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This Black Bear spent much of Monday exploring on Chestnut Ridge before being captured in the early evening. According to Sheriff Mike Peters, the bear was looking for food and managed to drag one garbage can into the woods and was run off from another resident's home by a mop-wielding housewife. The Department of Fish and Wildlife brought a bear trap to the scene in the yard of Ronnie Vanzant and the bear was lured into it for relocation. Top photo courtesy of Renita Reams.

Friendly Black Bear entertains, aggravates neighborhood Monday

Sheriff Mike Peters got an unusual call Monday from a resident on Oxford Lane in the Chestnut Ridge area -- a Black Bear was on the loose and looking for food.

Peters said the bear was captured at the residence of Ronnie Vanzant who said the bear had been in his yard and around his house, apparently looking for food. On one occasion, the bear grabbed a large plastic garbage can and dragged it into the woods, Peters said. One woman who lives in the area, reportedly

saw the bear getting into her garbage can and fought him off with a mop. The bear took offense and reared up on its hind legs whereupon the lady swatted it again, driving it off.

After arrived at the scene, and keeping a shotgun handy just in case, Peters called the Department of Fish and Wildlife who came to the scene, then left to get a bear cage. The bear was lured into the baited cage and will be relocated to an area better suited for his roaming.

Peters said the bear was

very comfortable around humans and its relocation would involve training to help it survive better in the wild.

Biologist with the Fish and Wildlife Dept. Rebecca Littleton listed several rules for dealing with bears:

1) Never feed a bear. It is illegal and very possible dangerous since bears are drawn to areas where food is easy to obtain -- garbage dumps, bird feeders, pet food, food scraps, etc.

2) Do not put garbage out until the day of pickup. Do

not store pet food outside and only put out enough for one meal at a time.

3) Never approach a bear or run from a bear as this could trigger its instinct to give chase. If approached, stand your ground, raise your arms to appear larger and yell until it leaves.

4) If attacked, fight back aggressively and do not play dead.

5) Bears are very curious animals and may come close

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Fiscal Court votes to begin condemnations on Lambert Rd.

The 13 property owners on Lambert Road, who have not signed easements for widening and ditching on the road, will have one more chance to do it the easy way. The Rockcastle Fiscal Court voted at their regular meeting Tuesday, to direct County Attorney Billy Reynolds to send a letter to the property owners giving them 20 days to sign an easement or condemnation proceedings will begin.

The action came after a lengthy discussion, during the meeting, with some of the property owners on the road who have signed an easement and are wanting work to begin on the narrow, sometimes not quite two lane, road.

County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis told the group that he had tried to do it (obtain easements) the "easiest,

quickest and cheapest" way but it hadn't worked and that the condemnation proceeding might take "two to three years." The judge also noted that surveys of the properties will have to be obtained, causing more expense for the county.

For over a year, the court has been trying to get all 50 some property owners along the road to voluntarily sign an easement so work could begin on widening, ditching and repaving the "worst road in the county," according to Carloftis. One of the residents noted that two cars cannot pass safely on much of the road and cars have to be pulled from ditches where they land while trying to pass another car or school bus.

The residents also told the court that the speed limit on

the road was not being enforced. However, they were told that was not the fiscal court's responsibility but rather that of law enforcement. The group also asked if the road department could at least fill some bad potholes in the road in the mean time and were assured that would be taken care of.

Two property owners on Jo Nanc and Shady Lane roads were before the court to present them with the necessary easement for the county to take over the two roads for maintenance.

There are six residences on Jo Nanc and five on Shady Lane which makes them eligible for maintenance.

The number of residences required on a road (four - occupied), was set by an order

of the court in 1992.

During Tuesday's meeting, Carloftis told the magistrates that he felt the order should be amended to read four residences/businesses. One road, which serves a motel, Mexican Restaurant, service station and Pizza Hut, does not have any residences but the county has been asked to include it in their road maintenance program. Another road in the county, Carloftis said, had three residences and one business and the county has also been asked to provide maintenance for it.

The court approved the change in the order to four residence or businesses and agreed to take the two roads into their county road main-

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Will assume Signal editor position

Anderkin resigns as IDA Exec. Director

The Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority discussed issues ranging from the Business Park South development, to the annual budget, to the process for replacing newly-hired Executive Director Aaron Anderkin on Monday.

Anderkin will be moving to the *Mount Vernon Signal* to step into his late father's position as editor. "This wasn't an easy decision. In fact, it wasn't a decision I thought I would ever have to make. I'm grateful for having had the opportunity to lead the efforts of the RCIDA and thank the Board and Fiscal Court for their confidence in me. However, after a great deal of consideration, I came to the conclusion that this is something I truly want to do. I recognize what a vital role my family's newspaper plays in the community, and I feel

like I've been gifted with the skill set to adequately fill the position," Anderkin told the board.

RCIDA Chairman Corey Craig understood Anderkin's transition and spoke in very positive terms of his short tenure. "The RCIDA was very fortunate to have solic-

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New Mount Vernon Signal editor Aaron Anderkin

Two local men arrested on drug charges

Two Mt. Vernon men were recently arrested, by Mt. Vernon City Police, on drug charges and one of them was charged with multiple counts of trafficking, following buys by an undercover operative at various locations, including Graves' home.

Kenneth Wade Graves, 66, of 65 Ferguson St., Mt. Vernon, was arrested May 28th and charged with five counts of trafficking in a controlled substance within 1000 yards of a school; four counts of trafficking in controlled substance, 2nd degree and one count of trafficking in controlled substance, 3rd degree. The drug named in the complaint being sold was hydrocodone and were reportedly prescribed for Graves.

Also arrested was John H. Davis, 44, also of 65 Ferguson Street. He was charged with one count of complicity to

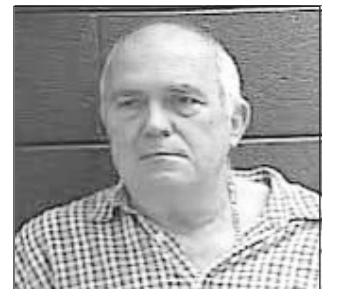
trafficking within 1000 yards of a school.

Both men were lodged in the Rockcastle County Jail. Graves' bond was set at \$25,000 cash but he later had to be taken to the hospital and his bond was changed to a third party unsecured bond.

Davis' bond was set at \$5,000 cash and he was released on the cash bond on June 1st.

The two men were foster parents to two children who

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Wade Graves

Relay for Life returns to Rockcastle County

Cancer touches more than just the person diagnosed. It impacts everyone around them. That's why the American Cancer Society strives to assist those fighting the disease from all angles: research, advocacy, education and patient support services. And the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life helps make this all possible. The annual Rockcastle County Relay For Life event is scheduled for Friday, June 18, 2010 at the Rockcastle Middle School

track. This is an opportunity for our community to unite and work toward a common goal--to fight against cancer and save lives. It is one small way that we can symbolize and support the struggles of cancer patients and their families.

Relay for Life is a fun-filled family event for the entire community--you don't have to be a cancer survivor or Relay team member to par-

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Office will open in Mt. Vernon

Registration deadline for FEMA applications nearing

Registration deadline for FEMA applications, for assistance from the devastating May storms, is Monday, July 12th.

To make the process easier for Rockcastle residents, a Disaster Recovery Center will be open from June 14-26 on the second floor of the courthouse, behind the office of Buzz Carloftis, County Judge/Executive, Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Applicants should use the rear entrance of the courthouse.

You may also register, 7 days a week, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 800-462-7585 or go online at www.disasterassistance.gov.

Thus far, 4,448 people in the state have registered for assistance and FEMA has to date disbursed \$13.7 million in aid, \$11.7 million of that coming in housing assistance alone. Over \$2 million has been paid out for other disaster-related needs assistance, including medical, dental, fu-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



If you are a regular reader of this column, you know that I wrote about barn swallows attempting to build a nest on our front porch above our bedroom window a few weeks back. In that column I noted that we believed that we had enticed them to move to the garage.

Didn't happen. After destroying their humble beginnings a few times they kept coming back in force while we were a way and starting over. We finally decided to let the construction proceed. We were never actually able to determine exactly how many birds were engaged in this endeavor. Suffice to say that it was a community affair that involved between 6 and 12 individual birds packing mud from nearby ponds, straw from local hay fields, cow manure from the neighbor's pasture and heaven only knows what else they dabbed onto the wall to form the clump of masonry the swallows now call home.

The nest is up so high against the porch ceiling that

it is impossible to tell what it is lined with but it is now a single family dwelling and all the construction workers are off, I presume, building another nest. In the meantime the nest on our porch is occupied by a mated pair apparently in the family way. This continues to be one of the most intriguing acts of cooperation I have ever witnessed.

I am assuming that there are eggs in the nest and that only one bird did the laying, but over the last week I have noticed that they take turns sitting on the nest. I am not ornithologist enough to tell which one is male and which one female, but one or the other will sit on the nest for about 20 minutes while the other one flits about the garden feasting cabbage moths or chasing any wasp within 100 feet of our house. Then he or she will fly back to the porch, grab hold of one of the chains that hold up our swing and utter a quiet little trill which interpret as "Honey,

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How to Remove Ticks

Now that the ticks are out again, it is time to review the best ways to remove them. There are many methods, none of which is successful every time.

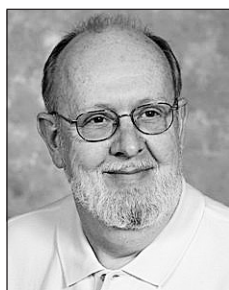
The best way to remove a tick is to take hold of it as close to the skin as possible and pull slowly and steadily. Most ticks will dislodge without any problems and without leaving any mouth parts in the skin. Wood ticks, or dog ticks, will usually come out whole, but the tiny deer ticks are very likely to break and leave the head or mouth parts stuck in the skin. These mouth parts must then be cut out of the skin.

Deer ticks are distinguished by their small size, more reddish color than wood ticks, and they usually do not lie flat on the skin when they bite--their bodies point out from the skin.

There are many other methods of trying to get a tick to loosen his bite, such as covering it with gasoline, vasoline, ether, fingernail polish or other hydrocarbons. These are not particularly effective, but if you do try one of these methods, be sure to give it several minutes to work before pulling on the tick. Burning the tick with a hot match will not usually make it let go and may cause the tick to inject more saliva into the skin which can increase the risk that it will transmit an infection.

The best treatment, of course, is to stop the ticks before they attach. This is achieved by wearing long-sleeved shirts and long pants in the tall grass and brush and by checking yourself after being outdoors. The pants legs can be tucked inside one's stockings to keep the ticks from getting to the skin.

Tick repellents containing DEET and permethrin can also be very useful in decreasing the chance ticks will climb on for a meal.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

Zippo Lighters

One weekend while I was attending the University of Kentucky, I noticed a rash on my leg just under my right pocket. I self-medicated the red area for several days with no improvement. Finally, I decided to check with our family physician, Dr. Griffith, while visiting my mother on a weekend.

On Saturday morning I drove down to his office and patiently awaited my turn to be seen. Finally, I was told to go into his examination room and wait for the doctor. When he came in he asked, "David Joe, what is wrong with you today?" I explained and showed him the rash.

After carefully examining my leg he said, "Do you smoke?" I was puzzled with his question but answered yes. Next he asked, "Do you carry a lighter?" Again I replied, yes. Now I was totally confused with his questioning. Then he said, "If you will quit filling your lighter so full, your rash will disappear." He was right; the rash was a result of the lighter fuel and, just as he said, it went away in a few days.

When I first started driving in 1960, my first real "girlfriend," Barbara Sue, gave me my original Zippo lighter, and she had my name engraved on the side. She presented it to me at the Valley View Drive-in Theater as a gift. Not only was I utterly surprised, but I also thought the gift was totally appropriate. I started smoking Lucky Strikes when I was 15 and continued to smoke until I was 40. (On September 9, 1984, I took my last puff of a cigarette.)

Over the years many people have given me Zippo lighters for various occasions, and I have loved every one. One outstanding feature of the lighter is its guarantee. Since the first lighter was made in 1932, the company has repaired every model sold. The idea was the "brainchild" of George Blaisdell, who originated the company. He said, "I want our lighters to have a free, lifetime warranty." The concept began with the first Zippo and has remained the same to the present day. Zippo repairs all types of defects without charging a cent.

The Zippo lighter originated in a small Pennsylvania town in a time when the United States was being consumed by the worst depression in history. The year was 1932. Since that time over 400,000,000 Zippo lighters have been produced.

For most of my teenage years and throughout my adult life, I had a Zippo in my pocket. I even developed the trick of opening my lighter and producing a flame using only one hand. That came in very handy if I was sitting close to my girlfriend at the Drive-in with my arm around

her.

A few weeks ago I was cleaning out a drawer in my home desk and found several Zippos from my high school and college days. There in the back of a small drawer was my original lighter. It brought back many happy memories.

Even though I have been a non-smoker for over 20 years, on a rare occasion I will indulge in a fine cigar. Nothing beats a Zippo for lighting smokes outside when the wind is blowing. My friend Steve and I love to sit around a campfire in the woods while puffing on a great Cuban "stogie."

Last winter we were sampling a couple of cigars and used my wife's Elvis Zippo for a light. The click of the lid and the flick of the flint bringing forth the flame was a reminder of how "cool" it was to have a Zippo in your pocket.

Kathy and I are planning to spend a long weekend in Gatlinburg soon. We almost always visit the Smoke Shop on Main Street while in the Smokies. My wife has purchased 3 different Elvis lighters there, and she always wants to see if they have anything new.

I think that this time I am going to purchase my own new Zippo as my souvenir of my trip to the Smokies. My only decision will be to choose the right emblem on it. Countless designs are now available including: old cars, Harley Davidson, rock stars, special places, specialized armed forces, and individual engraving. If I can locate an Eric Clapton edition that will be my first choice, or an old Chevy might be my second choice.

Since I was sixteen I have been a lover of Zippo lighters and now I discover that many of the older lighters are collectors' editions. The fact that the company produced a well-designed product and supported their lighters with a foolproof warranty tells me the company has been on the right page for over 75 years. I

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By Don White Kentucky's longest-serving Farm Bureau Agent has led an eventful life

The young soldier from Dug Hill doesn't recall being frightened when a bomb ripped apart the ship he was serving on in World War 11, a killing dozens of his comrades.

His biggest fear would come a few years later while selling his first insurance policy to "the stingiest man in the county."

"He wanted seven policies, and it came to \$380 total for the year. It scared me to death to tell him that," says John Paul Tuttle, 91, the longest serving Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance agent in Kentucky after six decades.

Since he "retired on paper" five years ago, Tuttle has been faithful in reporting to his Main Street office in Irvine, missing only two days.

Most days will find him seated on a couch in the building's lower level, visiting with old friends and reminiscing about his eventful life, while his wife, Daisy, and their son, Mike oversee day-to-day operations. Their only other offspring, John Paul, is a urologist in Lexington.

With 55 years of service, Daisy is the fourth longest serving Farm Bureau agent in the state.

A teacher when they wed

66 years ago, John Paul says it took a bit of persuasion from him and company officials to get Daisy to become an agent.

Farm Bureau assured her she would be afforded the same benefits as teachers received, but John Paul feels a light-hearted threat from him may have been the deal clincher.

"I told her if she didn't come and work with me, I was going to go out and find the prettiest girl in the county to bring in," he says, laughing.

The pair began their courtship when John Paul, the son of a man who was a teacher and county engineer, attended a pie supper at Crooked Creek School.

He had his eye not only on Daisy, but on what he remembers as a butterscotch pie that he still thinks may have been baked by her mother, "one of the greatest cooks ever."

"It was a caramel," says Daisy, "and I baked it from my mom's recipe."

John Paul doesn't recall what desserts were on the table some years later when he was invited to the White House for a luncheon with President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Vice President Harry Truman.

A top soldier from each

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Obituaries



Ola Frances Laswell

Ola Frances Laswell, 91, of Brodhead, died peacefully May 31, 2010 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center. She was a life long resident of Rockcastle County and was born at Ottawa on November 25, 1918, the daughter of Daniel Webster and Mary Elizabeth Wallin Webb. She was a devoted wife of 58 years, a mother, and a grandma. She retired from the Cowden Plant in Stanford and was a member of the Ottawa Baptist Church.

She will be lovingly remembered by: her son, Ronald (Joyce) Mason of Morrow, OH; three grandchildren, Martha (John) Hutton of Carlisle, OH, Kelly Mason of Morrow, OH, and Ronald Clayton (Beth) Laswell of Lebanon, OH; four great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren; her sister, Ruby Sayers of Brodhead; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her parents; her husband, Speed; one brother, Albert; and two sisters, Della Scoggin and Lena Miller Rigsby.

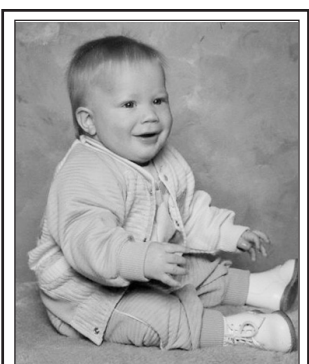
Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 5, 2010 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bros. Buford Parkerson, R.C. Flynn and Jim Craig officiating. Interment followed in the Ottawa Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Ottawa Baptist Church.

Those acting as casketbearers were: Bob Wright, Paul Cash, Jeff Laswell, Roy Wayne Wright, Ron C. Laswell, and John Hutton.

Kelly Laswell was an honorary casketbearer.

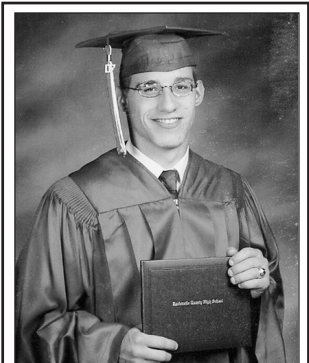
Condolences to the family can be sent to her online registry at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com



In Memory of Jerrod William Mullins Our Angel in Heaven May 17, 1990 - October 15, 1991

Time has not dimmed our memory of you. Loving you and missing you till we meet again.

Nate, Rhonda, Thelma, James and Jerry



In Memory of Derick Rash

11-17-1988 to 6-8-2007

There isn't a day goes by that we don't talk about you or think about you. We miss you more than you ever know!

We love you,
Mom, Daddy Ray, Mama,
Jason, Crystal Jalon,
Jeff, Lisa, Brooke, Katie



Virgie Etta Ballinger

Virgie Etta Ballinger, 95, of Orlando, died Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born in Rockcastle County on April 25, 1915 the daughter of Dave and Nannie Himes. She was a homemaker and a member of the New Hope Baptist Church.

She is survived by: two sons, Jerry (Barbara) Ballinger of Berea and David Ballinger of Mt. Vernon; three daughters, Shirley Harris of Lexington, Vivian (Bill) Armstrong of Louisville and Vonda (Boyd) Stewart of Orlando; and one sister, Mary Lou Ballinger of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are: her grandchildren which include grandson, Kenny Ballinger and granddaughter, Pam Deluna and nine others; eight great grandchildren; and three great great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Murphy Ballinger; two children, Destill and Odiss Ballinger; three brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 4, 2010 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Eugene Gentry. Burial followed in the Johnetta Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Kenny Ballinger, Phillip Clay, Ron Harris II, Elmer Stewart, Nathan Stewart and Travis Weaver. Honorary pallbearers were: Isaac Armstrong, Trevor Armstrong and Charles Fred Clark, Jr.

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Rickie Partin

Rickie Junior Partin, 60, died Sunday, June 6, 2010 in the VA Medical Center in Lexington. He was born on August 20, 1949 in Royal Oak Township, MI and was the son of Richard and Ruby (Lunsford) Partin. He was a retired Veteran of the United States Air Force having served during the Vietnam and Cold War ERA. He believed in the Pentecostal faith. He loved fishing, woodworking, UK Basketball and spending time in Christian chat rooms.

He was preceded in death by his father Richard Partin.

Survivors include: his mother, Ruby Partin of Madison Heights, MI; one son, John William Partin and fiancé Amanda Taulbee of Richmond; one daughter, Gina Michele (Jeffrey) Carpenter of Livingston; and four sisters, Bonnie (Delbert) Panczyk of Harrison Township, MI, Shirley (Richard) Schwenter of Harrison Township, MI, Linda (Harry) Short of Sterling Heights, MI and Patricia Mason of Blairville, GA; and two grandchildren, Raymond and Misty Taulbee and his former wife Imogene Lawrence of Bimble. He is also survived by a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday June 10, 2010 at 1 p.m. in the Hampton Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Shelton, Rev. Ted Satterfield and Rev. Dwayne Carpenter officiating. Burial will follow in the Hammons Cemetery at Girdler.

Pallbearers will be: Terry Cain, Terry Gray, Billy Gray and Doug Wooton. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Clyde Carpenter, Lloyd Burdine, all the Shields Family and the staff and veterans at Thompson Hood VA Center.

The family will receive friends Thursday from 9 a.m. until the hour of service at 1 p.m.



Cloyd Bowling

Cloyd Bowling, 87, of Brodhead, died Monday, June 7, 2010 at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. He was born in Clay County, September 16, 1922 the son of Lester and Clara Smith Bowling. He was a retired farmer, a US Army Veteran of World War II and of the Pentecostal Faith.

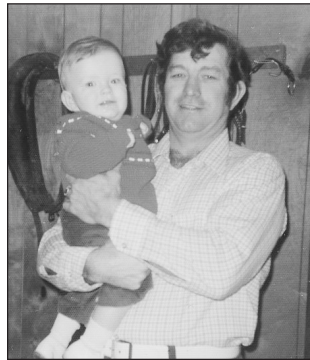
He is survived by: his wife of 66 years, Jewell Saylor Bowling of Brodhead; one son, Dennie (Karen) Bowling of Berea; one daughter, Claudinnia B. (Charlie) Cash of Brodhead; three half sisters, Clara Ann (Ernest) Alcorn of Mt. Vernon, Thelma Bowling of Richmond and Darlene Bowling of Mt. Vernon; four grandchildren, Chuck (Sherri) Cash, Curtis (Ginger) Cash, Nicole Bowling (Anthony) Stone and Jordan Bowling; and eight great grandchildren, Sean Stone, Matt Stone, Evan Stone, Carlee Cash, Sean Cash, Paige Cash, Clay Cash and Caylee Cash. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: one brother, Walter Bowling; three half sisters, two half brothers; and one step sister.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Buford Parkerson. Burial Wednesday, June 9, 2010 in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Donnie Arnold, Jordan Bowling, Chuck Cash, Curtis Cash, Ginger Cash and Sherri Cash.

Honorary Pallbearer was Nicole Bowling Stone.

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In Loving Memory of our Dad, Franklin D. Mason

He would have been 75 on June 12th

Shown with his son, Frankie
Each day I think of you and,
everytime I hear a song
I remember how much you
loved to sing.

Today, I heard this song sung
by "Three Bridges,"
It describes the day you left
us.

How did the writer know?
He was not in the room, but
Jesus was:
Standing at the bedside of my
father
Knowing that his life would
soon be over

Holding callused hands worn
and weathered from his
labor
But he'll never have to work
anymore.

We stood and watched as pain
raged through his body
And questioned how could he
keep holding on.

But his eyes opened wide, he
saw a land of paradise
And his Savior said, my child
welcome home.

When he saw Jesus, it took
his breath away
For years, he longed to see
Him and finally did today.

He saw loved ones who had
gone before
Clothed in white and saved by
grace

But when his eyes met Jesus,
it took his breath away.

We love and miss you,
Your wife, Wanda and
children, Rebekah, Renee,
Rosemary, Frankie, Darrell,
Tim, Danny, Jeff



Julia Hurst

Julia Margaret McKinney Hurst, 79, of Eubank, departed to reside with her Lord and Savior and her husband, Bobby, Friday, June 4, 2010 at her home. She was born in Rockcastle County on June 5, 1930 the daughter of Lloyd and Maggie Norton McKinney. She was a homemaker and a member of the Poplar Grove Baptist Church.

She is survived by: four daughters, Linda Ostermeier, Judy Fockler and Brenda Thompson, all of Indianapolis, IN and Kathy King of Somerset; 10 grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Willena Hurst of Indianapolis, IN and a brother, Rev. Albert McKinney of Science Hill. She also shared a mutual love and affection for Lindel Dick of Somerset. She was preceded in death by: her husband of 56 years, Bobby Lee Hurst, who died on March 14, 2004; and a brother, Lloyd McKinney, Jr.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Funeral Chapel by Rev. Albert McKinney. Burial followed in the Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Lindel Dick, John Fockler, Tom Fockler, Bobby Kelley, Rick Ostermeier, Steve Ostermeier, Joe Thompson and Kyle Thompson.

Donations are suggested to Hospice of Lake Cumberland, 100 Parkway Drive, Somerset, KY 42503.

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10 a.m. Tuesday

Upcoming Reunions

Thompson Reunion

The Thompson Family Reunion will be held Saturday, July 17th at Quail Park on Hwy. 70, beginning at 9 a.m.

Carpenter/Phillips Reunion

The Carpenter/Phillips Reunion will be held Sunday, July 11th at Jackson Energy Farm shelter on Hwy. 290 in Jackson Co. Please bring a covered dish and old photographs. Everyone welcome. Dinner served around 12:30 p.m. For more info, call 606-453-2181.

Kirby Reunion

The Cecil (Jerry) and Bessie Kirby reunion will be held Saturday, June 12th, beginning at noon at the home of Jenny Vickers on U.S. 25 - 1/2 mile from Madison/Rockcastle line, first blacktop

road, last house on left - less than 1/2 mile (follow signs). Bring covered dish and join us for fun and games. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Cope Reunion

The annual Cope Family Reunion will be held Sunday, June 20th at Morrill Park in Berea on Jefferson St. Lunch at 1 p.m. All family and friends invited. Bring dish and lawn chair.

Cummins Reunion

The 76th annual Cummins Reunion will be Sunday, June 27th at Quail Community Park. Bring a covered dish and join in the fellowship.

Falin Reunion

The Falin Reunion will be held at Pine Hill Baptist Fellowship building on Saturday, June 19th beginning around noon.

Notice Special Called Meeting

Thursday, June 17th
at 1 p.m.
Rockcastle Fiscal Court
Second reading of
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Our Readers Write

Looking for information about cemetery...

Dear Editor,
We are looking for anyone who may have information on the Jimmie Reynolds Cemetery, located east of Renfro Valley via Hummel Road, approximately 3-5 miles on a bluff near the railroad, tunnel #13, and Roundstone Creek.

I have reviewed the listing of graves (40-45) found there in approximately 1970 and again in 1985. This was a Reynolds and Bell Family Cemetery, active during the period of 1880-1920. We have several family members, who are direct descendants of Robert Bell and his family, buried in this cemetery. Robert Bell was a teacher and minister in the vicinity.

We would like to gain access to the Jimmie Reynolds Cemetery and document current condition of grave sites and markers.

Anyone with information about this cemetery is asked to contact:

Wes Bell
687 SW Duniway Ave.
Gresham, OR 97030-6474

Thanks you for help with Dix River Festival...

Dear Editor,
The Dix River Festival committee would like to take this time to say thank you to all the citizens who came out to the festival this year and helped make it a success. Also, thanks to all participants in the events.

The committee also says a big thank you to all our sponsors this year. If not for all the sponsors, the festival could not go forward. To all our sponsors, too many to name, a big Thank You again.

Dix River
Festival Committee

Open Records request denied by mayor...

Dear Editor,
Recently the mayor re-

fused to provide an open records request from me.

Within weeks after I wrote the attorney general, a law firm in Lexington also wrote a letter to the attorney general about my request. I later found out the mayor had hired them as municipal law experts.

My question to you is, why in the world, with Jerry Cox being the city attorney, would the city hire another law firm? Can't the city hire a firm to do all city business?

By the way, the city has now agreed to provide me what I asked for. Too bad your tax money was spent to hire another law firm before the mayor changed his mind.

Sincerely,
Rick Courtney

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

believe more companies should use the Zippo philosophy as their yardstick for success. The selling of 400 million units has to mean something.

Even though it is not something that I really need, I am looking forward to selecting my new Zippo. It will make me feel young again – I just know it.

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

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

I'm home."

The bird on the nest will happily go "tweet-tweet-tweet", hop off the nest, buzz the porch and then flit about the lawn and garden looking for insects and sometimes take a rest on one of my tomato cages. This goes on from daylight till dark. I'm not sure about the ritual at night except that just one bird stays on the nest all night. I have no idea whether or not they take turns at night or where the off-duty mate roosts.

But here's what I can tell you for sure. I have not had a mosquito bite sitting my front porch for weeks. We keep a can of that wasp and hornet killer that squirts a stream up to 28 feet sitting by the bench that we no use for relaxation since the birds have declared our swing off limits. The cap on the bug spray is gathering dust because we haven't seen a wasp since the birds moved in. Well, actually I've seen a couple or three venture in only to meet death while they

are still in flight when they are taken down by a swallow.

Wasp eradication alone is worth far, far more than the unsightly mess on our front porch wall. But even if they were not such efficient pest removers, Loretta and I are oh so glad the swallows persisted and prevailed in moving in with us. They are an absolute joy to watch and as every day goes by we can tell that they are learning to trust us though not yet enough to let us have our swing back.

I told Lo last night that I was getting ready to hang the swing on the other end of the porch and she pointed out that I couldn't do that because the birds would have no place to light. So now I'm looking for a new porch swing. In the meantime we are hoping that the swallows are here to stay and that they raise more than one brood. If not, perhaps they'll rent out the condo to another pair when their young hatch. Stay tuned for an updated in a month or so.

"Ken & Tucky"

(Cont. from A2)

branch of the armed forces was selected to attend, and John Paul feels his being picked may have had something to do with having "a pretty good record during training exercises in Georgia."

He recalls entering the President's home as being a bewildering experience.

"While I was walking up the steps, I could feel my knees buckle, but once inside, I saw they were men, just like us."

A member of the army's First Infantry Division, he came close to losing his life in 1942 when a bomb destroyed the ship he was serving on.

He suffered numerous injuries, but was among a handful of soldiers able to be rescued onto a nearby ship. For awhile, a tag reading "Not dead yet" was placed on his shirt.

While in England recovering for the next 10 months, he became a faceless warrior, and twice the army sent telegrams to his mother. The first said he was missing in action, and the second, that he had been wounded in action.

Finally, she was notified her son would soon be departing from England and would arrive in New York.

"Daddy got the telegram and took it down to the hen house where she was feeding the chickens. They say she let out a yell that woke up everybody in Dug Hill that day," says John Paul.

Despite his injuries, the man who served with pride and regrets he wasn't able to do more, has never received a much-deserved Purple Heart for his heroic deeds.

"Congressman John Watts looked into it and was told the army has no records of my being on a ship bound for North Africa," says John Paul.

More recently, Congressman Ben Chandler's office looked into the oversight and learned there had been a fire in the Midwest that had destroyed some records that may have proven helpful.

"If they (the army) hadn't lost his records, he'd have a Purple Heart for being

wounded in action. This is just loose business by the army," says Mike Tuttle.

John Paul says he also received a letter from Chandler's office pointing out how a person could get into trouble if they said the wrong thing (made a false claim).

"That bothers me because they halfway make you feel like they think you're making something up," says John Paul, further noting he feels Chandler did all he could and that he'll still vote for him.

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During the lunch, Kennedy asked John Paul if he would be willing to serve as his campaign chairman in Kentucky.

"I told him I wasn't the man for the job because I wasn't a politician."

A few weeks later, Kennedy would be killed by a gunman.

Even as he approaches his 92nd birthday, John Paul Tuttle remains very much alive, still driving a car and bantering with people much as he always has.

Mike credits remaining active as being key in keeping his parents in such good health.

"They're good examples of the fact that work is the only Fountain of Youth we have," he says.

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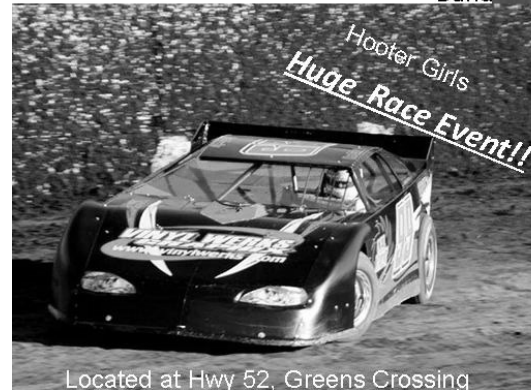
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Meet at the sewer plant at Livingston at 9am and work until 12 noon.

Anyone who wants to volunteer, can call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information.

Volunteers, be prepared to get wet and muddy! We will be concentrating on tires and trash that are in the Rockcastle River and along its banks.

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Gospel Music Show

The Center for Rural Development, 2292 South Highway 27, will be hosting an evening of gospel music featuring *The McKameys* and *The Barrett Family* on Saturday, June 19th at 7 p.m. For ticket information call 606-677-6000.

Valley Baptist VBS

Valley Baptist Church, 4482 Copper Creek Road, Berea, will hold Vacation Bible School June 20-25 from 6:15 to 8:45 nightly. Come ride the range with us at Saddle Ridge Ranch while enjoying Bible lessons, crafts and fun activities. **Family Night** is Friday, June 25th.

For more information or questions, call 06-308-1496.

VBS at Pine Hill Holiness

Bible School will be held June 21-25 from 6:30 to 8:30 nightly at Pine Hill Holiness Church, for ages 3-teen. Come learn how you can be a Superhero with God! For more information, call 256-8916.

Revival

Revival will be held at Sand Hill Baptist Church June 10-13 at 7 p.m. Preacher will be Bro. David Carpenter. Pastor Tommy Miller and congregation welcome everyone.

Philadelphia United Baptist

Services are held on Sunday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock and at 6 p.m. at Philadelphia United Baptist Church on Bryant Ridge Road, Brodhead. On Saturday, June 19th, The Hasting Family will be singing, beginning at 7 p.m.

Singing

There will be a singing at Buffalo Baptist Church, on Hwy. 1249, 15 miles south of Mt. Vernon, on Saturday night, June 12th at 7 o'clock featuring the Owens Family and the Sweetly Saved.

Pastor Marvin Rose and congregation invite and welcome everyone to come.

Revival

Revival services began at Sand Springs Baptist Church Wed., June 9th. Services are at 7 o'clock nightly. Bro. Dennis Doan is preaching. Everyone welcome.

Northside VBS & Kick-off

Vacation Bible School Kick-off and Registration will be held Friday, June 11th, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. There will be inflatables, a hayride and cook-out.

VBS at Northside will be held June 14-18 from 6:00 to 8:45 p.m. nightly for children nursery age through 6th grade.

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Call 606-256-5577 for more information. *Saddle Ridge Ranch will be an event to remember. Come join us!*

Gospel Singing

Lighthouse Baptist Church, 1371 Gabbardtown Road, Berea, will have a Gospel Singing on Saturday, June 12th beginning at 6 p.m.

Featured singers will be The Murray Family from Hamilton, Ohio.

Cemetery Notices

Pine Hill Cemetery

Please send donations for the upkeep of Pine Hill Cemetery to: Lorene Ponder, 314 Jessica Circle, Richmond, Ky. 40475.

Brodhead Christian Cemetery

Brodhead Christian Cemetery needs donations for upkeep. Send to Citizens Bank, Brodhead, Ky. 40409.

Briarfield Cemetery

Please send donations for the upkeep of Briarfield Cemetery to the caretaker: Roger Ely, 2148 Big Cave Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

Johnetta Cemetery

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

Maretburg Cemetery

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

Maret Cemetery

Donations for the upkeep of the Maret Cemetery may be mailed to: Jack Dailey, 11 Sunset Ridge Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Oak Hill Cemetery

Donations are being accepted for the upkeep of Oak Hill Cemetery. Anyone wishing to help should mail donations to Oak Hill Cemetery,

c/o Bill Lear, 60 Hope Drive, Orlando, Ky 40460.

Three Links Cemetery

Please send donations for the mowing of Three Links/Phillips Cemetery to Joyce Phillips, 3967 Three Links Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

McKinney Cemetery

Please send donations for the upkeep of McKinney Cemetery to: McKinney Cemetery Committee, P.O. Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Roberts/Old Freedom Cemetery

Donations for the upkeep of the Roberts/Old Freedom Cemetery may be sent to Rissie Cromer, 1240 Bowling Ridge Road, Brodhead, Ky. 40409 or to Community Trust Bank, Mt. Vernon, A/C #721-100-7. Thanks to everyone for your support.

Maple Grove Cemetery

Donations for the upkeep of Maple Grove Cemetery should be sent to Andrew Miller, 1167 Maple Grove Road, Orlando, Ky. 40460.

High Dry Cemetery

Donations for the upkeep of High Dry Cemetery may be sent to Coy Cromer, c/o High Dry Cemetery, 1058 Rank Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. All donations are appreciated.

Phelps Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of Phelps Cemetery, should be sent to Everett Renner, c/o

Phelps Cemetery, 712 Steep Hollow Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. All donations are appreciated.

Negro Creek Cemetery

Send donations to: Paul Blanton, 95 Hawk Lane, Brodhead, Ky 40409 or to Bank of Monticello C/O Trust Dept., 475 E. Hwy. 80, Monticello, Ky. 42633.

Smith Cemetery

Smith Cemetery is a **private family cemetery**. Plots are available to immediate family only. All flowers on the ground must be removed with two weeks - flowers on headstone can remain. Please do not remove the signs that have been posted. For more information, 256-1045 or 256-4394. *Daughters of Preacher John O.V. Smith.*

Gadd Cemetery

Donations for upkeep of Gadd Cemetery are being requested. All donations are appreciated and should be sent to: Gertrude Zinnie, 2248 Disputanta Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Rimell Cemetery

Donations for the upkeep of Rimell Cemetery may be sent to: Judy R. Carl, 2150 Hwy. 934, Somerset, Ky. 42503. For interment information, call 606-379-1387.

Piney Grove Cemetery

All decorations on the ground at Piney Grove Cemetery must be removed by 6 p.m., Monday, June 14th. Decorations that remain will be removed so mowing and weed eating can resume.

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Livingston City Wide Yard Sale

A city-wide yard sale will be held in Livingston Thurs., Fri. & Sat., June 10, 11 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. There will also be a cornhole tournament Saturday at 3 p.m. \$3 per person entry fee. 1/2 of proceeds to winners, 1/2 to fire department. Food will be available at the fire department and Lil's Place. Watch for parking signs.

Zumba Classes & other Extension activities

ZUMBA classes are being offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Children's 4-H Quilting Day Camp - June 22 and 23 at the Rockcastle County Extension Service.

Children's 4-H Sewing Day Camp - June 24th and 25th at the extension service.

For more information, and to register for quilting/sewing days and get supply lists, call 256-2403.

Crab Orchard High School Alumni Banquet

Crab Orchard High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, June 12th at Lincoln County High School. The class of 1960 will be honored on their 50th anniversary. The class of 1970 for their 40th. Past graduates and spouses are invited to attend. Doors open at 6 p.m. with meal served at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

BES Pick-Up Tags

Parents of Brodhead Elementary School students that did not turn in their parent pick-up tag need to do so as soon as possible. Please drop these off at the school's office.

Ruritan Fish Fry

The Cartersville Ruritan Club will hold a fish fry on Sat., June 12th from 4 to 7 p.m. at the club's park, located on Harmon's Lick Road, 1/4 mile off Hwy. 954. The price is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. The serving line will close at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

FHA Alumni Reunion

All former members and officers of Rockcastle County Future Homemakers of America (FHA) whether it was at RCHS or one of the former high schools before consolidation. An alumni reunion will be held July 17th with members and advisors (Mrs. Dillingham, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Cain and Ms. Glovak). If you were a member and are interested in attending, please join our group on Facebook (Rockcastle Co. H.S. FHA (Future Homemakers of America) or send an email to fha.reunion@windstream.net so you can be notified of the details.

VFW News

VFW Post 5988 is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 5 p.m. for members and their guests. The monthly meeting will be held the fourth Thursday of each month, beginning at 7 p.m. Bingo is held at the post every Tuesday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

Brodhead Lodge Meeting

The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #556 meets every third Saturday at 7 p.m. on Main Street in Brodhead above Brodhead Pharmacy.

Kiwanis Club Meetings

The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at Rock Fire Grill.

Historical Society Hours

The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building. Monthly society meetings are held the 4th Friday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building in Mt. Vernon.

RCIDA Meetings

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.

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.

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- And much more!

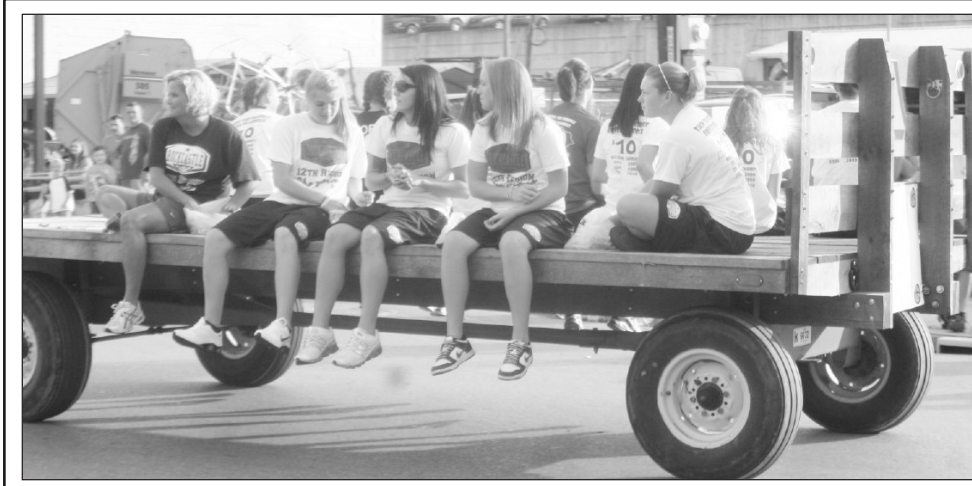
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For more information, call Betty Purcell at 256-7704.

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Scenes from the 2010 Dix River Festival



The Rockcastle County High School Lady Rockets' basketball team were the Grand Marshals for this year's Dix River Festival in Brodhead. Head coach Chrysti Noble and players are shown sharing candy with the crowd.



Cecil King gives District Judge Katie Wood and Recording Artist T. Graham Brown a ride in the Dix River Festival Parade in Brodhead over Memorial Day weekend.



Owens Driving Horses hauls the group from Brodhead Baptist Church in the Dix River Festival parade. The church placed second in the float competition.



Brodhead Elementary Teacher of the Year Katreka Cash took part in the parade.



Pickin' a little Bluegrass at the Dix River Festival were, from left: Avery Bradshaw, Bobby Barron, Tom Lewis, Kayla Rash, BJ Baker and Tracey Valentine.



Roy and Bernice Beasley placed third in the float competition in the Dix River Festival parade.



The Medley Boys performed during the Dix River Festival on Thursday night.



There was a good turnout for Bike Night at Dari Delite during the Dix River Festival.



James Bullen took first place and was the overall fastest male during the 2010 Brodhead Homecoming Hustle. Above, Bullen receives his trophy from Worth Ann Harris.



Marvin McKinney took first place and was the overall fastest walker during the 2010 Brodhead Homecoming Hustle. Above, McKinney receives his trophy from Worth Ann Harris.



Ashley Cash rode her horse during the Dix River Festival parade Memorial Day weekend.



Lura Cash took first place and was the overall fastest female during the 2010 Brodhead Homecoming Hustle. Above, Cash receives her trophy from Worth Ann Harris.



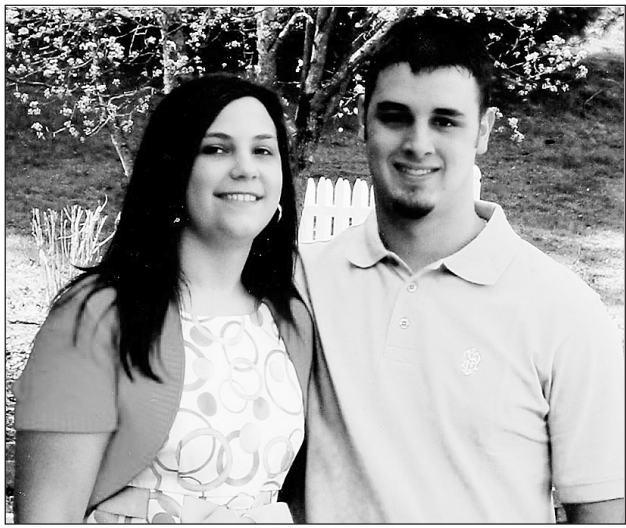
Kayman Baldwin and Alisa Lunceford were all smiles as they rode carnival rides at this year's Dix River Festival in Brodhead. The annual festival took place over Memorial Day weekend and enjoyed large crowds and nice weather.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash rode his Gator in the parade.



Savannah Neeley, Allie Cable and Lucas Emerson enjoying a carnival ride.



Collins - Smith

Morgan Hillary Collins and Jeffrey Douglas Smith and their parents would like to announce their forthcoming marriage.

Morgan is a 2009 graduate of Rockcastle County High School. She is currently attending Somerset Community College seeking a degree in pharmacy and is employed at Walgreens Drug Store as a pharmacy technician. Jeff is a 2009 graduate of Rockcastle County High School. He is currently attending Somerset Community College seeking a degree in diesel mechanics and is employed at Main Street Pharmacy as a pharmacy technician.

The wedding will be held Saturday, June 19th at 2 p.m. at the Pine Hill Holiness Church in Mt. Vernon. Morgan and Jeff invite all family and friends to attend.



25th Wedding Anniversary

Tim and Beverly Harrison, of Mt. Vernon, will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary on June 19, 2010. We will celebrate this special occasion on June 13th from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Quail Community Park. Their daughter, Ashley Harrison, invites all family and friends to come.

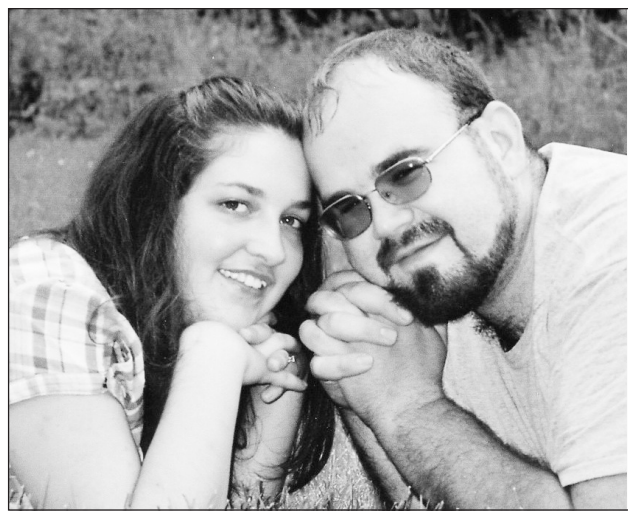


60th Wedding Anniversary

Lewis and Effie Linville celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on May 31st with their family at their home on Christi Drive in Berea.

Food and also a barbeque was all prepared by their children and grandchildren. Great time was had by all with food, games and fellowship.

They are the parents of: Robert (Alice) Linville of Berea, Kathy (Jim) Deon of Berea, Randy (Joan) Linville of Mt. Vernon and Rodger (Phyllis) Linville of Crab Orchard. They also have 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

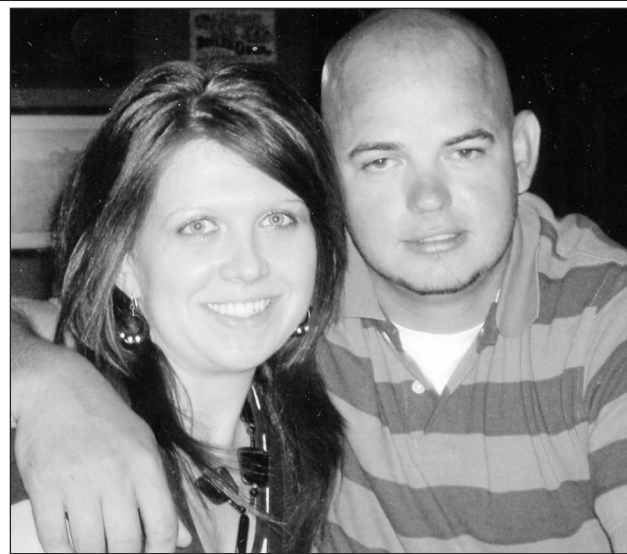


Rader - Reynolds

Melissa Gail Rader and Joseph "Joey" Harold Reynolds would like to announce their forthcoming marriage. The couple will be united in marriage June 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony will be held at Quail Community Park on Hwy. 70 with reception to follow.

Melissa is the daughter of Johnny and Melinda (Oliver) Rader of Orlando. She is currently employed by the Rockcastle County Public Library. Joey is the son of Harold and Linda (Ponder) Reynolds of Mt. Vernon. He is currently employed by NACCO of Berea.

No formal invitations are being sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.



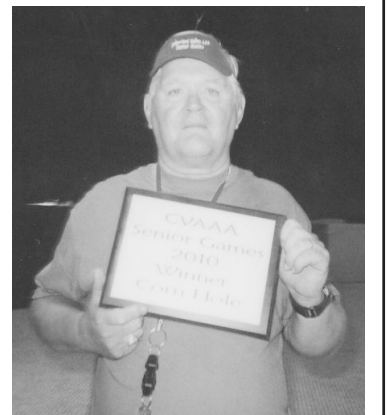
Allen - Whitaker

Gena Allen and Paul Whitaker would like to announce their forthcoming marriage. The couple will be married June 12th at 2 p.m. at Renfro Valley Forest Grove.

Gena is the daughter of Berkley and Sheila Allen of Orlando. Paul is the son of Paul Whitaker of Mt. Vernon and Loretta Whitaker of Lexington.

All family and friends are welcome.

Rockcastle Senior Citizens Center participated in Cumberland Valley Area Agency on Aging Senior Games held at Corbin Civic Center. The event was attended by six south-eastern counties and catered by Sonny's BBQ. Pictured is John Denniston of Rockcastle who took first place in shuffleboard and cornhole. For more information on senior and adult health care services call 606-256-4316.



An encouraging word:

A Time to Show Respect



By Howard Coop

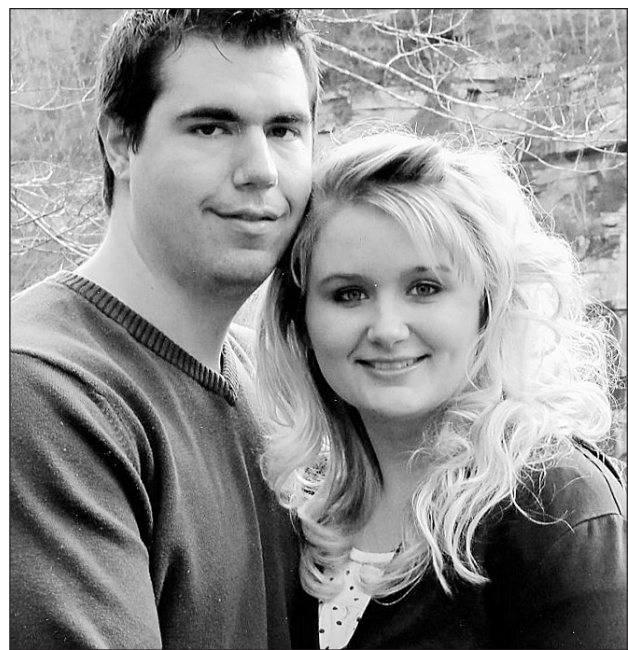
Patriotic citizens who love their country and appreciate the freedom they enjoy respect and honor the flag of their homeland whenever and wherever they see it. They do so because it means something special to them. A genuine sense of pride fills their hearts any time they see that flag wafting in the breeze on a clear day. At the sight of it, they are reminded of that for which the flag stands, and gratitude wells up in the depths of their hearts.

Although it is not a legal holiday and may go by without notice by some people, June 14 is a very special day in the United States of America. Throughout the land, the day is known as Flag Day, and it commemorates the anniversary of the adoption of the flag of this country by the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1777.

The origin of Flag Day has been traced back to Waubeka, Wisconsin. On June 14, 1895, Bernard John Cigrand, a nineteen-year-old teacher in Stony Hill School, placed a small flag in a bottle on his desk and asked the students to write essays about the flag and its significance. Through that simple act, a young teacher began a devoted effort to bring about national recognition and observance of Flag Day.

The efforts of Cigrand were successful. They came to fruition on May 30, 1916, when President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that called for a nationwide observance of Flag Day. His efforts came to full fruition in August of 1949, when President Harry Truman signed an Act of Congress that designated June 14 as Flag Day and made it a national observance.

The flag is more than a plain piece of cloth that displays a combination of colors and a dazzling display of geometric designs. It is the standard of the nation and the ensign of the people, and it stands for freedom, independence, and unity. Therefore, Flag Day is a time to display the flag and show proper respect to it.



Laswell - Nelson

Jeff and Debbie Laswell would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tricia Beth to Andrew Clayton Nelson, son of David and Barbara Nelson. Tricia Beth is the granddaughter of Patsy and the late Harold Cable and Mary and the late T.G. Laswell, of Ottawa. Andrew is the grandson of Joe and the late Catherine Bullen of Roundstone and Margaret and the late Lynn Nelson, of Medford, Wisconsin.

Tricia Beth is a 2004 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and a 2009 graduate of Somerset Community College. She is a Registered Nurse at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Andrew is a 2004 graduate of Rockcastle County High School. He is a pharmacy technician at Mount Vernon Drug. He is currently pursuing a degree in Physical Therapy.

The couple will be married at 4:30 p.m. on June 19th at Ottawa Baptist Church. All friends and family are invited to attend.



Five Generations

Shown above are five generations. Tafton Carpenter, seated, holding his great great granddaughter Jamie Dawn Carpenter. At far right is Tafton's son, Arvel Carpenter. At left is Tafton's grandson, James Dean Carpenter. Second from right is Tafton's great grandson James Wayne Carpenter.

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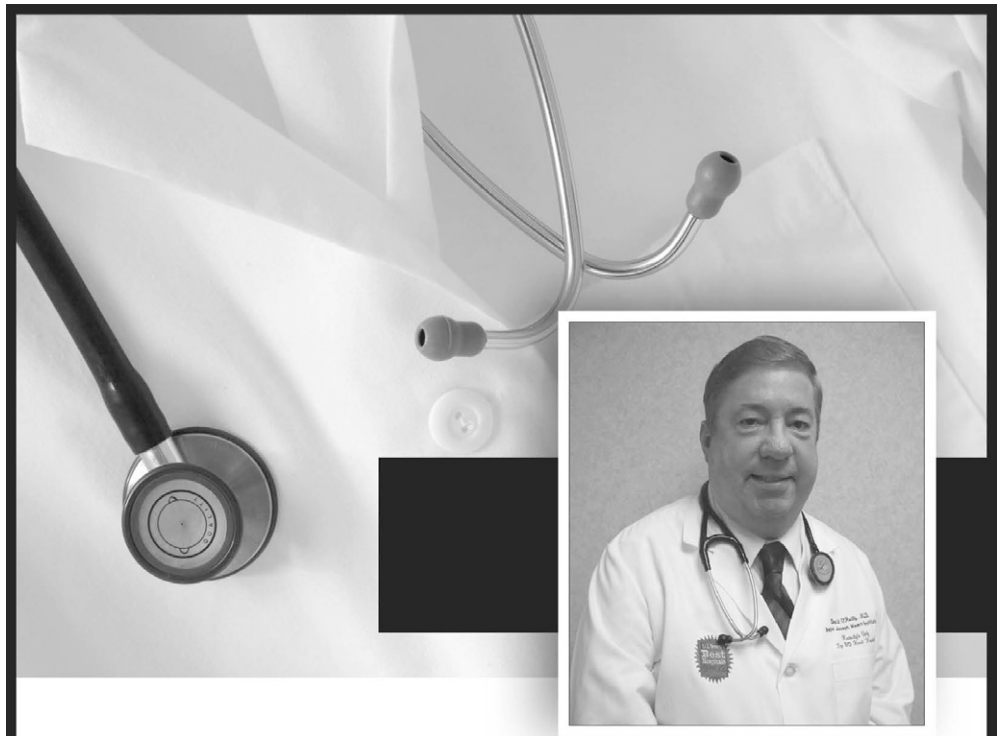
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Smith wins long and triple jump state titles

RCHS girls' track team places 3rd at state championships

The RCCHS girls' track team closed out another historic season with a great meet at the Class 2A State Track & Field Championships this past Thursday at the University of Louisville. Weather conditions were extremely hot with temperatures reaching 90 degrees, not to mention the added heat from the track and the turf field. Despite the seemingly unbearable conditions, the RCCHS girls' displayed an incredible team performance.

Senior Samantha Smith concluded her brilliant record-breaking career at RCCHS with an amazing state meet finale. She led all of Class 2A in scoring with an amazing 27 total points. Samantha also received the KHSAA Class 2A Sportsmanship Award for her outstanding meet performance and display of sportsmanship throughout the state meet.

On her very first long jump attempt, she set the mark that would establish the precedent for all three state classes. Her incredible state meet personal best leap of 18'0.75" was not only the top jump in Kentucky during the state finals, but it also helped her successfully defend her state title in the event from a year ago. Winning the state championship title by over a foot more than her closest competitor, Samantha just missed the state meet record at the event by only 3.25". Interesting to note, she had at least five jumps at the meet good enough to win the title, with five of the six approaching 18'. At last weekends' regional meet, Samantha passed the state record twice

with jumps of 18'7.75" and 18'6" while establishing a new RCCHS record in the event. Samantha will be an automatic first team all-state selection in the event for the second straight year.

The RCCHS girls' 3200-meter relay team hoped to break into the top eight in the first running event of the evening, despite the tough field of teams in the competition. Senior Laura Dollins, junior Jessica Albright, 7th grader Alyssa Cox, and freshman Michaela Hunter ran a hard-fought race finishing just out of scoring position in 9th place overall. Their time of 10:30.54 was their best this season by an impressive 8 seconds.

Next up for RCCHS came Samantha Smith in the 100-meter dash against a field of the fastest sprinters in Class 2A. Samantha held her own and came through with another state meet personal best performance in the event. She dominated the heat, winning with an awesome time of 12.89 seconds which placed her 5th overall. She was only hundredths of a second from 4th and less than two tenths of a second away from a state runner-up finish. She also finished as the top senior in the event.

Laura Dollins competed next for RCCHS in the 1600-meter run, an event made even more difficult due to its length and the high temperatures on the track. Against some amazing competition, Laura turned a great start into an exceptional race. She stayed with the lead pack throughout and held on for an incredible 6th place finish in a very impressive time

of 5:43.18, her second best ever in state championship competition. She defeated the race favorite from Paducah Tilghman by an amazing 9 seconds.

Michaela Hunter sought a repeat victory in the 400-meter dash after capturing the state title a year ago. Michaela got the race off to a great start, saving the majority of her energy for a strong finish. Down the last stretch, Michaela held on against two other talented freshmen for the state championship win. Her unbelievable time of 58.51 seconds was a new personal best and only nine hundredths of a second away from the RCCHS school record. Michaela will be an automatic first team all-state selection in the event for the second year in a row.

Jessica Albright and Alyssa Allen were the only RCCHS teammates to make it to state in the same event. In a very talented field of hurdlers, Jessica led the way for RCCHS with a solid 16th place finish in an impressive time of 51.94 seconds, one of her best ever at state. Alyssa, running in her first state meet race ever, finished an impressive 18th overall with a great time of 53.51 seconds. Alyssa was the top 8th grade and under athlete in the event.

Laura Dollins was back on the track for the fast-paced 800-meter run, an event that has nearly turned into an endurance sprint over the last few seasons. Laura saved the best individual race of her brilliant career for last, blazing her way to an awesome 4th place finish against one of the most talented fields of competitors in the event to date. Her amazing effort culminated with a state and career personal best time of 2:25.41, an amazing improvement of over 3 seconds. Laura will likely be named at least 2nd team all-state for her exceptional performance. Laura was the top senior in the event.

Samantha Smith continued her sensational meet performance with another great effort in the fast 200-meter dash. With most of the 100-meter sprinters competing, the race got off to a fast start. Samantha ran a strong race, blazing her way to an awesome 6th place finish overall in an incredible time of 26.77 seconds, her best performance in the event ever at the state championships. Once again, Samantha was the top senior in the event, making her the top senior 100 and 200-meter sprinter in Class 2A.

Michaela Hunter came into the state meet with one of the top times in Class 2A in the 200-meter dash and was ranked 2nd during the regular season. Lower back pain combined with apparent fatigue and near dehydration proved to be too much for her during the event, allowing her to only finish 18th overall in 27.41 seconds.

Freshman Amy Johnson came into the state championships unranked despite a regional title in shot put and a runner-up regional performance in distance. Amy had a firm grip on what she wanted to accomplish and came through at the state meet with two great performances. In her first competition, Amy threw the discus an incredible state meet personal best of 98'10" to claim 7th place overall for RCCHS. Amy was also the top freshman thrower in the event. Her impressive meet continued with her performance in the shot put competition. Throwing shot put for the first time ever at state, Amy placed 8th overall with an unbelievable effort of 31'7.75". She was the top freshman thrower in shot put as well in Class 2A.

The last running event for RCCHS came in the form of the 1600-meter relay. Jessica Albright, Laura Dollins, 7th grader Kira Deatherage



The RCCHS girls' track team finished 3rd at the Class 2A State Track and Field Championships held recently in Louisville. This was the 9th top four finish for the team at state in the last ten seasons. Team members are front from left: Jalia Parker, Alyssa Cox, Rachel Cain and Mackenzie Craig. Back row from left: Amy Johnson, Deana Gabbard, Jessica Albright, Samantha Smith, Alyssa Allen, Kira Deatherage and Bryonna Cromer. Not pictured - Laura Dollins and Michaela Hunter.



At the Class 2A State Championships, RCCHS freshman Amy Johnson finished with a throw of 98'10" to claim 7th place overall in discus. She also placed 8th in shot put with a throw of 31'7.75". She was the top freshman thrower in both events in Class 2A.



RCCHS freshman Michaela Hunter won her second straight 400-meter dash state title at the Class 2A State Championships this past Thursday. Michaela's time of 58.51 seconds was a career best.

(making her first state appearance), and Michaela Hunter looked to break into scoring position by making the top eight teams. An extremely talented field held off a strong challenge by RCCHS, placing the girls 12th overall in an impressive time of 4:25.8. Their effort was their second best time of the season.

With 17 events in the books and RCCHS in 6th place overall, the final team standings came down to senior Samantha Smith in the triple jump competition. As always, she would not disappoint. Samantha came through with several outstanding jumps and an all-time state meet personal best triple jump mark of 36'5" to totally dominate the competition. She defeated the runner-up from Louisville Central by nearly two feet, claiming her first outdoor state title in the event. Her performance will earn her an automatic first team all-state award in the event. She also hoped for a shot at the state meet record of 37'8" in the event, but with the meet length approaching six hours during the point when she triple jumped, most athletes were exhausted and records were just out of reach. Earlier this season, Samantha surpassed the Class 2A triple jump state mark with her personal best record-breaking leap of 38'5".

With triple jump in the books, Samantha's ten points propelled RCCHS into 3rd place in the team standings. Louisville Central finished 2nd, while Ft. Thomas Highlands captured their 3rd straight title. South Oldham finished 4th, Lloyd Memorial was 5th, and Christian Academy of Louisville placed 6th.

Amazingly, the 3rd place finish for RCCHS was their 9th top four team finish in the last ten seasons, continuing the teams' great tradition over the last decade. The great finish also complimented the teams' 4th straight indoor state title obtained in March and their 10th regional championship won on May 29.



RCCHS senior Samantha Smith completes the last phase of the triple jump on her way to the state title in the event with a jump of 36'5". Samantha also won the state championship title in long jump for the second straight year with a leap of 18'0.75". Smith also sprinted her way to a 5th place finish in the 100-meter dash (12.89) at the Class 2A State Championships. Smith also finished 6th in the 200-meter dash (26.77) and was the top senior sprinter in Class 2A.



At the Class 2A State Championships, RCCHS senior Samantha Smith led all scorers with an amazing 27 points in her best-ever state meet performance. She received the KHSAA Class 2A Sportsmanship Award for her outstanding meet performance and her display of great sportsmanship throughout the state meet.



At the Class 2A State Championships, RCCHS senior Laura Dollins crosses the finish line in 4th place in the 800-meter run in a career personal best time of 2:25.41, a career best. She was the top senior in the event. Laura also finished 6th in the 1600-meter run in 5:43.18.

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Rickels-Noe reunion held

The Rickels-Noe Reunion was held May 29th at Quail Park. There were 73 present including all eight children of the late Mabel and Ray Rickels: Ray, Jr. of Ohio; Gene of Tennessee; Midge and Jim of Mt. Vernon; Rodger of Deland, Fla.; Ann and Jane from Custer, Ky.; Douglas of Arkansas. There were eight states represented: Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Florida, Georgia and Illinois. England was also represented.

The oldest present was

Ray, Jr. - 79-years-old and the youngest was Midge's great granddaughter at 3 weeks old, Chloe.

Lots of food was enjoyed and games were played including cornhole and softball. They park was an excellent place for our reunion with lots of room. A good time was had by everyone and we look forward to another year together.

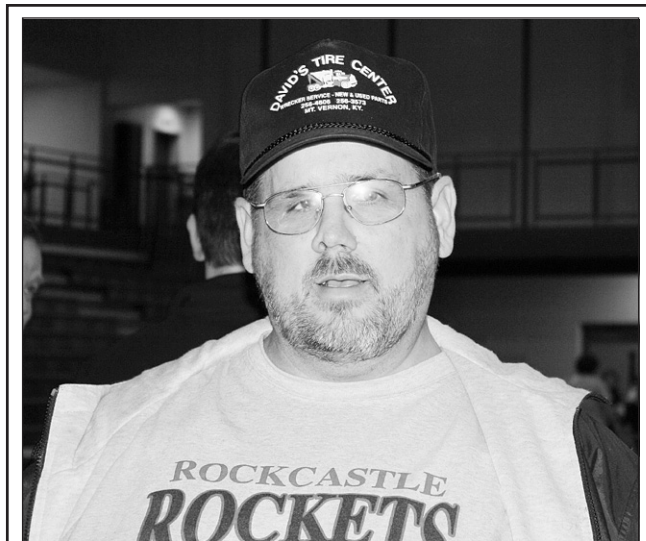
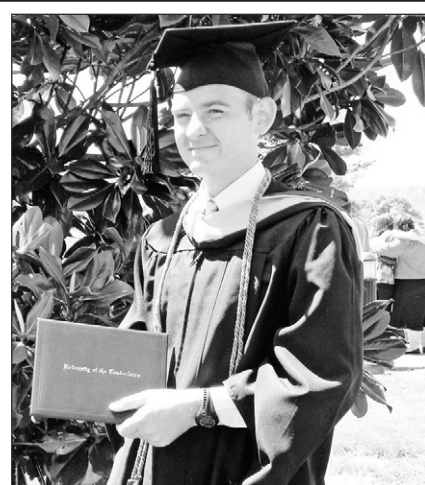
Several visitors came and enjoyed the day with us also.

See you next year, Lord willing. *Ann (Rickels) Whitaker.*



All eight children of the late Mabel and Ray Rickels were present at the annual Rickels-Noe Reunion.

Thomas Lloyd Coffey, of Mt. Vernon, graduated from the University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg on Saturday, May 8, 2010 with a Master of Arts in Teaching with a focus in Elementary Education. He was a member of Kappa Delta Pi National Academic Honor Society. Thomas is the son of Thomas W. and Kathy Coffey, of Mt. Vernon, grandson of Helen Eaton of Mt. Vernon and the late Lloyd Albright and the late Thomas O. and Ona Coffey. His family is very proud of his accomplishments.



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Rockcastle Regional to host Golf Scramble at Cedar Rapids

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center invites golfers to a Golf Scramble on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at Cedar Rapids Country Club in Mt. Vernon.

Shotgun scramble time is 12:30 p.m. The entry fee of \$300 per team of four players includes the greens fee, a cart, lunch and soft drinks. The entry fee also includes a longest

drive contest, mulligans and a closest to the pin contest.

For more info contact Arielle Reese at (606) 256-7880 or visit website www.rockcastleregional.org.



Jake Woodall was named to the 2009 Fall and 2010 Spring semester Dean's List at Union College. Jake is a member of the Union College Golf Team. They were 2009 regular season champs and won the ACC Regional Championship. They earned a berth in the 2009 NAIA National Championship, the first in the school's history. Jake is the son of David and Terri Woodall and the grandson of Curt and Dollie Roberts and Rhoda Woodall, of Mt. Vernon.

RCMS Honor Roll

Enterprisers: Heather Allen, James Clay Ballinger, Kamryn Brinegar, Jacob Bullock, Leah Bustle, Zach Casteel, Amber Chesnut, Emily Childress, Sara Clark, Zeb Davis, Jacob Durham, David Gabbard, Erika Howard, Micheala Hurt, Lindsey King, Ryan Kirby, Ricki Lay, Glennada Lear, Adam McKinney, Logan Merritt, Matthew Newcomb, Kaleigh Noel, Aaron Pevley, Laney Poynter, Sierra Rader, Austin Ramsey, Andrew Sizemore, Leanna Thacker

Voyagers: Katie Adams, Brandon Baker, Garrett Baldwin, Tristan Begley, Amelia Berryman, Brooklyn Bishop, Stephen Blevins, Noah Bolin, Ariel Bradley, Austin Brown, Sandra Caldwell, Michael Collett, Amber Collins, Bentley Collins, Ginger Cornelius, Landon Crutcher, Caitlin Daugherty, Rachael Davis, Erik Durham, Makala Gardiner, Josh Goforth, Dylan Hacker, Tiffany Hamilton, Michael Harman, Hailey Harper, Hunter Hines, Kayla Horn, Dylan Isaacs, Allie Johnson, Alexis King, Autumn Kirby, Austin Lamb, Justin Lamb, Kayla Lawson, Brittany Long, Samarah Lovins, Taylor McClure, Makaya McGuire, Zachary McGuire, John Mullins, Tanner Nicely, Tara Northern, Chelsea Overbey, Hannabeth Owens, Tori Phillips, Destiny Pickering, Dylan Pigg, David Powell, Bobby Prickett, John David Reddington, Rebekah Renner, Morgan Renner, Tesla Riddle, Austin Rountree, Dustin Samples, Faith Saylor, Kellye Snow, Alex Spragens, Brad Taylor, Billy Taylor, Katherine Turner, Dalton Walker, Ashley Whitehead

Adventurers: Cassidy Adkins, Deanna Alexander,

Megann Allen, Chance Ansardi, Callie Asher, Addison Atkin, Kristen Baker, Shelby Barrett, Mary Bishop, Monica Bishop, Avery Bradshaw, Rachel Cain, Brittany Carpenter, Kirsten Cass, Jeremiah Caudill, Samuel Coffey, Alaina Coguer, Courtney Crabtree, Tyler Creech, Brooklyn Cromer, Kayla Cromer, Sara Dawson, Kira Deatherage, Kyle Denny, Abbeey Eaton, Josh England, Brooke Fields, Lucas Gersper, Ericka Goodman, Dustin Hayes, Matthew Hayes, Zach Hayes, Megan Houk, Joseph Hunt, John David Hurley, Brook Isaacs, Layne Jasper, Dakota Johnson, Sharla Kidwell, Tyler Langford, Justin Mason, Shalanta McClure, Caymen McClure, Devon McGuire, Jordan McGuire, Michael McGuire, Ryan Moore, Lona Morgan, Brook Morris, Chris Morrow, Douglas Nicely, J.J. Payne, Sam Pensol, Chris Philbeck, Emily Ponder, Hannah Prewitt, Makayla Scalf, Marcus Scalf, Hannah Shelton, Shanoah Shelton, Ashley Shuler, Samantha Skinner, Krystal Smith, Victoria Smith, Hannah Sowder, Austin Spoonamore, Josh Spurlock, Hannah Whitaker

Shooting Stars: Christopher Abney, Justin Barron, Rachel Blair, Carter Blanton, Kristin Brown, Shelby Brown, Kailyn Bustle, Taylor, Cameron, Tanika Chasteen, Tate Clements, Wesley Coffey, Alyssa Cox, Vanessa Cromer, Heather Damrell, Kendra Dees, Sharly Dees, Amelia Eversole, Allison Estes, Chelsea Fleming, Ashley Fletcher, Cheyenne Gilliam, Jeriah Hamm, Dakota Hasty, Hannah Hillard, Brianna Hood, Noah

Huddleston, Taylor Johnston, Myca Koenig, Steven Lamb, Logan Lear, Jason Mahaffey, Eliza Mason, Ethan Mattingly, Kyle McClure, Dalton Miller, Brianna Mink, Cheyenne Morgan, Grant Mosley, Josh Neeley, Ashley Newland, Rakhi Patel, Shelby Ponder, Anna Poynter, Cassidy Ramsey, Steven Rector, Lyndsey Reed, Dana Robbins, Ally Sizemore, Levi Sparks, Casey Suffridge, Courtney Tackett, Tabitha Tompkins, Alex Turner, Casey Walker, Tyler Washburn, Amberlee Woodall, Shelby Woodall.

Challengers: Lyndsey Abel, Alyssa Allen, Haylea Barker, Stephanie Barnett, Lilly Beichler, Nathan Berryman, Jourdan Blanton, Jessica Bledsoe, Holly Bradley, Christain Buckley, Brianna Burdette, Jacob Bussell, Courtney Caldwell, Luke Coffey, Samantha Collins, Charles Cornelius, Erica Croucher, Destiny Damrell, Harley Davidson, Tyler Davidson, Brandi Dyer, Lacey Gastineau, Brianna Hansel, Tyler Harper, Bobbie Hopkins, John Hughes, Jordan Johnson, Brandon Jones, R.C. Kirby, Zachary Langford, Lisa Laswell, Shania Laswon, Zachary Lunsford, April Mason, Ashley McCoy, Katelyn McGee, Brian McGuire, Anthony Miller, Brian Miller, Gabriella Miller, Dakota Molina, Cody Monk, Rebekah Ponder, Savannah Portwood, Robert Renner, Tim Renner, John Robinson, Ashley Sams, April Sandlin, Tiffany Shafer, Hayley Simmons, Hannah Sowder, Samantha Taylor, Samantha Vanzant, Sean Watkins, Samantha Young.

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“RCIDA”

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ited the services of someone as talented and bright as Aaron to fill the role as their first ever Executive Director. While Aaron's tenure was short, he made a very positive impact on our organization and the community. Rockcastle County is very fortunate to have this young man in our community and the RCIDA wishes him nothing but the best as he takes the reins as editor of the *Mount Vernon Signal*. The RCIDA looks forward to continuing to work with Aaron in his new role and continue to be optimistic that the future is very bright for Rockcastle County.

The Board agreed that they should move quickly in identifying Anderkin's successor. IDA Chair Corey Craig will reinstate the interview committee that was formed in January of this year. All members voted to have the committee make a recommendation to the full Board regarding how to move forward with options that include hiring someone from the previous pool of candidates, or finding someone who did not apply but meets the qualifications and experience needed.

“As we begin the daunting task of filling the vacant position of Executive Director, we intend to move very expeditiously. We have already reassembled the hiring committee that was organized at the beginning of the initial search. The committee expects to have a recommendation, for the RCIDA and Fiscal Court, as to how they will proceed by the end of June.

The RCIDA is committed to finding the best fit possible to lead our organization and represent Rockcastle County at the state, national and international levels in this most important economic development commitment. Our future can be whatever we want it to be, but we must continue to strive to work together for the future of our children.” Craig said.

In reference to the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year budget, the RCIDA is asking for roughly \$232,000 in support from the Fiscal Court. The major appropriations are associated with three items: having a full-time Economic Development Director, applying an additional \$100,000 in debt service to the SourceCorp building loan, and the utility bill associated with lighting both the North and South Industrial Parks, which is presently budgeted at \$52,000. However, both Anderkin and Craig emphasized that the plans would be revised in the coming weeks to cut the utility expenses by more than half by cutting the number of lights installed from 74 to 24.

Original plans called for lighting the two parks, Hwy. 461 and 150 and the entrances. However, because of the cost of power for that many lights, the project will be scaled back to lighting for the parks and their entrances. The \$52,000 figure was left in the budget because Jackson Energy could not supply

the actual cost as yet.

Applying the additional \$100,000 in debt service on the SourceCorp building is the “responsible thing to do”, Anderkin said. If disciplined enough to pay the extra \$100,000 per year towards the principal on the \$2.5 million loan, the building will be paid off in 8 and 9 years, instead of the original 20 years the loan was drawn up for.

The RCIDA also extended deadlines for the contracts that are still underway for work on the Business Park South. According to Project Manager Jim Holton, inclement weather and some unexpected holdups in obtaining certain permits have delayed work longer than anticipated. However, all of the work, with the exception of the landscaping, is still expected to be completed by September 30th of this year.

“Court”

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tenance program.

The court also heard from Aaron Anderkin, Executive Director of the Rockcastle County Industrial Authority, who presented IDA's budget for 2010-11 and notified the court that he was submitting his resignation as executive director.

Anderkin told the court that due to the recent death of his father, Rick Anderkin, long-time editor of the *Signal*, he would be filling that position. He expressed his appreciation to the court for the opportunity to serve as the IDA Executive Director. Anderkin was hired in January of this year and assumed his duties in February. (See IDA related-story elsewhere on this week's front page).

In the \$232,500 budget, a principal payment of \$100,000 was included on the newly-constructed building for SourceCorp. The court had to approve the budget and Magistrate Jan Stevens offered some resistance. “Ralph (Allen) and I have the worst roads in our districts,” Stevens said, “and we have managed to improve them. But, it's my job as magistrate to get all the money I can to work on roads in my district.”

County Treasurer Joe Clontz told the court that he felt the \$100,000 in additional principal could be handled by paying \$25,000 each quarter from proceeds of the occupational tax.

The budget was approved with Stevens voting yes.

The court also approved a \$10,000 donation for one-third of the expenses associated with Blast in the Valley on July 4th. The county, city and tourist commission split the cost of the event which was attended by an estimated 5500 people last year.

Magistrate Bill McKinney told the court that he didn't think the event “generated anything for businesses,” but Magistrate Ralph Allen said he hated not to help with the event because of the children in the county toward which the day is geared, especially the fireworks.

Carloftis made the motion to support the event, Allen seconded the motion and it

was approved on a voice vote.

The court also approved: The payment of \$7,000 for work on the county's ball fields at Brodhead;

Claims totaling \$105,862 for work on roads damaged by the spring storms. All but 12% of the money expended will be reimbursed to the county by federal and state governments.

The payments were made to Clifford Collins, Carpenter's Custom Bulldozing and Reynolds Excavating, for work on various roads in the county which were heavily damaged during the May storms.

The court also authorized Carloftis to sign Renewal Certificates with KACo for insurance, including work-men's compensation, for the next fiscal year totaling \$177,813.

The payment of the claims for road work, which have to be paid before the county can be reimbursed, and other expenses caused the court to have to transfer funds to the road department for the second month. The road department showed a balance of \$15,832.60 as of June 8th but has claims for May totaling \$279,000 and payrolls due for June. The court transferred \$250,000 from the occupational tax account to the general fund from which it will be transferred to the road department. A \$50,000 transfer was made to the road department at May's regular meeting.

Carloftis also reminded the court that four slips on roads in the county will have to be repaired and paid for before the county can get reimbursed.

The slips are on Buffalo Road in the Pongo area; two on Maret Cemetery Road and one on Old Dixie Hwy., above Elmwood Cemetery.

The court will hold a called meeting Thursday, June 17th at 1 p.m. for the second reading of the 2010-11 budget.

“Relay”

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participate. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to participate in the evenings events. The Survivor Celebration dinner will kickoff the evening's activities at 5:30 p.m. inside the middle school. At 7:00 p.m., the first lap around the track is taken by our Relay VIP's, the survivors in our community. It is an inspiring part of every Relay celebration demonstrating to all that we are winning the battle against cancer and creating a world with more birthdays. After dark, an inspirational Luminaria Ceremony takes place. Candles placed in bags line the track in memory of those who lost the fight, and in honor of our survivors. Throughout the night, these luminaria remind us why we continue to fight year after year. For a donation of \$5, you can purchase a glowing tribute for a friend or loved one who has experienced cancer.

There will also be variety of activities and entertainment throughout the evening. There will be performances provided by the Bittersweet Cloggers, a live auction at 8:00 p.m., miniature pony rides and much more. Call Melissa Brock at 256-7703 for more information or to register for the survivor celebration dinner.

“Drugs”

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were removed from the home prior to the arrests.

Sunday Drug Bust

Deputies from the Sheriff's Department also arrested two people on drug trafficking and possession charges on Sunday night, June 7th.

According to a news release from the sheriff's office, a complaint of possible drug trafficking at the residence of Sammy Stewart on Cove Branch Road was received. When deputies, and Kentucky State Police, executed a search warrant at Stewart's residence, several controlled substances were found, including Oxycodone and Hydrocodone as well as drug paraphernalia.

Sheriff's Deputy Joe Rush arrested Stewart, 34, and charged him with three counts of trafficking in a controlled substance; trafficking in marijuana, less than 8 ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Holly Stewart, AKA Holly Mullins, 26, who was at the Stewart residence, was charged with possession of

drug paraphernalia, 1st offense.

Stewart and Mullins were both lodged in the Rockcastle Detention Center.

“Bear”

(Cont. from front)

to try and assess your presence. They may stand upright to gain a better sense of smell. If cornered or threatened, bears may slap the ground, “pop” their jaws or “huff” as a warning. If you see these behaviors, you are too close. Slowly back away while facing the bear at all times.

If you have a conflict with a bear, report it to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife at 1-800-252-5378.

“FEMA”

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neral, personal property, transportation and moving and storage.

There have been 3,596 inspections for damages completed.

Also, the Small Business Administration has obligated \$1.5 million in loans.

Commonwealth and federal officials advise recipients to spend disaster assistance funds only for damages or losses caused by the recent flooding and to keep receipts and other documentation for at least three years as proof the funds were spent as intended.

CITY WIDE YARD SALE

Livingston, Kentucky

Thurs., Fri., & Sat., June 10, 11, 12
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Sat., June 12th • 3 p.m. • \$3 per person

Proceeds: 1/2 to winners • 1/2 to Fire Department

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You're Invited to a Cancer Survivors Dinner

Friday, June 18, 2010

5:30 pm to 6:45 pm

In honor of your battle against cancer, the 2010 Relay For Life of Rockcastle County would like to extend to you a special invitation to participate in our Survivor Dinner. You are a personal testimony of the progress we're making in our fight to eradicate cancer!

Please join us June 18, 2010 at

5:30 p.m. at Rockcastle County Middle School for a dinner in your honor.

Food and entertainment will be provided by Roundstone Baptist Church.

Each Survivor is entitled to bring one guest to the Survivor Dinner.

There is no cost for you or your guest to attend this Survivor Celebration!

Please register by calling Melissa Brock at 256-7703
or Arielle Reese at 256-7880.

Give Your Child A Head Start



KCEOC Child Development is currently taking applications for pregnant women and children ages 0-3 for Early Head Start

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Mount Vernon Signal

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Second Section

Thursday, June 10, 2010

Healthy Joe Expo is June 17th

Rockcastle men's health event offers value, fun

The second annual Healthy Joe Expo, a men's health event, will be held at Rockcastle Middle School June 17 at 6:00 p.m.

The event, held during National Men's Health Week, is sponsored by Rockcastle Regional Hospital and the Southern Kentucky Area Health Education Center.

To get men out to the event, more than \$600 in door prizes have been generously donated by local businesses. And all of the prizes are geared toward men – haircuts, tire rotations, a \$200 sporting goods gift certificate, and much more.

"Last year we had 68 men take part in the event," said Dwain Harris, director of the Southern KY AHEC. "We'd like to have an even bigger turnout this year. It's gratifying to see so many people take an interest in their health, especially men, because have the reputation of sometimes not wanting to deal with health issues."

Once there, men will get a health scorecard and visit the exhibits at their own pace to check things like weight,

blood pressure, and grip strength. They will also get certificates entitling them to free health screenings at the hospital, including cholesterol testing, blood sugar testing, and a PSA (a test used to indicate the possibility of prostate cancer.) Those three tests alone represent more than a \$300 value.

Participants are asked to wear comfortable shoes because they will have the option of timing themselves on a quarter or half mile walk (or run, if they prefer) on the middle school track. They can also visit the Tune up and Tone Up Healthy Joe Classic Car Show and attend mini-presentations by Dr. David Bullock, local family practitioner, and urologist Dr. John Tuttle. Participants will also get a free boxed dinner along with dietary information.

Pre-registration isn't required but helps us predict how much food and supplies to order. To pre-register, go to

www.rockcastleregional.org/healthyjoe/. Or you may email Dwain Harris at dharris@soahec.org.

NRCS announces Healthy Forests Reserve Program

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Kentucky, in cooperation with our partners, announces the implementation of the Healthy Forests Reserve Program (HFRP). Applications are currently being accepted, with scheduled ranking cut-off dates of July 15, 2010 and August 15, 2010. Applications not making the cutoff will be evaluated for the next funding cycle.

The purpose of HFRP is to assist landowners, on a voluntary basis, in restoring, enhancing and protecting forestland resources on private lands through easements and 30-year contracts. The objectives of HFRP are to:

1. Promote the recovery of endangered and threatened species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), including the Indiana Bat;
2. Improve plant and animal biodiversity; and
3. Enhance carbon sequestration.

Under this working forestland program, landowners

will be compensated for their 30-year or permanent easement with a lumpsum easement payment. Landowners must agree to implement a forest management plan that maintains and improves biodiversity and habitat for target species during harvest or management activities on the enrolled land.

Eligible areas include parts of the Upper Cumberland Watershed. Eligible land must be located within those parts of the Upper Cumberland River, Rockcastle River, South Fork of Cumberland River, Upper Buck Creek, and Lower Buck Creek that lie within Lincoln, Rockcastle, Jackson, Laurel, Pulaski, Wayne, McCreary, Clay, Knox, Whitley, Bell, Harlan, and Letcher Counties.

Visit or submit an application to your local USDA Service Center, or contact your local district conservationist to determine if your land qualifies.

Sponsored by Jackson Energy Cooperative Battle of Big Hill re-enacted this weekend in McKee

A Living History event will be held this weekend at the Jackson RECC building in Jackson County.

Civil War re-enactors and historians will be recreating the August 19, 1862 Battle of Big Hill which pitted the 3rd Tennessee (Union) Infantry and 7th Kentucky Cavalry USA against the 1st Louisiana Cavalry Brigade, CSA. This was the precursor to the Battle of Richmond on August 29th & 30th, 1862.

There will be a Ladies Tea at 1:00 pm Saturday and battle re-enactments at 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. There will be a period dance held from 8 pm to 11pm and

the public is invited to attend and experience life as it was in the 19th century. This event is free to the public.

Directions from Mt. Vernon:

Go to Big Hill and take 421 until you reach the town of McKee. Make a right onto Hwy 290. Travel approx. 6 miles and the property will be on the left

Directions from London: Take Hwy 80 toward Manchester. Pass the Harley dealership and make a left onto Hwy 30 toward Annville. Travel approx. 20 miles and make a left onto Hwy 290. The property will be on the right.



Shown above is what's left of a Ford pickup driven by 39-year-old James Watkins after he wrecked on Lower River Rd. in Livingston Saturday night. Watkins was flown to the University of Kentucky Medical Center for treatment of his injuries. An occupant in the vehicle, 16-year-old Travist Watkins, also had to be cut from the wreckage and flown to UK. Rescue workers spent over two hours removing Watkins from the vehicle. Trooper Scottie Pennington with the Kentucky State Police said Tuesday that the accident is still under investigation. Photo courtesy of the Livingston Fire Department.

Ballard's Day is this Saturday

My cousin Ballard

By Dr. John Hess Parsons

On Saturday, June 12th, we will celebrate the 20th "Ballard's Day" in Wildie. Ballard's birthday is June 14th, he would have been 70 years old. This is a pitch-in meal and everyone is invited, you don't have to bring anything to attend, just yourself.

Ballard Parsons was born on June 14, 1940. In the summer of 1952 he was helping his Dad haul milk and bale hay. He was already driving both the truck and tractor and was on his way to becoming a farmer. He was a big and strong 12 year old boy. This was about to change.

Around the first of July, Ballard began to get sick. His parents thought he had a cold or the flu. His younger sister Libby was sick too. Ballard began to have trouble keeping his balance and he stumbled a lot. This was really out of the ordinary for him because he was such a strong young boy. By July 4th, he couldn't walk. Kenneth Stewart, his cousin, came by to check on him and immediately loaded him in the car and went to Mt. Vernon to find Dr. George Griffith. Dr. Griffith met Ballard, Kenneth and Ballard's Dad, Shirley Parsons at his office.

Without delay, Dr. Griffith sent Ballard to Berea Hospital and asked about any illness in other family members. When he found out that Ballard's sister, Libby, was sick too, he ordered her brought to his office. When he examined her he sent her to the Berea Hospital too.

What the family and Kenneth Stewart feared was unfortunately true. Both Ballard and Libby had contracted infantile paralysis, or polio. Ballard had reached the critical stage, but Libby's had been caught early. Libby was treated and sent home, Ballard was not so lucky.

From the hospital in Berea Ballard was sent to St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. The disease had already done a lot of damage to Ballard's strong body. He was losing use of his muscles and they began to waste away. He was also losing his ability to breath on his own.

Ballard was sent from St. Joseph to Cardinal Hill Hospital in Lexington for treatment. Cardinal Hill was almost brand new then. It was built especially to treat people

with polio, mostly children. The money to build the hospital was from the "March of Dimes" campaign. This was a fundraising campaign to treat and find a cure for polio that almost every child in school participated in. You got a card with so many slots to place dimes in. When you filled that card up with dimes it was sent to the March of

Dimes. It has been said that the March of Dimes should get most of the credit for conquering polio, it certainly saved Ballard's life.

Ballard spent an entire year in Cardinal Hill. In order to breathe he was placed in an "iron lung". This was a huge device that his body was placed in with only his head outside of it. By mechanical

means it caused his lungs to inflate and deflate and in effect, breathe for him.

During this time Ballard was also given therapy to teach his body to breathe again on its own, the primary goal at that time was to get him off the iron lung.

Ballard was able to

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Civil Suits

Capital One Bank vs. Joseph Miller, \$887.16 plus claimed due.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Gregory Hatfield, \$1,727.43 plus claimed due.

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care vs. Jill Ponder, \$423.22 plus claimed due.

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care vs. Krissy R. Saylor, \$1,475.88 plus claimed due.

Circuit Civil Suits

Tax Easement Investments 1 vs. Sue Frith, et al, \$912.03 plus claimed due.

Ky. Farm Bureau Mutual Ins. Co. vs. Billy Whitaker, et al, complaint for declaratory judgment.

Peggy Diann Robbins vs. Michael Robbins, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Charles Napier, et al vs. Russell E. Ferguson, et al,

complaint
Martin Eugene Thomas vs. Dorothy Lorena Thomas, petition for enforcement of foreign decree.

Dale Clifford vs. James Shawn Mink, et al, petition for custody. CI-00158.

Marriage Licenses

Carolyn Sue Mink, 41, Livingston, housewife to Larry Cecil Hubbard, 53, Livingston, disabled. 5/28/10.

Stephanie Rachelle Carr, 20, Wildie, Rockcastle Regional Hospital to Franklin Scott Daugherty, 21, Wildie, Bluegrass Oakwood. 6/1/10.

Koula Verda Collinsworth, 32, Berea, nail technician to Christopher Ray Knox, 38, Stanton, student. 6/1/10.

Lisa Dawn Clouse, 29, Brodhead, housewife to Shannon Joe Mink, 36, Brodhead, Plasticware. 6/1/10.

Debra Ray Kirby, 43, Mt. Vernon, housewife, to Jeffrey Scott Bruderle, 43, Mt. Vernon, operator. 6/1/10.

Kayla Marie Cameron, 18,

Brodhead, Rockcastle Regional Hospital to Jeffrey Michael Parker, 22, Mt. Vernon, police officer. 6/1/10.

Ashley Ellen Bruner, 22, Mt. Vernon, housewife to Anthony Jordan Bradley, 19, Mt. Vernon, disabled. 6/1/10.

Marjorie Lynn Miller, 17, Mt. Vernon, unemployed to Christopher James Woods, 20, Mt. Vernon, unemployed. 6/2/10.

Deeds Recorded

Estate of Tommy Carpenter, property on St. Rd. 421, to Willie Carpenter. Tax \$55.

Martha Epperson, property in Rockcastle County, to Charles Smith. No tax.

Gregory A. Poynter, property in Rockcastle County, to Dedra Poynter. No tax.

Janet S. and Randall Parsons, property on the waters of Bee Lick Creek, to Owen Burton. No tax.

Terry J. and Marlene Lawson, property on Lambert Rd., to Todd W. and Christi M. Clark. Tax \$210.

Jack and Judy Holt, property in Rockcastle County, to Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Tax \$140.

District Court

June 2, 2010
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless

Mark A. Barrett: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.

Billy J. DeBorde: driving DUI suspended license, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and possession of marijuana, sentencing orders entered.

Wendell F. Lovell: public intoxication, time served/costs waived.

Trina Denise Abney: fines/fees due (\$263), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta), 6 days in jail or payment in full.

Kerri L. Abrams: fines/fees due (\$743), bw issued for fta/15 days or payment in full.

Amanda Bullens: theft unlawful taking, sentencing order entered.

Shawn E. Clontz: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs and 2nd degree possession of controlled substance, sentencing orders entered.

Shirley M. Cook: fines/fees due (\$480.90), bw issued for fta.

Thomas L. Cromer: fines/fees due (\$158), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment in full.

Joshua L. Dooley: fines/fees due (\$413), converted to 30 days in jail.

Staci Durham: fines/fees due (\$708), bw issued for fta, 15 days or payment in full.

Eric C. Freiman: fines/fees due (\$283), bw issued for fta/6 days or payment in full.

Tina M. Haling: fines/fees

due (\$238), bw issued for fta/6 days or payment in full.

Rosalene Jones: public intoxication, \$25 fine and costs.

Sabrina N. Neeley: fines/fees due (\$183), bw issued for fta/4 days or payment in full.

Jessica L. Newcomb: fines/fees due (\$25), bw is-

sued for fta/1 day or payment in full.

Shane Michael Snow: fines/fees due (\$218), bw issued for fta.

Theresa Sweat: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

The Concerned Citizens for Fair Government will hold their regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00pm on June 15, 2010. The meeting is held on the third floor of the Court House. Use back stairs. Come and bring a friend.

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Rockcastle County Recycling Trailer Schedule Changes

The Rockcastle County Recycling Center is now providing recycling drop-off opportunities in outlying areas of Rockcastle County. Due to the purchase of two new recycling trailers, beginning June 1st, the recycling trailers will be left permanently at the following locations: City of Brodhead (gravel lot across from Citizens Bank), City of Livingston (gravel lot across from old Livingston Gymnasium), Brindle Ridge Volunteer Fire Department (at Conway), and at the Pongo Volunteer Fire Department. The trailers will only be pulled out to empty them and will then be taken back to the same location.

The following items may be put in these trailers: mixed paper, mixed plastic #2-7, #1 plastic bottles, clear milk jugs, steel and aluminum cans, glass bottles and jars, and cardboard.

Please help us make this a successful venture by being clean and/or neat with our recycling habits. Do not put anything in the individual bins except what is labeled on them. If you drop something on the ground, pick it up. **Absolutely no trash is to be put into the bins!** Remember, camera surveillance is utilized in Rockcastle County and it is illegal to improperly dispose of trash.

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Rockcastle History Crew Pie Auction!

Date: Thursday, June 10, 2010
Time: 6-8:00 PM

Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum

Featuring: Live Entertainment

This pie auction will include home-made desserts for your bidding, PLUS gourmet suckers for only \$1 or 6 for \$5.

Refreshments: Hot dogs, chili dogs, drinks

Free Live Entertainment by Southern Strings

On behalf of Melissa Singleton, Anita Nation, Kathy Bobo, and the Rockcastle Five who have qualified, you are encouraged to attend this event and show your support!

For more information contact: Melissa Singleton, 606-224-2779 or harley994@windstream.net

Absolute Estate Auction of Mr. William I. Norton's

House & 27 Acres more or less in Tracts

Saturday, June 19th • 1:30 p.m.

2313 Spiro Road (Hwy. 1250), Mt. Vernon, KY

Location: From Mt. Vernon at the Hwy 150/461 intersection proceed 9/10 of a mile toward Brodhead to Hwy 2108 (Maretburg Road). Turn left onto Hwy 2108 (beside Maretburg Baptist Church) and proceed 1.5 miles to stop sign at the junction of Hwy 1250. Turn right onto Hwy 1250 and proceed 6/10 of a mile to the property. Auction signs are posted.

In order to settle the estate of the late Mr. William I. Norton, his children have authorized our firm to sell this beautiful property at absolute auction.

This property will be offered in 5 tracts, utilizing the multi-parcel method of auction marketing.

MULTI-PARCEL AUCTION: The property will be offered in tracts and combinations selling in the manner that reflects the best returns for the sellers. This concept gives each and every prospective buyer the ability to purchase his or her individual tract or combination.

Tract #1 - consists of 9.7 acres, mostly all cleared land in grass. This tract fronts on Hwy 1250 (Spiro Road).

Tract #2 - consists of 1.5 acres and is an ideal building site with a wonderful view. This tract has 154.73 feet of road frontage along Hwy 1250.

Tract #3 - consists of 2.27 acres and is improved with the pictured lovely, contemporary home offering a fantastic view from most every room. This 2-story home has a large living room with fireplace, kitchen, dining room, Master Bedroom and Master Bath with whirlpool bath, a laundry room plus an additional bedroom and bath on the top floor. The lower level has a large family room, bedroom, bath, recreational room, and additional bedrooms/office spaces, plus a storage room. It also has a 2-car attached garage and central heat/air. This tract has 281.93 feet of road frontage along Hwy 1250.

Tract #4 - consists of 6.37 acres. This tract is mostly wooded with 125.01 feet of road frontage along Hwy 1250.

Tract #5 - consists of 7.35 acres and is mostly wooded. This tract has 125.01 feet of road frontage.

City water is available on all tracts.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Seldom do you have the opportunity to purchase property in this area of the county. This property is in a great location with a view that is superb, overlooking some of the lush fields and a wooded backdrop. Don't miss this auction, Saturday, June 19th at 1:30 p.m. The late Mr. Norton was an avid horseman and one of the founders of the Rockcastle Saddle Club. This farm would be an ideal place for your horse farm as well.

TERMS: 20% down day of sale, balance in 30 days.

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-based paint. The inspection period is June 9th through June 18th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day post-inspection period.

Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed matter.

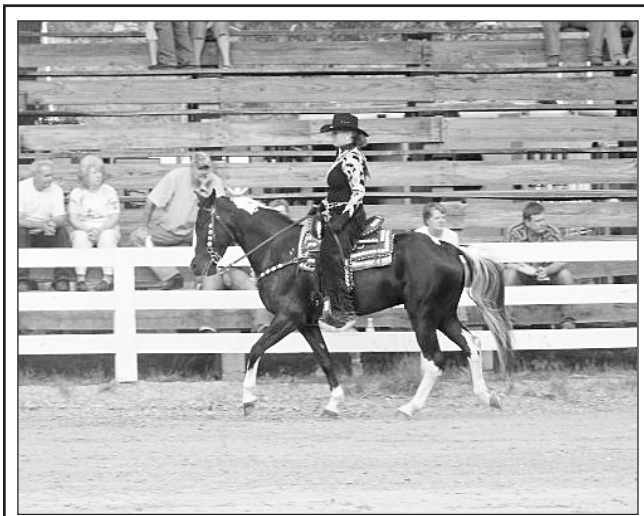
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Ashley Burton of Columbia competing at the 2009 Fun Show.

Just Horsin' Around 2010

Submitted by
Ashley M. Cash
JHAC Public Relations
Coordinator

It's that time of the year again! Time for Horse shows but more importantly the Just Horsin' Around Crew are Hosting Their annual Fun shows again! This year the crew is planning on our 2010 shows to be bigger and better than in the past! Our first show is set for this Saturday June 12th at 5 pm at the Brodhead fairgrounds. For our spring Fun show the Crew has chose to give our proceeds to the UNITE COALITION again. In the past the JHAC has been able to donate \$1000.00 to the coalition. But this could not have been made possible if it wasn't for the help of our community! On behalf of the JHAC we would like to extend a special thanks to those community members who continually give year after year to help make our show a success this includes: Rockcastle Vet. Clinic, Collins Respiratory Care, Brodhead Pharmacy, Brodhead Farm Equipment, Brodhead Farm Mart, The Mt. Vernon Signal, Dari-Delite, Brodhead Tobacco and Tanning, Norma Houk, James Miller, William B. Reynolds, Jerry J. Cox, Joseph B. Clontz, Margret Ouffitt, Teresa Vanzant, and Mike Peters and so many more who have helped donate or put in time on the horse show. The JHAC would also like to thank Roger Bray, Danny Mckinney, and Johnny Newland, and Mark and Andrew Sowder for all the hard work and effort they do to help make our show possible.

Aside from our sponsors the spectators and participants are what really make this show such a great success. "When we started this show we had the common horseman in mind, just good people who enjoy riding horses" Quotes JHAC president Donna Bishop, and our spring show is going to be no different we have a full class list consisting of 31 classes. Just like the past 4 years we have the Wagon Race class, Relay Race, Flag Race and The comical Shovel Race Class. We also have several slower paced fun classes like Trail Pleasure Racking, Mule Pleasure, Western Bareback Pleasure, and Youth Pleasure. We also offer classes for miniature horses and this year we have a special honorary class

in memory of Linda Waddle. Linda passed away 11-20-2009 she loved showing miniatures at our show and helped greatly with making people aware of our show. She will be greatly missed by the Just Horsin' Around Crew. Just like years before we will have our Baby Bottle Contest, Musical Feed Sack Class, Water Glass Class, and our Couples Class. This year there will be a raffle of a Black Roan Tennessee Walking Colt, raffle tickets will be sold for 3 dollars a ticket or 2 for five dollars. We are hoping for a big show full of a lot of fun, laughter, and nice horses.

Last year the JHAC began offering a \$500.00 scholarship to any graduating high school senior. This year we had several participants; but the JHAC came together and decided on Jackie Alexander as our 2010 recipient. Jackie is the Daughter of Sandy and Jack Alexander. She is planning on attending the United States Military Academy at West Point and is planning on majoring in Environmental Engineering. Jackie has excelled in Community Service she has been involved in the special Olympics. Little League Referee, she has also volunteered at the Local Nursing home and Adult Day Care Center. During her 4 years of High school Jackie participated on the Lady Rocket Basketball team, She served as an officer in the FFA, She was a member of Key Club, UNITE Club, Rocket Club, Young Republicans Club, and is a member of the Brodhead Christian Church. The JHAC wishes Jackie the best in all that she does.

On Behalf of the JHAC I encourage everyone to come out and join the fun that goes on at our show, our goal is to have fun with our horses, while being able to give back to our community. Even if you don't know much about horses, I'm sure you can find something you like at our show, whether it's watching your neighbor being drug around the ring suspended from the saddle of the horse riding a shovel, or enjoying some of our homemade BBQ and Tenderloin sandwiches. If you or your business is interested in donating to our shows call Ashley Cash at (606) 308-5352 or Kayla Leger at (606) 308-3762. Just Horsin' Around can't be a success without your help. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

"WHAT IS WRITTEN"

Let's study the topic of complaining today. The word complain carries the ideal of expressing dissatisfaction, which is a manifestation of discontentment, not been satisfied with something. Many Christians today have not learned to have the attitude of Paul, as is stated in Phil.4:11-12, "Not that I speak in respect of what: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need." Notice the contentment Paul had, was something he had to learn, how so? By what we may call "on the job training," by learning and applying the principles of Jesus Christ in his daily life. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" as Paul would say in vs.13. The Hebrew writer teaches us the same thing in Heb.13:5-6, "Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you. So we can confidently say, The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" The Lord promises to be with us and to strengthen us, so let's quit complaining and start giving thanks instead. As Paul said in I Thess. 5:18, "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

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<p>Reduced Beautiful Home and Great Location! This 2-story brick home situated on 4.876 acres features LR, DR, FR, Kit, Foyer, Bath and Utility room on the first floor. The second floor features 3 BR and 2 BA. Other amenities include a 2-car attached garage, front porch, rear patio, blacktop driveway, storage building, kitchen appliances, heat pump, central air, city water septic system, fireplace and alarm system. Priced at \$154,900. M2522</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Views+Quality+Acres=Value! Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, ranch style home on 51 acres overlooking Cedar Creek Lake in Lincoln County. Home is very custom. Amenities include: above ground pool, sunroom, screened in porch, 36x48 metal barn with three 12x12 sliding doors, concrete drive and sidewalk, and a 3-car garage. Approx. 48 cleared acres, 3 ponds, and a view of the lake that you'll fall in love with. Call today! \$389,900. M2532</p>
<p>Outstanding Home, Exceptional Value in Oakwood Estates, Stanford. Beautiful 5 bedroom, 2 bath home in a gorgeous setting. Home has over 2,000 sq. ft. of living space, a 2-car garage with bonus room and additional workshop in basement. Lot backs up to nice farmland and includes complete landscaping and great curb appeal. Call today. \$155,000. M2543</p>	<p>Reduced Get It While You Can! 4-5 bedroom home on 3 acres with barn and garage. Beautiful mature trees only 4 miles from Stanford. M2450</p>	<p>9.3 Acres + 1,200 sq. ft. house just outside the Mt. Vernon city limits. This vinyl sided house with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, affords country living to those who wish to have the convenience of being in town. Priced at \$149,900. Call today and don't miss out! M2511</p>
<p>Plenty of Elbow Room! Check out this brick home with 2 acres in the country! This quaint brick home has 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath and basement. If you like country living, in the midst of a farming area, you'll like this property. \$59,900. M2564</p>	<p>Beautiful View - This farm consists of 22 acres +/- and has an abundance of blacktop road frontage along Mack Sims Road. It is improved with an older house featuring a LR, Kit and 1 BR. Other amenities include a spring-fed, stocked pond, city water and a beautiful view. M2454</p>	<p>Reduced Welcome Home! Check out this nice brick home in the city limits of Mt. Vernon. Home consists of 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room, kitchen/dining room combo, utility room and full finished basement. Priced at \$119,900. Call today for your appointment. M2504.</p>
<p>Enjoy the Peace and Serenity of County Living! This 28x60 vinyl sided doublewide, situated on 8.44 acres by survey, features eat-in kitchen, living room, 3 BR, 2 BA and utility room. Other amenities include a 1-car attached carport, det. garage bldg., storage bldg., barn, rear and front porches, city water, septic and a creek running through property. Priced to sell QUICK!! Don't let this one get away. Call today. \$89,900. M2555</p>	<p>Reduced Modern Rustic Home near city limits and has 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, dining room, kitchen and a den to be enjoyed by its new owners. The kitchen has a nice island and eat-in bar area. The den and living room each offer wood burning stoves. Barn wood walls add a special uniqueness to the den area. Other amenities include central heat/air, in ground 10 ft. swimming pool, 2-car detached garage with a great 2 bedroom apartment above it. Call today, don't miss out! \$179,900. M2530</p>	<p>Beautiful 1,820 sq. ft. modern brick home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open floor plan of living room, family room and dining room, the kitchen has beautiful cabinets and an island. The back covered porch and fenced back yard will make for great entertainment. Priced at \$155,000. There are two additional lots available for \$12,000 each. M2536</p>
<p>This lovely brick home contains 1,770 sq ft and is located in the beautiful Twin Lakes Subdivision off of Hwy 25, between Berea and Richmond. This home features a living room, dining area, kitchen w/ breakfast nook, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large utility room, and a two-car attached garage. Other amenities include: cathedral and tray ceilings, dishwasher, microwave, heat pump, central air, city water/sewer, and landscaping, concrete driveway/sidewalks. \$174,500. M2569</p>	<p>Irresistible! This brick condominium features approximately 1,900 sq. ft., an eat-in kitchen with custom built cabinets, dining room, living room, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, study, laundry room and an unfinished walk-out basement. Other amenities include a rear deck, patio, two-car attached garage, cathedral and tray ceilings, heat pump, central air, city water and sewer. New appliances include: washer, dryer, refrigerator, electric range and microwave. Call for your appointment today! \$198,500. M2570</p>	<p>Commercial Concrete Block Building measuring 40x60 with 24x76 attached storage area with vault. City water, central heat/air, situated on 57/100 of an acre. Motivated sellers. Just \$59,500. M2528</p>
<p>Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! Come view this beautiful home located in the Eagle Creek Subdivision. This spacious home offers 3 BR, 2 BA, Kit, DR, LR and Utility. Other amenities include: central heat/air, hardwood and tile flooring, attached garage, city water, restricted subdivision. Don't hesitate to call...if you wait, it might be too late! Priced at only \$124,900. M2571</p>		

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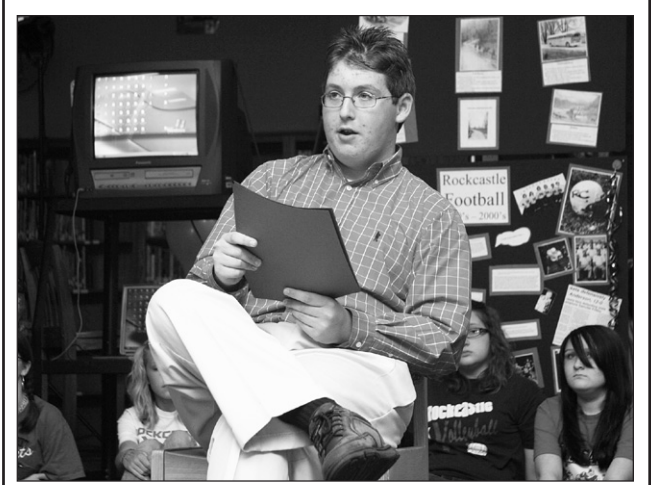
- New Listing! 2 acres across from Rainbow Ridge Subdivision...** in Mt. Vernon, Ky. Priced at \$33,500. M2565
- Approximately 40 acres located at 1427 Alum Springs Crosspike Road in Danville, Ky.** Located just outside the city limits this farm offers a panoramic view of surrounding farmland and overlooks the city of Danville. Land is gently rolling and has city water available. There is a large barn for handling cattle or crops. Very private. M2501
- One of the best farms in Rockcastle County is now for sale!** This farm contains 105 acres more or less with road frontage on Strawberry Lane and also access of Hwy. 1650. Improvements on property include: tobacco barn, 2 equipment sheds, dairy barn building, stack pad, and trench silo. Other amenities include: 3 ponds, 2 locations with city water, and good fence around pasture land. M2546
- Reduced! Secluded!** Unimproved vacant land ideal for hunting or as recreation land. Being sold by boundary deed. Deed copy available for your review. Approximately 8 acres for \$12,500. M2524
- Hunting or Farming!** 27.9 acres with road frontage, private with blacktop road. Located in Northern Pulaski County between Hwy. 27 and Hwy. 39. \$29,900. M2525
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- 5 miles from Danville...59 acres farm with pond.** Approximately 35 acres of level, cleared land + 24 acres of woods. Priced to sell at \$189,900. M2533
- Little Hideaway...** 18.08 acres of good hunting and recreational prospects. Timber growing. Five minutes from Main Street only \$25,000. M2441
- 2 Acres....** in the Ottenheim Community that front on Hwy. 643. City water available, great building or home site. Owner out of state and says SELL. Only \$11,500. M2479
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- 18 Acres Near McKee.** Timber land. Priced at \$25,000. M2456
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- Online Auction of Commercial Building**
Bidding Begins June 11, 2010 and Ends on June 21, 2010 at Approx 3:00 p.m. • Main Street, Williamsburg, KY
- Absolute Auction of Lots in Whippoorwill Subdivision**
Saturday, June 12, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. • Whippoorwill Subdivision, Burnside, Ky.
- Two-Day Absolute Estate Auction of Ray and Modena Perkins's**
Absolute Auction # 1: Dolls ~ Cast Iron ~ Quilts ~ Friday, June 11, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.
Absolute Auction # 2: House and Lot ~ Furniture and Glassware • Saturday, June 12, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
210 Bluegrass Drive, Richmond, KY
- Absolute Auction of White Lumber Sales, LLC Equipment, Vehicles, Forklifts, Sawmill Equipment**
Thursday, June 17, 2010 - 11:00 a.m. • Hwy 92 W, Williamsburg
- Absolute Auction of Mr. Winford Todd & Ms. Jean Gregory's House and 36 Acres and Timber**
Saturday, June 19th at 10:00 a.m. • 123 John Sims Rd, Crab Orchard, KY
- Absolute Auction of House, Barn, Detached Garage and 20 Acres +/- in Tracts**
Saturday, June 19, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. • 3707 Stilesville Road, Science Hill, Ky
- Absolute Auction of the William I. Norton Family's House and 29 Acres more or less in Tracts**
Saturday, June 19, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. • Hwy 1250, Spiro Section of Rockcastle County
- Absolute Auction of Mr. & Mrs. John Wilson's House and Lot**
Friday, June 25th at 5:30 p.m. • 106 Bluebird Drive - Somerset, KY
- Absolute Auction of Mr. Ralph A. Linder's Mobile Home and 3 Lots**
Saturday, June 26th at 1:30 p.m. • 193 Spring Road, Nancy, KY



Students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Social Studies BRAVO celebrated Rockcastle County's 200th birthday on Tuesday, May 25th, in the Rockcastle County Middle School Media Center. Students presented display boards and models, dramatic interpretations, video and Power Point presentations, and a musical selection representing portions of Rockcastle County's rich history. 7th graders shared the business, entertainment, and education firsts in their selection "Old Rockcastle Had Some Firsts," accompanied by Avery Bradshaw on the banjo.



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Holly Brown receives Transy Award

Rockcastle County High School graduate and Transylvania University sophomore Holly Brown was honored during Transylvania University's annual awards program.

Brown received the

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Golf scramble

Rockcastle Regional Hospital and Respiratory Care Center invites golfers to a Golf Scramble on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at Cedar Rapids Country Club in Mount Vernon, KY.

Shotgun scramble time is 12:30 p.m. The entry fee of \$300 per team of four players includes the greens fee, a cart, lunch and soft drinks. The entry fee also includes a longest drive contest, mulligans and a closest to the pin contest.

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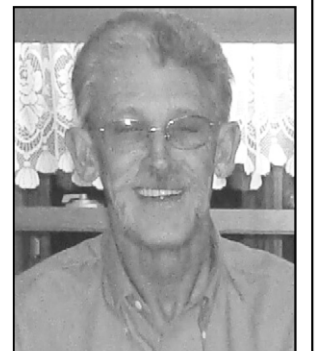
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Posted: No hunting or trespassing on Ed Wilson Farm at 53420 Hummel Road, Wildie (former Doc Wolfe farm). Violators will be prosecuted. 16 (10)x40p

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Chestnut Ridge. Posted as private property. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents to anyone. Violators prosecuted. 52(09)x52

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. 3(10)x26p

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

Posted: Absolutely no hunting, fishing or trespassing on property belonging to Mark and Debbie Cummins. Violators will be prosecuted. 9x52p

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on property known as C.B. Owens Farm across from Fairgrounds in Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 25ftn

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Meet at the sewer plant at Livingston at 9am and work until 12 noon.

Anyone who wants to volunteer, can call the Rockcastle County Solid Waste Office at 606-256-1902 for more information.

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Notice is hereby given that Andrew Bright Moore, IV, 632 N. 12th St., #144, Murray, Ky. 42071, has been appointed executor of the estate of Andrew Bright Moore, III, on the 19th day of May, 2010. Any persons having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Andrew Bright Moore, IV, or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456, on or before Nov. 22, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. 26x3

Notice is hereby given that Donna Anderson, 615 Richmond St., Apt. 28, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Robert Arter Wilson Anderson on the 17th day of May, 2010. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Donna Anderson, or to Hon. Sean R. Cutshall, Wilson, Polites & McQueen, 309 N. Broadway, Lexington, Ky. 40508 on or before Nov. 17, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. 26x3

Notice is hereby given that Marvin Hensley, PO Box 56, Livingston, Ky. 40445 has been appointed executor of the estate of Claude E. Hensley, on the 19th day of May, 2010. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Marvin Hensley, or to William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., PO Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before Nov. 22, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. 26x3

Notice is hereby given that Willard Bullock has been appointed administrator of the estate of Dessie Lynn Bullock, deceased on the 2nd day of June, 2010. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Willard Bullock, P.O. Box 915, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456

or to Hon. William D. Gregory, Attorney at Law, 240 East Main St., P.O. Box 220, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before December 2, 2010. 28x3

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Yard Sale: 344 Chestnut Ridge at Gary McGuire (Juicy) residence. 1/8 mile on right. Children's clothes, clothes - big sizes - men's and women's, what nots and several other items. 9 to ? Friday and Saturday. Cancel in case of rain.

4 Family Yard Sale: At Houston Point, home of Jessie and Cayci Mahaffey. Fri. & Sat., 8 a.m. to ? Clothing, DVDs, some furniture.

Yard Sale: 2 families Fri., June 11 8:30 to 3:30 and Sat., June 12 8:30 to 1:30, hom eof Shawn and Saundra Osborne, 309 Lone Oak Road. Across from Shoe Den off 461, approx. 4 miles from 150/461 intersection. Signs will be posted. Tons of clothing - Levi, Hollister, American Eagle, Aeropostale, OskKosh, Carter's, Children's Place and Gap brands. Junior sizes 5-9, boys 12-14 slim, twin boys 4-7 and little girls 4-6. Lots of good school clothes, shoes, toys and other items.

Yard Sale: 2 story white house across from Maetburg Baptist Church. Baby girl clothes 0-18 mos., boys clothes 2-3 yrs. old, lots of household items. Sat., June 12th, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Yard Sale: Sat., June 12th 8:30 a.m. to ? Nikki McKinney's house, 105 Hidden Creek Road across from Dowell & Martin, follow signs and balloons. Video games, movies, name brand jeans - Tommy, Old Navy, New York & Co., Lee, Calvin Klein. Shirts and blouses name brand - Tommy, Old Navy, etc. shoes 7-9 1/2, toys of all kinds, tools, dishes. Rain cancels until next week - same time and location.

Yard Sale: Sat., June 12th at 355 Old Somerset Road, Mt. Vernon. 8:30 to ? Lots of nice things and new items also. Rain cancels.

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Yard Sale: The Mt. Vernon Church of God will be having

a Yard Sale Fri., June 11th from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Everyone come out.

Yard Sale: McGuire Sisters, Nanny McCoy's and Shirley Wallen's home. Fri. & Sat., June 11 and 12. Rain cancelled last week. Take 1004 past Jean's Restaurant, 1.7 miles. Turn right on Carpenter Rd. Look for signs. Lots of household items and misc.

Yard Sale: Sat., June 12th, 8 a.m. to ? at 183 Menifee Hill Road, across from Saddle Club on Old Brodhead Road. Day bed, collectibles, TVs, mini-van, 3-in-1 crib, window AC's, old fuel oil stove and tank, lamps, shoes, clothes, jewelry, toys, PS2 games, movies, books, goodies, cold drinks and much more. Rain date 6/19/10.

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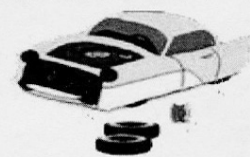
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The following items may be put in these trailers: mixed paper, mixed plastic #2-7, #1 plastic bottles, clear milk jugs, steel and aluminum cans, glass bottles and jars, and cardboard.

Please help us make this a successful venture by being clean and/or neat with our recycling habits. Do not put anything in the individual bins except what is labeled on them. If you drop something on the ground, pick it up. **Absolutely no trash is to be put into the bins!** Remember, camera surveillance is utilized in Rockcastle County and it is illegal to improperly dispose of trash.

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“Ballard”

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breathe on his own by the summer of 1953 and he came home.

He was in a wheelchair and he could only move his left arm and his right leg, both very little.

A couple of years later his Dad, Uncle Shirley to all of us nephews and cousins, bought Joe Bullen's store in Wildie. Ballard ran that store every day but Sunday from then until he died in 2003. Here is where the real story of Ballard Parsons begins for me.

I speak for many people that grew up and/or lived in Wildie. Ballard's store was the place to be.

When I was very young it was Uncle Shirley's store and I went there almost every day. If it was in the summer and school was out I went two or three times a day to talk to Ballard and just loaf.

When school started back I would go after school and usually I would go at night with my Dad, because everybody in Wildie came to the store to loaf and exchange gossip. When my older brother, Tommy, was still home he loafed at the store too, when my younger brothers, Mark and Lynn, got old enough they then learned the art of loafing at Ballard's from professionals.

Ballard would sit there in his wheelchair and be the center of all the conversations. There was a good reason he was in that position, it was because he was always the smartest person in the store and he knew more about what was being talked about than everybody else.

He was never a pretender about what he knew and he was never smug, he was just smart. Ballard could add numbers in his head as quick as a calculator. When people bought groceries from him he would add up the total simply by the customer holding up the item bought. It didn't matter how many items were bought, Ballard was never wrong in his addition. He was also the best checker and Rook player I have ever seen.

Ballard was my cousin. I loved him as much as anyone could love a cousin. I spent a lot of time with him

over the years and I will never feel like one second of that time was wasted. He was always happy and he was positive in his outlook. He appreciated hearing a good joke and he was good enough at telling them that you would laugh until your belly hurt. He loved bluegrass music and you could often walk in on him singing along with the radio. For all of Ballard's many talents, and he had more than most, singing was not one of them. But he loved to sing and that was all that mattered.

Ballard and my brother Tommy taught me to love the Cincinnati Reds and the Kentucky Wildcats. They both loved these teams and when Tommy went to the store they talked endlessly about them, depending on the season. I always felt lucky to be there just to hear what I thought was their expert opinion.

The first teams I remember rooting for were the 1956 Cincinnati Reds and the 1958 Kentucky Wildcats. The '56 Reds team had great hitting and poor pitching. It was Frank Robinson's rookie season and he was voted rookie of the year in the National League. Johnny Coffey and William Henry Branaman (Ballard's uncle) took Tommy and Ballard to Cincinnati to watch the Reds play that year. The '58 Wildcats won the NCAA that year. We listened to the championship game on the radio in the back of Uncle Shirley's store.

Ballard was the best farmer around, and he never left the wheelchair in the store. After Uncle Shirley died in 1970 Ballard helped his brother Donnie with the farm. For well over thirty years neither Donnie nor any other farmer who loafed in the store did anything without first consulting Ballard. He was always right too.

As I got older and went to the Army and then to school, I didn't get to Ballard's store as often as I had in the past. But, after I got out of school and settled back in the county, I started going to see Ballard almost every Saturday. When I could I would take my girls with me, I simply wanted them to know Ballard and his special place in the world. Some of my most favorite Saturday memories are when my three

brothers and me would sit with Ballard for two or three hours. We ate our lunch there. We would eat pickled bologna, Vienna sausage, potted meat or whatever else was on the menu.

Ballard died in 2003, just before my Mother did. My trips to Wildie were reduced in number greatly. I still go to church there and I still go to see my sister and brother-in-law, but a great part of the place is missing.

It goes without saying that my parents and my grandparents were great influences in my life. But, I can say without a doubt in my mind that Ballard Parsons was one of the greatest positive influences I've had. I don't know how many times I have gone to see Ballard when I was feeling down or a bit depressed. All it cost me to feel better was a pop and bag of potato chips along with a conversation with my cousin.

I always thought if Ballard could be as happy as he is, why can't I be just a

little happy myself. And, as I write this I now realize I had those thoughts and didn't even realize at the time I was

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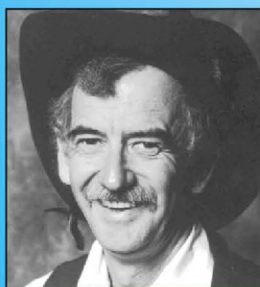
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Berea-resident Trooper Scottie Pennington (center) received the Trooper of the Year Award for Kentucky State Police Post 11 in London from KSP Commissioner Rodney Brewer (left) and Justice and Public Safety Cabinet Secretary J. Michael Brown (right) in Louisville on May 5. A six and-a-half-year KSP veteran, Pennington is the son of Linda Murphy of Berea and Jerry Pennington of Morrill Kirby Knob.



Mt. Vernon-resident Trooper James C. Smith (center) received the Trooper's Medal award from Kentucky State Police Commissioner Rodney Brewer (left) and Justice and Public Safety Cabinet Secretary J. Michael Brown (right) in Louisville on May 5. The award is bestowed on officers of the agency who perform a life-saving act under extraordinary circumstances. A nine-year KSP veteran, Smith is a 1994 graduate of Rockcastle Co. High School. He is the son of Danny Smith of Mt. Vernon and Teresa Hunt Smith of London.