernon, son of Bobbie Delph and Terry Hicks. Skills USA; VICA.

Steven Wayne Denny, Mt. Vernon, son of Regina Mullins.

Charles William Dickerson, Orlando, son of Shirley Dickerson. JROTC - Cadet Battalion Commander; Honors Beta Club; Chess Club; Upward Bound Club. Military Officers Association Award; U.S. Army Recruiting Command Award; National Scholar Athlete Award; Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award; National Physical Fitness Award.

Elizabeth Kaylene Dooley, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Crystal Carlton. FBIA, 1; Math Club, 1.

John Durbin, Mt. Vernon, son of Kim Durbin and the late Janet Mae Hill.

Matthew Durham, Brodhead, son of Rockwell Durham and Mary Durham. Skills USA.

Corey M. Frederick, Berea, son of Al and Sandra Davis. Messiahs Project

attendance.

Kayla Frederick, daughter of Kenneth and JoAnn Frederick. Chess Club, 3; Chorus, 3; Academic Team, 4; Drama, 7; Creative Writing, 3; Book Club, 3; FFA, 2; Interpretive Movement, 1.

Jonathan D. Gadd, Mt. Vernon, son of John and Kathy Gadd. Math Club; FFA.

Gordon Garner, Livingston, son of Todd and Kathy Garner. Guitar Club; Skills USA; First Place Welding 2009 - Southeast Region Skills USA; Career Major Certificate in Manufacturing; Outstanding Underclassman Award - 2008 Welding.

Matthew Cody Gilbert, Mt. Vernon, son of Mitchell Gilbert and Melissa Hurley. Football, 3; Guitar Club, 1; Skills USA, 2; FFA, 1.

Lauren Ashley Graham, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Richard and Connie Graham. Honor Roll, 4; Cheerleading, 2; Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; UNITE, 2; Y-Club, 1; Cedar Rapids Swim Team; Art Club, 2; Community Service - Mt. Vernon Elementary - Kenna's Kitchen, 1.

Aaron Stephen Graves, Mt. Vernon, son of Sherry Bullock and Steve Graves. Skills USA, 4.

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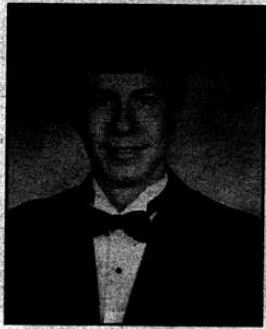
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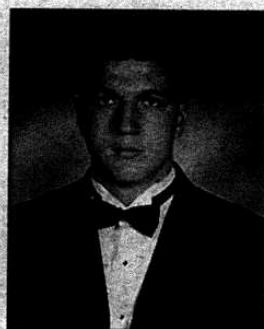
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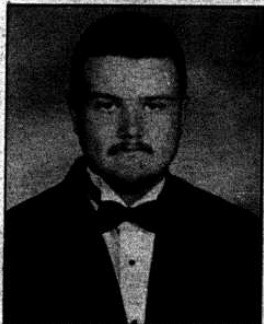
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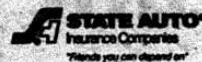
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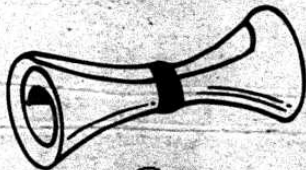
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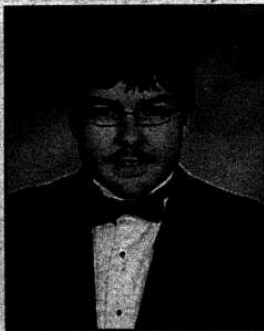
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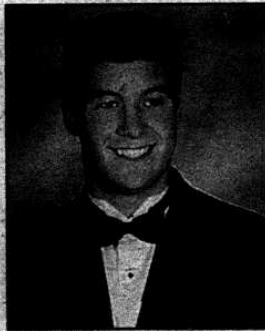
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Christopher Bryan Griffin, Rockcastle Co, son of Harold Griffin.

Rachael Hale, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Lisa and Raymond Hale. FCCLA president; UNITE; Yearbook Staff; Guitar Club; Rocket Club; Library Award.

Morgan Whitney Harper, Brodhead, daughter of Sherry Harper and Harold Harper, Jr. Student YMCA, 4; National Honor Society; Beta Club, 4; Marching and Concert Band, 5 - section leader, 2; French Club, 1; National History Day, 2; Band Award, 2; Eastern Kentucky Honors Band, 2; Western Kentucky Honors Band, 1; KMEA Solo and Ensemble I - Distinguished Rating, 5; Semper Fi Band Award; Honor Roll, 4.

Chelsie Brook Hasty, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Vanessa Hasty and Mike Mullikin. Volleyball, 4; Daniel Boone Scholarship; Rocket Club, 1; UNITE, 2; Guitar Club, 2; PRIDE, 1.

Kirsten Reanna Hasty, Crab Orchard, daughter of Ricky and Marie Hasty. Key Club, 1; Teenage Republicans, 1; PRIDE, 1; Choir, 3; Band, 5; EKU Regional Scholarship Recipient; Distinguished for Vocal Solo and two brass ensembles; Arts and Humanities Award; Most Creative Senior Chorus Award; Section Leader Senior Band Award.

Brittany Nichole Hayes, Brodhead, daughter of Brenda Hayes and David Denny. FCA, 4; UNITE, 2; Rocket Club, 1; FBLA, 1; Math Club, 3 - Secretary, 1 - President, 1; Advanced Computer Applications Award. Attending Lindsey Wilson College on Scholarships.

Casey Lee Chandler Hayes, Mt. Vernon, son of Bobby Hayes and Kathy Dawson. Football, 4 - Red Zone Player of the Week - First Team All District.

Samantha Jo Hayes, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Gary Hayes and Vicki Hayes. Art Club.

Skyler Barton Hayes, Mt. Vernon, son of Leo and Debbie Hayes. FBLA; Math Club; Rocket Club; FCA.

Amanda Hedrick, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Anita Prewitt and Allan Hedrick. FBLA; FCA; Rocket Club.

Chelsey Viola Hensley, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Melissa Bennett and Freddie Hensley. Softball, 2; Basketball, 1; UNITE; Rocket Club; Community Service. Kenna's Kitchen, 1.

Jonathan James Donovan Higgins, Brodhead, son of John and Barbara Higgins. FFA, 3; Skills

USA, 2.

Jessica Ann Howard, Brodhead, daughter of Lisa and Kevin Carder and Joe Howard.

Raymond Garrett Howard, Brodhead, son of Charles and Brenda Howard. FCA, 4; Japanese Club, 1; Young Democrats, 1; Teenage Republicans, 1; Rocket Club, 2; Art Club, 2; Guitar Club, 1; Journalism Staff, 2.

Derick Dean Hughes, Mt. Vernon, son of Phillip D. Hughes and Mary L. Collier.

Stacey M. Hundley, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Dorothy and Ted Hundley. FCA, 4.

Carri Dolores Hunt, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Hal and Carolyn Hunt. A capella, 1; Choir, 4; Chamber Choir, 2; All-Festival Choir, 2; All-State Choir, 1; FCA, 4; Beta NHS Club, 3; Interpretive Movement, 1; Math Club, 1; Solo and Ensemble - Distinguished Solo, 1 and Proficient Ensemble, 1; Overall Senior Choir Member Award; Most Dedicated Senior Choir Member Award; Honor Roll, 4.

Richard Dewayne Hysinger, Mt. Vernon, son of Rickie Hysinger and Katherine Hysinger. FFA, 3.

Adam Lee Isaacs, Mt. Vernon, son of Angie and James Isaacs.

Ericka Nicole Isaac, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Debbie and Roger Isaac. Rocket Club; Math Club; JROTC - Raider Team; Daughters of the American Revolution Award; JROTC - Captain; National Physical Fitness Award; Cadet of the Month; Drill Team Award.

William Jeffrey Dale Isaacs, Mt. Vernon, son of Jeff Isaacs and Amanda Dunn. Guitar Club, Skills USA.

Pamela Sue Johnson, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Charles and Sandy Johnson. Rocket Club, 1; Unite 1; Volleyball, 2.

Danny Clyde Jones, Brodhead, son of Clyde and Malissa Jones. Engineering Award; PE Award; Math Club, 3; STLP, 1; Chess Club, 1.

Rodney S. Jones, Brodhead, son of Joni Mae and Rodney Jones. Vocational School - Automotive.

Logan Michael Kincer, Mt. Vernon, son of Mike and Melinda Kincer. Football, 4; Baseball, 4; FFA, 1; UNITE, 2; Y-Club, 1; Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4.

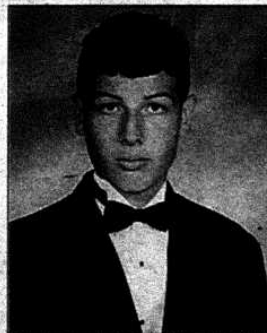
Jessica Shay King, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Gail King. FFA, 1.

Angel Kirby, Brodhead, daughter of Kathy Dennis and Jeff Philbeck. UNITE; FCA; Horse rides with Rockcastle County Saddle Club at Red Hill Horse Camp.

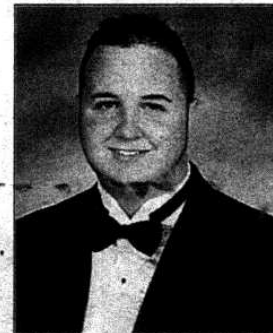
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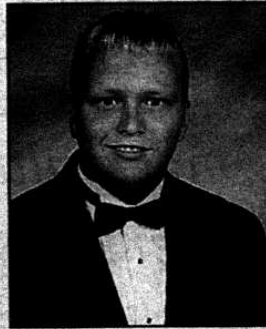
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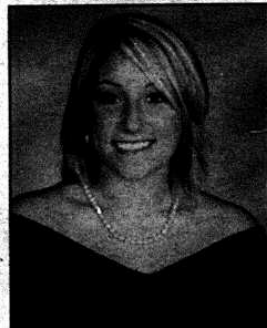
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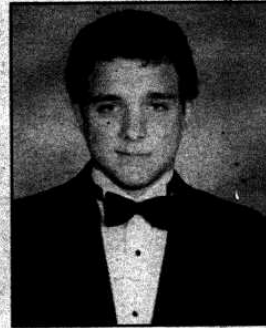
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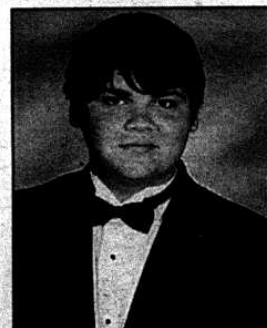
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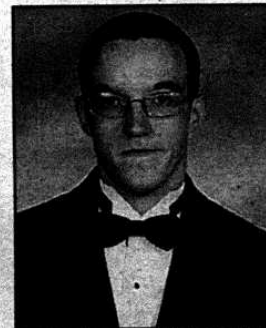
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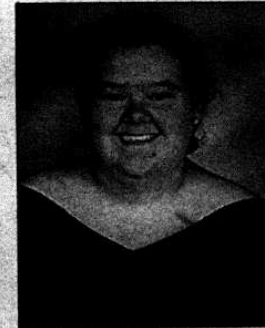
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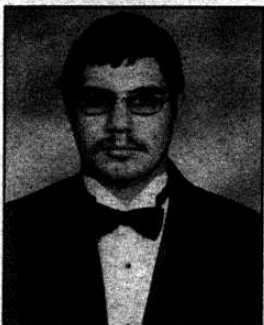
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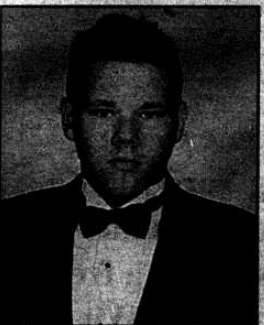
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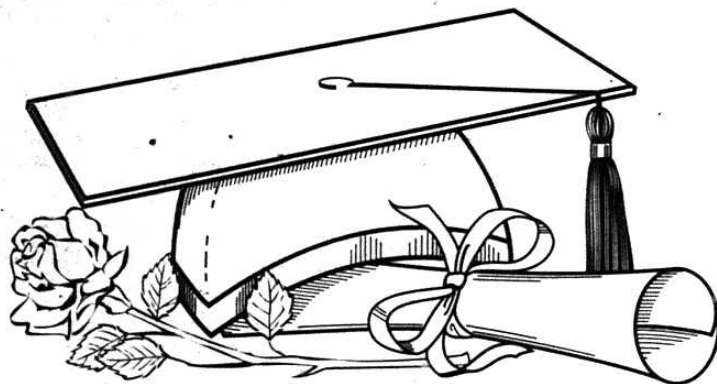
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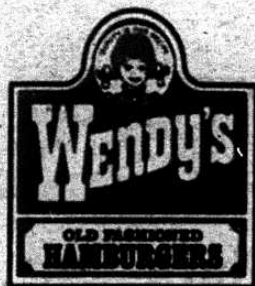
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and Charlie Kirby. FCA; FFA, 4 - Asst. Treasurer, Treasurer and Parliamentarian; Young Republicans; English II Award; Agribiology Award and Advanced Animal Science Award.

Cody Kirby, Mt. Vernon, son of Leslie Rigby and Doug Kirby. Junior Class President; Senior Class Vice President; Y-Club, 4 - president; HOSA, 4 - president; FCA, 4; Young Republicans, 4 - treasurer; Key Club, NHS; Beta Club, 4; PRIDE, 2; Rocket Club, 2; Governor's Scholar; Rogers Scholar; Commonwealth Ambassador; Track Field, 1; AP U.S. History Award; English II Award; Arts Humanities Award; Morrison Scholar from Transylvania University; Student Mentor.

Patrick Wayne Kirby, Brodhead, son of Ricky and Patty Kirby. Football, 4 - 2nd team All District - Honorable Mention All State; Baseball, 4; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 2; UNITE, 2; Teenage Republicans, 1.

Ronnie Lainhart, Mt. Vernon, son of Gail and Nathaniel Price and Alan Lainhart. Youth YMCA (Community Service Chair, 1 year), FBLA - president, 1; Young Democrats, FCA, Beta Club, 1.

Tasha Lamb, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Karen and Keith Lamb. Rocket Club, 1; UNITE, 2; FCA, 2.

John Ryan Lambert, Mt. Vernon, son of Joseph and Debra Lambert. Trustees Scholarship - University of Louisville; National Merit Scholarship; Kentucky Governor's Scholar; Roger's Scholar; Academic Team, 4; French Club, 4; Y-Club, 4.

Jessica Marie Lawrence, Brodhead, daughter of Debbie and the late Ricky Lawrence.

Jessi Spryng Lay, Livingston, daughter of Robin and Bryan Lay. Rocket Club, 1; Volleyball, 4 - 2007 All District Team - 2008 All District Team.

Jillisa Nichole Lay, Brodhead, daughter of Robert and Regina Lay and Gina Martin. Basketball, 4; Rocket Club, 4; UNITE, 2; FCA, 4; Y-Club, 1; Community Service at Mt. Vernon Elementary; Art Club, 1; Cedar Rapids Swim Team; Academic All-State - Basketball; Painting Park-Brodhead Baptist.

Amber Nicole Lewis, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Gail and Clifford Lewis. HOSA, 1; Book Club, 1.

Jeffery A. Lewis, Mt. Vernon, son of Gail and Clifford Lewis. Japanese Club; German Club.

Nicole Locklear, Wildie, daughter of Perry Locklear and Sherry Tupper. FCA, 4; UNITE, 3; Rocket Club, 4; Student YMCA, 1; Basketball, 4.

Micah Renee Lyons, Brodhead, daughter of Micah Lyons and Joyce Ponder. French Club, 1; Art Club, 3;

HOSA, 1; School Newspaper, 2.

Matthew Frank Maples, Brodhead, son of Shirley and Frank Maples. FFA, 4 - Regional High Individual on Small Engines team; FFA - Welding Team, State Varsity Chapter Meeting Team, Small Animal Production and Care Impromptu Award; Guitar Club - president.

Matthew Edward Marlow, Mt. Vernon, son of Sharon Marlow Monk and Leroy Monk. Candidate for Homecoming 2008-09; Escort for Jamboree Bowl; FCA; Chess Club; Dedicated Co-Op for Cox Funeral Home.

Daniel Allen Martin, Pine Hill, son of Jennie and Willie Martin. Basketball, 2; Football, 1; Track, 1; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 1; FBLA, 1; Math Club, 2.

Devon Michael Mason, Mt. Vernon, son of David and Pam Mason. Football, 4 - Academic All State, Academic Honorable Mention; Skills USA Region Champ.

Freddie Mason, Jr., Livingston, son of Freddie Mason, Sr. JROTC.

Amber Michelle Masters, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Louella Gadd and David Gadd.

Kathryn Elise Mattingly, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Ken and Jennifer Mattingly. Varsity Basketball, 4 - Academic All State, 4; Varsity Track and Field, 6 - Academic All State; Key Club - board member, 1; treasurer, 1; president, 2; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 4; Highest GPA Principles of Engineering; Highest GPA Project Lead the Way; Highest GPA Civil Engineering; University of the Cumberlands Chemistry Symposium - 1st Place; Peer Tutor.

Megan Mazurek, Brodhead, daughter of Deborah and Anthony Mazurek. FCA, 4; Key Club, 2; Rocket Club, 2; UNITE, 1; Volleyball, 4 - All District Team, 3 - Southeastern Kentucky All Star Team; Basketball, 3.

Katelynne Marie McClure, Brodhead, daughter of Connie and Danny McClure. Cheerleading, 1; FFA, 3 - Asst. Sentinel Treasurer; FCA, 4; Young Republicans, 1; Art Club, 1.

Mickel Kalin McDaniel, Mt. Vernon, son of Peggy Snyder and Chris McDaniel. Chess Club, 2; FCA, 4; STLP, 3; UNITE, 2.

Cody McGuire, Orlando, son of Lisa McGuire and Edward McGuire. Skills USA.

Shawn David McHone, Mt. Vernon, son of Kim and Kenneth Gadd. FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 2.

Sarah Elizabeth McKinney, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Reva and Dwayne McKinney. Volleyball, 4 - All District All Region, 2 - Volleyball Track Scholarship to Union College; Track, 7 - state winner in 100-

meter hurdles; Basketball, 6; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 3.

Michael Mendoza, Brodhead, son of Melissa Mendoza and George Mendoza.

Danielle Nicole Mink, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Tim Mink and Jennifer McNeil. FCA, 3; UNITE, 2; Young Democrats Club, 1.

Matt Mink, Brodhead, son of Randy and Markita Mink.

Pamyla Delane Mink, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Barbara and Jerrold Collins and Den & Donna Mink. Rocket Club, 2; Art Club, 1; FCA, 4; HOSA, 3. English Award, 1; State Registered Nurses Aid, 1.

Randy Mink, Brodhead, son of Randy and Markita Mink. FCA, 2; Math Club, 1; Key Club, 1.

Nicholas Lee Miracle, Mt. Vernon, son of Lisa and Raymond Miracle. Football, 4; FCA, 4;

UNITE, 4; Rocket Club, 4.

Cody Ray Mize, Mt. Vernon, son of Danny and Ruby Mize. Rocket Club; UNITE; Art Club; FCA; Football.

John Moon, Livingston, son of Donna Moon and Gilbert Moon.

Freddie R. Moore, Mt. Vernon, son of Freddie and Anita Moore. Baseball, 1; FFA, 1.

Eddie D. Morgan II, Mt. Vernon, son of Melissa Thompson and Eddie Morgan. Rocket Club; Skills USA; Math Club; UNITE; FCA; Football.

Bridget Nicole Mullins, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Brenda Sue Wesley. Rocket Club, 1; PRIDE, 1; UNITE, 1; FCA, 1.

Joshua E. Mullins, Mt. Vernon, son of Tena Mullins. UNITE, 1; Yearbook, 1; Family and Consumer Science Award.

Kyle L. Mullins, Brodhead, son

of Angie Kirby and the late Biron Mullins. Enlisted in the US Army in December - leave for basic training July 9, 2009.

Spencer Mullins, Mt. Vernon, son of Kevin Mullins and Tasha Brown. Honor Roll; FCA, 4; UNITE, 4; Rocket Club, 4; Basketball, 4 - Academic All State, 2.

Meghan Nation, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Eddie and Anita Nation. Y-Club; Marching Band; A capella Choir; Pep Band; Young Democrats; FCA.

Jeremy Shane Neal, Mt. Vernon, son of Lisa Eversole, guardian and Richard Neal. FFA, 3 - Recreation Committee Chairman.

Joshua Patterson, Mt. Vernon, son of Tommy and Peggy Patterson. FFA and Math Club.

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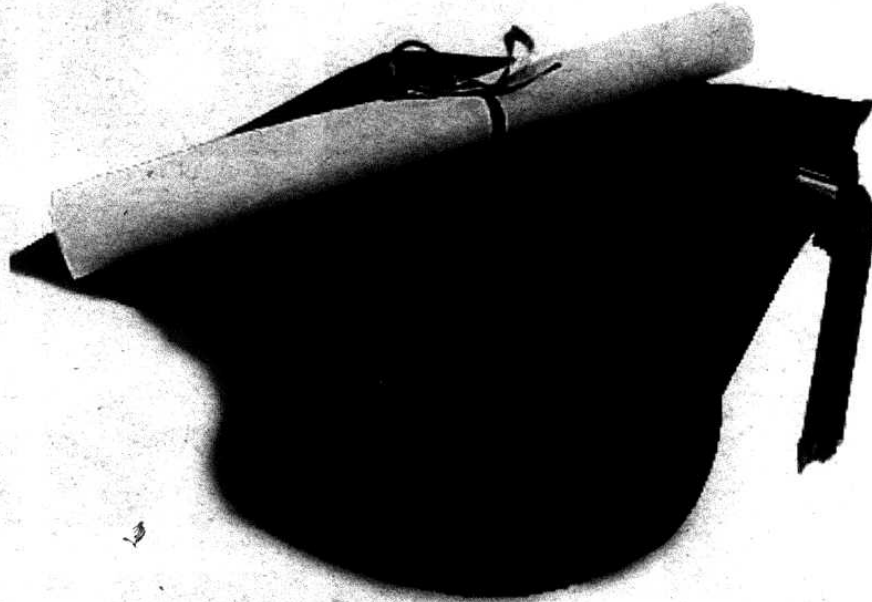


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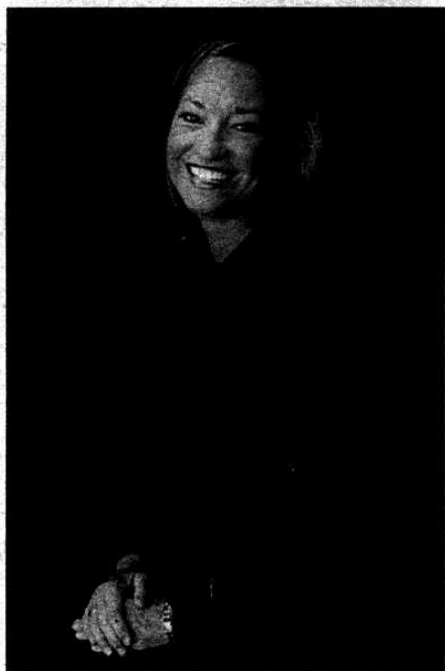
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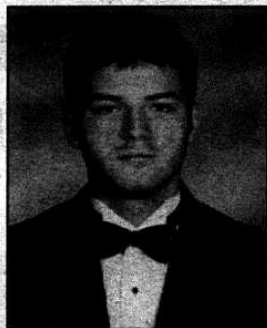
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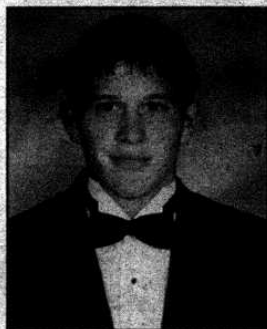
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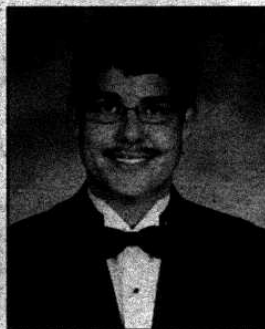
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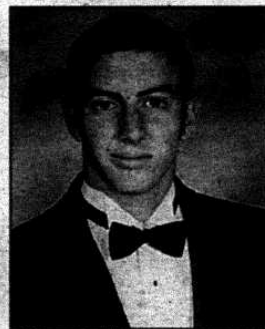
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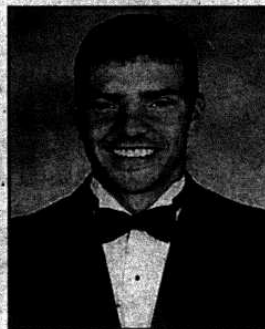
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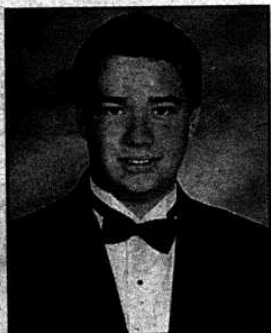
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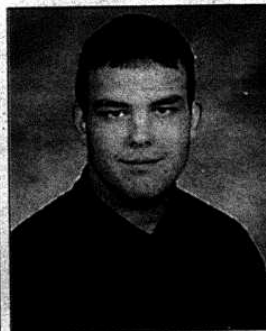
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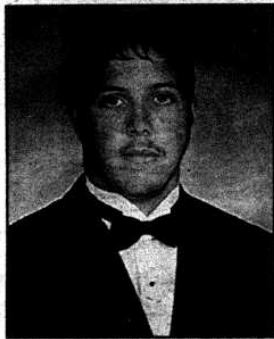
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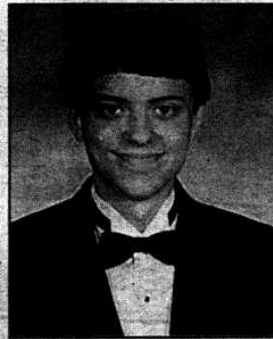
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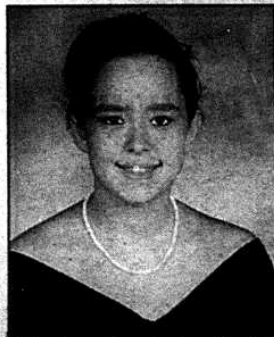
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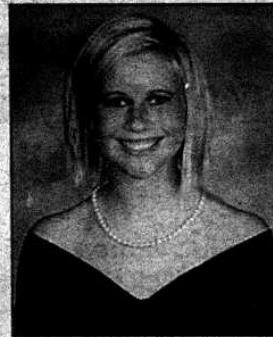
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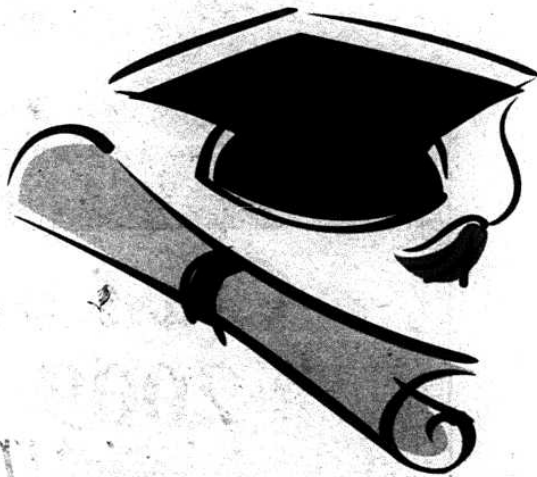
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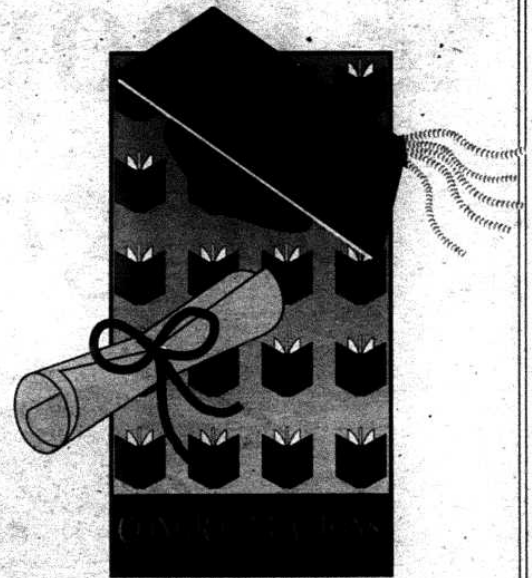
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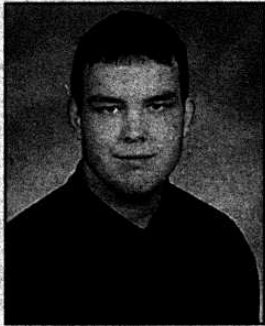
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- Angela Debord** - Eastern Kentucky University Beacon Scholarship, \$11,384.
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- Sara Alexis Brown** - Rockcastle County FFA Alumni Scholarship, \$500; Eastern Kentucky University Regional Scholarship, \$6,000.
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- Brooke Bowlin** - Eastern Kentucky University Scholastic Opportunity Scholarship, \$3,500; Eastern Kentucky University Academic Competitiveness Scholarship, \$750.
- Rachel Woodall** - Georgetown College Trustee Scholarship, \$15,500; Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, \$1,000.
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- Hannah Ponder** - Zen and Noah Emerick Scholarship, \$1,000.
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- Timber Shelton** - University of the Cumberlands Merit Scholarship, \$3,000.
- Jake Riddle** - University of the Cumberlands Merit Scholarship, \$3,000; University of the Cumberlands Academic Competitiveness Scholarship, \$750; University of the Cumberlands Bert T. Combs Scholarship, \$3,605; University of the Cumberlands Legacy Scholarship, \$1,000.
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- Tyler Burris** - Berea College Academic Scholarship, \$25,500.
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- Morgan Collins** - Guy B. and Mabel Lykins Scholarship, \$500.
- Mary Saylor** - Centre College Colonel Scholarship, \$15,000.

Brittney Dawn Payne, Brodhead, daughter of Omer Payne and Edna McClure. Choir, 4; PRIDE, 1; FFA, 3 FCA, 1; Proficient Rating on Solo and EKU Solo & Ensemble - Senior Choir Award - Best Attitude.

Christopher M. Pendery, Mt. Vernon, son of Sharon and Richard Pendery. JROTC, - Alpha Company Commander - Raider Team, 4; Math Club, 4 - vice president; Track and Field - 1; Student YMCA, 2; Young Democrats, 1.

Tanner Hayes Perkins, Brodhead, son of Becky and Tony Saylor and David Perkins. Rocket Club, 4; FCA, 4; UNITE, 4; Baseball, 4 - All District, 2, All Region, 2 - Preseason Top 50 Baseball, 2, Honorable Mention All State Baseball, 1; Football, 3 - Academic All State Football, 3, Wendy's Heisman School Award; Basketball, 2.

Kayla Pingleton, Brodhead, daughter of Kathy and Dwight Pingleton. FCA Club, UNITE, Skills Standard Award.

Hannah Ponder, Wildie, daughter of Steve and Jill Ponder. Rocket Club; UNITE; FCA; Student YMCA; Key Club.

Tony Potter, Mt. Vernon, son of Harry and Brenda Potter. 5 Region Championships and 2 State Championships (band).

Steven Blake Powell, Mt. Vernon, son of Lavon Jett.

Jeffery Dustin Rader, Mt. Vernon, son of Jeff and Janet Rader. Math Club, 2; STLP, 2 - vice president; Spanish I Award; English II Award; Geometry Award.

Ashley Rector, Berea, daughter of Randall and Sammie Rector. Rocket Club, 2; Math Club, 1 - secretary, 1; FCA, 2; UNITE, 1; PRIDE, 1; Kenna's Kitchen and PRIDE community service projects.

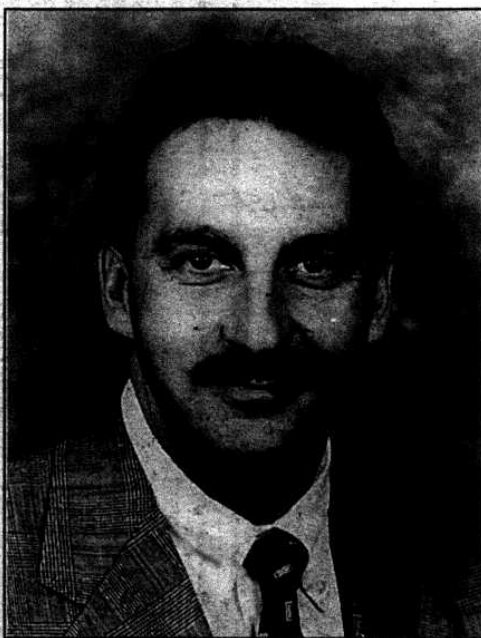
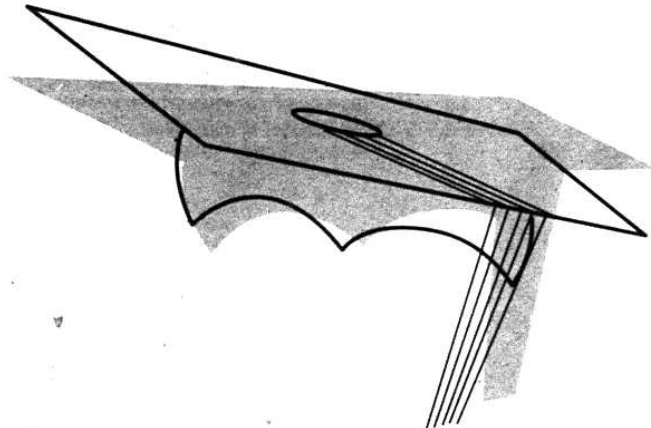
Holdan Renner, Mt. Vernon, son of Christine and Vernon Renner.

Samantha Faith Renner, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Timothy W. Renner and Laura Renner. Outstanding Achievement Awards in Physical Science, Practical Living and Spanish. Art Club; PRIDE; Guitar Club; Academic Team; Yearbook.

Lyndsey Jordan Reynolds, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Barbara and Ricky Reynolds. Rocket Club, 3; FCA, 3; National Honor Society; Business Honors.

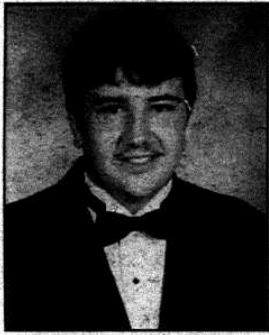
Loren Elaine Reynolds, Brodhead, daughter of Roger and Allison Reynolds. FCA, 4 - President, 2; Student YMCA, 4 - Chaplain, 2; RCHS Teenage Republicans vice president; National Honor Society; Beta Club; Rocket Club; Volleyball, 5 - Captain, 2, All-District,

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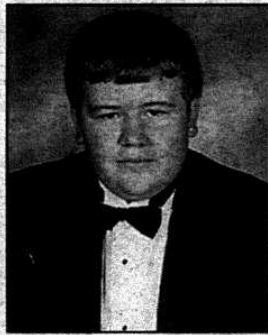
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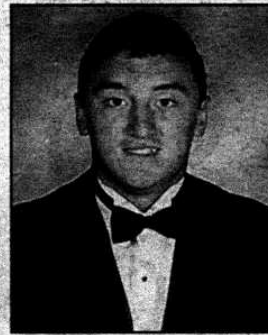
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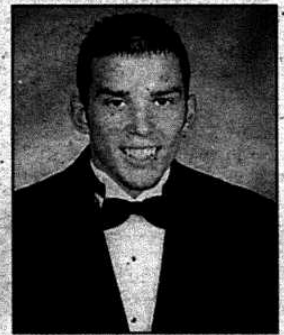
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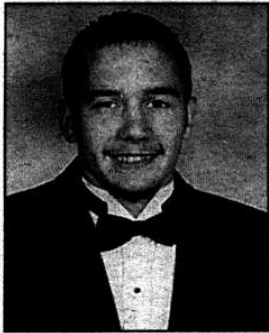
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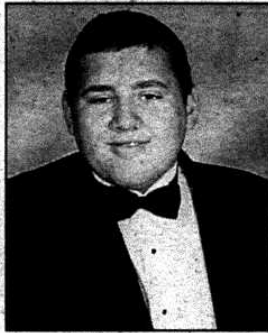
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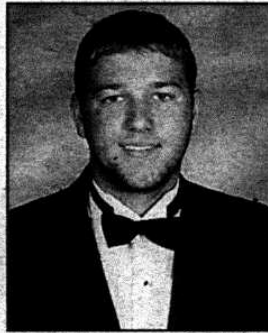
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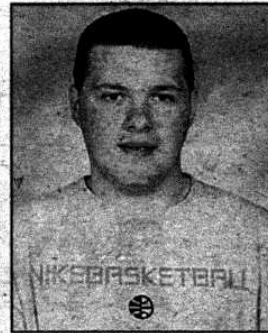
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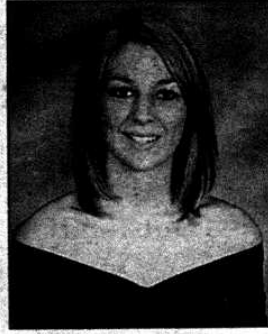
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Spencer Ross Mullins

Kayla Leann Rice, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Leighann VanWinkle and Edward Rice. Rocket Club, 3; FCA, 4; UNITE, 4; Math Club, 3; Art Club, 3

Jacob Riley Riddle, Mt. Vernon, son of Ryan and Connie Riddle. Rocket Club, 4; FCA; UNITE, 4; Y-Club, 1; Math Club, 1; Basketball,



Nakeshia Lynette Baldwin Myers

3; Baseball, 4

Ashley Dawn Robinson, Brodhead, daughter of Dale Robinson and Gina Robinson. Basketball, 3 - All District Team, 1; FCA, 3; Rocket Club, 3; Student Council, 3; Softball, 2; Underclassman English Award; UNITE - president, Hollie Barnett Scholarship Recipient,



Meghan Nicole Nation

Student Advisory Council, 3; UNITE Traveling Theatre

Dalton Coy Robinson, Mt. Vernon, son of Clara Arnold and Clay Robinson. Guitar Club, 1; FFA, 2

Kyle D. Robinson, Orlapdon, son of Roger and Rhonda Robinson

Robert Rogers II, Mt. Vernon, son of Rog and Tia Rogers. Creative



Jeremy Shane Neal

Works Club

Becky Ann Rose, Brodhead daughter of Lula Rose and Leor Nicholes. Rocket Club, 1; PRIDE, 1 Art Club, 2; Math Club, 1; FCA, 1

Kayla Gail Rowe, Mt. Vernon daughter of Dr. Kevin Rowe and

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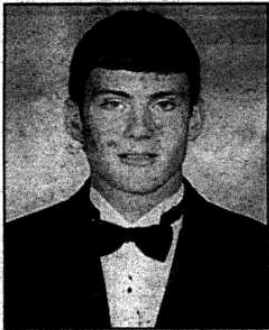
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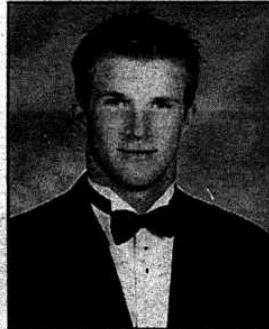
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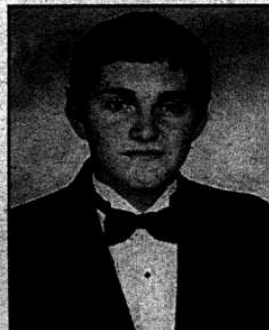
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RATC Outstanding Student Awards

Outstanding Automotive Technology — Randy Mink

Outstanding Electrical Technology — Devon Mason

Outstanding Health Science — Angela Debord

Outstanding Office Technology — Tanya Brock

Outstanding Welding — Gordon Garner

HOSA Leadership Award — Rachel Woodall

SkillsUSA Leadership Award — Gordon Garner

Kenneth Cummins Industrial Technology Award —

Gordon Garner

RATC Senior Skills Standards Recipients

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Joshua Abney

Joshua Ballard

Jonathan Gadd

Randy Mink

Matt Mink

Electrical Technology (Construction)

Matthew Cromer

Matthew Durham

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Jeffery Isaacs

Cody McGuire

Jordan Taylor

James Winkler

Welding Technology (Manufacturing)

Jeffery Albright

Stephanie Graves

Tommy Spencer

Office Technology (Administrative Support)

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Tanya Brock

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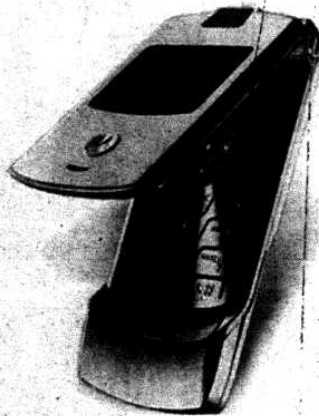


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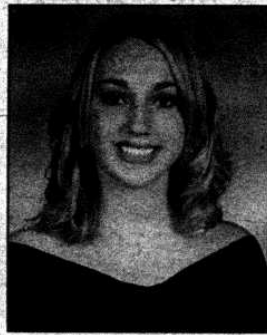
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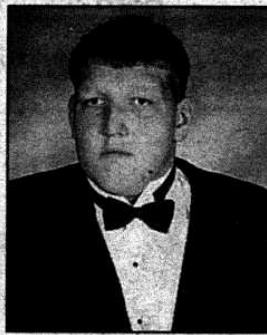
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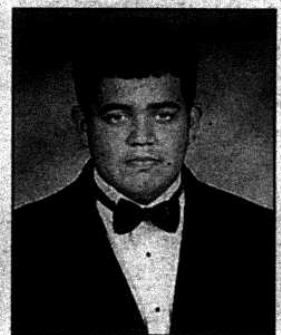
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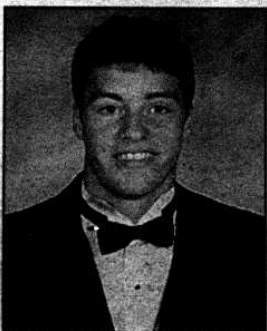
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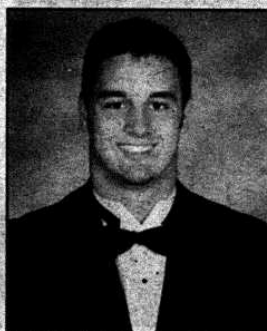
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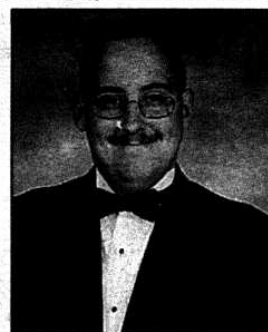
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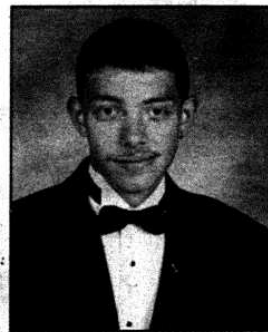
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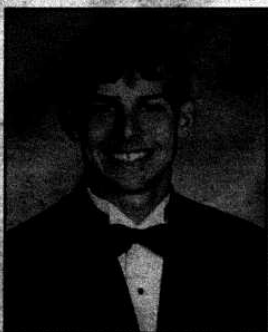
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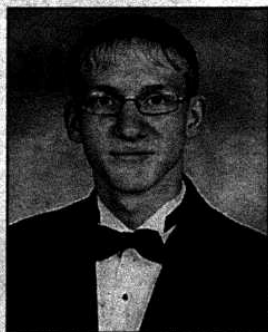
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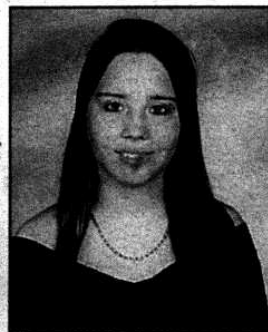
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Brandy Lynn Sandlin, Brodhead, daughter of Earl and Kimberly Sandlin. Art Club; Math Club; Rocket Club; FCA; Math Award, 1; English Award, 1.

Mary Sheril Saylor, Brodhead, daughter of Johnny Boone and Dr. Karen Saylor. Junior Marshall; Rocket Club, 4; UNITE, 4; FCA, 4; Basketball, 4 - All District, 2, All-Region, 3, Wendy's Heisman School Award; Softball, 6 - All District, 4, All-Region, 3; Centre College Scholarship; Spanish II Award, Practical Living Award; Math Club, 2.

Michael Scott, Mt. Vernon, son of Gary and Charlene Scott. Guitar Club, 2.

Kimberly Rachael Shackelford, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Wanda Zabonic and John Zabonic.

Nicholas Thory Shelton, Mt. Vernon, son of Jennifer Shelton and Dewane Shelton. Chorus, 4; Upward Bound, 4; UNITE, 3.

Timber Lynn Shelton, Brodhead, daughter of Tony and Dana Shelton. Softball, 4; UNITE, 4 - officer, 1; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 3; Math Club, 2; Art Club, 2; FBLA, 1.

Timothy W. Singleton, Orlando, son of Timothy and Debbie Singleton. FFA, 4 - President, Sentinel, asst. Parliamentarian, Outstanding Asst. Officer, Outstanding Leader, Outstanding 110% Award, State JV Chapter Meeting, State Record Keeping, 4th State FFA Quiz Contest, Stamp Championship Meeting Team, 3, State Ag. Sales Team, 3rd Place State Nursery and Landscape Judging Team, 3 years State Outdoor Recreation Proficiency, State Diversified Horticulture Proficiency, Regional Star in Agribusiness, 2 years State Greenhouse Impromptu, Regional Goat Impromptu, State Horticulture Team, Skillathon Livestock Judging Team, Regional High Individual in Nursery and Landscape, State Delegate, Served on State Communications Committee, Regional delegate, State Star in Agribusiness, Candidate IFAL (Institute for Future Agriculture Leaders).

Jay W. Skinner, Mt. Vernon, son of Johanna McCormick and the late Dallas Skinner.

Angel Lea Smith, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Lucy and David Cole. PRIDE, 1; Skills USA, 3 - vice president of Skills USA, 2.

Chelsey Smith, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Crystal McClure and Michael McClure. FCA, 1; UNITE, 1; Marching Rockets, 1.

Jared Smith, Wildie, son of Stephanie and Pat Smith. Football - Red Zone Player of the Week three times; Basketball; Baseball.

Jeffrey Douglas Smith, Jr., Mt. Vernon, son of Jeff and Lori Smith. Football, 3 1/2 years; FCA, 4; UNITE, 3; Rocket Club, 2; Art Club, 1.

Samantha Marie Smith, Mt. Vernon, son of Tammy Coffey and Ray Smith. Math Club, 4 - Service Leader, 1; Rocket Club, 1; FCA, 3; UNITE, 1; Spanish I Award.

Samantha Sha Smith, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Becky Smith and Scott Smith. Rocket Club, 4; UNITE, 2; Art Club, 3; FCA, 3; Young Republicans, 1; Softball, 3.

Cory Sowder, Mt. Vernon, son of James and Sandra Sowder.

Serena Sowder, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Vernon and Virginia Sowder. Chorus, 4.

Cami Leshay Sparks, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Doyle and Gwen Sparks. FCA, 3; UNITE, 4; Rocket Club, 2; Art Club, 2.

Tommy Spencer, Berea, son of Thomas Spencer and Elaine Spencer. FCCLA, 3; Skills USA, 4; Chess Club, 1; JROTC, 1; Math Club, 1; STPL, 3; UNITE, 2.

Rica Elizabeth Stephens, Brodhead, daughter of Jacqueline Coleissner.

Travis William Ray Still, Brodhead, son of Teresa Daniel and Steven Still. Skills USA, 2; Rocket Club, 1.

Robyn LeAnne Suffridge, Orlando, daughter of Floyd and Lorene Suffridge. FBLA, 3; PRIDE, 1; UNITE, 1; Math Club, 1.

Brandon Sutton, Brodhead, son of Tony Sutton.

Jordan Taylor, Livingston, son of Patricia Lewis and Rick Taylor, VICA.

Michael C. Thomason, Mt. Vernon, son of Mark and Mary Thomason. UNITE, 3; FCA, 1; HOSA, 1; Track, 6; Cross Country, 4.

Casey Brooke Thompson, Brodhead, daughter of Greta Thompson and Larry Thompson. Rocket Club, 3; UNITE, 4; FCA, 3; Color Guard, 3; Track, 2.

Stephen Tyler Trimble, Brodhead, son of Lori Dotson and Mike Trimble. Football, 4 - Academic All State - 1st Team All District; FCA, 4; Rocket Club, 2; UNITE, 2; Teenage Republicans, 1; FFA, 1.

Eric Vance, Mt. Vernon, son of Ben and Patricia Vance. Book Club; JROTC.

Ashley Nicole Vanwinkle, Berea, daughter of Joyce Adams and Tim Vanwinkle. Math Club, 1.

Randy Colby Vanwinkle, Mt. Vernon, son of Sandra Vanwinkle and Randy Vanwinkle. Math Club, 1; Basketball, 1.

Colton Earl Walker, Berea, son

of Bob Walker and Sharon Boggs. JROTC, 4 - Raider Team, 4, Drill Team, 4, Rifle Team, 1.

Jennifer Nicole Whitaker, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Paul and Loretta Whitaker. FCA, 4; Math Club, 2; Rocket Club, 1.

Heather Nikole White, Mt. Vernon, daughter of Kathleen Brock and Billy Joe White. Art Club, 3; FCA, 1; Runner-up Basketball Homecoming.

Robin Willis, Brodhead, son of Ray and Deloris Pearson. FFA, 2; Math Club, 2.

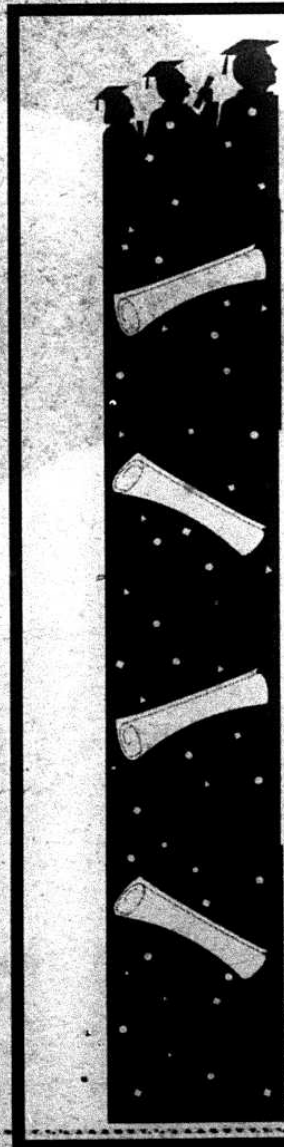
James Thomas Winkler, Mt. Vernon, son of Thomas and Louise Winkler. Skills USA, 3 - Open Close Member, 3; Regional President, 1; FFA, 1.

Chris Winn, Mt. Vernon, son of Carrie Adams and Robert Winn. Rocket Club, 2.


Rachel Beth Woodall, Brodhead, daughter of Harold and Mary Woodall. Student YMCA, 4 - secretary, 1, treasurer, 1, Honor's Club, 2; HOSA, 2 - secretary, 1; Rocket Club, 3; Key Club, 2; French Club, 3; Governor's Scholar Program.

Morehead State University; National History Day - 1st in Region and State, National Level - Best State Entry, Class of Kentucky, 10th Grade, Honor Roll, 4; Skills Standards Award, HOSA Statesman Award, Girl's Golf Team, 2.

Jessica Raquel York, Brodhead, daughter of James Scott York and Francky York. Art Club, 4; UNITE, 3; TSA, 2; FCCLA, 2; FBLA, 1; Softball, 3; Band, 2.



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