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Superintendent search to begin for school system

By: Sara Coguer

In their regular monthly board meeting Tuesday night, the Rockcastle County Board of Education spent much of the time discussing the process to hire a new superintendent.

Current superintendent Larry Hammond, who told the board last month of his intention to retire at the end of this school year after 17 years at the helm, gave the board an extensive amount of information on the different approaches they can take in the hiring of the new superintendent.

The board basically has three options for the selection process, including hiring a Superintendent Selection search team through the Kentucky Association of School Administrators, hiring a board attorney and consultant for superintendent search, or basically doing the job themselves, under the general guidance of Hammond. (Cont. to A5)

Burglary attempt on Lovell Court

Rockcastle 911 received a call around 6 a.m. Monday about breaking glass at 160 Lovell Court in Mt. Vernon. According to Mt. Vernon Police, a side window and the glass in a door had been broken out with a brick and shovel.

The house, which is currently being remodeled by Charlotte Alcorn, was unoccupied at the time of the burglary attempt.

Authorities have indentified three male suspects in the case.

Pedestrian hit on Richmond Street

By: Sara Coguer

A Mt. Vernon man was hit on Richmond Street Saturday morning.

According to Mt. Vernon Police, Chad Williams, 41, was walking in front of Tobacco Barn when he was allegedly hit by Melissa Bullock of Sands Springs as she was pulling out from the parking lot.

Williams was taken to Rockcastle Regional and then later flown to the University of Kentucky hospital where he was released later that day.

Big Cave Road slide

Transportation Cabinet officials announced Wednesday that the slide that is being repaired on the Brush Creek hill portion of Big Cave Road will require both lanes to be closed during daylight hours effective immediately. Motorists will be required to use Cove Branch Road to get around the work area.

One lane will be opened at night during the work period which is expected to last about two weeks.



Retiring Superintendent Larry Hammond was the Grand Marshal for the Bittersweet Parade held during the festival last weekend in downtown Mt. Vernon. Hammond, who has spent the last seventeen years as superintendent, will step down at the end of the 2011-12 school year. The Board of Education is beginning the process of replacing Hammond. At right, the RCHS JROTC carried the national and state flags during the parade. Cadets involved were, from left: Josh Linville, Shawn Osborne, Victoria Smith and Daniel Gray. The festival had a huge turnout over the three day period, which included a car show Thursday night, as well as many special musical performances both Friday and Saturday.



Constables, health and wellness complex discussed at fiscal court meeting Tuesday

The proposed Health and Wellness Complex was once again up for discussion at the regular meeting of the Rockcastle Co. Fiscal Court Tuesday,

Williams in town

David Williams, candidate for Governor, will be in Mt. Vernon on Monday, October 17th at 1:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor conference room at the courthouse.

Debt relief scam alert

The Mt. Vernon Police Department says it has identified a debt relief scam.

Citizens are asked to be wary of an advertisement placed in the Banner for Family First Debt Relief and Loans. The ad (Cont. to A5)

along with a request by Constable Richard Dean for compensation from the court for constables.

District Four Constable Richard Dean told the court that constables were not receiving the correct compensation for arrests fees or serving summons, etc., a matter he was told was out of the court's jurisdiction, and that the expenses of the office were such that they

Blood Drive October 20th

A blood drive through the Central Kentucky Blood Center will be held next Thursday, October 20th, from 3-7 p.m. at the Brodhead Baptist Church fellowship hall.

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

needed compensation from the court. "Why doesn't the fiscal court want constables to receive any compensation for their work?" Dean asked the court.

Dean said that he had spoken with other constables from across the state and he felt that 75% of them received some compensation from their county government.

County Judge/Execu-

tive Buzz Carloftis responded that, while the county certainly appreciated what constables in the county add to law enforcement, for "legal reasons" the county was unable to furnish any compensation.

Carloftis said he had checked with the state Department of Local Government and the At-

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cleftRock to hold Pastors' Breakfast

By: Sara Coguer

cleftRock, the missionary and pastor retreat center in Mt. Vernon, will be hosting a free pastors' breakfast on Saturday, October 22 from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. The event is one of the ways cleftRock's new direc-

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Widening of "the worst road in Rockcastle County" as it has come to be known has begun. Workers for Carpenter's Custom Bulldozing were busy last week laying down a drain pipe for Lambert Road in the northern end of the county, as well as taking out a row of trees in order to widen and ditch the road. Construction is being done on the last mile of the road and, according to County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis, the entire three miles of the road will be completed as new bids are let. However, Carloftis said that the road will not be paved until next Spring since Greer Brothers will be wrapping up their paving season in the county within the next two weeks.

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Ramblings . . .

by:
Sara Anderkin Coguer,
Editor



I have reached a new low in my life. As I sat at the office last Thursday morning, in wonderful, peaceful, solitary confinement, I picked up a magazine off mom's desk because there was a very good looking man on the front cover - Antonio Banderas.

Sadly, he is gracing the cover of AARP magazine. Pitiful for me, I read the thing from cover to cover. Even more difficult to believe, I could relate to several of the articles and found out some very interesting stuff. Did you know that Emilio Estevez, whom I have loved (as an actor, of course) for a very long time has a 19-year-old son?

What does this say about me? I was just coming to the conclusion that morning, as I was walking out of the middle school about 8:30, that sleep is overrated, and then I sit and read an AARP magazine from cover to cover.

Now, if you know me very well at all, you know my conclusion about sleep is a profound statement. I don't know if I have ever mentioned my family's running joke about how much I have slept my life away, (haha), but I have always enjoyed sleeping.

When I was younger, it was because I needed my beauty sleep. As I have aged, I have needed all the extra sleep for two reasons: 1) you just don't know how hard it is to maintain this svelt 5'3", 40 lbs. of overweightness (is that a word?); and 2) I have "pretended" to sleep a lot so my kids wouldn't aggravate me, but then I really would fall asleep, and I needed it all every chance I got to just keep up with my life.

Now that I have hit 40 though, when I sleep too much I feel awful. Why is that? I will have to explore this new and foreign concept.

Jason, Paige, Spencer and I have started Weight Watchers again. We have been inspired by our buddy Regina Lay, who has been doing Weight Watchers for a couple of months and wow - she looks good.

I have to admit my first week wasn't a rousing success even though I did lose weight. I'm pretty sure I ate

all of mine and Jason's points.

I definitely have done better this second week, but I know I am going to have to get off my lazy butt and actually exercise if I want to really lose weight.

Paige and I decided last week that we would walk in the Bittersweet 2 Mile Walk last Saturday, so we trained on Tuesday. Literally. We almost walked two miles out at the track, but had to call it quits because of time restraints. Ain't that life?

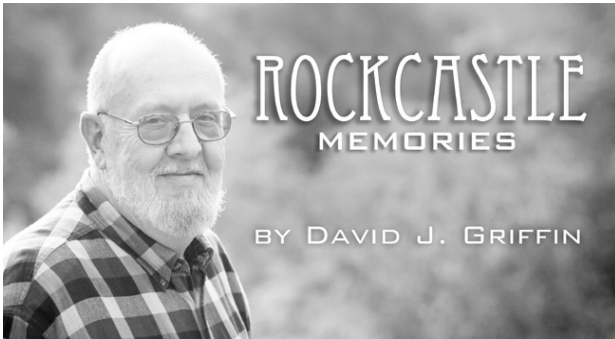
Needless to say, bigger and brighter lights attracted Paige out of town Friday and Saturday and I wasn't about to walk it alone, so I didn't walk it at all. I showed her.

I really need to run, as I see people my age who run and look really good, and one part of me really wants to look like them. I can just tell they feel good. Of course, the other part of me doesn't understand why I just can't be fat and happy.

I told Jason that I would start running when he bought me this t-shirt I saw at a shoe store that said, "running sucks." He hasn't bought me the t-shirt yet, so I think I will wait him out.

Maybe next month's issue of AARP will have an article in it about how to get started running when you are already too old for it to make much of a difference. Maybe I will secretly read it and get inspired.

Have a safe and blessed week.



Fire Destroys Home Place

While recently on vacation on Chincoteague Island in Northeast Virginia, I received an email on my iPhone from my brother Al in Mt. Vernon. His message was regarding our old home place in the Pine Ridge section of Rockcastle County. I noticed that the message was quite lengthy so I sat down on the beach and began to read: "When I picked up the Signal this morning I saw something on the front page that gave me quite a start. The story continued, '...an unoccupied home on Davis Lane was destroyed by fire last Sunday night.' The fire destroyed Pop's old home place."

Al and his wife, Eva, later drove up to the site in order to view the partial remains of the building. He noted that the wall where Pop had his big Warm Morning stove was still standing and commented, "We saw the room where Pop had his stove for over a century. The room where Bee's bedroom was located was still standing. By the time I got home from visiting the scene, I was so depressed that I wasn't worth much."

After reading the details of the email, tears were streaming down my face. All I could do was stare at the ocean and remember the years that I called that old house my home. My mother

(Bee) and I had moved in with my grandparents soon after she and my Dad divorced. I was probably six or seven years old. My young life revolved in and around that dwelling for the next ten years, until I left Mt. Vernon for college life at the University of Kentucky.

Pop's house was the gathering place for our family for all holidays and weekends when we came home to visit for many years thereafter. Bee lived there for approximately twenty years until she moved to Lexington after the death of her parents. Even then, when we came back to Mt. Vernon to spend time with relatives and friends, I always drove up the mountain to check on the "home place."

Every visit brought back different memories of that old mountain-top farm. Each time (in my mind) I could see Pop walking around in his yard or garden with his flannel shirt and overall pants. His red hankie was still hanging out of his rear pocket, and his flannel hat was on his head. Mommie Katie was there, too. She was usually in the yard tending her flowers, her bonnet was on her head, and her apron was around her waist. Together, they maintained a home and yard that was well-kept and inviting to all visitors - and there were many.

The feeling of sadness and loss constantly were on my mind during my vacation. I could not help but digress to the "living" that my family had experienced in that little old house. I also remembered the values that I learned from the wise adults who shared every aspect of my life there. I will often remember the countless hours of fun and the positive and profound learn-

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Points East

By Ike Adams



I am pretty sure that the best thing about living in the village of Paint Lick is that we all feel like one big family. There may be some better reason, but nothing comes to mind because it always boils down to this family thing. And I feel pretty sure that I know how and why a few hundred people got in this family way.

Her name was Dean Cornett and she has been buried for ten year or so, but she is probably more alive right now that when she nursed and mothered our community center, Friends of Paint Lick (FOPL) into being. And jelled us into a real community.

We just celebrated our annual fall festival on October 1. I think it was number 25 and Hal Davis, an artist from Hanover, Indiana, unveiled a painting of Dean looking pretty much the way she did when I first met her in the early 1980's. The portrait is so lifelike that everyone in the room gasped before offering a rousing round of applause.

Hal and his lovely wife, Yvonne, are so taken with Paint Lick that they are planning to move here and start

a community arts program. Dean would be oh so proud. The Davis's were travelling west on 52, stopped in at FOPL on a whim to make use of the necessary room and now plan to become our latest community asset.

The Paint Lick Family Clinic our "couldn't live without it" medical facility was started by a young Doctor, (John Belanger) who dropped in on a whim, was strong armed by Dean, and convinced that he was an answer to her prayers. The clinic provides low-cost health care to families who have no health insurance and is operating at capacity.

The FOPL building currently houses a library, a classroom, a computer lab, a clothing/household goods bank and an exercise room and it is completely run by volunteers. Just barely enough Operating cash seems to come in through donations when it is needed. We also have raffles when we have festivals in spring, fall and at Christmas.

It would take the rest of the space in this column to list the programs that have been initiated through FOPL. The more notable

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The Roots of Rockcastle

by: Tonya J. Cook



The Hidden Landmarks of Rockcastle County

A few days ago, Vera Mae Houston, who made Rockcastle County her home since she was about two years old, shared with us how she grew up here; about her family and their experiences. During her life here, she has seen many of the local landmarks, many of which are no longer in existence.

She as listed several noteworthy sites all over the

county. The first noted site is in the Red Hill area. It is what is known as the "Big Bear Track Rock". She says the bear tracks are visible in the rock. I find this particularly interesting as the prints had to have been put there when the rock was very young, thousands of years ago.

This area is known for its many caves. Some of the caves Verna Mae notes are the Big Hill Cave, Baker's Cave, the Mark Willis Cave, and of course the Great Saltpetre Cave.

The Big Hill Cave is located near the railroad tracks in Mount Vernon. The cave was closed when a man was killed there. The Baker's Cave and the Mark Willis Cave are located near the Great Saltpetre Cave. They are big caves and some "rooms" are believed to be undiscovered.

Another point of interest is the namesake for the county, the "Castle Rock". The rock is located south of

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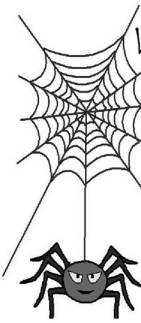
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Obituaries

Howard "Tom" Moore, Jr.

Howard "Tom" Moore, Jr., 56, of Brodhead, died Saturday, October 8th, 2011 at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, TN. He was born in Stanford, on January 5, 1955, a son of Betty DeBoard Moore and the late Howard Moore, Sr. On September 17, 1977 Howard married Doris Nicely and from that union came one child Kristi. He was a United States Army veteran and a 10 year maintenance employee of Hitachi. He enjoyed motorcycles, four-wheeling, farming and his dogs.

He is survived by: his wife, Doris Nicely Moore of Brodhead; his daughter, Kristi Moore of Lexington; his mother, Betty DeBoard Moore of Brodhead; his sister, Sue Moore of Brodhead; his brother, Rick (Mary) Moore of Brodhead; his niece, Angela Woodall; three nephews, Scotty Hopkins, Jason Moore and Ricky Dale Moore; his mother-in-law, Norma Nicely; two brother-in-laws, Earl Wayne Nicely and Carlis (Sharon) Nicely; and a host of great nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 12th, 2011 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Randal Adams officiating. Interment was in the DeBoard Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Scotty Hopkins, Jason Moore, Jackie Woodall, Earl Wayne Nicely, Ricky Dale Moore and Chris Hensley.

Condolences can be sent at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Georgia Mae Chasteen

Georgia Mae Chasteen, 79, of Richmond, died Thursday at the Hospice Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born in Cartersville to the late Audie and Mae Bryant Robinson. She was a homemaker and a member of the Berea Gospel Tabernacle Church.

She is survived by: her husband, Ralph Chasteen; seven sons, Audie Michael (Brenda) Chasteen, Anthony Ralph Chasteen, Ronald Keith (Cathy) Chasteen, Roger Steven Chasteen, Jeffery Neal Chasteen, Donald Ray Chasteen and Jonathan Paul (Amy) Chasteen; one brother, Frank Robinson; four sisters, Katie Green, Betty Robinson, Louetta Williams and Virginia Ruth Conn; twelve grandchildren; and ten great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by: one sister, Nettie Moore; three brothers, Alfred, Lloyd and Wesley Robinson; and one grandson, Christopher Head.

Funeral services were held Sunday, October 9, 2011 at Lakes Funeral Home with Bro. Frank Foster and Bro. John Isaac officiating. Burial was in the Cartersville Cemetery.

Grandsons were active pallbearers.

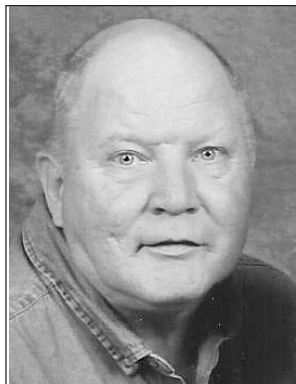
Condolences may be left at www.lakesfuneralhome.com

William Leonard DeBord

William Leonard DeBord, 78, of Somerset, died Monday, October 10, 2011 at the Lake Cumberland Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Illa Thompson DeBord.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, October 14th at 11 a.m. at the Dowell and Martin Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Fairview Cemetery at Willailla. Friends may call at the Dowell and Martin Funeral Home from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

A complete obituary will follow in next week's Signal.



Billy McClure

Billy McClure, 54, husband of Peggy, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, October 8th, 2011 at his residence. He was born on January 22, 1957 in Brodhead, a son of the late Oscar and Opal Howard McClure. On July 3, 1978 he was married to Peggy Nicely and from that union came one son, Kevin. He was a drywall finisher for 37 years, and a member of the Poplar Grove Baptist Church. He enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren.

He is survived by: his wife, Peggy Nicely McClure of Mt. Vernon, one; son, Kevin (Heather) McClure of Berea; two granddaughters, Haley and Ayley McClure of Berea; two brothers, Carl (Doris) McClure and Bobby McClure, all of Brodhead; and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he is preceded in death by: two brothers, Lester Ray McClure and Charles Edward McClure; and two sisters, Nola May McClure and Wanda McClure Woodall.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 11th, 2011 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Bro. James Nicely officiating. Burial was in the Maretburg Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Steve Zupancic, Michael Zupancic, J.J. Clark, Gary Nicely, Rick Smith and Jerry Gray.

Honorary casketbearers were: James Bullen, Paul Couldarn and Jack Noe.

Condolences can be sent www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

"Points East" (Cont. from A2)

ones include adult education where dozens of locals have studied for their high school equivalency diplomas. Eastern Kentucky University has offered over 60 college credit hours to more than a dozen residents.

Impromptu programs on basic health care and nutrition education come and go. My wife, Loretta and I, for example, recently taught a photography class that lasted several months.

There are, or have been, a host of programs for children such as Saturday story time and other recreational activities. Dozens of youngsters attend the wildly popular Christmas in the Village festival where they get to sit on Santa's lap and receive a bag full of presents.

But, as I said, I'm only scratching the surface here. I also said that operating funds just seem to happen, but they are scant at best.

So, if you have cash on your hands and want to support a great cause and help us continue to build our community, send a check to Friends of Paint Lick, PO Box 10, Paint Lick, KY 40461 and you will hear a sigh of relief and feel our gratitude. Visit our website: paintlickfriends.wordpress.com/

"Roots" (Cont. from A2)

Livingston on the Laurel County side. The rock is said to have come off the top of Cumberland Mountain which is above the Rockcastle River on old US 25. The rock is shaped like a castle, and was discovered by Dr. Thomas Walker in the second half of the 1700s. Some say that the "Castle Rock" fell from the mountain in the 1811 earthquake, but that theory is doubtful since the rock was discovered in the 1700s. In the crevices of the rock, it is said that there are chains and cannonballs from the Civil War that was fought

near there at Camp Wildcat.

Verna Mae goes on to say that the county should give some serious consideration to putting up a historical marker at the rock and perhaps a park. It sounds like a good idea to me.

Next week we will look again at some noteworthy sites in the county. None of the material in this article has been documented or researched by Tonya Cook.

Remember that I'm looking for good stories about the county, people and the events in their lives. I may be contacted at therootsofrockcastle@windstream.net.

"Memories" (Cont. from A2)

ing experiences that occurred during the time that I was living there. I even remember Al telling me that he was born in that house more than 75 years ago.

Whether there are any physical remains or not, my love for that "little old house on the hill" will always remain a part of who I am. My memories of our times there will always be joyful; they are a comfort to me on a continuing basis. It was the only home that I ever knew during my youth in Rockcastle County.

While driving back from Virginia, I was listening to Oldies on Channel 6 on my Sirius Radio when I heard the following song, as recorded by Gladys Knight and the Pips, called The Way We Were. And once again the memories of my home place came racing back to my mind and tears again began to well up in my eyes.

Listen to the words and you will understand.

"Hey, everybody's talkin' about the good old days, right
Everybody, the good old days, the good old days
Well, let's talk about the good old days
Come to think of it as, as bad as we think they are
these will become the good old days for our children, hum
Why don't we, ah
Try to remember that kind of September
When life was slow and oh,

so mellow, hum
Try to remember, and if you remember then follow
Oh, why does it seem the past is always better?
We look back and think
The winters were warmer
The grass was greener
The skies were bluer
And smiles were bright"
Can it be that it was all so simple then?
Or has time rewritten every line
And if we had the chance to do it all again
Tell me
Would we?
Could we?
Memories, light the corners of my mind
Misty watercolored memories
Of the way we were
Scattered pictures of the smiles we left behind
Smiles we gave one another
For the way we were.

Yes, I would do it all over again with such anticipation. There on that little mountain I learned from my mother, brother, friends and grandparents the most important aspects of my life. Without question, my life would have never been the same without the environment of "that little old house on the hill." It truly was a gift from the Lord, and I shall miss it until the day that I die.

(You can reach me at mtmnan@mis.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927 - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate each comment or suggestion.)

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Absolute Auction Of Mr. & Mrs. William Lloyd Thomas' 19.2 Acres in Tracts & Storage Building

Saturday, October 22nd at 1:30 p.m.

North Hwy 39 - Somerset



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Our Readers Write

Husband received very best care at Rockcastle Health and Rehab...

Dear Editor,
This is in response to the ad placed in the Signal on October 6, 2011 by a law firm.

My husband was a resident of Rockcastle Health and Rehab for two and a half years. He had COPE, Parkinson's and Dementia and was on oxygen.

I kept him at home as long as possible but, when I was unable to care for him any longer, I chose to place him at Rockcastle Health and Rehab. He received the very best care and they treated him like family.

I would always find him dry and clean and eating exactly what he wanted to eat. He had choices, unlike the "ad" portrayed. His personal care was great. He had a shower every day if he wanted it, he was shaved and his nails were cleaned.

I would have never dreamed of putting him anywhere else. This facility has always been about what's best for the residents.

Lucy Sturgill
Mt. Vernon

Care at RHRC was excellent...

Dear Editor,

Is there a perfect place anywhere? A place where there are no mistakes and no careless incidents? People are not perfect.

Having been a resident of Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center for therapy following a hip replacement surgery, I was cared for by competent therapy staff who worked with me diligently to enable me to perform the many

tasks required to become self sufficient so I could return home.

I found every staff member involved in my care to have a very positive attitude and genuinely care about my well being. Everyday family and friends were able to visit and be involved in my care. I can attest that as a former resident, the service at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center is most beneficial. I want to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to all the staff for their love and concern.

Sincerely,
Doris E. Wright

Father taken well care of...

Dear Editor,
After reading last week's advertisement from Wilkes & McHughes, I wanted to let everyone know my father, Everett Thomas, has been at Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center for four years and they have taken excellent care of him.

Barbara Bennett
Mt. Vernon

Kiwanis pumpkins bring Fall cheer...

Dear Editor,
A great big thank you goes to our local Kiwanis club for donating a truckload of pumpkins to the Bittersweet event!

Many kids and grown-ups painted and took home some of the pumpkins on Saturday, in the wonderful sunshine on Church Street.

Seniors from the Adult Day Care Center will paint the remaining pumpkins during their class at the Art Gallery and donate the painted pumpkins to the city for Halloween display. These pumpkins brought smiles to many.

Thanks again to Gertha Mink for her idea, to Lynn Tatum for her truck, to Irene for washing all the pumpkins, and to all Kiwanis members for their support.

Joanne Guilfoil
Janine Norman

Should there be county owned Health and Wellness (Recreation) Facilities as a potential benefit to both our youth and adult population??

Dear Editor,

I am asking that the "tax-paying citizens" look to the positive when asking this question and form their own opinion and do not look to the negative as some individual may constantly write with regard to most any expenditure of taxpayer dollars.

As the question was posed to me in a recent fiscal court meeting "the Mt. Vernon Signal has never published the Country Club is broke" which I followed that response in an ensuing discussion by saying that there have been meetings and discussions regarding the sale / purchase of the Cedar Rapids Recreation Center property. As I age, my memory does not serve me well as it once did so if there is such a great issue as to a statement published in the Mt. Vernon Signal anyone so concerned should maybe contact the Signalstaff directly to see what has been published or not. In fact one of the notices as referenced by an earlier letter to the Signal regarding the Cedar Rapids Recreation Center property I personally was familiar with as I was the author and pursued it for publication.

Now let's get to what the real question should be...If the fiscal court decides there should be Health and Wellness (Recreation) facilities within our county then where is the most logical property(s) for such (personally I am not in favor of spending \$1.3 million plus at this time for an entire parcel of properties)?? I feel that the fiscal court (the only body that has financial decision making authority for whether there will be such facilities....not the Recreation Task Force which has the same authority as any other individual in our county and that is to suggest and recommend) should make their decision based on which property(s) offer the best solution for these type facilities with regard to cost, already existing facilities, location, future development potential, etc. That only should be the focus!!

Respectfully,
Richard L. Bray
Mt. Vernon, KY

Rockcastle's property tax rate is lower than Pulaski County's...

Dear Editor:

Mr. Warren Berry's statement made in Tuesday's fiscal court meeting regarding property taxes - specifically, the comparison between Pulaski and Rockcastle counties, where he said Rockcastle's taxes are 16% higher - was not correct. Pulaski County's overall rate for all taxing districts is 7.45; Rockcastle's is 7.31. For example, a person whose property is valued at \$2,000 pays a total tax bill to all taxing entities of \$14.90 in Pulaski; in Rockcastle, taxes on that same property is \$14.62.

The County of Rockcastle (the fiscal court that provides for roads, parks, support for fire departments, assistance to the sheriff's department and the county clerk's office, support for the jail, and all other responsibilities and obligations for local government) receives a whopping \$1.56 (one dollar, fifty-six cents) from that taxpayer per year. It is unfortunate that many people (now including Mr. Berry) actively spread the erroneous information that Rockcastle County's taxes are outrageously high com-

pared to Pulaski's and other counties.

It simply isn't true.
Respectfully,
Buzz Carloftis
County Judge-Executive

Shilega's letter was inaccurate...

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter in response to Michael Sheliga's very inaccurate letter published in last week's paper. Mr. Sheliga has a very bad habit of twisting facts to support his opposition to virtually everything that is proposed in this county.

Mr. Sheliga states that the Recreational Task Force recommended that the Fiscal Court buy the Country Club. This is absolutely a lie. I presented the Recreational Task Force's proposal and there was no mention of any of the three proposed sites in the presentation. The Task Force agreed to present three sites to the Fiscal Court and allow them to decide which site was most feasible. The Task Force gave the Fiscal Court three sites, one that included the Country Club and two that did not. It will be up to the Fiscal Court to decide if the Country Club is an asset to this county that is worth saving.

I hope every citizen will voice their opinion on this issue based on the facts and not on the false information being spread by some people.

This Task Force is made up of a cross section of citizens so yes some are members of the Country Club. Implying that no member of the Country Club should be on the Task Force would be like saying no coach could be on the Task Force because they might ask the Fiscal Court to build a ball field for their league.

Once the Task Force's official presentation was finished Judge Carloftis asked any of the Task Force members if they would like to speak. Several of the Task Force members gave their personal opinions and support for the project. Once they spoke then anyone else could speak, including Mr.

Sheliga. It is obvious that Mr. Sheliga feels that if you serve as a volunteer in this county then you must give up your right to your own personal opinion.

I will reiterate once again that the Task Force never recommended any single site to the Fiscal Court but instead gave the Court three options. The Fiscal Court will determine which option best suits the needs of the citizens of this county.

During the Fiscal Court meeting Mr. Sheliga called me a "used car salesman". It is highly offensive to me when someone that I have never met and does not know anything about me attacks me personally. It is one thing to take a position on this project based on its merits but it is another thing to attack people personally that you do not even know.

I moved back to this county in 2008 and married my wonderful wife Dana. This is my home and I want this community to grow and prosper. I have no children living in the county but I have 7 nieces and nephews. I am serving on this Task Force for one reason and that is so each of them have the opportunity to enjoy the things that I did not have as a child growing up in this county.

I want to thank each person in this county who has supported this project and asked that you continue to show support for the future of this county.

Sam Hamilton

Thanks to everyone

Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank many who made our Bittersweet Festival experience a success. First of all, thanks to the City of Mt. Vernon for sponsoring the Bittersweet Festival while expanding the scope to include the Church Street district and the arts initiative in Mt. Vernon. We anticipate further growth and participation in years to come. In addition to the support of the city, we would like to thank the Kiwanis for sponsoring the pumpkin painting activity by providing the pump-

kins. Many of these painted pumpkins will appear as fall decorations on Main Street.

A very unique experience and opportunity was provided on the court house lawn this year. Thanks to the initiative of a Leadership Rockcastle project, complimentary coffee and baked goods were provided at the "Court House Cafe" to festival goers while allowing an atmosphere for relaxing in the courtyard of the Rockcastle County court house. Thanks to Leadership Rockcastle participant, Sherry Holbrook with the assistance of Rockcastle Adult Day Health and Senior Citizen participants who provided and prepared all of the baked goods. Thanks to Pam Burdette and Pizza Hut for the provision of coffee, condiments and all paper goods for this special experience. A very special thank you also goes out to Pizza Hut manager Pam Burdette and Lynn Tatum of the Rockcastle County Development Board for forming a team to orchestrate and facilitate the activity throughout the entire festival. They both worked tirelessly to host this event and serve the public complimentary coffee and baked goods during the time the festival was in progress. Lynn was also assisted by a group of volunteer citizens in the city who helped to paint signs for the cafe and to clean pumpkins in preparation for painting.

Donations were accepted at the "Court House Cafe" and are intended to be used to provide funding for Church Street Art Gallery & Studio to offer art classes to individuals in our local community who may otherwise be unable to afford such an opportunity.

Again, we appreciate each and everyone who worked diligently to promote arts in our community and to those who regard the Church Street district as a viable inclusion in the Bittersweet Festival.

Sincerely,
Janine Norman
Joanne Guilfoil
Church Street Art Gallery & Studio

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or at the Health Department, 216 Boggs Lane, Richmond or at MEPCO Home Health, 920 Richmond Road, Irvine. Applications for these positions are accepted on a continuous basis and must include a copy of transcript. Resume will not substitute for completed application.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kirby have purchased other property and will soon be moving. Therefore, they have contracted our firm to sell their property for the absolute high dollar.

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“Board”

(Cont. from front)

All three processes have their pros and cons, the primary con being the financial consideration of hiring a search team or attorney, and the con of doing it themselves being the “appearance of myself (Superintendent Hammond) being involved in the selection,” Hammond said, “which I don’t want.”

The process for hiring a superintendent can be a lengthy one, but the board has ample time to have someone in place to begin July 1, 2012. Hammond told the board that “usually, the position is posted for about three months, to give candidates time to make sure that they want to take on the responsibilities of a superintendent, before they apply.”

The board does not have to post the job for three months, however, the minimum posting time is 30 days, but the board is going to think about all of their options and get back together in two weeks to begin.

Besides advertising and posting the position, the board also must create a screening committee made up of two teachers, one board member, one principal, one parent and one classified employee. This committee will have the responsibility of screening all the candidates that apply, employing any reasonable means it chooses to screen the candidates, reporting its recommendations to the board by a prescribed date and considering additional responsibilities as assigned by the board.

After the screening committee has given their recommendation to the board, the board may take that recommendation and hire that candidate or the board has a right to appoint a different superintendent than what the committee has recommended.

The board will meet again October 27th to begin the hiring process.

In other business, Instructional Supervisor David Pensol asked the board to approve the creation of an Academic Specialist position for a new Gear Up grant. The district learned earlier this month that they had received a new grant through Gear Up, which is a federally funded program to help districts provide extra academic support for a group of students, from the 6th and 7th grades at RCMS.

The grant provides for the academic specialist to help those students with academic advising, tutoring, long range planning and development through their first year of college.

The position has been designated a certified position, meaning the person that gets it has to have a teaching certificate. Their pay will be commiserate with the district’s salary schedule for teachers, and they will work a 200 day contract.

All pending school trips were approved, as well as family and medical leave requests for Tammy Miller and Dianna Bradley.

The board also approved the financial statement for October, which included the purchase of three new 66 passenger International school buses at a cost of \$261,108.

The board approved Hammond’s personnel action, which included the hiring of Tara Brown as a new science teacher at RCHS. The position became vacant due to the resignation of teacher Mick Miller.

Six new substitute teachers were hired including Michelle Martin, Sabrina Stephens, Kimberly Shaffer, Wendy Stewart, Polly Abney and Heather Shepherd.

In classified personnel action, Kelli Loudermilk was hired for the new Instructor III position with the Adult Education program and Nikki Chasteen,

Chassity Wilkerson, and Sarah McKinney were hired as substitute instructional assistants. Jessica Pfeiffer and Virginia Todd were hired as substitute bus monitor and Todd, along with Retha Bussell, and Deanna Crank were hired as substitute cook/baker. The board also approved the resignation of Christy Harper as a bus monitor.

“Court”

(Cont. from front)

torney General’s office and their opinion was that if the court “provided any payment to constables they could get into a situation where the court would become liable for the constables’ actions.”

When asked for his opinion, County Attorney Billy Reynolds, while praising Dean’s assistance to his office, admitted that Carloftis was “on target” on the liability issue.

Michael Shilega gave the court an overview of recreation issues concerning costs of park systems in surrounding areas.

Warren Berry of the Wildie area spoke and cautioned the court about their “timing and speed” on deciding on the proposed health and wellness complex. Berry also pointed out that Rockcastle Countians are taxed “quite high,” citing that workers in the county pay 50% more in occupational tax than Pulaski County, 16% higher property tax, a 3% restaurant tax, higher auto insurance and that wages are lower. “Our educated kids are leaving and 25% of our population lives below the poverty line,” Berry said questioning the court’s priorities. “You should be looking at jobs,” he added.

The Wildie resident said he felt it would be better if the county considered smaller 15-20 parks in different parts of the county, questioning whether parents in outlying areas would be

able to drive their children to Mt. Vernon for activities at a health and wellness complex.

Berry also asked point blank if the court had discussed acquiring the country club.

Carloftis said that the court had never discussed acquiring the country club and, to Berry’s charge that the county should be considering jobs, Carloftis cited the court’s recent commitment of \$5.2 million to acquiring jobs in developing Industrial Park South and building a facility for SourceCorp. The judge also pointed out that in 2009, the court spent \$2.2 million on resurfacing roads in the county.

As to “rushing” to acquire a health and wellness complex, Carloftis pointed out that the task force had already been working on the project for 18 months.

In other action, the court approved the payment of \$5,000 for one acre of property for the newly organized Climax Fire Department on Climax Road.

According to Carloftis, James Ballinger, president of the fire department, said that a building, somewhat larger than the Pongo Fire Department building, could be bought for about a 1/3 of the cost of that building (\$90,000). However, the court took no action on that issue.

The court also approved a partial payment of \$10,000 to Carpenter’s Custom Bulldozing for work to date on Lambert Road.

Dale McNew with the Rockcastle Sheriff’s Department told the court that financial forecasts for the office indicated that there would be an estimated \$20,000 short fall for expenses of the department in December. McNew said it was a “heads up” to the court that financial assistance may be needed then.

McNew also asked the court for permission to amend the office’s budget and maximum salary to include \$10,000 in payment

from Rockcastle Hospital for the Sheriff’s office providing extra security at the facility through December of this year.

The court also approved a donation of \$1,200 to the Cub Scouts in the county; reduction of the speed limit on Paris Lane to 15 mph and payment of: \$4,933 to the state for auditing of the county clerk’s office; \$11,566 for auditing of the sheriff’s settlement and payment of \$1,411 to County Clerk Danetta Allen for preparation of tax bills.

“Breakfast”

(Cont. from front)

tors, Patrick and Sarah Longest, are using to connect with local congregations.

“We want to be good neighbors to the local community,” said Longest. “It is our opportunity to meet area pastors, to thank them for their work in the area, and to let them know that cleftRock is here to serve them.”

The pastor’s breakfast will begin with a home-cooked meal at the retreat center’s lodge, and will continue with a time of prayer, devotion, and worship. It will also serve as an opportunity for local church leaders to learn more about cleftRock’s ministry.

cleftRock was founded forty years ago by a group of missionary families who wanted to establish a missionary and pastor retreat center in Rockcastle County. It is located off State Road 1249 (Sand Springs Road), approximately 11 miles south of Mt. Vernon.

Throughout the year, missionaries, pastors, families, work teams, and other church groups visit and stay at cleftRock. As part of its ministry to pastors, missionaries, and their immediate families, cleftRock offers these guests two nights free lodging.

Learn more about the ministry at their website,

www.cleftRock.org, with information about its facilities, its mission, and the upcoming event.

Registration for the breakfast event is available online. Those interested in participating in the free breakfast event can also call cleftRock directly at 606-256-2336 or at 1-800-719-0600.

“Scam”

(Cont. from front)

vertisement ran September 7, 2011.

An 866 number is given, but authorities say that one person has already been scammed out of money. When Assistant Chief Barry Adams tried to contact the business, he was hung up on.

Afternoon of pickin’ at Hall of Fame

On Sunday, October 16th at 1 p.m. the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame will be having an afternoon of pickin’. Rockcastle County’s own “Southern Strings will be performing starting at 1 p.m. along with National Thumbpicking Champion Eddie Pennington, showcasing at 2 p.m..

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Gospel Singing
There will be a Gospel Singing at McNew Chapel Baptist Church on Cove Branch Road on Saturday night, October 15th at 7 o'clock featuring the Doug Roberts Band from Hyden. Pastor Jerry Ballinger and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

Singing at Union Chapel
There will be a Singing, Oct. 15th at 7 p.m., at Union Chapel Pentecostal Church which will be a fund-raising to help pay for blacktop and church repairs. All churches and gospel singers are invited. The church is located on Hwy. 1505 and Union Chapel Road, Brodhead. Pastor Ralph Reynolds and congregation invite you to come worship the Lord in song and spirit.

Revival
Liberty Baptist Church, Hwy. 328, will be in Revival Oct. 17-20 at 7 o'clock

nightly. Bro. Chad Burdette and Bro. Jason Young will be preaching.

Pastor Zandell Hasty and congregation welcome everyone.

Revival
Lighthouse Baptist Church, 1391 Gabbardtown Rd., Berea, will be in revival Mon., Oct. 24 - Fri., Oct. 28 at 7 o'clock nightly. Bro. Jimmy Logan from Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Rockhold, will be preaching and there will be special singing each night.

Philadelphia United Baptist Church Events
Schedule of events for Philadelphia United Baptist Church: **Oct. 29th:** Halloween Party for children at 6 p.m. with a hot dog and marshmallow roast.

Special Service/Hallelujah Party
Cupps Chapel Holiness Church on Copper Creek Road will be having a special service Friday, October 14th with the Praise Singers. Everyone is invited to attend.

The church will hold a Hallelujah party for all children. Come have snacks and play games. Begins at 6 p.m. Bro. Dewayne Carpenter and congregation invites everyone to attend.

Pastor Appreciation

With deepest love and appreciation to our dear pastor and his lovely wife, Bro. Tommy & Sharon Miller,

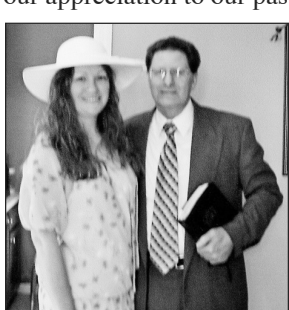


for 12 years of hard work and dedicated service to our church. Thank you so much for always being there to hear our concerns, for lifting us up in prayer, rejoicing with us when we are happy, crying with us when we are sad, standing by us when we need a friend, and for feeding our souls with the true word of God. We love you both very much and thank God for you always and pray He will continue to bless the work you do in His Son's name.

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To our pastor Bro. Odell and Sis Sharon Horn

The congregation of Fall Lick Pentecostal Holiness Church would love to show our appreciation to our pastor and his wife, Rev. Odell and Sis Sharon Horn. They have been the best pastor for our church for seven years. We really appreciate them for preaching and living the most Holy and Godly life before us. We greatly appreciate the sacrifice that they have made to make this the greatest church and greatest church family we could ever had. From the whole congregation, we love you both and love having you all as our pastor.



In Loving Memory



In Loving Memory of my Mom, Irene Bengé who would have been 84 on October 14th
Our Chain Was Broken June 10, 2011
We sorta knew that morning, that God was going to call your name
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide
And though we cannot see

you, you are always at our side
Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.
Mom, these past four months have been so hard, trying to go on without "You". I miss "You" so deeply! I really miss those "Good-Night" "I Love You's", but it won't be long until those "Hello's" will never end!
"Happy Birthday Mom"
I Love You!
Janie

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Card of Thanks

Louise Phillips
The family of Louise Phillips would like to extend our most heartfelt gratitude for the love and support shown to us during the passing of our Mom, and our boys' Granny.

Thank you to Rockcastle Ambulance Service and to Billy Dowell for your care and compassion the day of her passing.

Thank you to everyone who brought food to our homes, as well as to the Rocket Store, and for all the cards, gifts, flowers, phone calls, and expressions of sympathy. Most of all, we thank you for the prayers.

Blessings to Pastor Tim Hampton for presiding over the service, delivering such comforting words, and to the Hutton family for the beautiful music and songs.

To Lighthouse Assembly of God, we can never truly express how grateful we are for all you did providing our meal after the service, and for the kindness and support you gave our family.

Many thanks to the casket bearers for being there for us once again, in less than

a month. We love and appreciate each of you.

To Sparks Flowers & More--girls, you are simply amazing and we so appreciate the effort put forth to make sure everything was to our satisfaction. As before, the casket spray was beautiful!

Lastly, to Roy and Steve Martin, and the staff of Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, we simply cannot thank you enough for everything you've done for us the past month. We are truly blessed to have your service in the community, yet far more blessed to have you as friends.

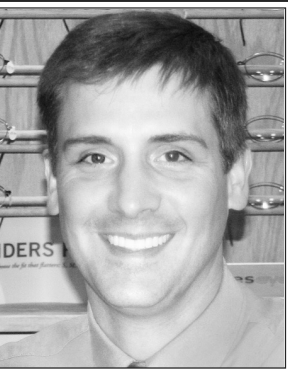
Having lost both our Mother and Grandmother in the same month, we have certainly experienced a trying time. However, without the love and support from our friends, as well as the community, we couldn't have dealt with the losses. We are so very grateful to you, and for the uplifting of us in prayer.

God bless each of you.
Tena and Joshua Mullins
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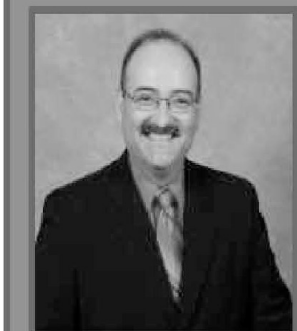
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Pastor, Central Baptist Church Corbin



Bro. Chad has served as Pastor at Central Baptist Church Corbin since February 2011 and is currently in the process of completing his Doctorate of Ministry.

He loves preaching the Word of God and is passionate about missions, having served on several international mission trips and is the current President of the KY Baptist Convention Pastor's Conference.



MUSIC EVANGELIST
Bro. Ron Green
Associate Pastor of Music & Worship,
Central Baptist Church Corbin

Bro. Ron, a graduate of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has been on staff at Central Baptist Corbin for 12 years.

While there, the Worship Choir has performed at many locations and annually presents an Easter pageant. Under Bro. Ron's direction, the Senior Adult Choir has been on several music mission trips.

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I Can Cope is a program taught by doctors, nurses, social workers, dietitians and other health care professionals that are experts in cancer care and is sponsored by the American Cancer Society and Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

It is free and open to anyone facing cancer – patients, family members and friends. The support group offers the opportunity to learn more about cancer and how to cope with the challenges a cancer diagnoses brings.

ROCKCASTLE REGIONAL HOSPITAL & RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER



Cub and boy scouts marched in Saturday's Bittersweet Festival parade, from left: parent Lori Smith, William Madden, Jake Smith, parent Austin Collins, Michael Madden, Ty Collins, Leader John Tyler, Eli Price and Benjamin Tyler.

Minds in the Middle

The first grading period ended on Thursday, October 6th. Parent teacher conferences will be on Thursday, October 12th from 3-6:00.

The RCMS Leadership Team is currently collecting donations for their Sharing Hope project. The teams are collecting tissues, toilet paper, and paper towels for the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge in Lexington. The Hope Lodge is a facility where cancer patients can stay with their families when they are receiving cancer treatments at UK. The facility is free to the patients and prevents the expense of hotel rooms, hospital stays, or long drives. They need everyone's help in this project!

Congratulations to Hannabeth Owens on finishing tied for 17th in the KHSAA State Golf Tournament. Hannabeth shot 83-80 and was the top 8th grade finisher for the tournament!

"Design Your Own Button" is being sponsored by the Art Club. Forms are located outside the art room. The cost of the button is only \$1. The Art Club will also be raffling off two tickets to UK's Big Blue Madness at the parent teacher conferences on Thursday. Chances to win are \$1 each or three chances for \$2.

Students will be receiving information about the annual Conservation Writing Contest sponsored by the Rockcastle County Conservation District. Entries must be submitted by December 1st. See your language arts teacher for more information.

Roundstone Elementary has received their yearbooks. Any student who was in the fifth grade at RES last year can purchase one from Ms. Cromer for \$8. You can buy those in the office before homeroom.

Congratulations to Mrs.

Wolfe's 7th grade Adventurers homeroom on winning the attendance race last week with 99.48%. Mr. McGuire's 7th grade Shooting Stars homeroom came in second place, followed by the 8th graders from Mr. Phillips' Challengers homeroom. Congratulations to our "Dash for Cash" winners who were rewarded for their attendance last Thursday. Michael Bennett, Jaran Woods, Jacob Sizemore, Carly Cromer, Victor Chasteen, and Tori Phillips were given five seconds to collect as many bills as possible. Winnings ranged up to \$30.

Order your 2011-12 yearbook before December 1st for the discounted price of \$30.00! We would also like to remind parents of 8th graders that you can purchase a "Best Wishes" ad for your child. A whole page ad is \$100, \$50 for a half page, \$35 for a quarter page, and \$25 for an eighth page. The deadline to purchase an ad is Nov. 18th.

The deadline for the first Box Tops collection incentive is October 20th. These can be found on a wide variety of products and earn money for our school. Team collection boxes are in the main lobby. You can earn five bonus Box Tops by registering with the website at www.rewardyourschool.com. Students can print proof of doing that and add it to their team's box. The website also has information about earning extra points by shopping at Kroger.

Eagle Echoes

Roundstone Elementary School is having a food drive from Monday, October 17th through Friday, October 21st. This food drive is sponsored by RES UNITE Clubs and AmeriCorps Make a Difference Day.

The food collected will go to the Family Resource Center's Backpack Program so students in need go home on the weekends with food. Each day we are collecting something different. Monday: fruit snacks, fruit roll ups, gummies; Tuesday: pudding/jello cups, applesauce; Wednesday: individual bags of pretzels, peanut butter crackers, cheez-its; Thursday: granola bars, pop tarts, small cereal boxes; Friday: juice boxes, caprisuns.

If you are able to donate anything please send it with your child to school or drop it off at RES.

Board of Elections to meet Friday

The county Board of Elections will meet on Friday, October 14th at 9:30 a.m. on the third floor of the courthouse for the purpose of inspecting voting machines to be used in the November 8th General Election. Any candidate, one representative from each party and the media may be present at the inspection of the machines. In order to be in compliance with state requirements all precinct election officers must attend election officer training Tuesday, November 1st at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria of RCMS.



The Bittersweet Cloggers performed throughout the weekend during the Bittersweet Festival last weekend. Clogging in the above photo were, from left: Mattie Miller, Amber Kelley, Susan Day, Darlene Singleton, Sherry Schloemer, Jean Robinson, Barbara DeChambeau, Barbara Bryant, Carolyn Collins, Alicia Bullock, Pam Rowe, and Janine Norman. Clogging in the bottom photo, front row from left: Gail Hardin, Casey Hardin, Sarah Pigg, Greg Schloemer, Kelly Anderkin. Middle row: Janine Norman, Sue Chesnut, Amy Gosser and Catherine Bryant. Back row: Barbara Bryant, Alicia Bullock, Pam Rowe, Olivia Hupp, Shari Proctor, Kayla Kwarciany, Paula Mink and Dayna Burns.



Kentucky Romp and Stomp Clogging group had a float during the Bittersweet parade on Saturday. Kendra Engle and Tiffany Hamilton carried the group's banner while above, Patience Cotton "played" the washboard, James Cornelius was on the guitar, while Nelson Kelley, Ginger Taylor and Kendra Hensley danced for the crowd.



Eddie Powell killed this rattlesnake June 25th on his farm at Red Hill. The snake was 40 inches long and had 12 rattles and a button.



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Farm Bureau Taking Fruit/Nut Orders

The Rockcastle County Farm Bureau is now taking orders for fruit and nuts until October 21st. Please call the Farm Bureau office at 256-2050 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Livingston Haunted House

Haunted House in Livingston begins Saturday, October 1st and will be open every Friday and Saturday in October. 7 to 7:30 will be a semi-guided tour and 8 p.m. to midnight there will be the "Full Scare" for adults only.

RCDB Meeting Notice

The Rockcastle Development Board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Renfro Valley Lodge Restaurant from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Halloween At the Park

Berea Parks and Recreation will hold the 9th Annual Halloween at the Park on Monday, October 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Berea City Park. Activities will include trick or treating with local businesses, inflatable play equipment, games, walk around characters, fire truck rides, haunted hay rides and more. For children 12 and under - must be accompanied by an adult. All 859-986-9402 for more info.

Chili Supper Fundraiser

The 2011 Chili Supper Fundraiser, to benefit Madison County Special Olympics, will be held Nov. 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Russel Acton Folk Center in Berea. A silent auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. For advance tickets or more info, call 859-986-9402.

Retired Teachers Meeting

There will be a Rockcastle Retired Teachers meeting at Renfro Valley Lodge on Wednesday, October 19th at 11 a.m.

Red Ribbon Week

Rock Your Red Day will be held Friday, October 21st. The event will kick-off Red Ribbon Week, a national event to raise awareness of substance abuse. On Friday everyone in the county is asked to wear red. The event is being sponsored by the Rockcastle UNITE Coalition and the UNITE clubs in the schools.

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Owens finishes 17th in state; top eighth grader

By: Sara Coguer

RCCHS golfer and 8th grader Hannabeth Owens finished 17th in the KHSAA girls state golf tournament held in Bowling Green last weekend.

Owens shot an 83 on Friday which tied her for 22nd place after the first day. She made the cut for the final round of play by three strokes.

A rough first nine for Owens landed her eight over par, but five pars and a birdie on the back nine helped Owens finish with an 83 for the day, good enough to make the cut by three strokes.

On Saturday, Owens shot an 80, and moved up into a

tie for 17th place for the tournament. She was the only eighth grader to finish in the top 20.

Owens started the day Saturday with a bogey on the first hole, but made up ground quickly with a par and two birdies to get back to even through the fourth hole. Pars on holes thirteen through seventeen gave Owens a final score of 80 for the second round.

All 9th region individual players, including Owens, made the cut to play on Saturday, and the two teams from the 9th region finished third and tenth.

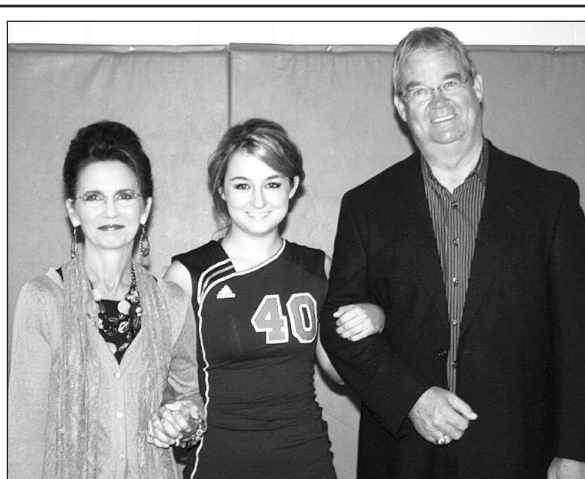
Owens is the daughter of David and Detrina Owens of Copper Creek.



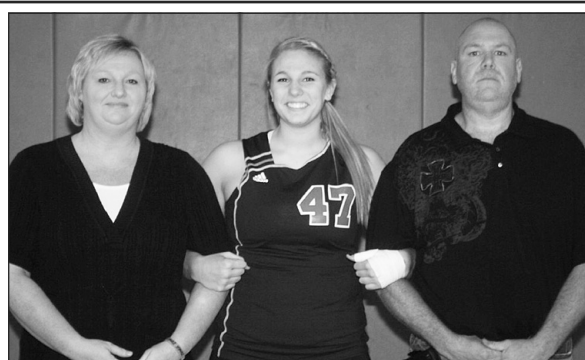
RCCHS golfer Hannabeth Owens



Junior Hannah Bullock goes for the kill in Thursday night's win over Danville.



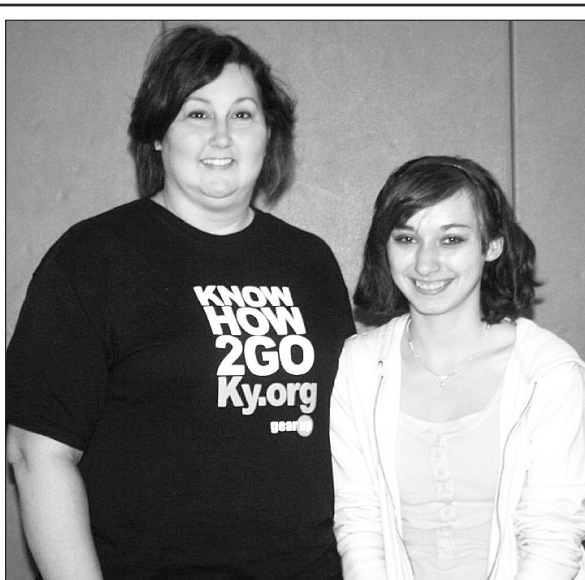
The Rockcastle County High School volleyball team recognized the senior players and their parents last Thursday night. Above, senior Alexandra Martin is shown with her parents Pamela and Roy Martin.



Senior Carly Winstead with her parents Carol and Pat Winstead.



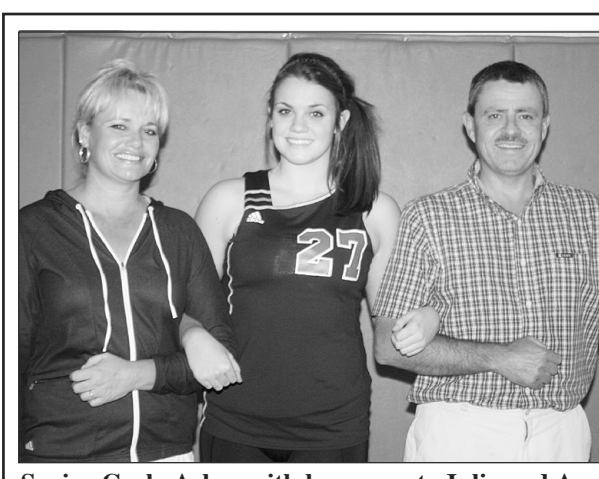
Senior Kayla Lay with her parents Robin and Brian Lay.



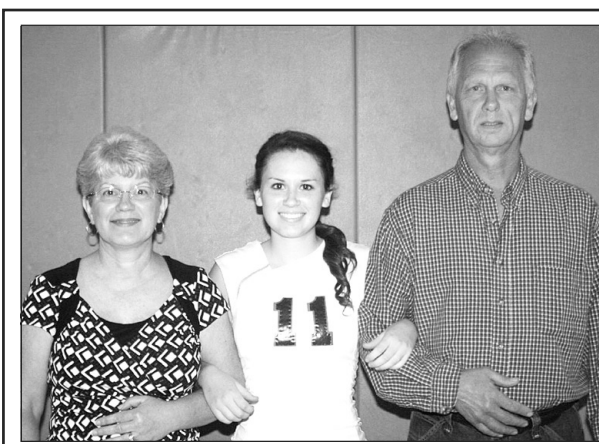
Senior Brianna Copenhaver was escorted by Beth Eaton. Her parents are James and Julie Copenhaver.



Carly Winstead, left, and Alexandra Martin were named to the 47th District Volleyball All-Tournament team.



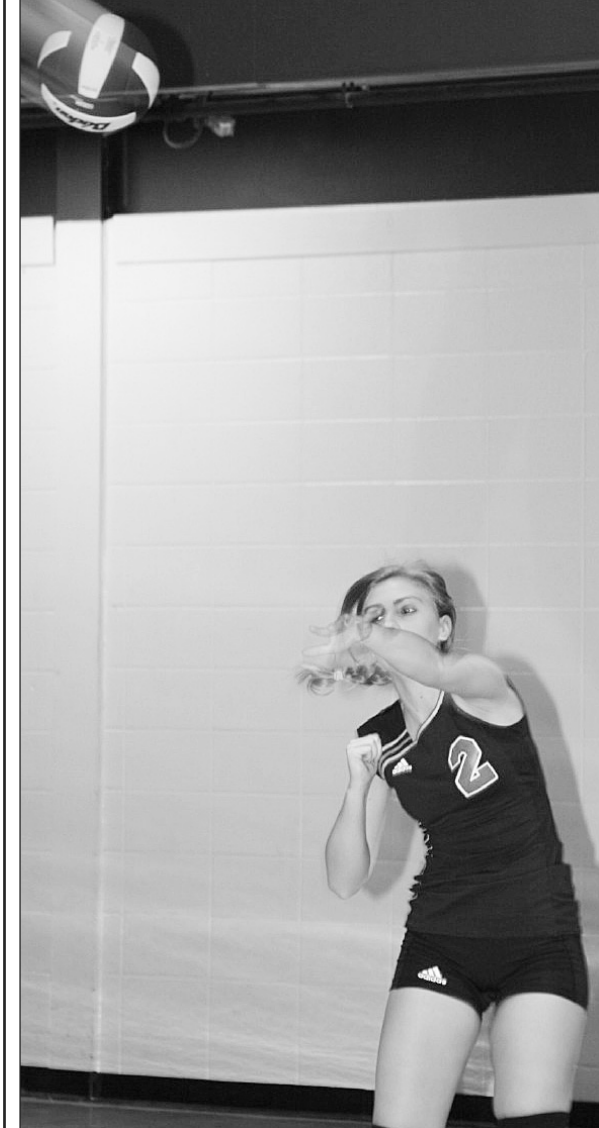
Senior Carly Asher with her parents Julie and Anthony Asher.



Senior Casey Hunt with her parents Carolyn and Hal Hunt.



Senior Courtnie Smith with her parents Lori and Jeff Smith.



Senior Kayla Lay serves the ball for the Rockets in their win over Danville last Thursday night. The Rockets played in first round district action Monday night against Pulaski County, losing in two games 25-20 and 25-12.

Mt. Vernon Message

School News

MVES students will be featured on the WRVK Know Your Schools Segment on Saturday, October 15th at 8:45 a.m. Please tune in to hear what's going on at MVES!

All cans will be collected by Family Resource Center and AmeriCorps

Pizza party awarded to the homeroom donating the most ounces. For more information contact: Regina Hull-Brown or Sonya Prewitt Parker at 256-5173

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 13 from 4:00 until 6:00. Check your child's folder/backpack for more details.

MVES FRC News

FRC/AmeriCorps World Hunger "Beef Stew Drive" begins on Monday, October 17th and ends on Friday, October 21st. All donations are appreciated and donated to local families in need.

RCMS 8th grade girls basketball photos will appear in next week's Signal



UPWARD BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS

Everyone must attend one basketball evaluation. They take place as follows:

First Baptist Church (340 West Main St. Mt. Vernon)

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Boys & Girls
Tuesday, October 25, between 5:30pm and 7pm
Saturday, November 5, between 10:00am and 11:30am

4th through 6th Grade Girls

Tuesday, October 25, between 7:30pm and 9pm
Saturday, November 5, between 12:00pm and 1:30pm

Bible Baptist Church (100 Higher Ground Ln. Mt. Vernon)

2nd and 3rd Grade Boys & Girls
Tuesday, October 25, between 5:30pm and 7pm
Saturday, November 5, between 10:00am and 11:30am

4th through 6th Grade Boys

Tuesday, October 25, between 7:30pm and 9pm
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For more information you may contact First Baptist Church at 256-2922 or basketball directors Neil Bray 606-308-3632 and Darren Allen 256-2071

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Task force process long and arduous for members

Editors Note: This is the continuation to last week's task force story.

By: Sam Hamilton
 Recreation and Wellness Task Force Co-Chairman
 One of the biggest factors that determine where companies locate is the quality of the recreation and wellness facilities in the proposed location. One person compared the potential cost of land acquisition to the cost of a city park. This is not a city park and if you compare it to similar facilities in surrounding counties we are very comparable.

Many rumors have been started about this project and its intentions. This task force set some early goals for developing the Complex.

First and foremost it must be centralized so all citizens

could use it. It must also have a regionalized appeal so that we could entice visitors from other counties to use our facilities. It must address the long range needs of all citizens and not just a few. It must address the recreation and wellness needs of the county and augment the existing facilities of other organizations such as the hospital and the school system. Last but not least it must improve the quality of life for all citizens.

The Task Force did not have a goal to save the "country club". The Task Force has spent the last 18 months identifying sites that might be suitable for the proposed facilities. The Task Force started with 15 proposed sights and through much discussion, research

and fact finding narrowed the locations down to three. One of these three locations does include the country club and some surrounding property. The Task Force decided in their last meeting to present all three sites to the Fiscal Court and allow them to determine which property best suited the needs of the county. The Task Force's presentation did not address any sites in the public session because as Claretta Hodges stated in her letter to the editor the first step should be to determine if the Complex is needed and wanted. The task Force's goal was to show the Fiscal Court that we had the support of the taxpayers for this project. We had letters from 3 mayors, RCIDA, Tourism, Chamber of Commerce, Board of Education, Sports leagues, UNITE Chairman, Coaches, Principals, and many others. We also had almost 600 surveys that represented a large portion of the community that asked for the Complex along with over 100 emails. At the meeting everyone had a chance to speak along with the members of the Task Force.

Some Task Force members chose to speak and present their own personal views on this project. They have that right just like any other individual who attended the meeting. Some of them spoke in support of individual sites. That was their right as individuals. The Task Force presentation in the closed session presented three sites along with the pros and cons of each site. The Task Force did not recommend any site to the Fiscal Court.

We must be fiscally responsible with the tax dollars of this county and the first step is to determine if we need this project or not. If we decide it is needed then we must decide which site best suits the proposed Complex and negotiate the best deal that we can for that property. We must make our site selection on suitability of the location and not allow cost to influence us into picking an inferior site. This decision will determine capabilities for the next 30 years. These facilities can be built in many phases over the next 20 years, but the one thing you cannot do in phases is land acquisition. Enough land must be purchased for the entire Complex; otherwise you run the risk of either being landlocked in the future or land owners inflating their property because they know you have to have it to build the next phase of the Complex. This is the most critical decision of the entire project and could determine the future success of this Complex.



The RCMS football team held their 8th grade night ceremonies last Thursday. In the above photo is John Harris, escorted by his parents, John and Ann Harris and his sister Faith.



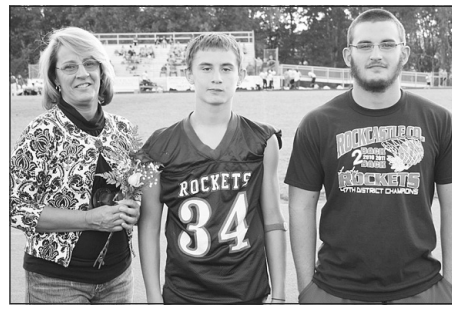
Dalton Cole is the son of Lucy and David Cole and was escorted by his sister Angel Smith.



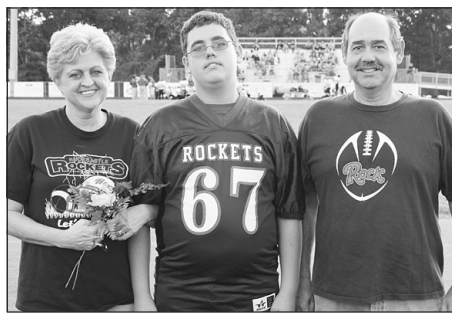
Justin Himes was escorted by his parents Jimmy and Suzette McCoy.



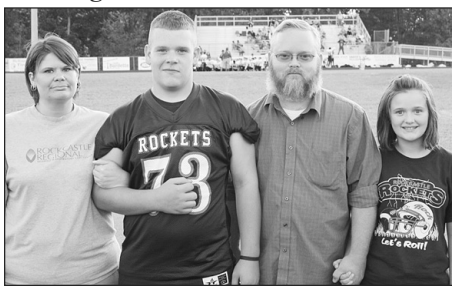
Caleb Dillingham was escorted by his parents Samantha Shaffer and Tim Dillingham.



Dylan Rowe is the son of Steve Rowe and Pamela Rowe. He was escorted by his mother and brother Clarke.



John David Reddington was escorted by his parents Marilyn and Chris Reddington.



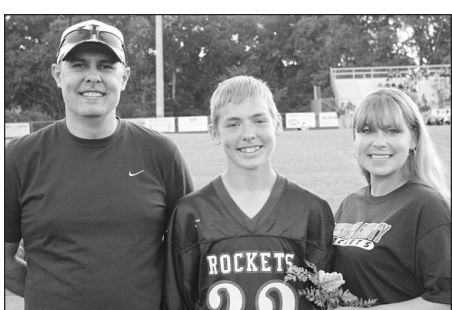
Lucas Carpenter was escorted by his parents Gail and David, and sister Haley.



Brad Wilson was escorted by his parents Jeannie and Rick Wilson.



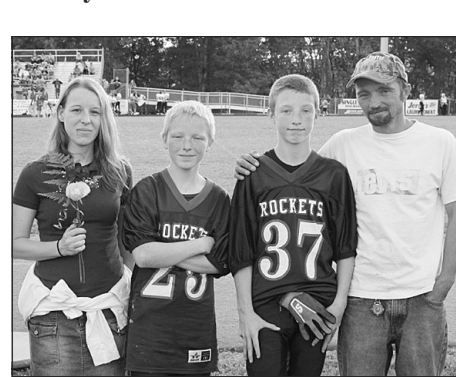
Bobby Prickett is the son of Grace Prickett and Robert Brown. He was escorted by Coach Stephen Carrera.



Sebastian McGuire was escorted by his parents, Stoney McGuire and Tammy Shaffer.



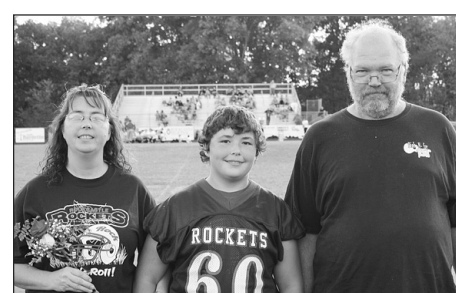
Tyler McCormick is the son of Lola and Clell Swinney. He was escorted by Tommy Johnson and Juanita Johnson.



Justin Lamb and Austin Lamb were escorted by their parents Brandy and Wayne Lamb.



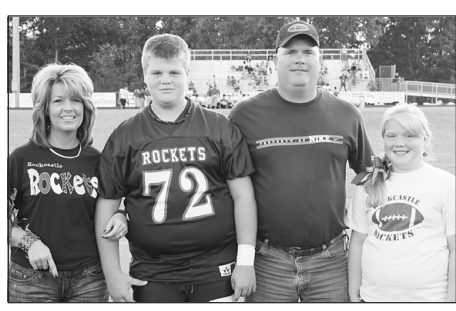
Bentley Collins is the son of Bentley Collins. He was escorted by Coach Dustin Bullock.



Garrett Baldwin was escorted by his parents Sharon and Terry Baldwin.



Brandon Randolph was escorted by his parents Sharon and Michael Ruwe.



Hunter Hines was escorted by his parents Angie and Ralph, and sister Hallie.



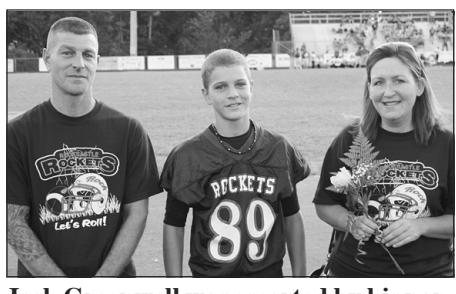
Logan Merritt is the son of Chad and Angie Merritt. He was escorted by his dad.



Dakota Baldwin was escorted by his parents Sandy and Scott Baldwin.



Levi Peterson is the son of Alex and Robin Peterson. He was escorted by his dad.



Josh Greenwell was escorted by his parents, Steve Greenwell and Jill St. John.



58th Wedding Anniversary

Andrew and Flossie McFerron would like to say thank you to Dr. Arvin and the nursing staff at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. Flossie recently spent two weeks in the hospital and is home doing a lot better. During her stay, she and Andrew celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary with a card and cake made for them by very special people that we take for granted. These people are the nurses at Rockcastle Regional. We just wanted to let you know that we appreciate everything you did for us. *God bless you! Andrew and Flossie McFerron and family.*

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A letter from Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation to the Rockcastle Community

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Recently, someone took out a full page newspaper ad saying some not-very-nice things about us. This is not the first time they've done it. In fact, they take out similar ads all around the country and make their money by playing on people's fears.

We know we aren't perfect. But we are honest and hardworking, and we are striving to get better. If we do something wrong, we pride ourselves on admitting it and saying "We're sorry."

I would personally like to invite you to come visit us and see the changes we're making at Rockcastle Health and Rehab. If you can't make it to our facility, we'd love to hear from you on our website at RockcastleHealth.com or via phone. My cell phone number is (606) 308-5813. You may even know someone who works at Rockcastle Health and Rehab. If you do, ask them what we're all about.

To our residents and their families, we want to say that we love you. If we've fallen short of your expectations in any way or done something to upset you, please know that we're sorry. And please feel free to contact me to schedule a time for us to talk. I promise you that we will try to make it right.

Taking care of your loved ones is a sacred duty, and we want you to know how seriously we take it.

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Second Section

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Scenes from the Bittersweet Festival



Over 70 vehicles registered for the Bittersweet Festival Cruise-In Car Show last Thursday night. Country Charlie Napier emceed the event.



Mt. Vernon Mayor Mike Bryant and his wife Carol hitched a ride with Ronnie Owens during Saturday's Bittersweet Festival parade.



Dylan Bullock, Jeremiah Blevins, Ellen Zumbrano, and Sandra Bullock rode atop a Pongo Volunteer Fire Department truck.



Retired school teacher Debbie Bugg participated in the Bittersweet Festival as a vendor doing her popular Mehndi Henna Body Art.



The Buccaneers cheerleaders and football players rode on a float during the parade.



Mt. Vernon Asst. Chief Barry Adams led the Bittersweet Parade from Mt. Vernon Elementary through Main Street Saturday afternoon. A large crowd was on hand for the three day event.



Maddie Ellis, Tiffany Fain and Megan Ellis helped work Bible Baptist Church's Kids For Christ booth during the festival.



Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash drove his John Deere ATV during Saturday's parade in Mt. Vernon.



Haylee Miller, Terry Miller and Morgan Miller drove their four wheeler in the parade.



Allison, Jerry and Roger Reynolds visited in front of Roger's vendor booth during the Bittersweet Festival. Roger specializes in hand made woodworking items.

News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Ky. Housing Corp. vs. Rebecca J. Richardson, \$71,979.29 plus claimed due.
 Joshua Lee Cromer vs. Amanda Lynn Settles Cromer, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Cabinet for Health and Family Services, ex rel Courtney Leeann Thomas vs. Eldon Newcomb, complaint for child support and medical support.
 Gary Andrew Bailey Pickle vs. Chelsea E. Pickle, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Ray Powers vs. Larry

Miller, verified complaint.
 Green Tree Servicing LLC vs. Susan Rae Culton, et al, \$64,539.44 plus claimed due.
 Misty Lakes vs. Gerard Lakes, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Douglas J. Leger vs. Robin Lynn Hood, et al, complaint.
 Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center vs. Heath Adams, \$5,990.39 plus claimed due.
 Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center vs. Jason Brock, \$19,882.12 plus claimed due.
 Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance Inc. vs. Arvil Clouse, \$69,713.56 plus claimed due.
 JP Morgan Chase Bank

vs. Randy Tankersley, et al, \$45,949.45 plus claimed due.

Marriage Licenses

Peggy Burton, 56, Mt. Vernon, disabled, to John Burton, 48, Mt. Vernon, mechanic. 9/30/11.
 Brianna Leanne Tillery, 17, Berea, student to Joseph Dewayne Parker, 20, Berea, student. 10/1/11.
 Brittany Nicole Perkins, 24, Brodhead, student to Cleston Reed Maxwell Saylor, 26, Brodhead, federal prison. 10/5/11.

Deeds Recorded

Robert F. and Lillian M. Ramsey, property on Copper Creek Road., to Joseph M. and Kimberly Ramsey. Tax \$100.
 Donald Dees, property on Hammond Fork Road, to Sylvia L. Crabtree. No tax.
 Walter and Christeen Cash, property in Brodhead, to Brodhead Baptist Church. Tax \$15.50.
 Birdsong, Inc., property in Mt. Vernon, to IEA, LLC. Tax \$18.

Signal Deadlines: Classified Advertising 10:00 a.m. Tuesday

News items Noon Tuesday

The stigma against mental illness

By: Tracie Sowder Cumberland River National Alliance for Mental Illness

Mental Illness is a chemical imbalance in the brain, but medicine does help.
 There are a lot of people who do not understand mental illness, especially family. There is a lot of stigma about mentally ill people.
 Stigma means being ashamed of somebody who has a mental illness, because of the way they are, because of the things they do, because of what they wear and just because they are different than other people. Period. Some family members do not want to include mentally ill people in things they do because they think they have to be watched or they are afraid they might be embarrassed but that is not right. Just because someone has a mental illness does not mean they are stupid and cannot do anything, it does not mean they should be treated like a little child and it does not mean they are retarded and mentally ill, although some people do not know the difference.
 There are some people who have mental illness who are very smart and there are some famous people who have had a mental illness. They are Winston Churchill, who was a Prime Minister, Vincent Van Gogh, a famous painter, Jane Pauley, a host of the Today Show and Patty Duke Aston,

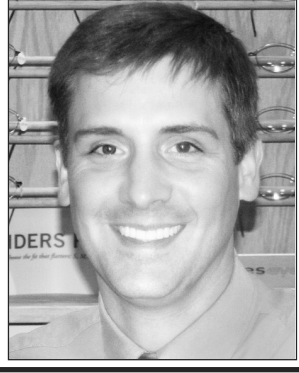
a movie star.
 Some people try to use, or try to take advantage of people who have a mental illness, which is very wrong. You should never, ever use anybody, regardless if they have a problem or not.
 Some mentally ill people, who live with their families find it hard to explain to them why they do the things they do, or why they think the way they do or why they feel the way they do. Some family members think they the mentally-ill do things for plain menace or that they are trying to aggravate somebody. Some people tell you that you need to try to help yourself but that is not right every time. I think that is a bad situation when somebody has a mental illness and they had a friend in the past with whom they did things in the past on a steady basis and you thought this friend understood your friend and that they accepted you the way you are but you find

that this friend just took advantage of you and now doesn't even act like you exist.
 Some people try to give you advance and try to tell you what you need to but unless you have a mental illness and have been in this situation and have experienced some of these feelings, then you will never know how they feel.
 People need love, hope, encouragement, acceptance, understanding, something to look forward to, to believe in, TLC and peace of mind, instead of being criticized, judged and found fault with.
 In my personal opinion, when a person has a mental illness, and they have a special someone in their life who loves and cares about them and accepts them just the way they are, then they are the lucky ones.
 I think that when God blesses two people like that, life is not just one sad tale all the time and life can be wonderful.

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The Redskins football team and cheerleaders rode on a float in the Bittersweet Festival parade.



Cindy King drove her 1931 Ford Woody through the parade. Her daughter Lauren and niece Kylee Fain threw candy to the crowd from the back of the vehicle.



The Wildcat football team rode on a float during Saturday's parade.



RCHS Y-Club members Abby Eaton, Aaron Adkisson, Hannah Eaton and John David Hurley rode in a float during Saturday's parade.



RCHS Homecoming King and Queen Jordan Kelley and Casey Hunt were driven through the parade by Perry Mink.



David and Barbara Bishop drove their GMC truck through the parade.

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HOMES FOR SALE



Private Country Setting with plenty of elbow room - This 2-story vinyl sided home features a LR, Kit, DR, 1 BR, 1 BA, and Utility room on the 1st floor and a FR, 3 BR, and 2 BA on the 2nd floor. Other amenities include: a 1-car attached garage, front porch, heat pump, central air, city water and septic system. Property is situated on 50 acres +/- . Call today for your appointment to view. \$259,000. M2680



Looking for good starter home or rental investment? This 2 BR, 2 BA mobile home is situated on an acre +/- might be just what you're looking for! Formerly used as a business, this property on Hwy. 25 consists of an over-sized garage with city water. \$37,900. M2653



In the Valley...Renfro Valley, that is! Located on US 25 (Richmond Road), this doublewide offers 1,450 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath. This property has been used as a business and has ample parking containing over 6/10 acre. The property has city water and sewer and is within walking distance to the Renfro Valley Entertainment complex. Priced at \$79,900. M2689



Lovely! This lovely brick home is located just 3 miles south of Mt. Vernon and has convenient access to I-75. The home consists of 3 BR, 2 BA, LR, DR/Kit combo, office and large laundry area. Situated on a 1.5 acre lot with barn, tool shed and gazebo for your enjoyment. \$110,000. M2663



Stop The Press!! This lovely home features a LR, DR, Kit, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA and utility room on the first floor. The second floor features 2 BR, Den, and 1 BA. Other amenities include a full basement with fireplace, two car attached garage with storage overhead, heat pump, central air, above ground pool, barn, city water and septic system all situated on 2 acres m/l. Call today for your appointment. M2657



Diamond in the Ruff! This 3 BR, 2 BA d/w home is situated on a permanent foundation on 2.93 acres. Lot is green and peaceful just waiting for you to call it home. Priced to sell at \$42,000. Call for appt. as home is currently rented. M2656



Spring is in the air! This home consists of 3-4 bedrooms, two baths, kitchen, dining room, city water and sewer. Central heat and air and KU utilities. Yard is fenced in and has a pool in back. Located on a dead end street and priced at \$84,900. M2643



Mini Farm!!! If you're looking for a nice home with a country setting, then this property is for you! This 3 BR, 1 BA, vinyl siding home is situated on 4 +/- acres and has a 2-car attached garage. Property includes a horse barn with 2 stalls and loft for hay. Other amenities include: central heat/air, partial basement, city water and much more. Only asking \$89,900. M2697



Picture Perfect! With a mountaintop view, this ranch style brick home is a beauty! Home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room with fireplace, family room and a utility room. There's a 2 car attached garage and a 2 car detached garage and shop. This property is close to Broadhead and is situated on 3 acres. Additional land is available. Owners are moving and are motivated to sell. M2623



A Bang for the Buck! This beautiful wood and brick sided home features a LR w/ f.p., Kit, DR, 1 BR and 1 BA on the first floor. Second floor features 2 BR and 2 BA. Basement features a Kit, FR w/ f.p., utility room, 1 BR, and 1 BA. Other amenities: 2-car detached garage with overhead storage, in-ground pool with privacy fence, gazebo, heat pump, central air, 2 decks, city water and septic system. \$199,900. M2676



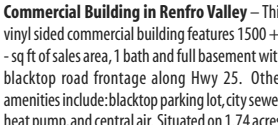
Convenient Location... is what this home offers being within minutes from the schools, grocery store and major highways. This charming, vinyl siding home consists of 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA, and is situated on a corner lot. Included is a partially finished, full basement with ample space to use as another bedroom. Amenities include: central h/a, city water, 1-car garage, and nice back porch. Priced at \$94,900. M2706



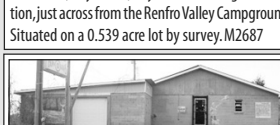
Commercial Building in Renfro Valley - This vinyl sided commercial building features 1500 +/- sq ft of sales area, 1 bath and full basement with blacktop road frontage along Hwy 25. Other amenities include: blacktop parking lot, city sewer, heat pump, and central air. Situated on 1.74 acres. If you're looking for a commercial building in Renfro Valley, then be sure to call today for an appointment to view this property. \$139,900. M2679



A Golden Location! Commercial Property! This vinyl sided 30x40 commercial building features an open sales area, restroom, covered metal carport, greenhouse frame, inventory, and equipment. Other amenities include blacktop parking lot, heat pump, central air, city water, city sewer and a great location, just across from the Renfro Valley Campground. Situated on a 0.539 acre lot by survey. M2687



For Sale or Lease! Only one mile out of Mt. Vernon, this commercial building with vault is ideal for any retail office. Includes outdoor shooting range. \$59,900. M2645



Business Right at Home - This home consists of 3 BR and 2 BA. Amenities include: jetted tub, central heat/air, gas logs fireplace. There's a huge garage that consists of approx. 3,400 sq. ft. with full kitchen, 2 half baths, and could be set-up with living quarters. All of this is situated on approx. 3 acres with a country view! Reduced due to health reasons to \$110,000. M2677

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Great Investment Opportunity! 19.138 acres overlooking Renfro Valley and joins the KOA campground. City water/sewer available. Lots of development potential. \$115,000. M2638



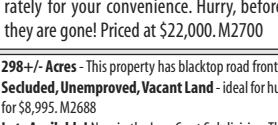
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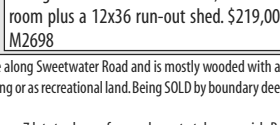
Heart of Renfro Valley! 1.43 acres of commercial property with 325 ft. of road frontage, two blacktop entrances, level lot, city sewer available, one mile north of I-75. Priced at \$99,000.00. M2642



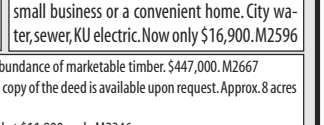
Make This Your Building Site! Measuring 73/100 of an acre, this lot features blacktop road frontage and city water available. Conveniently located close to Mt. Vernon but in the Brodhead School District. Whether you're looking for a "cheap" building site or good investment property, don't let this one get away. \$8,500. M2617



Subdivision Lots - Here's two, great, restricted subdivision lots located in Houston Point. The lots can be sold together or separately for your convenience. Hurry, before they are gone! Priced at \$22,000. M2700



Mini Horse Farm! This 15.6 mini horse farm is improved with a 60x60 barn with a 24x60 basement as well as a 24x60 attached equipment shed. There's also a training barn measuring 110x20 with washroom, tack/office room plus a 12x36 run-out shed. \$219,000. M2698



Reduced!!! This CORNER LOT could be yours for only \$16,900. Strategically located at corner of West Main Street and Hysinger Hollow Road, making it a prime heavy traffic location for a small business or a convenient home. City water, sewer, KU electric. Now only \$16,900. M2596

298 +/- Acres - This property has blacktop road frontage along Sweetwater Road and is mostly wooded with an abundance of marketable timber. \$447,000. M2667

Secured, Unemproved, Vacant Land - ideal for hunting or as recreational land. Being SOLD by boundary deed. A copy of the deed is available upon request. Approx. 8 acres for \$8,995. M2688

Lots Available! Now in the Lear Crest Subdivision. There are 7 lots to choose from so hurry to take your pick. Priced at \$11,900 each. M2346

REDUCED! 127 Acres more or less by the boundary! This 127 acres m/l is mostly wooded with some young timber. If you're looking for recreational land or simply a get-away, then be sure to call for your appointment today. Reduced to \$95,250. M2635

13 Acres overlooking Mt. Vernon on old US 25. Building sites - convenience. Priced at \$24,900. M2444

FUTURE AUCTIONS

Absolute Estate Auction of The Late Ms. Pauline Eaton's House and Lot Antiques ~ Furniture ~ Personal Property ~ Jewelry
Saturday, October 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.
150 Langdon Street, Mt. Vernon, KY

Absolute Auction of Ms. Geraldine Lovell's Mobile Home & Lot, Riding Mower & Personal Property
Saturday, October 15th at 1:30 p.m.
2018 Hwy 934, Somerset, Ky.

Absolute Auction of Mr. & Mrs. Arvel Kirby's Brick House & 30 Acres +/-, Garage, Barn, Tool Shed, Farm Equipment
Saturday, October 22nd at 10:00 a.m.
3138 Hurricane School Rd, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Absolute Estate Auction of The Late Oval Roy's 120 Acres +/- in Tracts, Tractor & Equipment
Saturday, October 15th at 10:30 a.m.
412 Ben Roy Road, Nancy, Ky

Absolute Auction of Mr. Robert Perry Smith's 25 Acres +/- in Tracts
Saturday, October 22nd at 10:30 a.m.
Ham School Road, Somerset, Ky.

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More photos from the Mt. Vernon Bittersweet Festival



Blake McKinney and his son Tristan drove their four wheeler through the parade.



Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds threw candy to the crowd during the parade.



Carlous McClure drove his '72 Chevrolet Chevelle SS during the parade.



Members of the Trinity Holiness Church rode in the parade, from left: Donnie Eversole, Dwayne Hutton, Dylan Roberts, Sara Hutton, Jodie Stallworth, Evelyn Tuttle and Claude Tuttle.



Several Rockcastle Health and Rehab residents attended the Bittersweet festival to visits friends and enjoy all the many attractions. Cheri Cunagin volunteer from Central Baptist Christian Academy with residents Willie Langford, Luther Moore, Janet Brock, and Vivian Owens in the back.

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Absolute Auction of the late **Ms. Pauline Eaton's**
House and Lot
Antiques ~ Furniture ~ Personal Property ~ Jewelry
Saturday, October 15th at 10:00 a.m.
150 Langdon Street, Mt. Vernon, Ky.



Location Turn off West Main onto Williams Street. Follow Williams Street approx. 1,000 feet to Langdon Street. Watch for auction signs.

In order to settle the estate of the late Ms. Pauline Eaton, her heirs have authorized our firm to sell this well located home as well as a lifetime collection of personal property for the absolute high dollar.

This spacious brick home offers a floor plan of kitchen/dining room/living room (all open), 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, and utility room. The home has a heat pump, city water, and sewer. The home is situated on a corner lot with a drive through carport and a storage building.

The following is a partial list of the many items of personal property that will also be selling: Sumter Cabinet Co. Cherry Queen Ann Dining Table and Six Chairs with Matching China Cabinet ~ Sumter Cabinet Co. Six Pc Cherry Bedroom Suite with Poster Bed, Two Nightstands, Chest on Chest, Armoire Chest, Dresser with Beveled Mirror ~ Marble Oval Top Mahogany Large Center Table ~ Duncan Phyfe Style Round Table with Leather Inlay Top ~ Three-Door Cedar Wardrobe ~ Oak Washstand with serpentine front ~ Queen Ann Loveseat and Couch ~ Queen Ann Rose back Ladies Chair ~ Pair of Queen Ann Wingback Chairs ~ Lingerie Chest ~ Cedar Blanket Chest ~ Oak Lamp Table with glass ball feet ~ Cherry Drop-leaf End Table ~ Mahogany Lyre Base Marble Top End Tables ~ Cherry Drop-leaf Coffee Table ~ Small Oak Lamp Table, Ball and Claw Footed ~ Cherry Quilt Rack ~ Maple Desk ~ Gossip Bench ~ Maple Boston Rocker ~ Hickory Stool ~ Granite Top Table ~ Small Washboard ~ Kelvinator Upright Freezer ~ Mini Fridge (Dorm Size) ~ Sanyo TV ~ Entertainment Stand ~ Singer Pedal Sewing Machine ~ Stereo Cabinet ~ Small Coal Oil Stove Perfection ~ Jazzy Select Motorized Wheelchair ~ 4 Drawer File Cabinet ~ Elgin Chime Mantle Clock ~ Elgin Pocket Watch with 17 Jewels ~ Garfield Clock ~ Sterling Silver Chain and Heart Pendant ~ Several 14K Gold Earrings ~ Sterling Silver Charm Necklace ~ 10K Gold Necklace ~ Rose Cut Diamond and Sterling Silver Necklace and Charm ~ Cultured Pearl Earring and Necklace Set ~ Miniature Replica 1908 22K 3 Coin Pendant ~ Several Sterling Silver Bracelets ~ 18K Gold Bracelets ~ Waltham Ladies Wrist Watch ~ Seiko Quartz Mickey Mouse Watch ~ "Salute to America" 1 gram fine gold .999 and 14K Gold Holder ~ 1880 Liberty Head \$5 Gold Coin in 14K Gold Holder ~ Hampden Molly Stark Ladies Pocket watch with Hunt Case ~ Eastern Star Pendants and Jewelry ~ Eastern Ky State University enameled Spoon Brooch ~ JFK Pendant Knife ~ Brooches ~ Pins ~ Large Collection of Sarah Coventry Costume Jewelry ~ Brooches ~ 1942 Livingston Glass Ring ~ Knives ~ Case ~ Boker ~ Schrade ~ Kutmaster ~ Barlow Sabre ~ Danbury Mint "Gold Certificates" ~ Charles Spalding Signed "Teacher's Break" Print ~ "L&M Depot" Print by Mark McFerron ~ Mable Davis Print ~ H. Moeller Bird Print ~ Pair of Janie Freeman Prints ~ Lucky Joe Glass Money Bank ~ S. T. Proctor Lumber Co Yardstick ~ Glass and Brass Bell Collection ~ Large Longaberger Basket Collection ~ Large collection of Avon ~ Records ~ Old School Desk ~ Hand stitched Quilts ~ Carole Towne Christmas Train Set ~ Large collection of Porcelain Christmas Houses and Villages ~ Thomas Kincaid Nativity Set ~ Collector's Edition of Leather Bound Books ~ Kentucky Ponders Books and Ponders Supplement by Patricia Saupe ~ Clay Co History and Families Book ~ Cummins Family Book by Francis Funk ~ Old Choir Book (1928) ~ 1938 "Gone with the Wind" Book ~ 1981 EKV Alumni Directory ~ World Books ~ Encyclopedias ~ Two Volume Set: "JFK - America the Beautiful" and "Man of Destiny - Winston Churchill" ~ Little House on the Prairie Book Set ~ Cookbooks ~ Golden Harvest China (12 place setting) ~ Kayson Golden Rhapsody China ~ Alliance China Regal Set ~ Juice Set with Pitcher and Six Glasses ~ Corel Wave Dishes ~ Cut Glass Pitcher ~ Cup and Saucer Sets ~ Large Collection of Fostoria Glass including: goblets, salt and peppers, syrup pitcher, sugar shaker, celery trays, mayonnaise dish, bell, large water pitchers, small pitchers, bowls, plates, cake plate ~ Pink Depression Glass ~ Green Depression Glass ~ Two Milk glass Fenton Bells ~ Fenton Glass Basket ~ Thomas Kincaid Teapot ~ Old Cranberry Hobnail Pitcher ~ Pair of Flashed Cranberry Vase ~ Bohemian Crystal Bowl ~ Crystal Candy Dish ~ Pressed Glass Pitcher ~ Crystal Pitchers ~ Strawberry Pitcher Signed Marie ~ Fenton Hand painted Pitcher ~ Weller Pottery Vase ~ Blue Hobnail Fenton Glass Finger Lamp ~ Gone with the Wind Style Table Lamp with Applied Flowers ~ Amber Gone with the Wind Light ~ Gone with the Wind Style Lamp with Morning Glory Flowers (electric) ~ Hobnail Milk glass Floor Lamp ~ Walnut Kerseene Lamp ~ Pair of Silver Plated Candleabras ~ Moonstone Candle Holder ~ Cobalt Blue Candle Holders ~ Walnut Candle Stand ~ and much more.

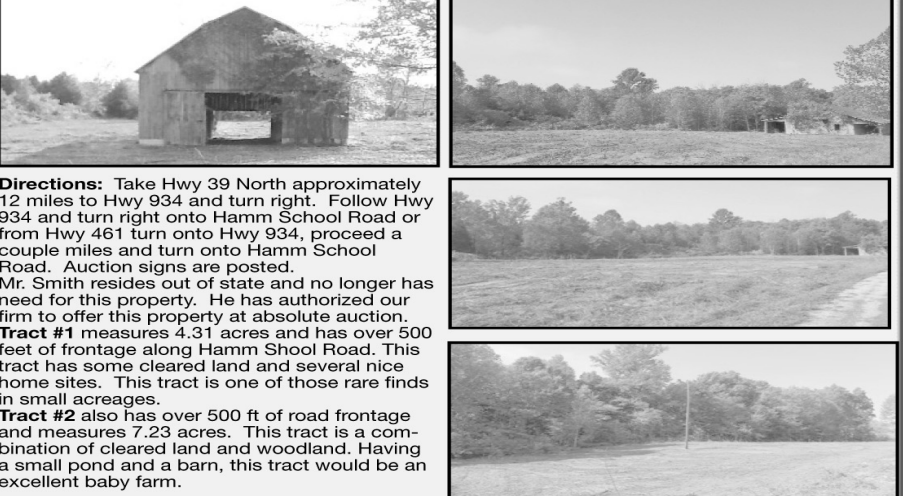
Auctioneer's Note: The late Ms. Eaton was a successful business lady as well as a retired teacher and this is a great collection of antiques, glassware, and even school paraphernalia. If you're looking for a well-constructed home in a convenient location, this could be it. Mark your calendar to attend this all day sale on Saturday, October 15th at 10:00 a.m. Two auction rings will run simultaneously, so bring a friend.

Terms: Real Estate: 20% down day of sale, balance in 30 days. Personal Property: Cash or check in full day of sale. MasterCard or Visa will also be accepted with 3% processing fee. Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed matter.

For additional information, contact the selling agents.



Absolute Auction of **Mr. Robert Perry Smith's**
24.17 Acres & Barns in Tracts
Saturday, October 22nd at 10:30 a.m.
Hamm School Road - Somerset



Directions: Take Hwy 39 North approximately 12 miles to Hwy 934 and turn right. Follow Hwy 934 and turn right onto Hamm School Road or from Hwy 461 turn onto Hwy 934, proceed a couple miles and turn onto Hamm School Road. Auction signs are posted. Mr. Smith resides out of state and no longer has need for this property. He has authorized our firm to offer this property at absolute auction.

Tract #1 measures 4.31 acres and has over 500 feet of frontage along Hamm School Road. This tract has some cleared land and several nice home sites. This tract is one of those rare finds in small acreages.

Tract #2 also has over 500 ft of road frontage and measures 7.23 acres. This tract is a combination of cleared land and woodland. Having a small pond and a barn, this tract would be an excellent baby farm.

Tract #3 is the largest of the tracts and consists of 11.55 acres. This tract also has over 500 feet of frontage and is improved with a good barn. This tract is also a combination of cleared land and woodland. This is another excellent site for running cattle or horses.

Tract #4 measures 1.07 acres and fronts Hamm School Road. This tract is mostly wooded.

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Country living at it's best! These small tracts are hard to find! Choose the tract that best fits your needs or you may choose to purchase the entire farm of 24.17 Acres! Make plans now to attend this absolute auction on October 22 at 10:30 a.m.

TERMS: 20% deposit the day of the auction with the balance due in 30 days.

NOTE: This will be a multi-parcel absolute auction, giving each and every prospective purchaser the ability to purchase any or all tracts or combination of tracts.

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For Rent: Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 9 a.m. til 12 noon. Rent based on income. 256-4185.

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For Sale: 80 Union Chapel Road. 1600 sq. ft. 3BR/2BA brick ranch, located on one acre. Completely remodeled. Minutes from I-75. Call 765-969-0613 for details. 23xntf

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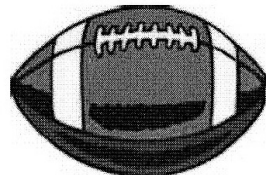
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JROTC Raider Team participates in annual Raider Rendezvous

The Rockcastle County High School JROTC Raider Team traveled to McCreary County September 9th - 11th to participate in the 30th Annual McCreary County Raider Rendezvous. Rockcastle entered a male and female team in the competition.

The male team members were: Team Commander Justin Houk, Mark Hupp, Ryan Rawlins, Lane Ponder,

Adam Ramey, Addison Atkins, Garret Hasty, Jordan Moore, and alternates: Aaron Bagget,

Roger Garrett, Will Martin, Josh England, Cody Anderson, and Brandon Hopskins. Female team

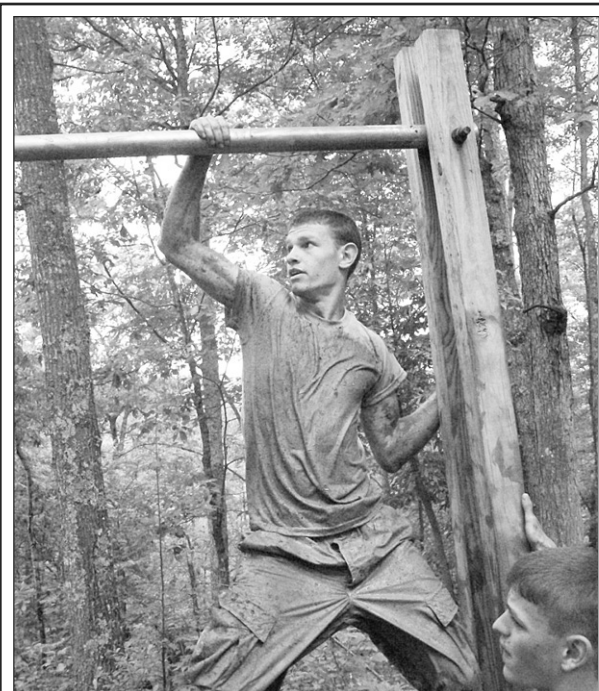
members were: Team Commander Felicia Boggs, Crystal Doan, Ame Chiantaretto,

Heather Holden, Megan Boggs, Shania Lawson, Victoria Smith, McKenzie Harding and the Alternates were: Lindsay Harding, Stephanie Hensley, Samantha Skinner, and Annamarie Leader.

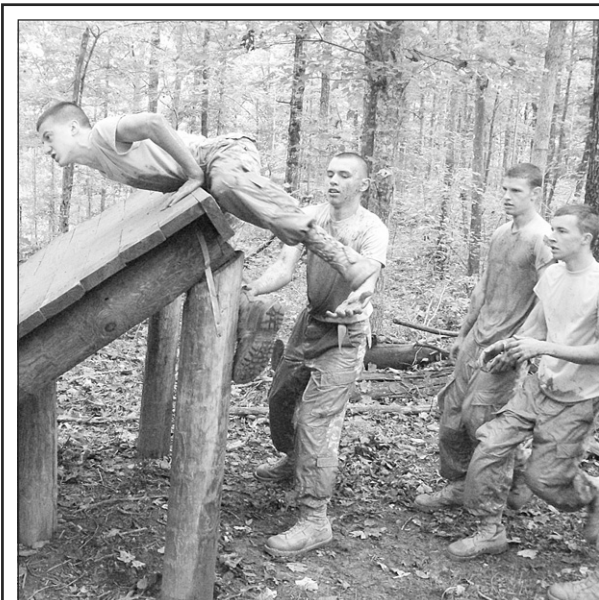
Cadets arrived Friday afternoon and were given time to set up camp. Later on Cadets completed a written Map test. On Saturday cadets competed in several events such as Rope Bridge, Obstacle Course, Cross Country Rescue, and the Devil Dog Challenge.

The Raider Team brought back several awards. The Male team brought back a trophy for getting 3rd place in Map Reading. The Female team brought back two trophies. They placed 2nd in the Cross Country Rescue and also placed 3rd in the Devil Dog Challenge. Overall, it was a hard competition but the Raider Team hung in there and accomplished all that they set out to do. Special Thanks to Mrs. Holly Robinson for chaperoning at the competition.

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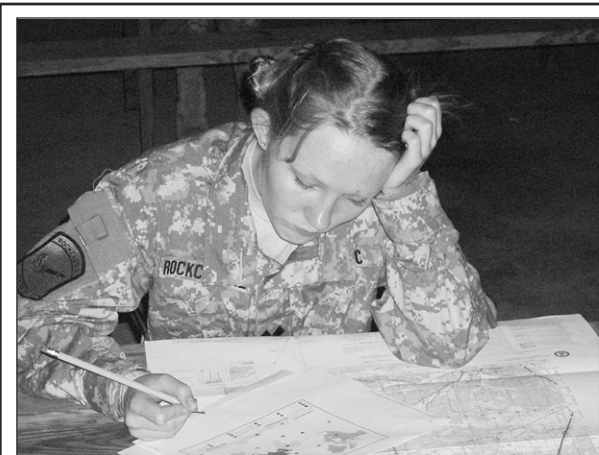
Cadet Lane Ponder participating in the Devil Dog Challenge. The Devil Dog Challenge that included low crawls, walls, monkey ropes, a tricept bar and a log carry.



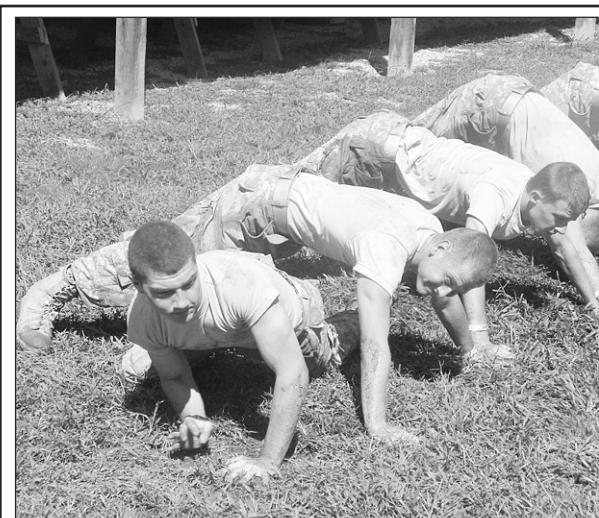
Cadet Addison Atkins going over the Inverted Wall during the Obstacle Course, with help from Adam Ramey, Lane Ponder, and Jordan Moore. The Obstacle course consisted of monkey ropes and monkey bars, low crawls, walls, and a roll over log.



Cadet Garrett Hasty crawls through the mud pit during the Devil Dog Challenge.



Cadet Felicia Boggs working on the Written Map Test. Cadets had to locate all continents and oceans, find the Prime Meridian and the Equator and list all the colors on the map.



Cadets Justin Houk, Ryan Rawlins and Jordan Moore form a Push up bridge during the Physical Fitness Test. The Physical Fitness Test consisted of a dead weight drag, tire flip and a 2 mile run.



The RCHS Raider Team



Cadets Ame Chiantaretto and Shania Lawson pushing a water can through the Low Crawl during the Cross Country Rescue.

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End-of-course exams to count 20% of grade

By LAIKEN COFFEY

Site-Based Decision Making Council members have approved a policy that will make the new end-of-course exams worth a large chunk of students' grade.

Now instead of only earning an incentive for a good score, the grade that has been worked for all year is being put on the line.

End-of-Course exams, which are replacing the old CATS tests, will now be worth 20% of students' grades.

The Kentucky Board of Education suggested that the tests be worth 20 percent of students' grades so that is what Rockcastle County implemented.

New sponsor makes changes to student council

By CODY MITCHELL AND ASHLEY WILLIAMS

The way that students are chosen for student council has been changed.

New sponsor Herbie Brock proposed an application process for this year's student council, instead of the nomination process used in the past.

This change will give students the chance to choose to be on student council rather than be voted in by their peers, said Mr. Brock.

"It also puts more responsibility on the students who choose to apply," he said.

The applications will also allow students that want to be part of student council help make a difference in this school.

See "Council" on page 11

Students will take end of course exams in four subjects: Biology, Algebra 2, English 2, and U.S. History.

When asked if students had reason to stress about this exam, Principal Jennifer Mattingly stated, "I think you [students] can be confident teachers can instruct you better than ever before."

"I think they're a good idea because it tests your learning over the content of the year," said Hannah Tyler, a junior who is taking U.S. History and Algebra 2.

See "Exams" on page 11



photo by Hannah Eaton

The lunch line was a little longer September 14, when RCHS students took advantage of the Hard Rock Cafe's new salad bar. Above, hungry students prepare their own salads from such items as sunflower seeds, raisins, fresh broccoli and carrots.

Salad bar debuts at RCHS

By HANNAH EATON

On September 14, RCHS set up a salad bar in one of the lunch lines to see how students would feel about an alternative to having a regular school lunch every day.

"Having a salad bar will actually make me want to eat lunch now," junior Hannah Bullock said while buying her lunch a la carte instead of going through the lunch line.

The salad bar offered an array of toppings such as pickles, sunflower seeds, onions, banana peppers and more. The dressings offered were ranch, French, olive oil, and vinegar.

"It's the best lunch we've had in a while!" junior Holly Cromer commented while eating her salad from the RCHS salad bar.

While it is true that many other schools have had salad bars for years, RCHS students and staff have never really raised an interest in one until now.

Last year school administrators and Rockcastle County School's Director of Food Services Jeanine Parsons became aware of the possible changes that will have to be made to school lunches.

This year the school system has decided to get a

head start by beginning to make changes before they are required to.

"Our lunches have always been healthy and we have always followed USDA guidelines and we must only serve certain portion sizes, the correct nutrients and a certain number of calories, but the complaint of students for years has been that there hasn't been enough food," said Ms. Parsons.

The salad bar will still follow all the correct guidelines and will give the

See "Salad Bar" on page 11

Upcoming Dates and Events

- 10/11: Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:15-6:15)
- 10/12: A/A-Progress Reports; PSAT test
- 10/13: Chorus Concert; Rural Scholars to UNC
- 10/14: District Title Football Game - Rockets @ Knox Central; Regional FFA Competitions at ECU
- 10/15: Marching Rockets compete @ South Laurel
- 10/17: Drivers Course (4-8)
- 10/19-21: National FFA Convention in Indianapolis
- 10/21: Senior Night Rockets vs. Clay County
- 10/22: Marching Rockets @ KMEA State Marching
- Band Quarterfinals @ 2:30-Bourbon Co HS; ACT
- Test Date
- 10/24: Drivers Course (4-8); HOSA Leadership Conference
- 10/26: Senior Assembly w/George Duvall (2nd)
- 10/27: Drama Production(During day and evening); FBLA Leadership Conference
- 10/28: Club Day; Rockets @ Montgomery County
- 10/31: Halloween on Main
- 11/4: Deadline for December ACT Date
- 11/8: Election Day: No School

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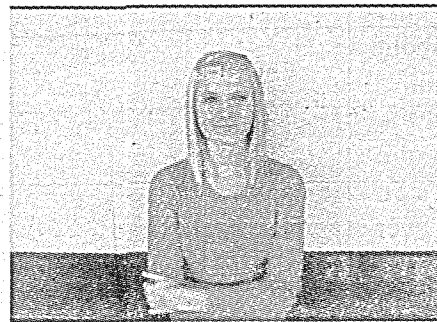
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Sound Off

What are your thoughts on the new end-of-course exams counting as part of a class grade?



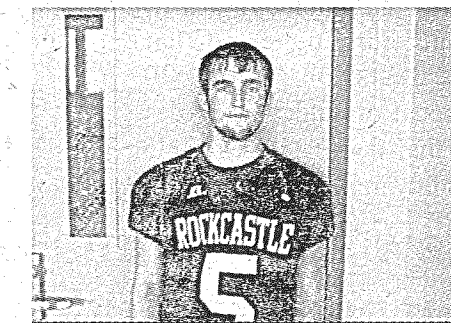
"It makes me nervous!"--
Jaclyn White



"I strongly disagree with them."--
Holly Cromer



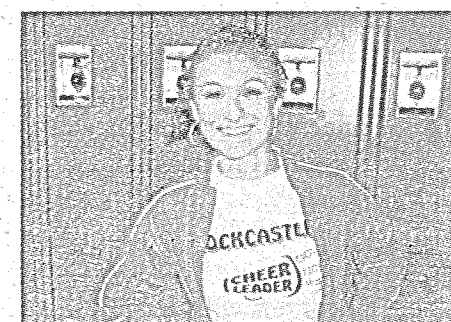
"It's going to be really tough, so students need to try their best."--
Mrs. April Gonzalez



"It could be good for people who have a low grade; it could help them if they do well on it."
--Taylor Smith



"It's a good idea, but we need to ease into it."
--Mrs. Dawn Stallworth



"I think it's a bad idea!"
--Savannah Portwood



The RCHS Drama program will present a comedy to the student body in October. In the photo above, senior drama students act out a scene from a comedy performed last spring.

Drama class to perform October 27

By JORDAN McCLURE

In October, RCHS students can look forward to the first drama production of the year.

Drama students will present "Some Nun Fun" to the student body October 27.

The play features gold, orphans, nuns, and gang-

sters.

The play started out as a small script when Roccikastle County Arts and Humanities Director Allen Pensol found it while looking for plays for this year.

The reason he picked this play was because "there were so many students wanting to

join the drama class and be on stage."

"I had to pick something large enough for the whole class," said Mr. Pensol.

The play is currently in rehearsal. At this time, the play will only be performed for RCHS students, but that plan may change.

District installs new security system in three schools

By AARON ADKISSON

In an effort to make schools safer, three schools in the district received new security systems in August.

"This is the first security measure that we had. This way there's a video camera that the office staff can see who comes in," Jennifer Mattingly, RCHS principal, said.

Unlike other schools in the district, the high school doesn't have a glassed-in entryway that is used to help control who comes into the building.

"[It's] to make our front entrance safer," said Ms. Mattingly.

Last year, a safe schools audit team recommended a

buzzer system to help monitor visitors coming into the building.

"It's to make our front entrance safer."

The new security system works through a combination of a buzzer and video camera system. The office staff can see who comes in and out of the building.

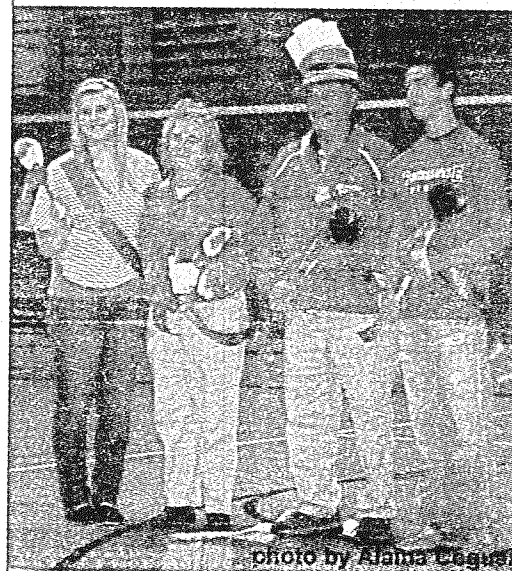
"Visitors come and push the buzzer. I ask if I can help them and let them in," said Melissia Rickett, RCHS office staff member.

Roundstone, Mt. Vernon, and the high school were the three schools that received new security systems. Brodhead and RCMS, which have glassed-in entryways, did not need a new system.

Congratulations to this year's Student Council:

Freshmen Amelia Eversole and John Hurley
 Sophomores Kelsey Mattingly
 and Amy Chiantaretto
 Juniors Laiken Coffey and Justin Houk
 Seniors Krystal Nichols, Emily Clark,
 and Sarah Woodall

New Toilet Paper Royalty Crowned



RCHS teachers Debbie and Clayton Cash were crowned Toilet Paper King and Queen as part of UNITE Bowl ceremonies in September. Juniors Hannah Eaton and Ashton Arvin were Princess and Prince.

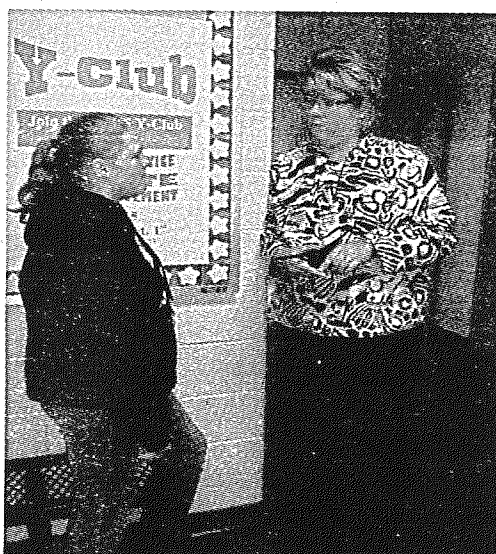
photo by Alanna Clogus

RCHS welcomes new staff members

BY BARBARA YATES

This year Rockcastle County High School welcomed several new staff members.

Becky McNabb, who teaches English and math classes, worked in the youth service center last year. Last year, she decided to get her teaching degree. It took her nine months and a half.



Ms. Becky Smith is RCCHS's newest administrator. She replaced Mrs. Ruth Hamilton, who retired in May.

When asked if she was nervous on her first day teaching at Rockcastle County, she said, "I am terrified and still am."

Even though she was nervous, Ms. McNabb says she "loves it." She first started wanting to become a teacher in high school.

Ms. McNabb quit working at the youth service center and became a teacher because "I wanted to work with students more on one to one."

Another new teacher is known to students.

Tammy Camel subbed a lot last year at the high school. She

now teaches child/human development, money skills, and other practical living classes.

She wanted to be a therapist growing up, but later decided that she wanted to become a teacher. It took her one and a half years to get her teaching degree.

Many students already know Markita Mink, who teaches English to freshmen and juniors.

Ms. Mink transferred from the middle school just because she wanted to try something a little different.

New assistant principal Becky Smith wanted to become a dentist growing up, but later decided that she wanted to become a teacher. She taught at the middle school for several years and then took a job with UK.

She trained teachers around the state.

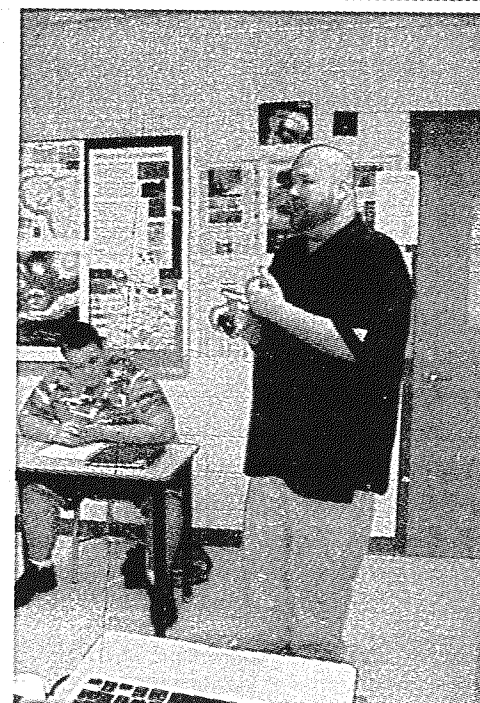
Ms. New went to Eastern KY University. She worked with students that had

disabilities. When I asked her if she always wanted to work with students with disabilities she said, "Yes, I have always had a passion for helping students with disabilities."

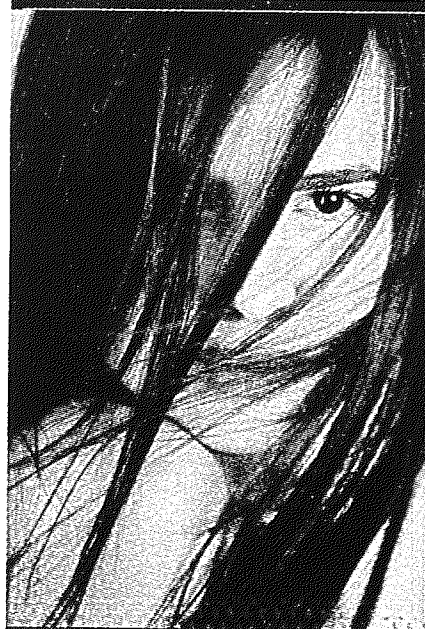
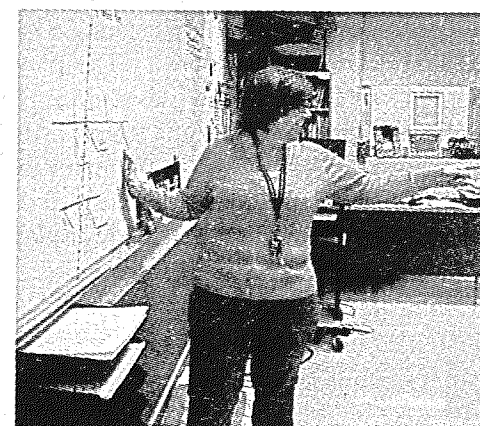
Danielle Bullock, who teaches English, went to Western Kentucky University to get her teaching degree.

When I asked her if she liked being a teacher she said, "It's a lot of fun and harder than what I expected."

Due to space limits, a feature on new teacher Herbie Brock will appear in the next issue.



Mr. Herbie Brock and Ms. Markita Mink both teach in RCCHS's freshmen academy.



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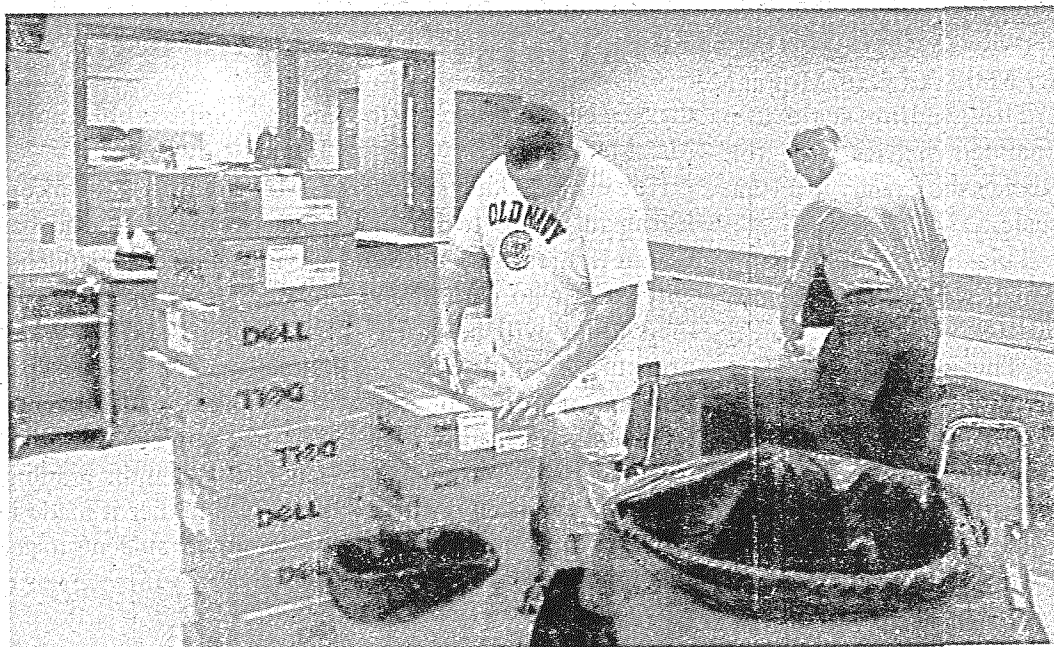
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Brandon Reynolds, at left, and Trent Clark unpack the 32 new computers that were placed in RCHS's computer lab. The upgrade came at the start of the school year in August.

Computer lab gets a needed upgrade

By AARON ADKISSON

Thirty-two new computers were installed in the RCHS computer lab on August 26.

Overall, 100 new computers were installed across the district and replaced with new Dell Optiplex 390 computers since the older model was taken out of production.

The high school has been in great need of new computer systems since the older ones were slow, and ineffective.

"The new computers have a much faster processor, better operating system, and flat screen monitor. All these factors contribute to a much better end user experience," said Trent Clark, the district's Technology Coordinator.

The new computers offer many new processes that make the computers more current with today's technology.

"They have Windows 7 for the operating system and Office 2010. These are the latest versions that Microsoft has released," said Mr. Clark.

The new computers have been met with open arms among students.

"You can actually get your work done," said RCHS senior Chelsea Payne.

Some students have even found enjoyment through using the new computers.

"They seem to be faster and are more fun to use. They're easier to use, too," said Sarah Pigg, a junior.

According to Mr. Clark, the district tries to "refresh the technology in the schools every 5 to 6 years. Hopefully, the state legislature will fund another \$50 million for technology in the near future and we can place even more new instructional devices in the schools."

What do you think about RCHS's upgraded computer lab? Let us know in a letter to the editor!

RCHS hosts exchange students

By LEE LEAR

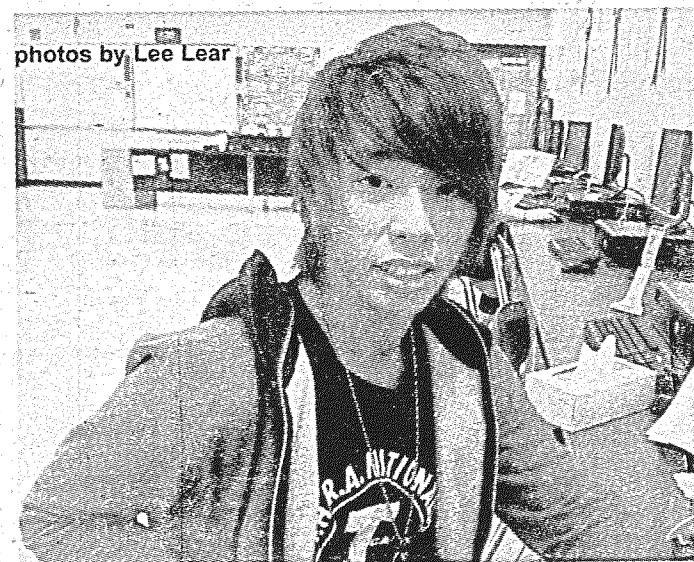
Imagine moving to another country to do your junior year in a place where you barely know the language. That's what exchange students Tsubasa Umino and Holam Lai (Brandon) are doing this year in RCHS. Umino is from Saitama, Japan and Lai

is from Hong Kong, China--both countries on the other side of the world.

Both students are using the EF Foundation, which sent them here. Elizabeth Correll, the foreign exchange coordinator, then had to find a school to send them to (RCHS) and then find a family within the community to host them.

"It's very hard to find a host family," said Dale Whitaker, guidance counselor, "because the family would have to take the student in for an entire year when most of them have students at home already. It's a

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Tsubasa Umino, upper left, and Holam Lai, above, are visiting exchange students through EF. Umino is from Japan and Lai is visiting from Hong Kong. The students will complete the school year in the U.S.

Club cancels yearly Ohio trip

By KAYLA KNUCKLES

Math club has gone to Kings Island in May every year for about three years. This year things are different.

Math club won't be able to go to Kings Island this year due to less money. Gear-Up has paid for the buses so that Math Club could go to Kings Island for the past two years.

"There will not be enough money through Gear-Up funds for Math Club to continue going on this trip. The club will have to find another fundraising source," said Ms. Nancy Hale, RCHS's Gear-Up Coordinator.

For the club to go to Kings Island again this year, it would take a lot of fundraising.

According to the former sponsor Lana West, the trip costs approximately \$5,000. Each bus costs \$1000 a piece.

Some students are upset that Math Club won't be able to go to Kings Island.

"I think it's not cool that they aren't going to Kings Island. That's why I'm not joining this year," said senior Crystal Johnson.

Other students love Math Club and don't care if they get to go to Kings Island or not.

"I love math. That's why I joined math club," said freshman Joseph Montano.

Next Break is November 8!

RCHS grading scale changed, reaction positive

By MAKAYLA GAIL McFERRON

The grading scale has changed district wide for Rockcastle County to a 10pt scale.

This means that an A, which was 93-100, is now 90-100.

"The grading scale has changed but the requirements of all our students have not," said Principal Jennifer Mattingly.

The efforts of the students are not expected to change. The school still requires them to try just as hard as

they did before, according to Ms. Mattingly.

However, as Janet Wells, librarian and Site-Based Council member states, "Students who care about their grade will have less pressure to get that A. Students who do not care will slack accordingly to what the grading scale is."

There have been positive reactions from the students about the change.

"I love it because it is much easier to get my A

now," said sophomore Hannah Sowder.

Mr. Dale Whitaker, counselor at RCHS, said that it is much easier for students to get KEES money and scholarships, and Ms. Wells agrees.

"I think it made us more able to compete with other schools. When the grading scale was higher it made it harder for our students to get KEES money and scholarships for college," says Ms. Wells.

Tutoring available thanks to Gear-Up funds

By BRANDON SHEARER

After school tutoring was almost eliminated this year because of budget cuts, but thanks to a Gear-Up grant, it will still be available.

Over the past several years, Gear-Up has given RCHS almost \$500,000 to fund textbooks, tutoring, and other academic tools, said

Nancy Hale, the school's Gear-Up coordinator.

"Without the financial help that Gear-Up has given RCHS, the dropout rate would be much higher, and fewer students would be attending college," said Ms. Hale.

According to Ms. Hale, the school district has

received a new grant from Gear-Up, which will impact RCHS in about two years.

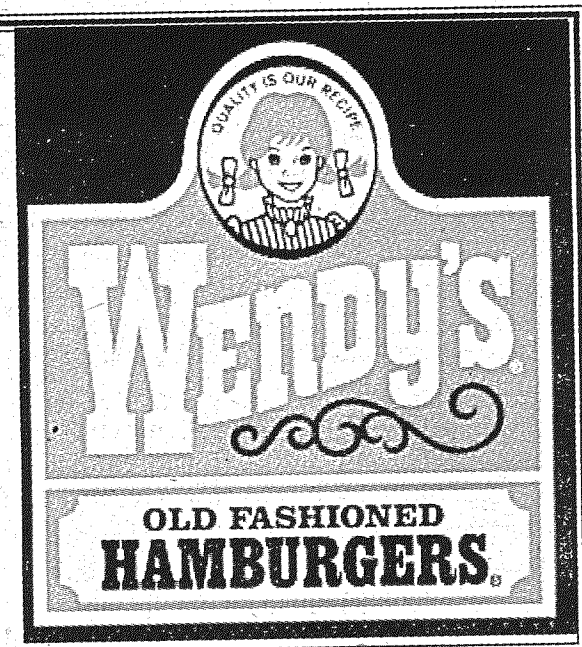
According to the teachers interviewed, teachers are grateful that tutoring will still be available because many students would have trouble keeping their grades up without extra time to work on assignments at tutoring after-school.



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Martin crowned Jamboree Queen Seniors visit college fair

By CALLIE NORTHERN

Senior Alexandra Martin was crowned Renfro Valley Jamboree Bowl Queen on September 2, during half time at the Rockcastle Rockets first home game against Whitley County.

Runners up were Katie Cowan and Holly Ham, also seniors.

Martin said she was excited about being

nominated and felt "super happy and grateful" that she won.

"Winning feels great because it really shows that how I treat people really matters," she said.

RCHS teacher and volleyball coach Kayla Bryant was in charge of this year's the Jamboree Bowl ceremony.

"I was a little nervous because it was my first time being in charge, but everything went over well and I am excited about next year," she said.

Martin, the daughter of Pam and Roy Martin, was crowned by Renfro Valley Lodge Chef Cliff Mullins. She was escorted by senior Cody Noe.



At left: Carly Asher and her escort Quenton Bishop, a senior, prepare to march during Jamboree Queen ceremonies in August. Below, Jamboree Queen Alexandra Martin, center, stands with runners-up Holly Ham, left, and Katie Cowan, right.



By MARISSA GILL

September 21, seniors attended a college fair in Somerset. The fair was held at the Center for Rural Development.

During a college fair "representatives from all colleges set up at one location and students are able to go by the tables to the college admissions to get information," said Dale Whitaker, the school's senior guidance counselor.

Students can get information about the colleges like admission, financial aid, housing, meal

plans, activities, clubs, and organizations.

According to Mr. Whitaker, there were eleven out of state schools plus all Kentucky state and private colleges at the fair. For example, the University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University, Western, and the University of Louisville were all present.

In the fall, college fairs are always going on to help high schools seniors make decisions on college and future plans.

New clubs offered for students

By ANGEL SHELTON

Four new clubs, including two new book clubs, have been added to the list of clubs students can join this year.

Led by teacher Pat Greene and his student teacher, Novice Experimental Robotics and Rockets Club (NEERD) meetings are Thursday from 3-5.

During this time, students will be building robots and remote control vehicles in the winter; in the spring members will build rockets and shoot them off. The cost will be \$25 for materials and anyone is welcome to join.

"I'm excited to play with robots and shoot rockets off," said Mr. Greene.

In addition to the

traditional book club, there are two new book clubs: Sci-Fi/ Fantasy and New and Popular Fiction. Media Specialist Janet Wells will be holding the book clubs in the library.

"A lot of clubs conflicted with the original book club, and people were sad they couldn't join," Ms. Wells said.

The Science Fiction and Fantasy book club will be during fourth block.

"Science Fiction is not my favorite, but I'm interested to throw myself into that," said Ms. Wells.

The reading list for New and Popular Fiction will begin with the Kentucky Bluegrass Award list.

Miss Eaton Goes to Washington

Junior attends Washington page program

BY KATELYN BLAIR

Hannah Eaton, a junior at Rockcastle County High School, attended Washington D.C.'s final Page Program this summer.

A speech she gave against prescription drug abuse at a UNITE rally jumpstarted the process of her selection. When Congressman Hal Rogers called UNITE CEO Karen Kelly looking for outstanding students that would be good candidates for the Page Program, she recommended Eaton.

Rogers already knew Eaton from seeing her perform with UNITE Presents. Kelly called Nancy Hale at RCHS to encourage Eaton to apply.

In two hours, Eaton made the decision.

With the help of Ms. Hale, Eaton tackled the very long application process. In addition to two essays, three

letters of recommendation, family background checks, and a high school transcript, Eaton was required to be taking rigorous college-prep classes, have good attendance, no health problems, and no discipline problems.

Beth Eaton, Eaton's mother said, "There's no way possible to thank Ms. Hale for everything she's done for us. If I could've stuffed her in a suitcase and sent her to D.C. with Hannah, I would have."

Before they left their daughter in D.C. on July 25, Ms. Eaton and her husband David Eaton were nervous, because she didn't know anyone and was so far from home and would be for six weeks.

Each morning, Eaton attended three classes at the Library of Congress, all of

which qualify as college level political science courses.

She was on the floor in Congress when Representative Gabby Giffords returned after recovering from a gunshot wound.

Eaton told several stories about her stay. For instance, one representative gave a very long and detailed televised speech to an empty room. During debates, the Democrats and Republicans divided themselves down the middle and referred to each other as "the other side."

Eaton had personal encounters with very important people such as the Dalai Lama, the high priest of Tibet. On the day of his visit, she walked past him while eating M&Ms and didn't even notice him until she had already passed;

needless to say, the other pages teased her a bit about it.

The Eaton family thinks the Page Program was a great opportunity to learn about our government and to broaden her horizons. "My hope for her is that she will always stay and involved citizen whether she pursues politics or not," said Ms. Eaton.

This was the final year for the Page Program, due to national debt. "It really makes me sad because I learned so much from the program, and I know I'll never forget the experience. I know the other



Eaton and a fellow page strike a pose in front of the U.S. Capitol Building.

pages feel the same. The money they spent on the page program was just a drop in the bucket compared to what they spend on everything else. Maybe one day they'll bring the program back," said Eaton.

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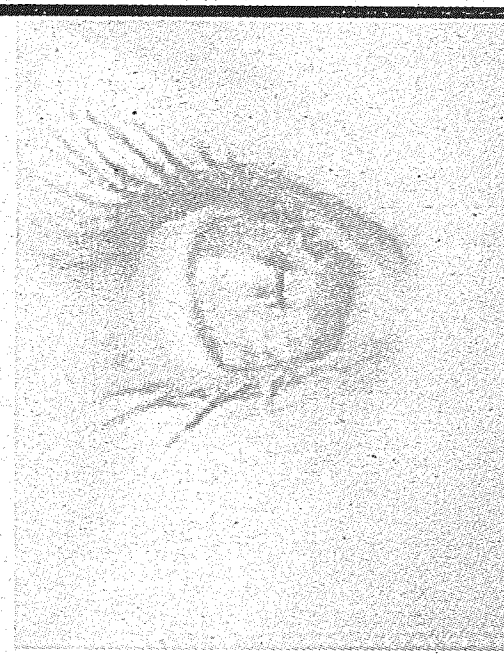
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New KHSAA rules impact coaches, players

By ALAINA COGUER

New KHSAA rules concerning sportsmanship, head-injuries, and the off-season are to change this year and will impact coaches and their players.

The first rule change is about sportsmanship. If a player is ejected from a game, then they are suspended for the next two games; if a coach is ejected, they are suspended for the next three games.

"These new rules will definitely reduce the number of fights and ejections," said Barry Noble, RCHS Athletic Director, "but I wish they would reexamine the two game suspensions for football players. Missing two games is usually 20% of the season, whereas missing two games of the

basketball season is reasonable."

Scott Parkey, head football coach at RCHS, has similar opinions when asked how he felt these sportsmanship rules will effect competition.

"These rules make players have more responsibility to handle themselves better. As a coach, we must teach our players not to lose control and to think about what is best for the team instead of selfish goals," said Coach Parkey.

Spencer Childress, a senior football player, feels that these new sportsmanship rules are fair because they "isolate the leaders from the players who show poor sportsmanship."

The second KHSAA rule change that has gone into

place states that a player who falls and hits his head cannot play for the remainder of the game and cannot play until a doctor signs them off.

Matthew Brown, head softball coach at RCHS, is taking precautions this year to avoid head injuries.

"In the past with head injuries, we always erred on the safe side of caution. The number one thing we coach by is the safety of the kids," said Mr. Brown.

"I am going to have facemasks for the pitchers and 3rd basemen to wear if they choose. In other words, they will be forced to wear them," Brown said.

Katie Cowan, a senior basketball player, said these

See "KHSAA rules" continued to page 11

Gas prices up, game attendance down

By AMBER HASTY

Last month, gas prices were over \$3.60 a gallon. As a result, school game attendance has declined. Gas prices are causing Rocket fans to miss out on games due to the fact that a lot of the away games can be over an hour away.

Even before the last two years school game attendance has dropped. Not just at away games but at home games also" I'd say 10 to 1", said Barry Noble, assistant principle. Many high school students drive themselves to and from the games, others have parents bring them, drop them off and then come back to pick them up.

After speaking with Mr. Noble questions were asked about transportation being provided for high school students to and from away games to help the lack of fan

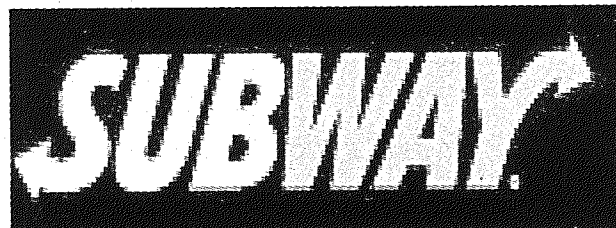
Are gas prices keeping you from attending RCHS sporting events? Let us know how gas prices are impacting you in a Letter to the Editor!

attendance in the student section. Which, that cannot be done due to many factors.

"You have to consider the factor, students would have to pay for their ticket, the fuel used and the driver. If we sent a bus to away football games then we would have to send them to every away game for every sports team." said Mr. Nobel

With gas prices being so high and some games being far away many Rocket fans are missing out on games.

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Senior honored for rushing record

BY JORDAN MARCUM

The Rockets' leading rusher was honored September 2, before the start of a home football game against Whitley County.

Clarke Rowe, senior running back, passed Marty Reagan as the all-time leading rusher in school history on August 26.

Reagan's record stopped for nine years.

Rowe can't believe he has broken the record.

"It feels great and I'm honored that I have broken this record," he said.

Rowe, a football captain, has started varsity and has



photo by Jordan Marcum

played running back for the Rockets for four years.

Marty Reagan's record was 4345 yards in his football career. Rowe's record is 4420.

Senior Clarke Rowe was recognized September 2 during a ceremony before tip-off against Whitley County. Rowe broke RCHS's all-time rushing record on August 26 against Franklin Independent.

Senior recognition pep rally scheduled

BY ELIZABETH HERING

Students can look forward to at least one more pep rally this fall.

The last scheduled pep rally for the semester is scheduled for October 21. It will be to recognize the senior football players before their last home game against Clay County and cross country seniors.

"This schedule will not be changed," said Principal Jennifer Mattingly.

However, she did add that a spring schedule may be made depending on big games and spring sports.

For example, if a team progresses on to state finals then it is likely that the school will hold a special rally.

Lesley Buckner, Rocket club sponsor, said "students can look forward to something different at the next pep rallies".

On September 30, there was a pep rally to recognize the homecoming candidates

Students were treated to a flash mob dance by Ms. Mattingly, Ms. Buckner, and several other teachers.

Rockets hope there will be other surprises in store at the final pep rally later this month.

The last 20 or 15 minutes of the day reserved for pep rallies. Any pep rallies during football playoffs will be decided on at a later date.

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rules were reasonable because her friend and fellow basketball player Holly Ham suffered a head injury last year during a softball game.

Ham, a senior whose injury was state-wide news last year, agrees.

"The injury may be more serious than you think, because my injury didn't show up until I got home" said Ham.

The last change to the KHSAA rules regards bylaw 25, which gives the school principal freedom to change the off-season of all sports except football or basketball.

No major changes at this time will occur, said Principal Jennifer Mattingly. However, if changes were to be made she would "rely on [her] Athletic Director and coaches to look at what they are doing and make changes as the rules allow."

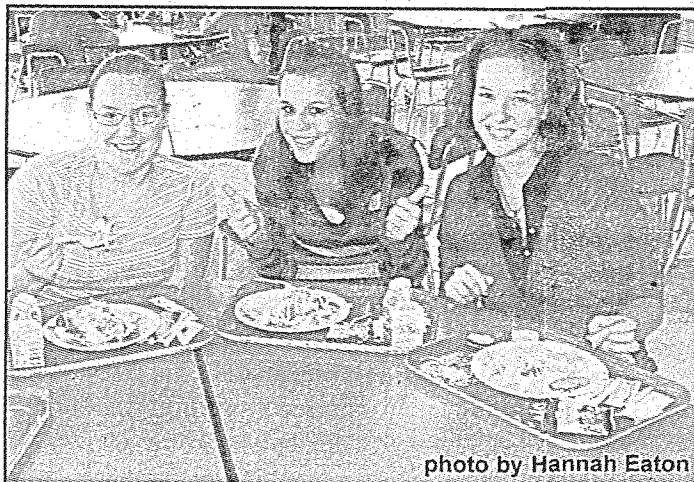


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Many RCHS students enjoyed the salad bar at lunch. Some students ate lunch in the cafeteria for the first time this school year. The salad bar is available once a week, on Wednesdays. The cafeteria staff hopes to offer the salad bar more frequently as the year continues.

SaladBar:

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how much, while remaining healthy at the same time.

It is possible that next semester other changes will have to be made. Until then, RCHS students have a salad bar to enjoy at least once a week.

"Our goal is to serve good, healthy food to our students, and a salad bar would help with that," Principal Jennifer Mattingly stated.

Council:

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At least one former student council member thinks the change is a good idea.

"The applications will allow students to choose whether or not to join instead of being elected," she said.

Applications were due September 16 and interviews were held September 19-20.

For a complete list of this year's council members see page 3.

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Travis Brenda, a SBDM Council member and Algebra 2 teacher, said the new exams are different.

"There are some very challenging concepts expected of all students that haven't been expected in the past," he said.

Despite having to teach new and more challenging content Marcus Reppert, U.S. History teacher was glad about the switch to an end-of-course exam.

"Other states have done this for some time and it just makes more sense that an exam which is specifically End of Course would replace a general core content exam."

The end-of-course exams will be taken online during the last 2 weeks of the school year.

huge responsibility."

RCHS usually hosts around two students from around the globe. This year, both of the students are from Asia, but in past years they've been from all over.

Though some of the foreign exchange students struggle, Mr. Whitaker said that they usually adapt fast. "Amazingly quick," were his exact words.

"I can't imagine being at sixteen or seventeen and going to another country, where I don't know the language as well as everyone else."

Holam Lai, or as RCHS knows him, Brandon, is seventeen years old, a junior, and is living with fellow student, Courtney Brooke. Lai arrived in Kentucky on

August 12 and enrolled in school three days later.

Since he's been at RCHS, Lai has made many new friends. His favorite class is AP Calculus, and he plays basketball in his free time. Lai speaks five languages: English, Chinese, Japanese, Putong Hua, and Korean.

"I wanted to try new things," Lai said when asked why he decided to participate in the foreign exchange program.

Though Lai misses his old friends and family in Hong Kong, he will miss his new friends in Kentucky when he leaves on June 25.

Tsubasa Umino is sixteen, also a junior, and is living with Celine Potter. She decided to join the foreign exchange program because

she was interested in America and wanted to learn better English.

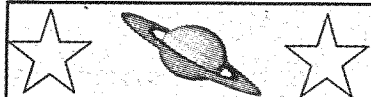
Umino arrived from Japan August 10 and enrolled in RCHS August 12. In her free time, she plays with her host brothers and her host sister.

"She's pretty quiet at home," said Potter.

Though Umino is quiet, she's made many friends since she's been in Kentucky and has gone to a football game and seen a movie, among other things, since she's been here.

"I don't miss it," Umino said when asked about Japan. She does miss her family and friends, but she isn't homesick. In July when she leaves, she said she will miss all of the friends she has made here.

Don't forget: Parent/Teacher Conferences are Tuesday, October 11!



Horoscopes

For entertainment purposes only

Libra September 23-October 22:

This month is your luckiest of the year. Be ready to ace that big science test at mid-month. And that favor you've been thinking of asking for? Go for it!

Scorpio October 23-November 21:

This is not the time to change course. Instead, stick with what you have and be content. Big changes should be avoided. On another note, some unexpected help will find you when needed.

Sagittarius November 22-December 21:

Mark October 15 on your calendar! It may be the day you get what you've been hoping for. You may have been feeling all alone lately and the stress has gotten to you. But things will be easing up soon.

Capricorn December 22-January 19:

Practice and school work have been taking up most of your time, but things seem to be clearing up for you soon. Also, someone you haven't talked to in awhile reappears.

Aquarius January 20-February 18:

Your practical side may get you into trouble this month when it keeps you from listening to other points of view. Sometimes, logic isn't all that matters, Mr. Spock.

Pisces February 19-March 20:

Dreaming away school days catches up to you this month. All that day-dreaming means you may be staying for tutoring this month, but your grades will improve!

Aries March 21-April 19:

Temper, temper--it will get you into trouble and late-October could be the time. Think before you let others know what's on your mind. It will prevent many problems down the road.

Taurus April 20-May 20:

You have been dwelling on that question long enough. Now is the time to make a decision and deal with the consequences. More roads will open up once you make the choice.

Gemini May 21-June 20:

Your friendly nature helps you out this month when you snag not one, but two invites to the Winter Ball. Unfortunately, someone will be disappointed, but feelings will heal.

Cancer June 21-July 22:

You've been feeling a little moody and insecure lately, but stop worrying! Listen to your friends who know you best. When they tell you not to worry, listen to them!

Leo July 23-August 22:

Pride goes before a fall, goes the saying. And it was written for Leo. Self-confidence is a positive trait, but you've taken it up a notch lately. Time to come back down to earth, Lion.

Virgo August 23-September 22:

Kind and caring, Virgo, some "friends" have been taking advantage of your sweet nature. Being considerate is important, but don't let people take advantage of you this month. Stand up for yourself. You will be glad you did!

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What town in England makes terrible sandwiches? *Oldham!*

What kind of hair do oceans have? *Wavy!*

What happens when you throw a green stone in the red sea? *It gets wet!*

Why do birds fly south in the winter? *Because it's too far to walk!*

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