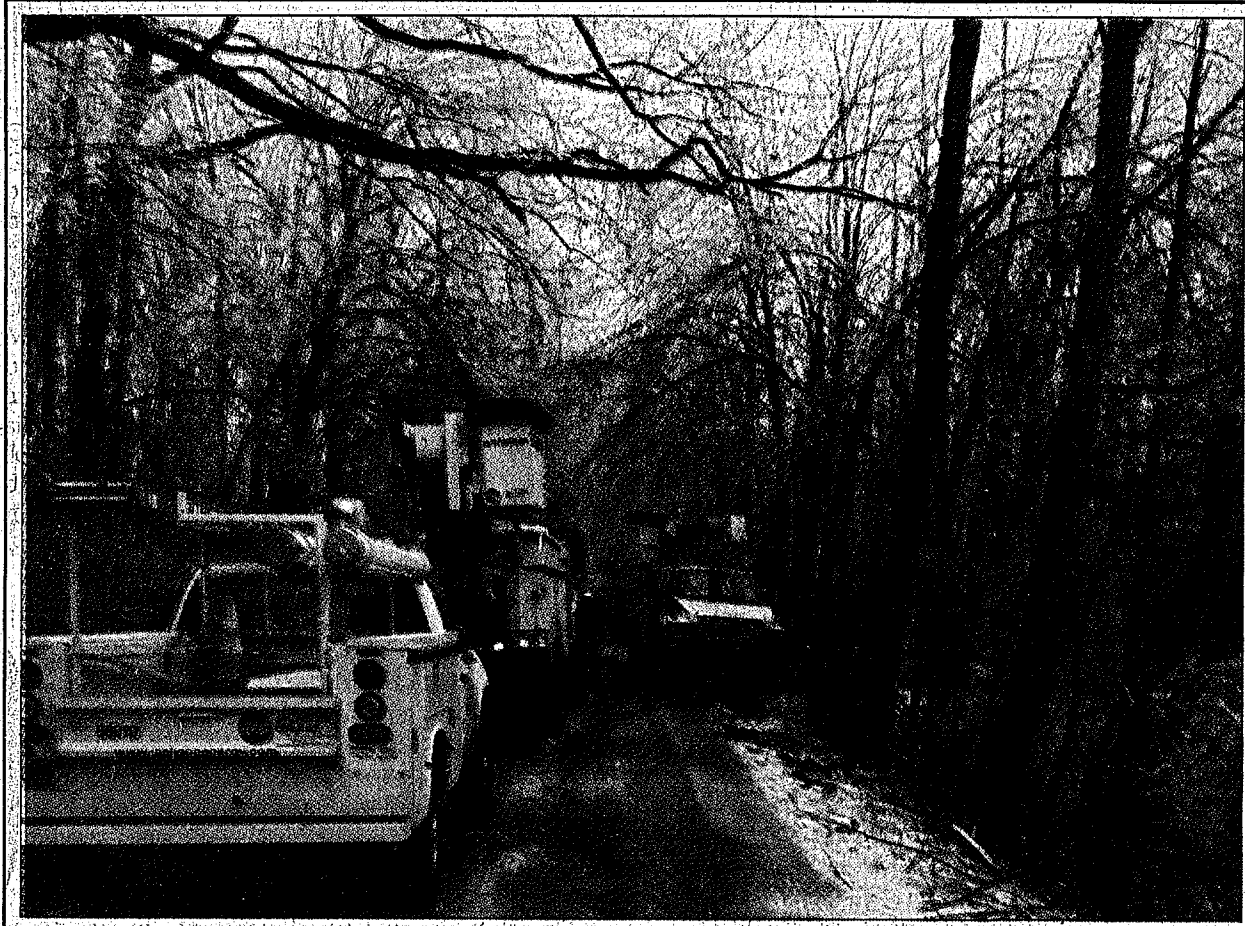


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Rockcastle County road crews were busy removing downed trees on Burnt Ridge Road in the northern end of Rockcastle County Wednesday morning and Jackson Energy crews were restoring electrical lines. Crews had the roadway completely cleared by 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. In the photo below, Roundstone Creek outgrew its banks Wednesday morning after heavy rains. The National Weather Service reported that as of 8 a.m. Wednesday morning, within a twenty-four hour period, 1.6 inches of rainfall was reported in Brodhead, 1.64 inches of rainfall in Mt. Vernon, 1.24 inches of rainfall in Livingston, 2.7 inches of rainfall in Climax and 3.22 inches of rainfall in Roundstone.



City of Mt. Vernon discusses improvements to Lake Linville boat dock and campground

By: Doug Ponder
 Improvements to the Lake Linville Boat Dock and Campground was the major topic of discussion at the monthly Mt. Vernon city council meeting last Thursday night. The meeting was consid-

ered a special meeting due to the regular monthly council meeting being rescheduled because of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 20th. Rockcastle County Development Board Project Coordinator Lynn Tatum proposed three new projects for the council to consider for the Lake Linville recreational area. She proposed that the city upgrade the docks, upgrade the campground facilities and create walking/hiking trails. The three proposed projects are a part of

Kirby files for Mt. Vernon Mayor

Former Mt. Vernon City Councilwoman and Mayor, Clarice Kirby, has filed her papers as a candidate for the mayor's office this November. Kirby, who served for seven terms on the Mt. Vernon City Council, before being elected Mayor in 2002 and 2006, resigned the position in February of 2010, following a series of legal difficulties which resulted in her serving a month in the county jail, being on home incarceration for a month and probation for a year. The



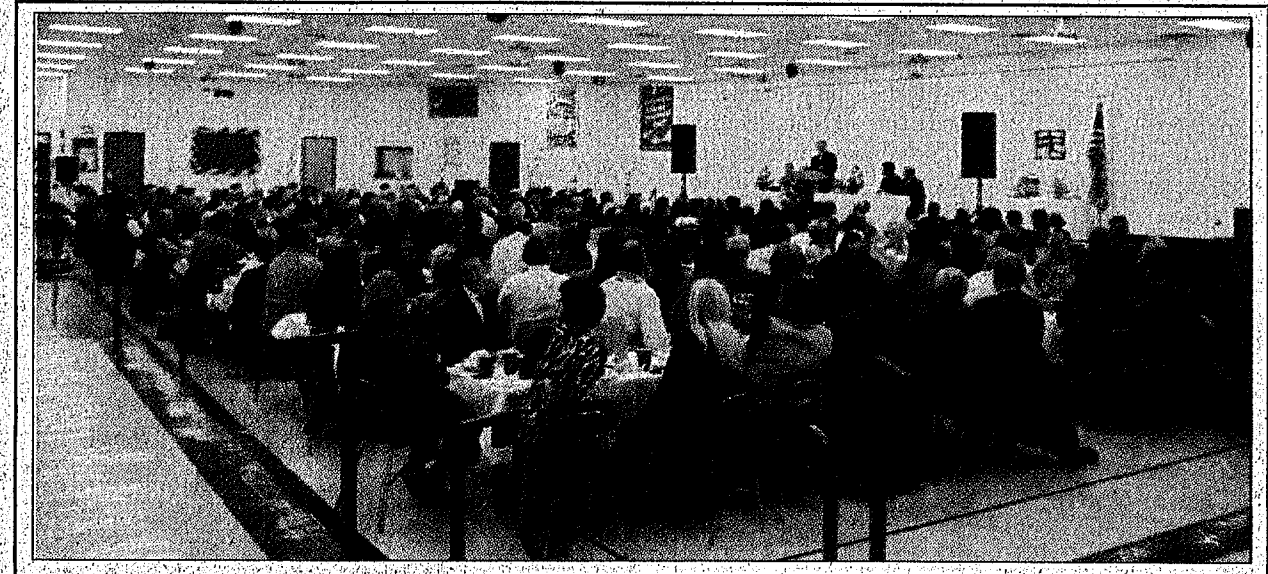
Clarice Kirby

sentence came after Kirby pled guilty to a misdemeanor of abuse of public trust. As a condition of the sentence, Kirby was barred by Circuit Judge David Tapp from ever running for public office.

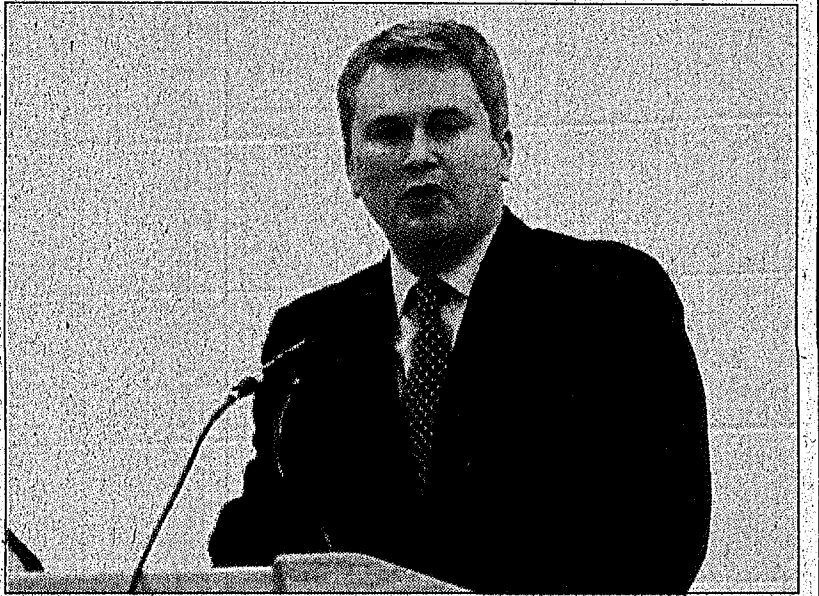
McConnell and Paul scheduled to visit Rockcastle County this month

Kentucky U.S. Senators Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul are both scheduled to speak at events in Rockcastle County this month. McConnell will speak at an event this Friday from 11:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. at Community Trust Bank on Hwy 461 in Mt. Vernon. During the event, McConnell will take questions and give an update on current legislation. The event is sponsored

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A large crowd attended the annual Farmers/Businessmen's banquet Monday night. Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture James Comer, at right, was the keynote speaker. During the banquet, awards were handed out for Rockcastle County Chamber Member of the Year, Small Business of the Year, Large Business of the Year, Master Conservationist, Farmers Hall of Fame, Distinguished Business of the Year, Distinguished Business Person of the Year and the Everett C. Brown Community Service Award. More pictures from the event are featured on B1



Winter weather wreaking havoc throughout county

By: Doug Ponder
 A severe storm system moved across the state Tuesday night and Wednesday morning bringing heavy rains, freezing rain and snow to Rockcastle County within a twenty-four hour period. The storm system wreaked havoc for many residents and businesses throughout the county. According to local weatherman Bud Cox, the rain started Tuesday night and continued into Wednesday morning before eventually changing to freezing rain early Wednesday morning. The freezing rain eventually changed over to snow around 7 o'clock Wednesday morning.

According to CSEPP Director Hal Holbrook, Rockcastle 911 received numerous reports of fallen trees over the roadway all throughout the county due to the ice that had accumulated on tree limbs causing them to break and fall into the roadways. County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis said he had the entire county road department working on removing downed trees on Burnt Ridge Road in the northern end of Rockcastle County Wednesday. He also reported that the roadway was completely covered in ice in higher elevations.

Rockcastle County Schools continue to crunch numbers due to missed snow days

By: Doug Ponder
 Rockcastle County School administrators are trying to determine how they can possibly amend their 2013-2014 school calendar due to the high number of school days missed because of weather. As of Wednesday, Rockcastle County Schools have missed a total of 17 school days because of snow, ice or subzero temperatures. Director of Pupil Personnel Becky Isaacs said school administrators are currently weighing their options. She said they will present their different proposals to the school board at their monthly meeting next Tuesday because she said the board has control over the school calendar. "We have professional development days when schools would have originally been closed but we are now looking to make into regular school days. But as far as having a set plan it's

still too early in the week for us to have one because we might still miss this Thursday or Friday as well and have to replan all over again," Isaacs said. "But we for sure plan to have some different proposals finalized to present to the school board Tuesday so they can discuss and vote to amend the calendar to what they think is best for everyone. With the crazy weather it is likely that they will even have to amend the calendar once again during the March meeting." Isaacs said that state law requires school districts to provide no less than the equivalent of 177 six-hour instructional days during the 2013-2014 school year. However, she said state law also requires the school year to be finished by June 30th. School administrators can possibly find relief in what are called "disaster days." Isaacs said the disas-

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ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderkin
Spent most of January dreading my February bill from Kentucky Utilities and the dread was justified when it arrived. It had jumped well over a \$100 from the month before to \$459. To add insult to injury, there was a snippy item in the bill pointing out that I had produced approximately 10,374 pounds of carbon. It went on to say that a typical residential customer produces 2,000 lbs. of carbon per month.

I have spent some time trying to figure out just where this excessive carbon production on my part comes from. I have a relatively new heating and air conditioning unit, my hot water heater produces enough hot water for one person. Except for Sundays, my stove is rarely turned on. No lights burn, except in the family room at night and for a short time in the bedroom until I go to sleep and I wash clothes no more than once a week. My TV is on when I am at home and awake and that has to be the major source of my energy consumption.

If what they say is true, my HVAC must be one of the most inefficient ones ever used by man and I need to throw my TV out in the backyard. I even had additional insulation blown into my attic over the summer.

I wonder what the carbon footprint of someone like Harrison Ford is. I saw a recent promo on TV where he was having his chest hair waxed in some sort of rep-

resentation protest over the decimation of the Rain Forest. At the same time, it was reported that he has something like five personal jets and admitted once to using one of them to fly to where he could get his favorite cheeseburger.


That is ridiculous but often the case with our most committed global warming advocates.

The Granny I wrote about recently has made headlines in the *National Examiner*.

A lady, who had seen my recent column about the woman's much decorated van, brought a copy into the *Signal* (and, I apologize, we did not get her name). The story concerned her driving 5,000 miles to fight a \$56 ticket for obstructed vision.

The Granny, Lynda Farley from Edmonton, Ky., drove three or four times from her home to New Jersey to battle the ticket, about 5,000 miles altogether, but finally won her case. The judge finally agreed that the flowers on the borders of her front windshield weren't blocking her vision.

Now I'm all for having the courage of your convictions but maybe carried a little too far in this case? At the very least, she spent \$750 for gas, not to mention her time and the wear and tear on her vehicle. But granny wasn't disheartened, she was quoted as saying that if she'd lost in court, she'd have kept on driving. "I would have appealed it again," Farley said.



The Way I See it

By
Doug Ponder

The political season is upon Rockcastle County as several county and city elected positions will be decided in 2014.

With the primary election in May and the general election in November, hopeful candidates have their political campaigns in full swing, displaying their ideas and political platform to the public by knocking on doors in neighborhoods, attending or speaking at events, frequently updating their social media accounts, etc.

Personally, I have an odd respect for people running for an elected office because I know that is something I couldn't do. I'm not a political person and I find the whole campaign process to be grueling and nauseating.

I often tell people that I would be the "world's worst politician" simply because I couldn't even make it through the campaign phase to get elected. I like to attend events and talk to people but not to the extent that you have to in a political campaign.

This past week, I did a mini-research assignment about political campaigns and came up with an overall, accumulated definition which is "an organized effort seeking to influence the decision-making process (vote) within a specific group."

My mind immediately became hung-up on the word, "influence." But it's true, political campaigns are used to help influence voters to vote for a specific candidate but more importantly they are used to portray the candidate's plans that they have, if they are elected to the position they are seeking.

As voters, we shouldn't be influenced by which candidate in a political race has the largest pamphlets, pret-

tiest ink-pens or the brightest bumper sticker that stand out the most on the back of vehicles. Unfortunately, there are some people who are swayed by these things and to me that is sad.

I believe those things are used to simply raise awareness of candidates saying "I am running for this office" and these items shouldn't actually be used to influence our vote.

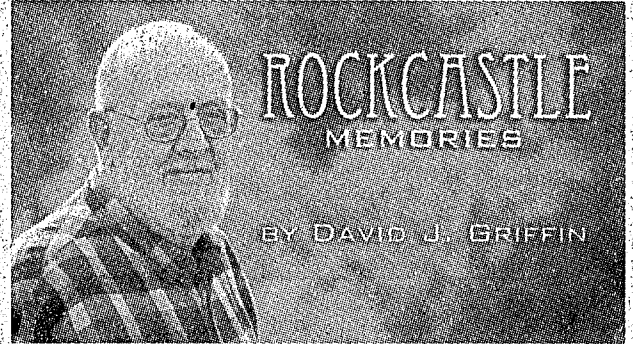
Our vote should instead be influenced on whether or not the candidate's plans match up best with what we want to see accomplished in their respective office. This is something we can find out through our own research skills.

However, I understand that some people will argue that their vote isn't important and even though I understand their arguments, I don't agree with them. On a national and state level many people believe their vote doesn't make a difference as it gets drowned out by thousands or millions of other people's votes. Then you have the Electoral College system, which is a whole other issue in itself for another editorial.

Regardless of their arguments, I have always believed everyone should exercise their right to vote in every election. It's our decision who we want to represent us on a national, state, county and city level. It's also important because the decisions that elected officials will make during their term can have an effect on our lives in so many different ways.

But I do believe county and city elections are very different from state or national elections. With candidates running for city, county and even some state elections, we see them on a

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A Child of the 50s

The 1950s are gone, but the resilient effect of that era is still evident today. From the memories of our parents' guidance, to the culture, and the music, most of us still love that period of time and the elements that it contained. It helped to define who we were and gave us confidence to move into the next decades. It was a time when our moms were always home and did not work outside the household. Their jobs were simply being moms.

The children of the 50s played with toys that worked with mind power rather than battery power. Most of the time, we simply dreamed up ways to play that did not require expensive toys, games, or equipment. We used our imaginations to find ways to occupy our time. We respected our parents and listened when they suggested games we could play. My mother (Bee) was the master of optional imaginary games.

I readily recollect Bee suggesting to me as a young boy that I become a bus driver while she prepared dinner in our small kitchen. My bus consisted of lining

up the dining room chairs in a straight line while using one of her pot lids as my steering wheel. Every few minutes, I would declare, "Folks, we have arrived in Mt. Vernon. Anyone getting off here should move to the front of the bus." I would grab the imaginary handle of the door and allow my passengers to vacate the bus. Occasionally, I would announce, "We are now in Lexington, and we will be stopping only long enough to eat dinner. The bus will leave in exactly 45 minutes."


Bee also knew how much I loved basketball, and she made it possible for me to play inside our den when it was too cold or rainy to actually play outdoors. One day I noticed her crocheting, and I asked what she was making. She said I am making you a net for your basketball goal. The goal itself was designed from a strong coat hanger which had been formed into a make-shift goal to hang over the top of the door frame leading into the kitchen.

I watched carefully until I saw the net taking shape.

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Points East

By Ike Adams



Every year, just before the winter holidays, for the past 12 or so, Loretta and I have been getting a big country ham from Jimmy Robinson at Robinson Premium Meats there in East Bernstadt.

Cooking and baking a country ham is a three day job, the way Loretta goes about it. We used to hire Loretta's now-retired co-worker, Adella Stevenson there in Lancaster to do up our seasonal ham, but Loretta finally decided that Adella had divulged all her secrets so she's been doing it herself over the last decade or thereabouts.

Don't be asking me how she does it. I have neither the time, space nor inclination here to write a book. I will

say that the process involves many, many hours of soaking in such things as vinegar and Dr. Pepper and several hours of boiling in a canner and then hours of skinning, trimming and deboning before it finally goes into the oven.

We eat on it for days and then stash bags of it in the freezer to season beans and mustard greens from now until next year.

Last summer at the height of gardening season, I dried half a bushel of white half runners into shuckey beans. I didn't properly string them up with a needle and twine and hang them out to dry on a clothes line the way we had to growing up. I simply broke them up and

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Our Readers Write

Thank you to David's Tire and Patricia Bullock

Dear Editor,
If you are on I-75 and have automobile trouble, try to get to David's Tire Center. David Thompson and Patricia Bullock are the kindest; reassuring people you would ever need in time of trouble.

Mr. David was covered up with work, but treated us like we were the only customer he had. His kind words were, "we'll try to help you folks," and he did. The City of Mt Vernon is fortunate to have a business like David's Tire Center. They must be doing something right because they are busy all the time.

We appreciate them so much.
*George and Doris Arnold
Somerset*

Thank you...

Dear Editor,
I would like to say Thank You to a great group of people! First of all, and most importantly, Jesus Christ for allowing me and giving me the ability to do a program called Adopt-A-Basket. Next, Roundstone Missionary Baptist Church and the best supporters a person can have. I would also like to say thank you to residents of Rockcastle County and organizations that bought items at bake sales and my booth at the Bittersweet Festival that Don and Joyce Gabbard decorated so beautifully.

Also, I want to recognize the following individuals and businesses for their donations:

Roundstone Missionary Baptist Church, Plumbers/Pipefitters of Lexington, Kiwanis Club of Rockcastle County, Discount Grocery and More, Dr. Jennifer Chadwell, DMD, Dr. Daksha Parikh, DDS, Dr. Mary Oldfield, DMD, James Townsend, James and Dee Ann Miller, Mike Peters, Mike DeBorde, Marlene Lawson, Harry Tudor, James Renner, Belinda Reppert, Brenda Cromer.

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Kitchen and the children of MVES for making sure I had the food and hygiene products for the 140 families (602 people) that we were able to help. Thank you to the Mt. Vernon Signal for the wonderful article they wrote.

Also, I want to send out a special thank you to Sheriff Mike Peters - Shop With A Cop, RCHS - Jessie Mahaffey, RCMS - Kim Hunter/Angie Payne, MVES - Regina Hull-Brown, BES - Satica Morgan, RES - Sandy Bullen, CAP-Sharon Goff, Rockcastle County Senior Citizens - Torinda Fletcher and Joy Reynolds for making sure the families that needed vouchers received them.

As we start into the new year, we have already started working on the 2014 give-away. I can't wait to see what God has in store for this program and the families He will send our way.

*God Bless You All,
Peggy Snyder,
Founder and Executive
Director of
Adopt-A-Basket*

"I See It"

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regular basis in the community and we can even get to know them personally. We don't have to research their plans on the internet and make sure they match up with the type of person we would want in that office. For local candidates all we have to do is ask them their plans when we see them out in the community.

Not only do I encourage everyone to vote in this year's elections, but I encourage everyone in their respected counties to attend the upcoming spaghetti suppers, chili cook-offs and other community events so you can talk with the candidates one-on-one.

Ask them questions. You can even treat it like an interview by asking them their strengths and weaknesses. Do this so you can decide which candidate fits best with your morals, beliefs and plans that you want to see accomplished in that particular office.

Always remember that our vote is important. If you don't believe that just open your eyes. Candidates aren't running their political campaigns for fun, they are doing it for a reason. Our vote decides who gets elected to what office and who does not. Our vote is our voice and it's a voice that we need to take advantage of and use!

"Memories"

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When she was finished, I threaded the net onto the goal and, to my surprise, it looked exactly like a real basketball goal. I was thrilled. Each time my small ball went through the goal, it produced the "swishing" sound of a real basketball. I will never know how many hours I spent playing on that home-made goal. I pretended to be UK greats such as Ralph Beard, Alex Groza, and All-American Bill Spivey. It is quite impossible to estimate the number of NCAA games that I won on the last shot on my home-made goal. I was a six-year-old All American.

In my mind, my mother was constantly in the kitchen cooking and baking. Our kitchen always smelled so good! Bee even involved me at times when she was cooking up some delicious meal for our family. One day she was making home-made biscuits when she said, "David Joe, pull one of the chairs up to the counter and you can help me make biscuit dough." I did as she suggested, and together we formed the dough into biscuits for our family. She allowed me to make two of the biscuits into shapes that I wanted to eat for our meal, including a dog and a bow tie. When the biscuits were placed into the wood-burning oven, it was all I could do to wait until they were ready to place on the table. I proudly displayed my specially made biscuits to my brother Al and Daddy. They seemed impressed that I had assisted Bee.

In those days, there were no PlayStations, Nintendo's, X-boxes, no video games, no video movies or DVD's, no surround-sound or CD's, no cell phones, no personal computers, no Internet or chat rooms. We had our friends

and our families to suggest ways to occupy our time. Most of the time, our mothers pushed us out of the house into the yard to play on our own.

My friends usually gathered in our yard, and we stayed out all day long. Sometimes our mothers did not even know where we were located - but it was usually within shouting distance. Bee simply knew that if she yelled my name, I would come home. I can hear her now, "David Joe, it's supper time, come on home!" That was all it took - I ran all the way home.

Yes, I am aware that the 50s are gone and that the simpler times of our history will never return. However, I am glad that my boyhood days were spent experiencing the culture, the music, and children's games of that era. And I am deeply appreciative of my mother and her caring ways as I grew into a 60s teenager. Like the times we lived in, she was a real gem.

You can reach me at themnman@att.net or you can drop me a line at P.O. Box 927 - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your suggestions and comments.

"Points East"

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sun dried them on cheese cloth that I'd placed over an old window screen.

I'm the only person in our household who loves them, because Loretta is afraid that a fly may have lit on them while they were drying. Please don't tell her that rabbits probably peed on her green beans before she picked them.

Anyway, shuckey beans are not fit to eat, in my humble opinion, unless they've been simmered for several hours and then cooked down with a big chunk of country ham. Ditto for turnip and mustard greens. I buy a lot of canned greens in the store. I like to drain the water they are packed in into a microwave safe bowl, add a chunk of some ham trimmings to it and nuke it for about 5 minutes. Then I pour the water and ham back over the greens in a kettle and bring it to a hard boil on the stove.

Shuckey beans and greens served with a pone of hot corn bread, a good sweet onion, and a tall glass of buttermilk is as good as

eating gets in February as far as I'm concerned.

Speaking of onions, I am proud to announce that I started gardening in January again this year. I found both Walla Walla and Texas Sweetie seed on the internet and ordered them several weeks ago. Neither keep very well for any length of time once they are mature, but you can eat them like apples and both do very well and grow to very large sizes in our climate. So called Vidalia Onions will also grow here but they are not nearly as sweet as the aforementioned varieties because we have too much sulfur in our soil.

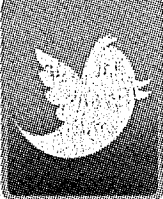
The Georgia State Legislature passed a law called The Vidalia Act of 1986 declaring that the name Vidalia could not be applied to any onion, commercially grown outside a 13-county area of Georgia that has a peculiar, low-sulfur, soil base. The truth of the matter is that Vidalia onions are actually a common and readily available variety of plants and seeds called Granex. You can get them any place that sells seed, sets or plants, but unless you are willing to go to consid-

erable time and effort neutralizing your garden soil, they will not be very sweet in most locations. And even if you do grow them, they won't keep in storage.

Walla Wallas and Texas Sweeties taste to me like they've been grown in sugar and both grow three or four times larger here, than Granex. Trouble is, plants and sets are very hard to find unless you grow your own and that is oh so simple and easy to do.

I simply take an old plant tray/flat, fill it with good potting soil, sow the onion seeds on top of it and barely cover them with more soil or sand and keep them dampened/lightly-watered. I am fortunate to have a side room off our kitchen with lots of windows that I can use as a greenhouse when I catch Loretta with her back turned.

When the plants are about 5 inches tall, I shear them back to about three inches and put them in the garden. Last year the going price for onion plants was around \$3.00 for a bunch of 50. I can grow well over 500 for less than two bucks and then brag that I started gardening in January.



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Obituaries



Laura A. Shepherd

Laura A. Shepherd, 88, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, January 31, 2014 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond after a long illness. She was born November 11, 1925 in Luner, KY, the daughter of the late James and Lula Bustle Cope. She retired from Parker Seal Company, enjoyed crossword puzzles, watching W.L.J.C., spending time with her family, and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

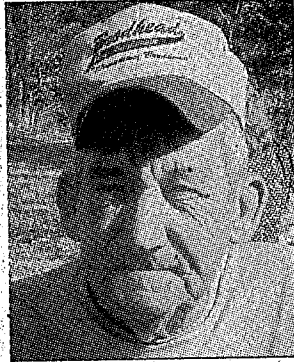
Survivors are: four daughters, Reva Shepherd, Phyllis Holbrook, Connie Woods, and Julie Ham, all of Mt. Vernon; one sister, Mrs. Mattie Ponder of Hamilton, OH; eight grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Walter L. Shepherd; six brothers, Foist, Paul, Kenneth, Homer, Walker and Bobby Cope; one sister, Beulah Renner; one infant brother and three infant sisters; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, February 3, 2014 at the Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Andy Woods officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Chet Woods, Jason Woods, Andy Woods, Neal Shepherd, Kane Holbrook, and Jeff Ham.

Send condolences to www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.



Jearl B. Bullock

Jearl B. Bullock, 66, of Eubank, died peacefully Friday, January 10, 2014 at Rockcastle Regional Hospital. He was born August 17, 1947, son of the late Hearl and Lucy Barnes Bullock. He was retired from Tecumseh after 26 years. He was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by: his wife, Edna Lavonne Sims Bullock, whom he married February 11, 1968; one son, Scott (Stephanie) Bullock; one daughter, Monica (Jeff) Dillingham of Woodstock; one brother, Donald Ray (Thelma) Bullock of Brodhead; two sisters, Judy Kidwell of Mt. Vernon and Mary Rose Deborde of Eubank; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Bullock of Eubank; five grandchildren, Brandon, Bradley, and Brooke Bullock, Jordan and Jayden Dillingham, all of Woodstock; one great grandchild, Taegan "Little Girl" Bullock and her mother, Cierra Alexander, to which all of his grandchildren he loved; and a special pet companion, Jake.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: one brother, Robert Earl Bullock; father-in-law, Homer Sims; mother-in-law, Gertrude Whitis Sims; and a brother-in-law, James Kidwell.

Funeral services were January 15 at the Chapel of Morris & Hislope Funeral Home with Bro. Bradley Goforth officiating. Burial was in Eden Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at: www.morrisandhislope.com



Edith Abney

Edith Ballinger Abney, 93, died peacefully at her home January 30, 2014. She was born in Dayton, OH on August 18, 1920 to the late Dewey and Virgie McCracken Ballinger. She was known for her cooking and gardening skills, love of animals and was devoted to her family. She was a member of the Roundstone Baptist Church.

She is survived by: her children, Alberta Abney Evans, Carolyn Abney (Garr) Deatherage and Paul (Ann D. Abney); her grandchildren, Jill Evans (Eric) Fudge, Matthew (Krissey) Evans, Paul Stewart (Ashley) Abney, David Tanner Abney, Benjamin Martin Abney and John Cole Abney; her great grandchildren, Haley Evans, Dillon Fudge, Ayden and Lincoln Barton and Eleanor and Lawson Abney; one sister, Phyllis Shepherd; and a host of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by: her husband, Bronco John Abney; her granddaughter, Stacie Deatherage Barton; her son-in-law, John Evans; four brothers, George, Edward, Raymond and Donald Ballinger; and three sisters, Etta Ann Mullins, Lucille Kirby and Cleda Shepherd.

Graveside services were conducted Saturday, February 1, 2014 in Elmwood Cemetery. Burial immediately followed.

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to Hospice Care Plus or your charity of choice.

Arrangements were by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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Mary Lucy Howard

Mary Lucy Howard, 75, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, January 25, 2014 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born in Harlan County on December 24, 1938 the daughter of Virgil William and Opal-Dane Weaver Arnold. She was self-employed housekeeper and was a member of Providence Church of Christ.

She is survived by: two sons, Dale Howard of Middleburg, FL and Don Howard of Mt. Vernon; one brother, Keith Arnold of Dayton, OH; two sisters, Phillis Hines of Mt. Vernon and Billie Janice Brant of Greenwood, IN; and four nephews, William Thomas Hines of Mt. Vernon, Henry Casey Hines of Murray, Randall Arnold of Dayton, OH and Keith Brant of Whiteland, IN; and one niece, Lisa Brant of Indianapolis, IN. Also surviving are three grandchildren; Jacob Howard, John Monroand Joseph Howard all of Middleburg, FL.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Opal Faye Shaw.

Memorial services were conducted Thursday, January 30, 2014 at the First Christian Church by Bro. Bruce Ross and Bro. Dan McKibben.

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Robert Estill Hopkins

Robert Estill Hopkins, 67, of Brodhead, died Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. He was born November 16, 1946, a son of the late Oscar and Edna Lunsford Hopkins. He was a retired from the Cowden Distribution Center in Lexington, having worked there for 29 years. In addition, he had been a farmer. He enjoyed University of Kentucky basketball, farming, gardening and spending time with friends. He was a member of the Full Gospel House of Care. On March 9, 1966, he was united in marriage to Minnie Mae Barnes and from that union came two children.

He is survived by: his wife, Minnie Mae Barnes Hopkins of Brodhead; two children, Estill Wayne (fiance) Alisha Hollin of Berea and Lisa Diane (Larry Lee) Stewart of Mount Vernon; three grandchildren, James Dakota Hopkins, Gabrielle Hopkins and Jesse Leander Hollin; two sisters, Joann (Jerry) Carter and Betty Mullins, all of Berea; and many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by: three brothers, Dallas Hopkins, Lloyd Hopkins and Edward Lee Hopkins; three sisters, Carolyn Price, Barbara Whitaker and Ruthetta Hopkins (infant); and two grandchildren, Emily Hopkins and Logan Christopher Hopkins.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 1 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Roger Pigg and Bro. Doug Collins officiating. Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held (today) Thursday, February 6, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.

Expressions of sympathy can be made in the form of contributions to Hospice Care Plus, 208 Kidd Drive, Berea, Kentucky 40403.

Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com.

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Mary Ann Bridges

Mary Ann Jones Chasteen Bridges, 68, of Crab Orchard, died Saturday, January 25, 2014 at the UK Medical Center. She was born in Livingston, on January 22, 1946 the daughter of Benny and Irene Morris Jones. She was a seamstress and homemaker and was of the Holiness Faith. She enjoyed sewing, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, or in her own words, "playing babies".

She is survived by: her husband, Robert Bridges; her children, Carl (Michelle) Chasteen of Fairfield, OH and Anna (Russell) Poynter of Copper Creek; her mother, Irene Jones; a sister, Edith (James) Renner of Cincinnati, OH; six grandchildren, Amanda; Joey, Trina, Justin, Marie, and Jon; and three great grandchildren, Emma, Peyton, and Adelynn. Also surviving are: a step-son, Kevin Bridges of Ohio; a step-daughter, Lisa Holcomb of Ohio; two step-grandchildren and one step-great grandchild; and a girl whom she helped raise, Vanessa Rizzo and her children, Jordan, DJ, Raven, and Jamie.

She was preceded in death by: her father, Benny Jones; her first husband, James Chasteen; two brothers, Virgis Jones and Billy Ray Jones; and a grandson, James Walter Chasteen.

Funeral services were January 30 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Randy McPherson. Burial followed in the Cartersville Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Kevin Bridges, Jon Chasteen, Joseph Chasteen, Justin Poynter, Josh Renner and Jonathan Taylor.

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Melissa Gail VanWinkle

Melissa Gail Hensley VanWinkle, 49, of Orlando, died Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital. She was born in Mt. Vernon, June 27, 1964 the daughter of Wainwright Hensley and Barbara Croucher. She was a homemaker and a member of the Brush Creek Holiness Church.

She is survived by: her daughters, Bridgette VanWinkle, Brittany (Bryan) Pittman, and Tesla Riddle, all of Orlando; her step-father, James Letcher Croucher of Orlando; her step-mother, Linda Hensley Britton of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Melvin Hensley of Orlando and Randy Singleton of Mt. Vernon; and three sisters, Penny (Jimmy) Wynn and Trinna Nicely, all of Orlando and Wendy Elaine Mink of Mt. Vernon. Also surviving are: three grandchildren, Haylie Owens, Blaine McLemore, and Madison VanWinkle; and her former husband, Bennett VanWinkle of Orlando.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Wainwright Hensley and Barbara Croucher.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 31, 2014 at Brush Creek Holiness Church by Bro. Lonnie McGuire. Burial followed in Briarfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ballard Hensley, Tim McKinney, Jeffery Nicely, Timothy Nicely, Bryant Pittman, Randy Stewart and James Ray VanWinkle.

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Samuel T. Sturgill

Samuel T. Sturgill, 92, of Mt. Sterling, died Sunday, January 26, 2014 at the Windsor Care Center in Mt. Sterling. He was born in Rockcastle County, August 29, 1921 the son of John L. and Emma Elizabeth Thomas Sturgill. He was retired machinist for L&N Railroad, a US Army Veteran of World War II, a member of Calvary Baptist Church and a member of the McKee Masonic Lodge #144.

He is survived by: two sons, Raymond (Deulah) Sturgill of Mt. Sterling and Larry (Debbie) Sturgill of Paris; two brothers, JT Sturgill of Westerville, OH and Chester Sturgill of Roanoke, VA; and one sister, Gladys Baker of Louisville. Also surviving are three grandchildren, six great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Ruby Beatrice Ball Sturgill; four brothers; and two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 29, 2014 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Harlan Avery. Burial followed in the Briarfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Adrien Strugill, Tasia Sturgill, Nikalette Brierly, Kaylyn Jamison, Karissa Ginter, Joshua Jamison, Jonathan Ginter, Kelsey Cook and Daryl Wilson.

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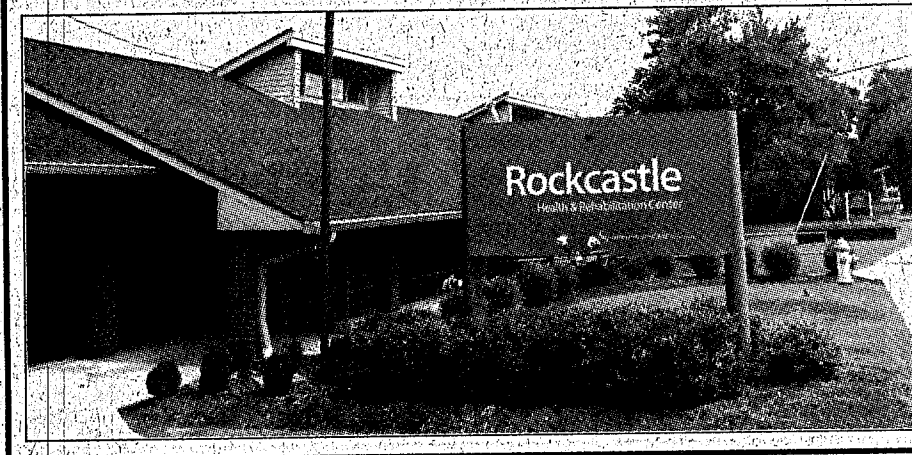
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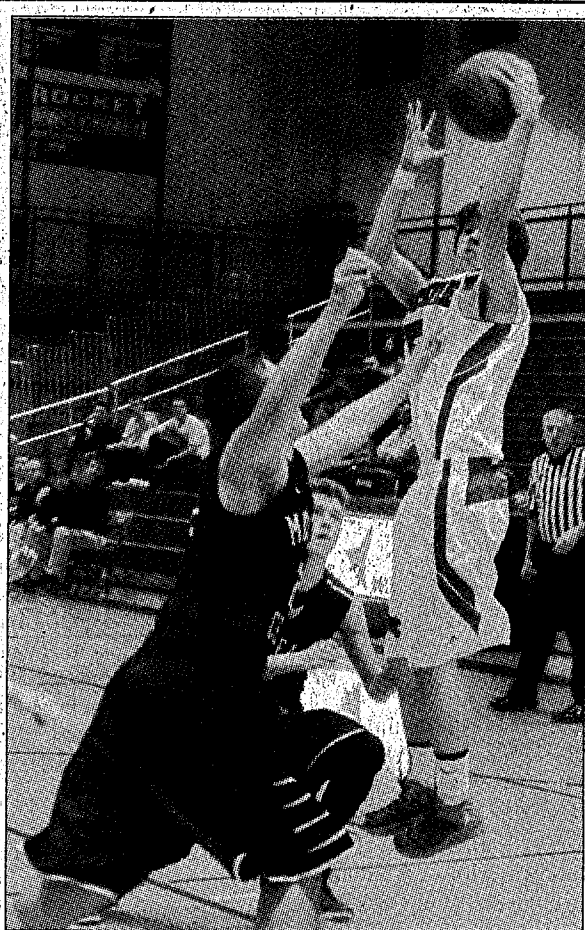
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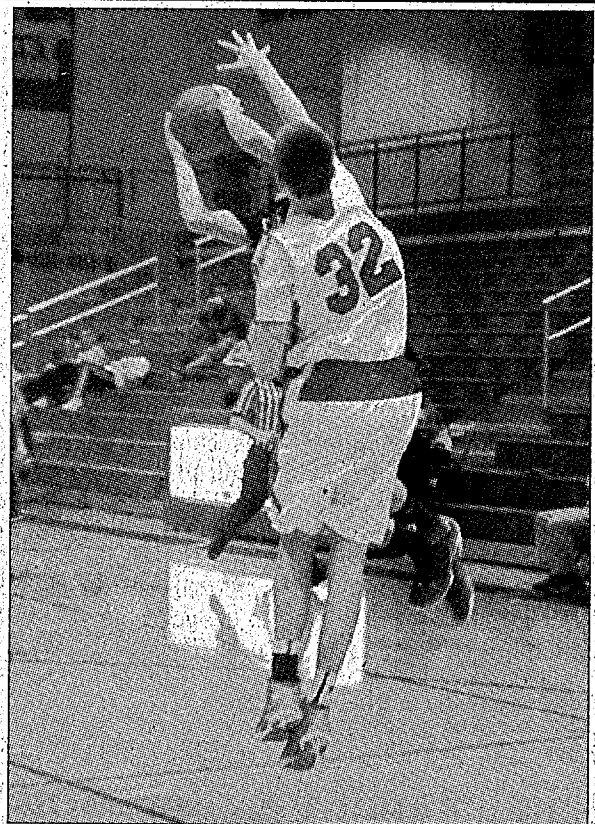
Boys beat McCreary; Pensol sets scoring record with 46 points

The Rockcastle County Rockets easily took the measure of the McCreary Central Raiders (1-14) Tuesday night, 89-55; behind a record-setting night for junior point-guard Sam Pensol. Pensol set a new single game scoring record with 46 points, besting Matt Brown's record of 44 points. 22 of Pensol's points came in the first quarter when the Rockets outscored the Raiders 30-10.

Also in double figures for the Rockets was freshman Lucas Gentry with 10. Others scoring were freshman John Cornelius 9; senior Gage Reynolds 6; senior Blake Mullins 5; seniors Dakota Hasty and Josh Mason and freshman Carson Noble, with 4 each and freshman Dylan Rowe 1. The win takes the Rockets to 10-15 on the season. The Rockets are now idle until next Tuesday night when they will play the second game of a home doubleheader with the Lady Rockets against Berea.



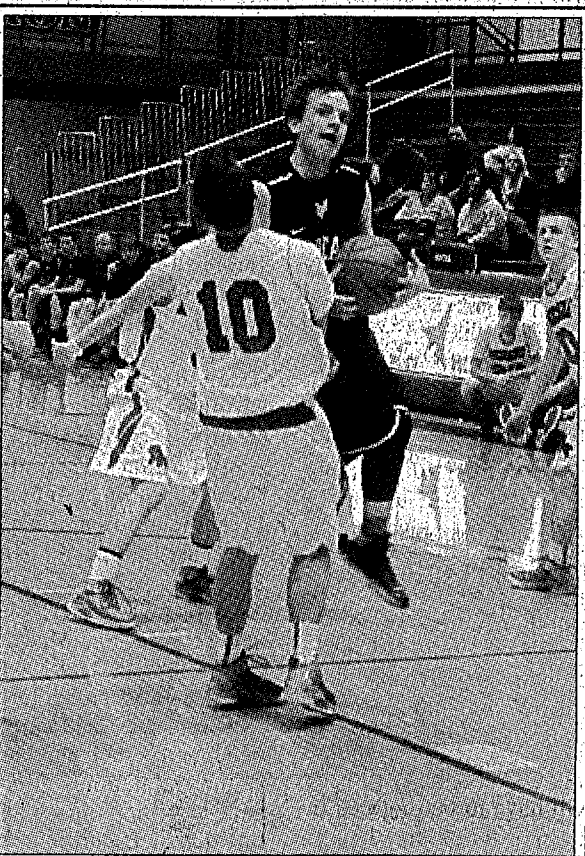
Junior Sam Pensol goes for a lay-up during Tuesday night's impressive 89-55 win over the McCreary Central Raiders. Pensol led the Rockets in scoring with 46 points beating the previous Rockets single game scoring record held by former Rocket Matt Brown who had 44 points.



Freshman Lucas Gentry goes up for a block during Tuesday night's win against McCreary Central. Gentry scored 10 points in the game.



Senior Josh Mason applies the defense during the Rockets win against McCreary County Monday night. The Rockets next game is next Tuesday when they take on the Berea Pirates at home. Tip-off is at 7:30 p.m.



Senior Gage Reynolds takes a charge during the 89-55 win Tuesday night against McCreary County. The Rockets lost to Pulaski County last Friday night 71-63.

The Lady Rockets will host Pulaski Southwestern Friday night for JV/Varsity games. The Rockets and Lady Rockets will host a doubleheader with Berea next Tuesday at RCHS.

Lady Rockets fall to Clay County Tigers

The Lady Rockets couldn't stop the Clay County Lady Tiger's big girls under the basket Monday night and lost their 14th game of the season 59-36. Down nine points at the end of the first quarter, 22-13, the girls lost ground in the second going to the locker room at halftime down 36-22. The margin also increased in the third with Clay up 49-29 at the end of that period.

Freshman Mahala Saylor led her team in scoring with 17 points, senior Kayla Reynolds got 10; junior Alaina Coguer scored 4, sophomore Ashley McKinney got 3 and senior Brianna Hansel scored 2 points.

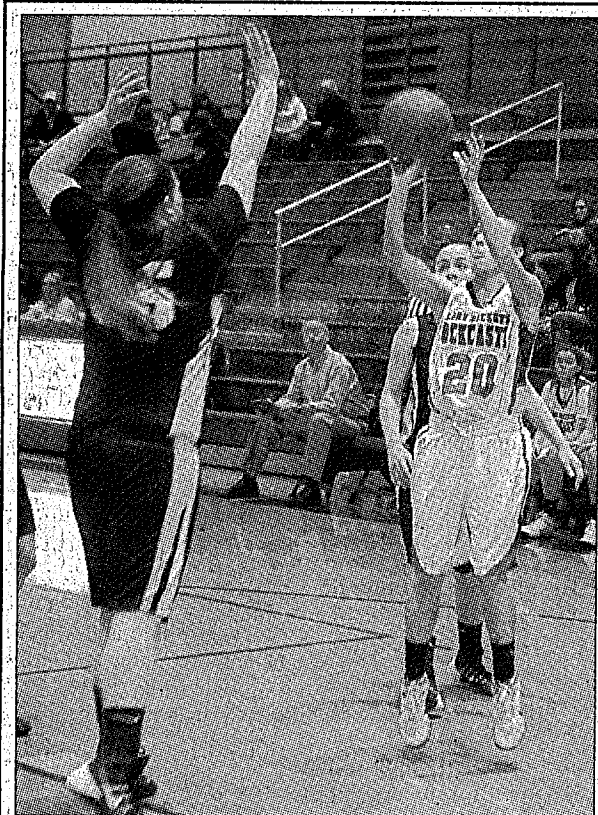
In the JV game, the Lady Rockets had an easy contest, winning 39-24.

Freshman Emily Payne led the scoring with 14 points, eight from the charity stripe; freshmen Hope Kelley and Caroline Coguer got 6 each; freshman Jayna Albright scored 5; freshmen Emmy Barker and Juliann Kirby got 2 each and Maddy Bullen scored 1.

The girls will host Pulaski Southwestern Friday night for JV/Varsity games and will play the first game Tuesday night with the boys at home against Berea.

JV Roundup
(Info taken from official scorer's book)
RCHS 25 0 15 10 50

Wayne 25 11 7 13 56
McKinney 2, Morgan Renner 4, Albright 2, Kelley 19, Saylor 15, Barker 2, C. Coguer 2, Payne 4.
RCHS 5 9 6 12 32
S. Laurel 9 6 3 8 26
McKinney 7, Renner 2, Abney 5, Kelley 8, Payne 2, Saylor 8.
RCHS 8 15 12 11 46
Mad. Cen. 8 3 8 4 23
Saylor 3, Kelley 15, Abney 6.
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Mad. Cen. 8 3 8 4 23
Saylor 3, Kelley 15, Abney 6, McKinney 5, Renner 4, Payne 6, Kirby 3, Bullen 4.
RCHS 13 11 8 11 43
N. Laurel 7 1 10 6 24
Saylor 8, Kelley 4, Abney 2, McKinney 7, Renner 2, C. Coguer 2, Payne 10, Bullen 6, Kaitlyn Comer 2.
RCHS 10 8 9 4 31
Garrard 3 4 3 5 15
Renner 4, Saylor 2, Kelley 10, Abney 4, Payne 5, Kirby 2, C. Coguer 2, Bullen 2.
RCHS 9 9 9 3 30
E. Jess. 2 10 6 4 22
Renner 3, McKinney 8, Saylor 5, Kelley 11, Abney 3.
RCHS 16 15 5 13 49
Clay Co. 10 15 10 11 46
Renner 13, McKinney 8, Saylor 8, Kelley 19, Abney 1.
RCHS 5 9 6 7 27
Casey 2 4 13 11 30
McKinney 1, Saylor 2, Kelley 10, Abney 6, Bullen 1, Payne 7.
RCHS 12 9 5 7 33
Corbin 6 7 8 6 29
Renner 2, Saylor 8, Abney 8, McKinney 6, Kelley 6, Bullen 2.



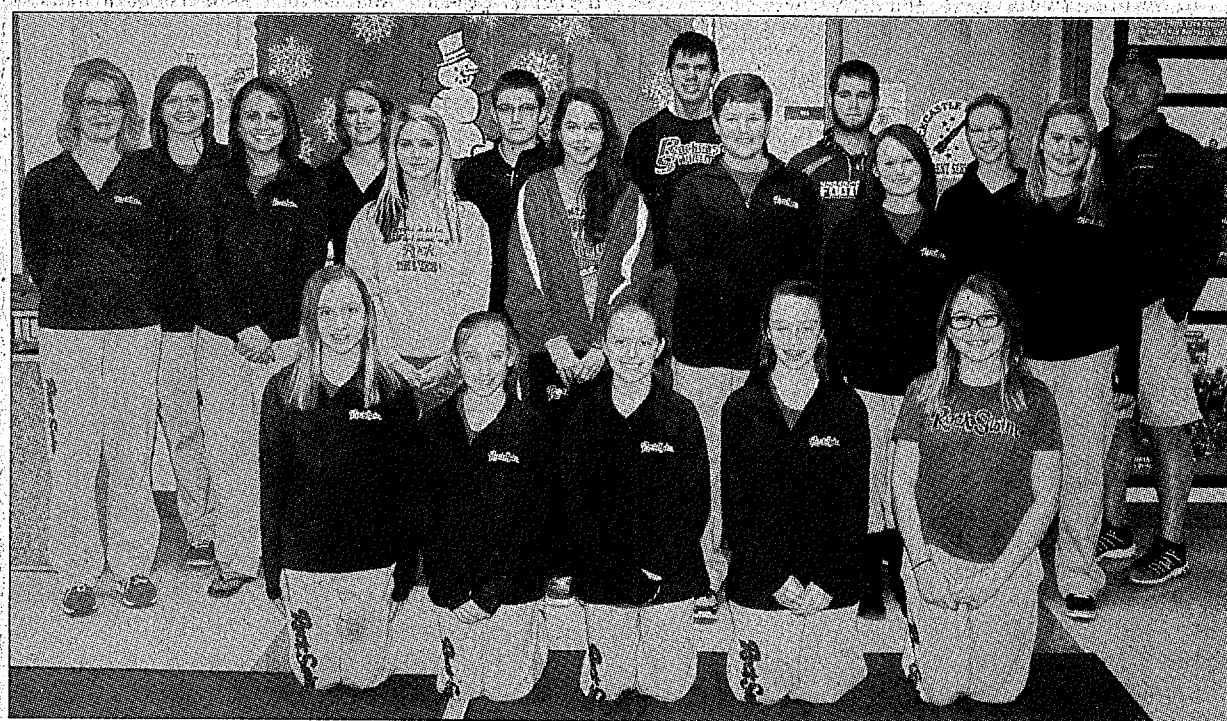
Junior Alaina Coguer puts up a jumpshot during the loss against the Clay County Lady Tigers at home Monday night.



Freshman Emme Barker looks to make a pass during Monday night's game against Clay County. The Lady Rockets also lost to the Pulaski County Lady Maroons last Friday night in overtime 62-58.



Freshman Emily Payne, senior Rebekah Ponder and freshman Caroline Coguer trap a Lady Tiger during the loss to Clay County Monday night.



RCHS Swim Team News...

The RCHS swim team traveled to Somerset to take on Southwestern and Pulaski on January 17th at the Somerset Family Fitness Center. RCHS beat Pulaski with a score of 123-78 in head to head competition but lost to Southwestern 124-97.

In the girl's team scores RCHS beat Southwestern 86-56 and Pulaski 102-36. The boy's team lost to Pulaski 42-21 and to Southwestern 68-11.

Senior Lauren Burton was able to capture multiple individual wins in the meet by winning the 50 freestyle with a time of 27.46 and the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:01.39. Lauren along with Laurel Yates, Rachel Cain and Emily Childress won the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 2:01.61. Lauren, Emily, Laurel and Kellan Coffey won the 400 freestyle relay with a time of 4:36.86.

Emily Childress won the 200 yard freestyle while dropping nearly 6 seconds with a time of 2:33.17. Emily also placed 3rd in the 100 breaststroke in a time of 1:33.65.

Rachel Cain won the 200 yard individual medley with a time of 2:59.82. Savannah Goff was 2nd with a time of 3:32.79.

Kellan Coffey won the 500 yard freestyle in a time of 6:47.06.

Rebekah Lake placed 2nd in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:21.13. She also placed 3rd in the 100 butterfly going 1:29.27.

Laurel Yates placed 3rd in the 50 freestyle with a time of 29.00 and she placed 2nd in the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:04.90.

Leadership Rockcastle 2014 begins in March

The Rockcastle County Development Board is searching for applicants to be a part of the 2014 Leadership Rockcastle program. The opening session will take place at the Red Hill Horse Camp on Saturday, March 15th.

This class will begin the 11th year for this program and it is one of the longest consecutively run leadership programs in Eastern Kentucky according to Roger Wolfenbarger of Brushy Fork Institute. The opening session will be facilitated by Brushy Fork Institute and they will cover several topics during this full day session such as Community and Economic Development and Personal Leadership Styles.

Individuals that are interested in Rockcastle County progress should consider joining. No previous leadership experience is required. The opening session is followed by a trip in April to tour the State Capitol and then six half day sessions once a month through October.

Graduates of this class become voting members of the Rockcastle County Development Board which is a 501c3 organization. Our goal is to improve the quality of life in Rockcastle County. We would like you to consider joining the Leadership Rockcastle program and help make our county a better place to live.

Contact Lynn Tatum at 606-308-4646 or email lylntatum@yahoo.com for more information and application.

“City”

(Cont. from front)

the “Lake Linville Master Plan” that was drawn up by an engineering firm for the City of Mt. Vernon in 2012. The plan also consists of other projects as well, including a boardwalk, fishing pier, two athletic fields, jetty and manmade island near the boat dock.

Tatum said the overall estimate on all the projects in the master plan is over a million dollars. However, she reminded the council that they can decide on what projects best fit the city’s budget.

Mayor Mike Bryant agreed with Tatum and said that the Lake Linville Master Plan was designed as if money wasn’t an issue.

“They designed this plan as if we live in an ideal world where money isn’t a problem. So if we did everything in the plan it would cost over a million dollars,” Mayor Bryant said. “We know that realistically we are a small town and we don’t have that kind of funds available. But it’s a great plan and we can pick and choose what we want to do.”

Tatum told the council that it is important that they pinpoint what projects they want to do so they can start applying for grants that are available for those specific projects.

Tatum suggested that the most feasible and necessary projects were to upgrade the boat docks, upgrade the campground and create walking/hiking trails. She said the best grants available for the walking/hiking trails were through the Recreational Trails Program and the best grants available for the upgrading of the campground and boat docks were through the Land and Water Conservation fund.

Tatum went on to say that there was no conclusion on pricing estimates for the three projects at this time and that she hoped to have that information at next month’s council meeting. She said the purpose of this meeting was for it to be “informational to the council” and that she needed to make sure the council was in agreement so they could start applying for grants.

Councilman Clifford Mullins told the council that he was concerned about the issue of “perpetuity” which consisted of restrictions that were included in the descriptions of both grant programs.

“This is a hypothetical illustration but what if we take a grant to improve the campground but ten years from now we want to build a fifty room resort hotel in the spot of the campground,” Mullins said. “Would we be able to do that and use that land as we choose? I guess my main concern is would we be able to do what we want with that land if we go with these grants?”

Councilwoman Jamie Bryant agreed with Mullins and said she would like to know how much control the grant programs would have over their land if they re-

ceive the grants for the proposed projects.

Tatum said she would check with both grant programs to determine all the restrictions and that she will have the information at next month’s council meeting.

In other action, the council unanimously adopted and implemented a resolution to the city’s Facilities Plan that indicated that future improvements to the city’s wastewater system would be in compliance with the plan that was approved by Kentucky Division of Water and the Environmental Protection Agency. The resolution was required by the Division of Water and EPA and the city was determined to be in compliance of their regulations.

Fire Chief David Bales and Police Chief Brian Carter also reported on activities for their departments during the month of December.

Bales reported that 34 runs were made and 9,260 gallons of water were used to answer 11 accidents with injuries, 5 non-injury accidents, 1 EMS assist, 1 tractor and trailer fire, 4 vehicle fires, 1 smoke investigation in a business, 1 structure fire, 2 woods fires endangering residences, 4 fire alarm activations, 1 smoke investigation at a residence, 1 mutual aid structure fire with Livingston Fire Department, 1 tree fallen on vehicle with occupants inside and 1 transformer fire.

Carter reported that the police department made 568 total calls of service including 21 non-injury accidents, 8 injury accidents, 26 total arrests, 2 DUI arrest, 12 drug charges, 8 other criminal charges, 53 traffic violations and 9 warrants served.

“Weather”

(Cont. from front)

Rockcastle 911 also received reports of the traffic lights being out at the intersections of Hwy 461 and Jerri Lane in front of Rockcastle County High School and Hwy 461 and Hwy 1326 in Mt. Vernon. Power outages were also reported at residences and businesses in Conway, Scaffold Cane Orlando and Mt. Vernon. Holbrook said the power outages were a result of downed power lines due to the ice.

At the time of publication, several businesses and residences were still without power but Holbrook said Kentucky Utilities and Jackson Energy say they have crews working in the needed areas and hope to have the power back on sometime Wednesday afternoon.

Holbrook said that the heavy rains that came before the freezing rain and snow also caused flooding problems in several areas of the county.

The National Weather Service reported that as of 8 a.m. Wednesday morning, within a twenty-four hour period, 1.6 inches of rainfall was reported in Brodhead, 1.64 inches of rainfall in Mt. Vernon, 1.24 inches of rain-

fall in Livingston, 2.7 inches of rainfall in Climax and 3.22 inches of rainfall in Roundstone.

Holbrook said heavy flooding was reported in Conway and Roundstone. He also said the temporary bridge in Brodhead was closed for an extended period of time Wednesday morning due to water from the Dix River covering the roadway.

Holbrook went on to say that they are fortunate that no vehicle accidents or other injuries were reported during the bizarre weather storm.

“Things are bad enough as it is but they could always be worse,” Holbrook said. “We are just fortunate that no one in county was injured as a result of the weather.”

The bizarre storm system also caused problems for Rockcastle County Schools causing dismissal on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday due to inclement weather.

Superintendent David Pensol said the power was out at the high school and middle school Wednesday morning. The power remained out at both schools at the time of publication.

However, Pensol said the worst problems came Sunday afternoon when school officials discovered a crack in the high school gymnasium roof and found several areas of the gym floor under water. He said they believe the crack was caused by water freezing on the roof and the rainfall last weekend caused water to seep through the crack onto the gym floor.

Pensol said the crack was about “as wide as a dime” and approximately 60 to 70 feet long. He said the crack was repaired and that they were able to get the water mopped up before any damage was done to the gym floor.

Pensol went on to say that the RCHS gym roof will have to be replaced in the near future and that replacement of the roof was included in their current facilities replacement plan.

“Kirby”

(Cont. from front)

However, Kirby said Friday that that condition, and another of being barred from being on city property, was set aside by Governor Steve Beshear in May of 2011.

Kirby said she pled guilty to the charge because she had been told that her son would get a 15 year sentence on a charge if she did not. Kirby said he later served just over four months for the offense.

As to her reason for filing for her former office, Kirby said, “In the last three years I have had a lot of people begging me to run again saying I was the best mayor the city had ever had.”

Kirby went on to say she “could have said no” but decided that she had let people, who had elected her in the first place, down. “I don’t hold any ill feelings against anyone,” Kirby said. “I just want to start this next term as if it were my first ever and work as hard as I can.”

Former Mayor Gary Cromer was chosen to fill Kirby’s unexpired term and he was defeated in the next general election by present mayor Mike Bryant in a three way race with former councilman Don Jones.

Bryant has already filed for re-election to the office.

In her announcement, Kirby said “I want to restore faith in the people that all are created equal and will be treated that way. I will concentrate my efforts first on our infrastructure throughout Mt. Vernon. That will benefit the people, not only in our city but throughout the county. Our water supply is a real problem without some work being done. Thanks to all my friends, family and anyone who has urged me to run. I have decided it’s the right thing to do.”

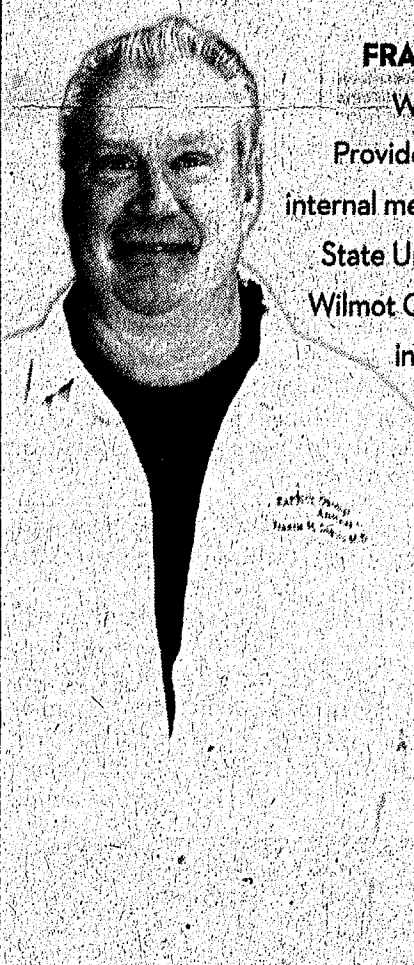
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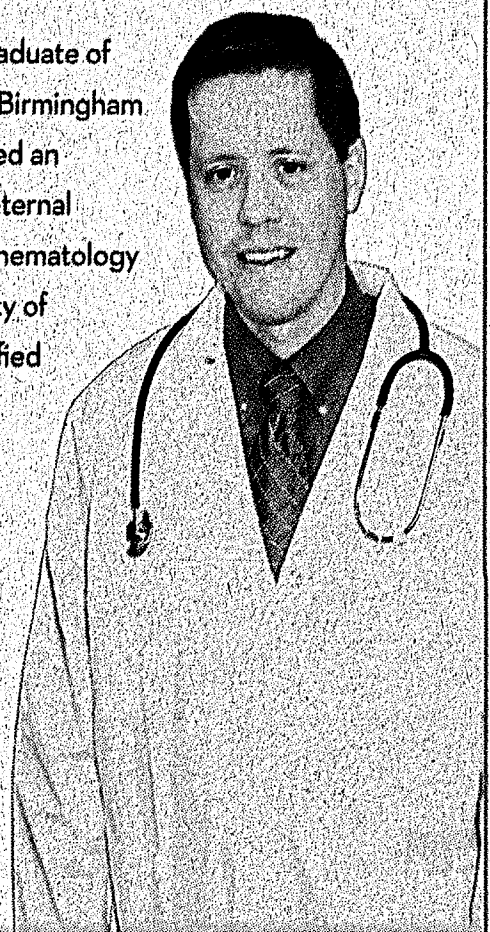
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Wildie bridge closed Friday

By: Doug Ponder

The bridge over Clear Creek in Wildie was officially closed by county road crews last Friday after a routine bridge inspection by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet ordered the bridge be condemned.

The condemned bridge is the fourth on Hwy 1786 from Hwy 25 and it's near the intersection of Hwy 1786 and Hwy 1787.

According to KTC Information Officer Amber Hale, inspectors determined during the routine bridge inspection that the bridge was rapidly deteriorating at a pace that was considered unsafe for drivers.

Hale also said engineers and bridge inspectors ordered the third bridge on Hwy 1786 from Hwy 25 be reduced from a 10 ton bridge to a 3 ton bridge. She said the tonnage limit was ordered to prevent the bridge from deteriorating at a more rapid pace.

Hale went on to say there are four bridges on Hwy 1786 and only the first two bridges on the road are state maintained. She said the third and fourth bridge on the road are maintained by the county but that the bridges are inspected by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis said they barricaded the condemned bridge and placed "bridge closed" signs at each end of the bridge last Friday morning.

However, the sawhorse barricade at each end of the bridge was allegedly removed by drivers sometime last Friday afternoon. Drivers are continuing to drive over the bridge even though it's officially closed.

Carloftis said they are looking into getting something similar to the large weighted plastic barricades placed at the closed Dix River Bridge in Brodhead so they can keep people from driving over the closed bridge.

Rockcastle County Schools Director of Transportation Chris Cornelius said the bridge closing had a minimal effect on their bus routes. He said the bus driver, with the route along Hummel Road and part of Hwy 1786 in Wildie, will now have to pick up all the students along Hwy 1786.

Cornelius went on to say that the adjusted route only effects a few students and taround 10 to 15 minutes is added to that particular bus route as a result of the bridge closing.

Carloftis said that he is currently waiting on an estimate for the construction costs of replacing the bridge and that he expects to have the estimate by the end of this week. Once he receives the estimate, Carloftis said bids for replacing the bridge will be let as soon as possible in order to speed up the process. He said the funding for the project will be furnished by the state.

Carloftis went on to say that no temporary bridge or culvert crossing will be constructed while the condemned bridge is being replaced and that no official detours have been established.

"School"

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ter day provision states that school districts that miss twenty or more days can apply for them with Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holiday and if it is granted they are not required to makeup those school days.

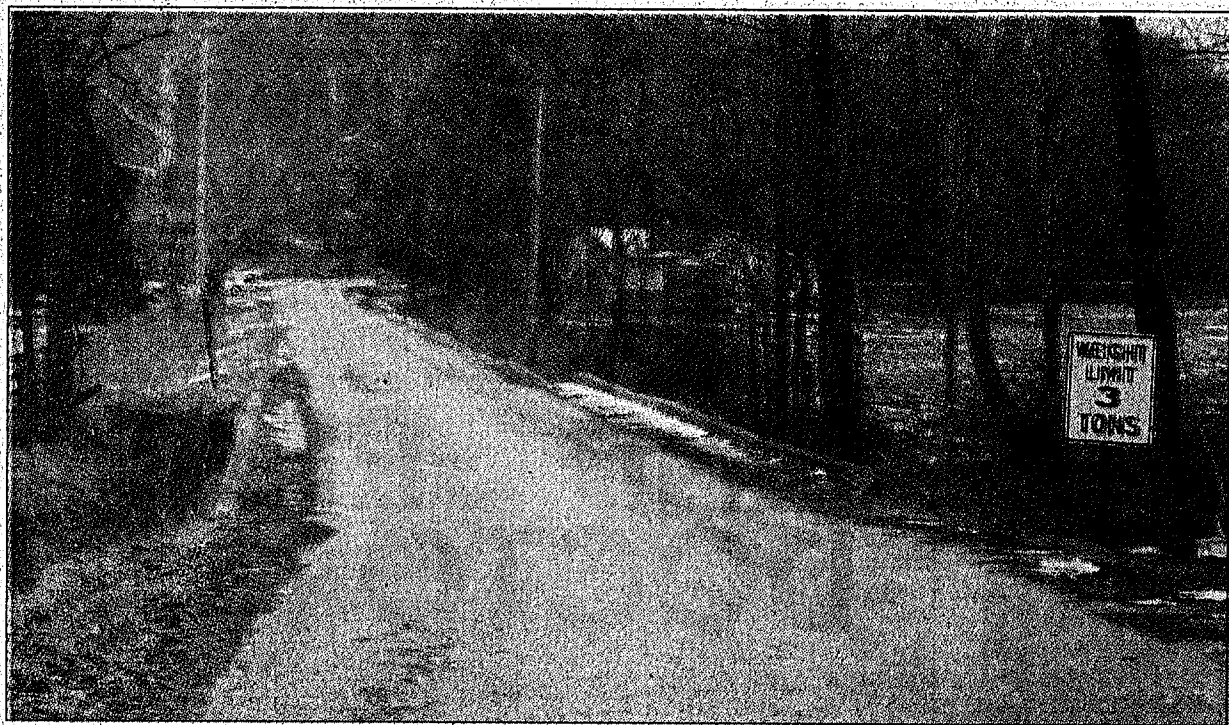
However, Issacs said the disaster day provision is strict as snow days are often not considered disaster days since they often fall under the category of school being missed due to ice, tornadoes, etc.

Issacs said the next possible avenue to find relief is through the Kentucky state legislature which could authorize Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holiday to use waiver authority on makeup days. She said they are keeping a close eye on news from the state legislature but that nothing has been approved yet.

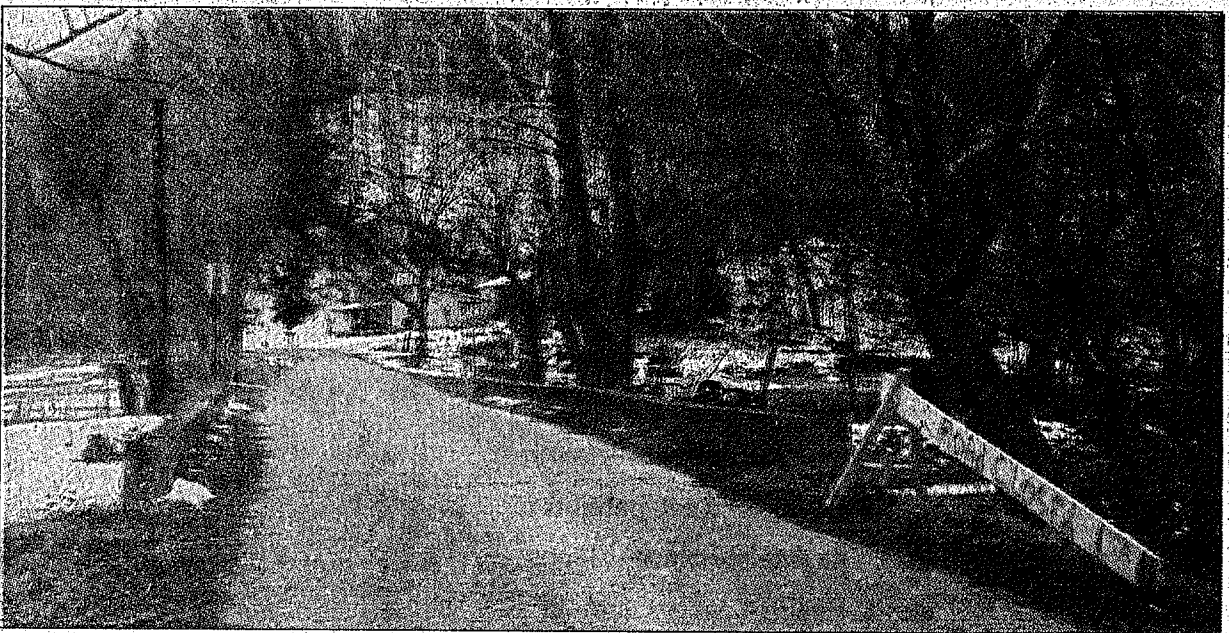
Issacs said that the most school days missed in recent years in Rockcastle County was 16 days during the 2008-2009 school year which consisted of the infamous ice storm that swept Kentucky in January 2009. She said other than that year, the past decade has consisted of milder winters with few snow days.

Issacs went on to say that they hope February is a milder month so the faculty, students and their families can get back into their normal routines.

"We are hoping that February is warmer than December or January but it is not looking good so far," Issacs said. "We are going to continue to weigh out options and make sure we have the best plan for faculty, students and their families. We will know more by the beginning of next week on what proposals are best."



The bridge over Clear Creek in Wildie was closed last Friday by county road crews after a routine bridge inspection by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet ordered the bridge condemned. County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis said each end of the bridge was barricaded and "bridge closed" signs were placed at each end of the bridge last Friday morning. However, the sawhorse barricade at each end of the bridge was allegedly removed by drivers sometime last Friday afternoon. Drivers are also continuing to drive over the bridge even though it's closed. Carloftis said they are looking into getting something similar to the large weighted plastic barricades placed at the closed Dix River Bridge in Brodhead so they can keep people from driving over the closed bridge. No temporary bridge or culvert crossing will be constructed while the condemned bridge is being replaced and no detour route has been established. The bridge shown above on Hwy 1786 was also reduced from a weight limit of 10 tons to 3 tons.



Mt. Vernon Fire Department responded to a house fire Sunday morning on Sawgrass Lane in Mt. Vernon. Authorities say the home belonged to Anthony and Elizabeth Sims. The house was considered a total loss but firefighters were able to salvage a lot of personal belongings from inside the home. The cause of the fire remains unknown and no one was injured in the fire. Mt. vernon Fire Department was assisted by Brodhead Fire Department and Brindle Ridge Fire Department.

"Senators"

(Cont. from front)

by the Rockcastle County Chamber of Commerce and the Mt. Vernon Kiwanis Club. The event is free and lunch will be pro-

vided. Those wishing to attend are being asked to RSVP to McConnell's office by calling 606-864-2026.

Paul is scheduled to speak at the annual Lincoln Day Banquet on Monday, February 17th at the Rockcastle County Middle

School at 6:30 p.m. with the meal being served at 7 p.m.


Tickets to the event will be sold at Circuit Clerk Eliza York's office for \$22 a person. Interested parties may also sponsor a table for \$200 that will include six tickets with reserved

seating and their name on the banquet's program. Tickets must be purchased by next Tuesday, February 11th.

For more information about the event contact Travis Burton at 606-308-1204 or travistbuton@gmail.com.

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Re-Elect

BILLY REYNOLDS

County Attorney

I am Billy Reynolds, your County Attorney, and I humbly ask for your vote. In addition to many years in the County Attorney's Office, I have worked at Rockcastle Regional Hospital as an orderly in the 1980's when Wayne Stewart was administrator. I also worked in 1985 and 1986 for Roses Department Store in Richmond. During this time I was also a substitute teacher for the Rockcastle School System. I worked at Parker Seal Company in Berea for nine years, and I worked at Community Trust Bank in Berea while attending law school at Salmon P. Chase College of Law. I also worked in tobacco while doing the other jobs and schooling.

I am the proud parent of Jordan Rebecca Reynolds and Will Reynolds. I have met and made so many lifelong friends before and while working as your County Attorney and look forward to continuing my efforts to make Rockcastle County a better and safer place for our children, the elderly and all citizens, and especially those that can't speak for themselves. Thank you for your consideration as I ask for your vote.

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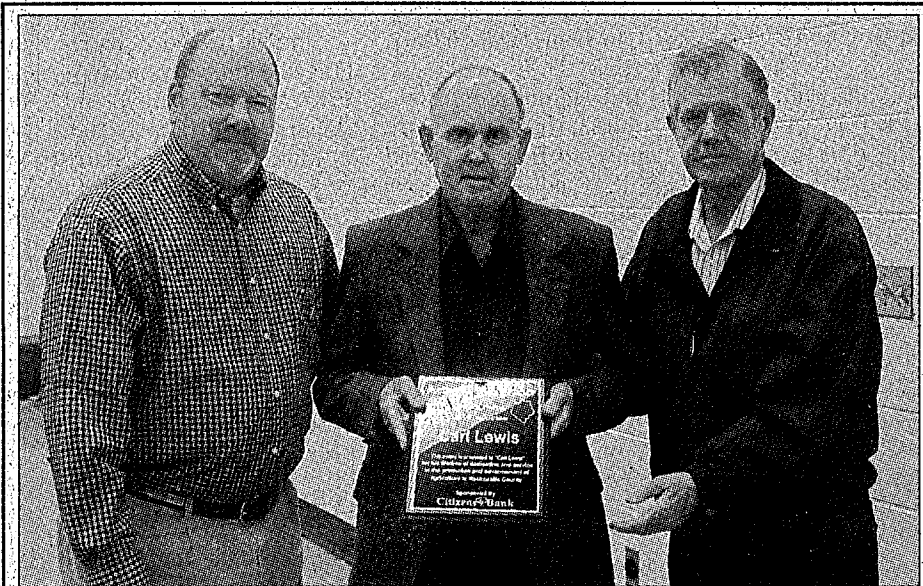


Annual Farmers'/Business Banquet held Monday

The annual Rockcastle Farmers'/Business Banquet was held Monday night at RCMS. Shown at left are Randall Templeman and Tommy Harold Mink, with the Rockcastle County Conservation District, presenting C.C. and Brian Ponder the 2014 Master Conservationist award.



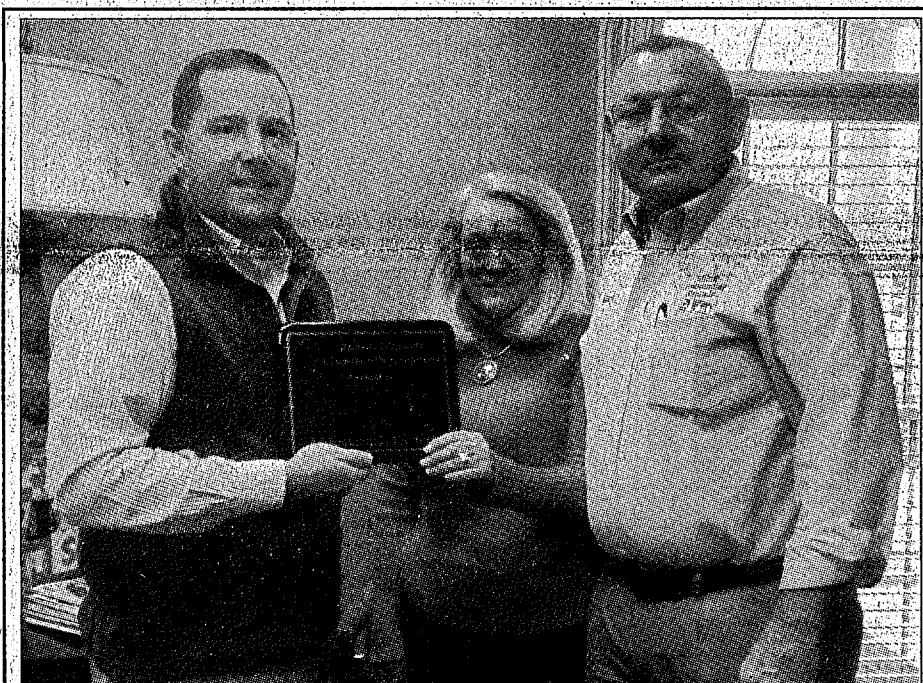
Kiwanis Club member Matt Bryant, left, presents Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette the 2013 Everett C. Brown Award for his outstanding contribution to the community.



Carl Lewis, center, was inducted into the Farmers' Hall of Fame Monday night. Mr. Lewis was recognized for his lifetime of dedication and service in the promotion and advancement of agriculture in Rockcastle County. Presenting the award were Randall Templeman and Tommy Harold Mink, with the Rockcastle County Conservation District.



Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce President Steve McKinney, left, is shown presenting Steven Cook with Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center the Large Business of the Year award.



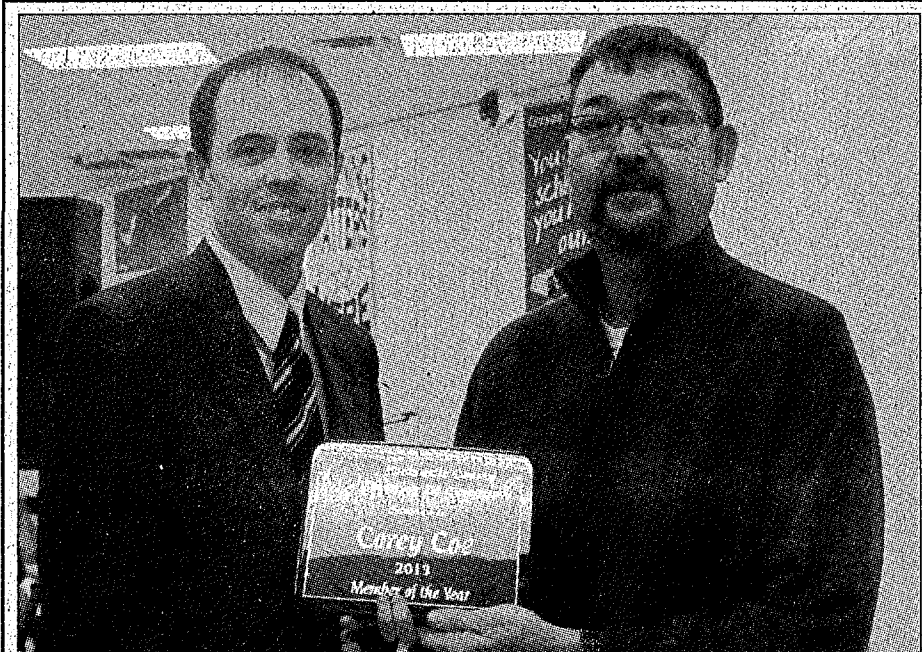
Former Rockcastle Chamber President Jon Adams, left, presents Gary and Gertha Mink the Small Business of the Year award.



Kiwanis Club President-Elect Jeremy Rowe, right, presents Gaylen and Chris Settles of Wendy's with the 2013 Distinguished Business Service Award.



Kiwanis Club member Betty Frederick presents Chris Settles with the 2013 Distinguished Business Person of the Year Award.



Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce Vice-President Steve McKinney presents the new Chamber President Corey Coe with the 2013 Chamber Member of the Year award.

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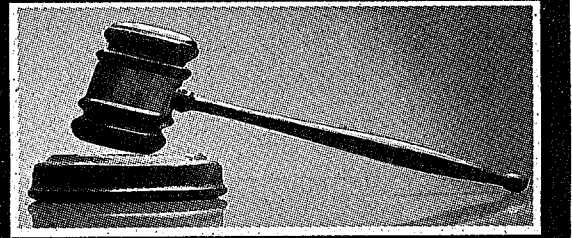
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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



District Civil Suits

Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. vs. Mary Jane White, \$568 plus claimed due.
John Chandler vs. Dee Morris, forcible detainer complaint.
FIA Card Services, N.A. vs. Regina P. Bell, \$2,902.01 plus claimed due. C-00015

Sherry Lynn Miller vs. Brian Scott Miller, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Thomas M. Flaherty, et al vs. William Pigg, complaint.
Convergence Receivables LLC vs. Joshua M. Renner, \$9,740.02 plus claimed due.
Linda Britton vs. Wendy Mink, et al, petition for permanent custody.
Sandra Philbeck vs. Jeffrey Philbeck, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00029

Michael R. Cope and Shari and Gary Blakely, property in Rockcastle County, to Corey and Emily Craig. Tax \$5.
Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, property in Rockcastle County, to Gene and Rebecca Martin. No tax.
Helen Beatrice Anderson, property in Rockcastle County, to Gene and Rebecca Martin. No tax.
Gary Stephen Mink and Kirste J. Mink, property in Livingston, to Christopher and Kaylen Garlen. Tax \$46.50.
Linda Lee Johnson, property in Rockcastle County, to Darcy Eric Clark, Deborah Denise Clark May and Alma Miranda Clark. No tax.
Jimmie H. and Zella D. Forsythe, property on Hwy. 1787, to Dennis Boyd and Deborah Kay Clark. No tax.
Mattie Barron, property in Rockcastle County, to James Barron, Jr. Tax \$6.
Buck L. Vance and Aneta R. Vance, property in Chestnut Hills Subdv., to James Lucas and Amanda Manuel. Tax \$126.50.

speeding and no/expired registration plates - receipt, license suspended for fta.
Jessica A. Heller: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, failure to produce insurance card, rear license no illuminated, no operators/moped license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Lisa Holsomback, \$36 fine plus costs/suspended on condition; Alan R. Jackson, Eric A. Campbell, license suspended for fta; Luke T. Pearson, action slip; Daniel K. Clark, Christy L. Robinson, \$18 fine and costs;
Michael D. Santo: improper/no windshield, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Brandon S. Saylor: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Rica E. Stephens: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
Mary E. Wilson: possession of marijuana, possession controlled substance, possess open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle, 60 days/probated 24 months on condition (each count/concurrent), one cost.
Devin D. Dido: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.
Dennis Ray Doan: receiving stolen property, 30 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.
Brian K. Giddings: part 395/Fed Safety Regs - Hours of Service for Drivers, \$25 fine and costs.
Bobby Hendrickson: fines/fees due (\$55), bw issued for fta/2 days in jail or payment in full.
Elisha L. Jasper: possession controlled substance, 90 days/probated 12 months on condition plus costs.
Dionna A. Madison: faulty equipment, \$25 fine and costs.
Karl W. Pittman: no operators license in possession, \$100 fine and costs.
Adrienne N. Ritter: speeding and failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Allie K. Roaden: speeding, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to produce insurance card, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Jeffrey F. Richards: Viol Part 390 Fed Safety Regs - General Policy, action slip.
Roberto R. Rivera: part 395/Fed Safety Regs - Hours of Service, action slip.
Andrew M. Jones: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.
Marilyn J. Kates: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, driving on DUI suspended license, public intoxication,

owner operator to maintain req. insurance, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta/bw issued.
Tammy Jean Shoupe: fines/fees due (\$258), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.
Travis B. Smith: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$50 fine and costs; failure to wear seat belt, \$25 fine.
Joshua E. Sturgill: no operators/moped license, \$50 fine and costs.
Shawn Vanzant: fines/fees due (\$233), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.
James Yauger: assault, 30 days/probated 12 months on condition plus \$100 fine and costs.
Lindsey M. York: fines/fees due (\$208), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.
William D. Collins: defective equipment, \$100 fine and costs.
Teddy J. Garrett: Part 391 of Fed Safety Regs - Qualification of drivers, bw issued for fta.
Wade A. Jarboe: part

(Cont. to B4)

Circuit Civil Suits

James Clifton Harris vs. Shawna Lynn Harris, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Velocity Investments SPV I LLC vs. Tammy Lunsford, \$6,481.78 plus claimed due.
Central Bank and Trust Co. vs. Jackie D. Linville, et al, \$9,773.73 plus claimed due.
Rockcastle Medical Arts vs. Jennifer Lynn Houk, \$7,683.26 plus claimed due.
Joyce Chaney vs. Bennie L. Chaney, petition for dissolution of marriage.
Shawna Harris vs. James C. Harris, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Deeds Recorded

Russell and Amanda Owens, property on Hwy. 461, to Tanner Dalton Bray. Tax \$88.
Jim Hamblin, Trustee, property in Rockcastle County, to Eugene T. and Lori E. Caldwell, Trustees. Tax \$63.
David and Tammy Hunt and Daniel and Andrea Hunt, property on Old Brodhead-Mt. Vernon Road, to Bobby and Kim Wynn. Tax \$105.
Joanne K. Guilfoil, property on St. Hwy. 1912, to John A. Guilfoil. No tax.
Joanne K. Guilfoil, property on St. Hwy. 1912, to John A. Guilfoil. No tax.
Rhon J. Cope, Executor,

Marriage Licenses

Leslie Ann Burdette, 23, Berea, Tobacco Shed to Jeremy Lee Howard, 27, Berea, Army Depot. 2/1/14

District Court

Jan. 27-29, 2014
Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
Raymond R. Baker: fines/fees due (\$233), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta).
Cassandra A. Bohman: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, reg. and title requirements veh. not oper. on hwy, bw issued for fta.
Katrina Chasteen: no/expired registration plates, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, license to be in possession, bw issued for fta/license suspended.
Brandon S. Collins: fines/fees due (\$152), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full; operating on suspended/revoked operators license and failure to wear seat belts, bw issued for fta.
Takina S. Cottrell: fines/fees due (\$558), bw issued for fta/12 days in jail or payment in full.
Bridgette L. Denny: possession of synthetic cannabinoid, 60 days/probated 24 months on condition; unlawful imprisonment, 60 days/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.
Joshua Adam Evans: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine and costs.
Jerry R. Griffin: fines/fees due (\$233), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.
Russell D. Hamby:

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- ACROSS
- Social group
 - Cousin of an agouti
 - Greenland sight
 - Minute amount
 - Sandler of "Big Daddy"
 - Kentuckyan jazz guitarist Jimmy
 - Dutch cheese
 - Palm tree leaves
 - Roast host
 - Kentucky city once dubbed "Athens of the West"
 - Beginnings
 - Bluegrass musician Lawson
 - Years
 - Back then
 - Take back to the lab
 - Boyle Co. community
 - Instability
 - Popular cookie
 - Rhubarb
 - Sly trick
 - Avoided (with off)
 - Melcafe's Co.'s seat
 - Realm
 - Kitten's cry
 - D.E.A. agents
 - Kentuckyan known for his collection of folk songs
 - Hose woes
 - Home to Kentucky
- DOWN
- Pasture
 - Cowboy show
 - Unsteady movements
 - Dravidian language
 - Twinge
 - Mine entrance
 - Guitar accessories
 - NFL's Toomer
 - Top off
 - Russell Co.'s seat
 - Enough, for some
 - Kentuckyan, former Supreme Court Justice, Stanley
 - Salon supplies
 - In order
 - Inventor Zenobe
 - Bridges support
 - Cry at a circus
 - Radiate
 - Storage site
 - New driver, typically
33. "No way, ___!"
34. Text slang for "you are the man"
35. Tide type
36. "The southern side of Cincinnati"
37. Maiden name indicator
41. Dickie V. coached there
44. Wipeout?
46. Keeps
50. Musical endings
51. ATM action
53. "The Wild Duck" playwright
54. Goosefish
55. Construct
56. Second-year students, for short
57. "Go away!"
58. Car until 1957
59. Not for
61. Balanced
62. Counter call

District Court

Wesleyan College

63. Basilica di San Vincenzo site

64. Jackknife

65. Big first for a baby

66. Fur capitalist

67. "Highest point" in Christian Co.

68. Carve in stone

69. Biblical possessive

70. Dispatched

71. Takes home

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Civil Action No. 11-CI-00304

Citizens Bank Plaintiff

Stephen C. Howerton, His Unknown Spouse, Rockcastle County, Ky. Citimortgage, Inc., as successor by merger to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., and Mary Hedgepath Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on October 25, 2013 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED ONE DOLLAR AND 94/100 (\$8,601.94) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street Mt. Vernon, Kentucky on Friday, February 21, 2014 Beginning at the Hour of 12:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

First Tract:
Beginning on a peach tree and stone in the edge of the coal bank road; thence a northeast course to a double hickory tree in a hollow; thence up the hollow to Fletcher's line; thence with Fletcher's line to a chestnut oak on top of a hill; thence west with Fletcher's line to a set stone in a coal road about 150 feet with the coal opening with Calhoun's corner; thence northwest down the side of the coal bank road to a stone and peach tree the beginning corner and containing about 18 acres, more or less.

Second Tract:
Located near Sand Springs, Kentucky, bounded as follows: Beginning at Sand Springs Rural Road; thence an east direction 36 feet wide and extending up the hill to the land purchased by the second parties from Arthur G. Miller, & c.

Third Tract:
Beginning at a stone a division corner made by Howard Renner and Lonzo Renner; thence a division line N 45 W 4 poles and 17 links to a stone, thence S 59 W 2 poles and 9 links to a stone; thence N 31 E 4 poles and 22 links to a stone; thence N 53 E 3 poles to the beginning and contains about one-fourth acre, also including a right of way for a road 16 feet wide from Sand Springs Road along where the coal bank road is now located.

Being the same real property the defendant, Stephen C. Howerton, single, obtained by deed dated March 14, 1998, executed by Dwayne S. Blair, et ux, of record in Deed Book 169, Page 416 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

The property shall be sold upon the following terms & conditions:

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond bearing interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum.
- Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2013 local, county, state and school taxes on the property.
- The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required and the property will be conveyed to the plaintiff in due season upon payment of the expense of sale.

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Let the Bible Speak

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Gospel Singing

Lighthouse Baptist Church will hold a Gospel Singing Sat., Feb. 8th, beginning at 6 p.m., featuring

Jimmy Logan and the Blessed Hope Singers.

The church is located at 1391 Gabbardtown Road, Berea.

In Concert

Adam Hill and his gospel band, Driven, will be in Concert Sunday, Feb. 9th at 11 a.m. at Flat Rock Baptist Church. Free admission. A love offering will be received. Flat Rock Baptist Church, located on Maple Grove Road, and Pastor Bro. Jack Stallworth welcome all.

Cards of Thanks

Leon Rowe

We, the family of Leon Rowe, would like to thank everyone who shared our grief in our time of sorrow. We want to thank our friends, neighbors and relatives for the food, visits, gifts and prayers.

Thanks to Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and Sparks Flowers for their excellent service. Bro. Bill Wagers for a most heartfelt eulogy and Karen Mink for the beautiful songs, all the pallbearers and our wonder church family at Skaggs Creek Church.

Judy and Family

John Reynolds

The family of John Reynolds would like to say thank you to everyone who showed kindness to us during the illness and loss of our father.

Thank you Cox Funeral Home, you went above what was required in caring and service. Thank you Jack Weaver for the inspiring words you spoke at the funeral. We know how hard that was for you because you were just like a family member to him and he loved you also.

We also would like to thank each of you who brought food, sent flowers or gifts, sent cards, sent up a prayer for the family, stopped by to visit and, or came to the funeral. You have been a blessing to us.

We will always have a void in our lives with losing our Dad but each of you have made the burden a little lighter. Words cannot express how thankful we are for everything you have

done, whether while he was living or for us after his passing. We will be eternally grateful.

Children, grandchildren and families of John Reynolds

Mary Lucy Howard

The family of Mary Lucy Howard would like to thank everyone for the many thoughtful deeds done for us following our loved one's death. The food, flowers, gifts, phone calls, Facebook messages, visits and prayers have been so uplifting and helpful in this difficult time. Thanks from each of us.

Thanks also to the doctors and nurses who helped take care of her at Rockcastle Regional Hospital, Madison Health and Rehabilitation in Richmond, Baptist Health Hospital in Richmond and Hospice Care Plus Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. All of the staff at these places are professional, kind, caring and good at what they do.

Thanks to the staff at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home for their assistance and a special thanks to Bruce Ross for use of the beautiful auditorium at First Christian Church for the memorial service. Also a special thanks to Bro. Bruce and Bro. Danny McKibben for officiating the service so beautifully and for their friendship and encouragement during this sad time.

May God bless everyone for everything done on our behalf.

Don and Dale Howard, Phyllis Hines, Willie and Casey Hines and all our family

Lions Spaghetti Supper is February 8th

Please join us for a Spaghetti Supper at Rockcastle Co. Middle School on Saturday, February 8th, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event is being sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Lions Club. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased from any Lions Club member or at the door.

There will be live music and a silent auction.

Call Mike DeBorde at 606-308-3488 for more information.

Senate names Wayne Bullock Outstanding Citizen

Mt. Vernon City Councilman Wayne Bullock has been named an "Outstanding Citizen of the Commonwealth."

The honor came on a motion by State Senator Jared K. Carpenter during this year's legislative session.

Bullock received the honor because of his "years of distinguished service on behalf of his community and his fellowman."

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Ransom R. Wolfe

The family of Junior Wolfe would like to thank everyone for their loving support and kindness during his sudden illness and passing. We have been humbly reminded of what a wonderful community we live in through the visits, phone calls, prayers, gifts, flowers, food, and monetary donations made in his memory. He would have been very honored at the outpouring of visitors at the hospital and guests who attended his memorial services. A special thank you to Dr. Tony Arvin, his staff, and the wonderful nurses and staff at Rockcastle County Hospital for their overall excellent care of our beloved husband and father. Again, thank you for your continued love and prayers.

The Family of Ransom R. Wolfe, Jr. Leahna, Renee, Scott, and Cynthia



Five Generations

On January 13th, Rylee Scottlyn Thacker came into this world and became the fifth generation of the Loretta Woodall family. Shown in the photo are, from left: Jennifer Bullen Houk, Debbie Woodall Bullen, Mrs. Woodall, holding Rylee Scottlyn and Samantha Bullen Thacker.

An encouraging word:

An Indomitable Spirit Within

By Howard Coop



Groundhog Day has come and gone. That whimsical event happens each year on the second day of February when the sun in its annual journey northward has reached the halfway point between the winter solstice and the vernal equinox.

This special day, little more than a humorous look at midwinter, is deeply rooted in folklore. For centuries, the badger, known by some as the sacred bear, was a prognosticator of weather in European folklore. Then, in the eighteenth century in Pennsylvania, the ground hog replaced the badger and became the prognosticator.

According to folklore, the ground hog awakes on the second day of February after a long period of hibernation and leaves the comfort of its den to look around. If the sun is shining and the ground hog sees its shadow, the little brown marmot returns to the comfort of its den and sleeps through another six weeks of bad weather that is sure to come. On the other hand, if the day is cloudy and the ground hog does not see its shadow, it remains outside its den to enjoy the next six weeks of pretty weather that is ahead.

That bit of folklore may not be completely reliable as a prognostication of weather for the remaining days of winter, but one thing is sure:

At this point in time, snow may be whirling across the countryside, the north wind may be howling around the corner of the house, and it may be colder than normal, but the days are getting longer and the average daily temperature is gradually getting warmer. Winter is half over, and spring is only six weeks ahead. Sunshine and pretty days are just around the corner.

Most folk don't take Groundhog Day seriously; it's just a light-hearted look at winter boredom. But it is a powerful reminder of an important fact: There is an indomitable spirit within the human heart that looks beyond the moment with hope believing that better things are ahead.

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Socks Rock

Be cozy and chic with a boots-and-socks combo. Check out these tips from Carly Overbey, Walmart product development manager for accessories at the Home Office in Bentonville, Ark., on how to pull off this fun and funky trend with items available at Walmart.



Coordinate color. For the most leg, keep socks, shoes, and boots in the same color family. For example, pair a brown dress with dark brown boots, tights, and socks. It's a simple way to coordinate.

Style a contrast. Dress with contrasting patterns, such as a plaid dress with a solid sock in a neutral color that shows the boot's accent to the center. That's how you're wearing the underwear, so the plaid dress is a great contrast to the boots. Carly recommends going with a sheer tights, solid, or thick cable sock to contrast with your boot's style.

Go for the blast. Don't let more than a few inches of your tights show, or you could end up with visible blackening or red on your legs.

Carly Rae Overbey, a native of Livingston and a former buyer for upscale clothier J. Peterman Company, is now product development director for Walmart at its main offices in Bentonville, Arkansas. She is shown modeling clothes for **Walmart World** magazine and explaining how their clothes can be properly matched for new and cool looks. Overbey is the granddaughter of Lucille Bowling Carloffs of Livingston.

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Bible Talk

Our study this month is from Matt. 6:19-21. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

The Treasures on Earth - First, let us define the word treasure: it simply means that which is valuable, costly, or a thing of worth. So Jesus recognizes that there are things that are valuable here on earth. The problems with the valuable things that are here on earth, moth and rust can corrupt them. For instance, you may get a nice new dress or suit, they are left in the closet and a moth eats some holes in them. What do you think or say? "Oh no, it is ruined!" This is the point Jesus is trying to get us to see that the valuable things of earth, they can be corrupted, thus they are temporal in nature. What about gold or silver? Moths do not eat them and rust cannot corrupt them? Yet thieves can break in and steal them from us. So all the cars, trucks, tractors, houses, computers, gold, silver, diamonds and every other valuable costly possessions are temporal in nature.

The Treasures in Heaven - Then Jesus shows us that the treasures of heaven are greater value. Why? For there is no rust to corrupt nor moth to spoil those treasures. Also there are no thieves to break in and steal the treasures that are awaiting the children of God. Thus, these treasures are eternal in their nature. So does it not make better sense to strive to lay up those treasures in heaven, rather than striving to lay up treasures of earth? Peter talked about the inheritance of the child of God in 1 Pet. 1:4-5, "To an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

Where is Your Treasure? Lastly Jesus points out, what we count to be our treasure, that is where our heart will be. The majority of the world is striving for the treasures of earth. Most do not really believe the promise of Jesus about the treasures of heaven. How do we know this? Look at where their hearts, their lives, their priorities are centered. So many care so little about God, His Son, His Word. Many never obey the gospel. Many never may darken the door of a church building. Many never read the Bible. Also, far too many Christians are worldly and haphazard about serving God. So ask yourself, what do you feel is most valuable? That is where you will find your heart.

We invite you to study and worship with us at the Providence church of Christ.
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 Jacob Camel, Carson Cameron, KateAnn Foley, Caydee Hasty, Addy King, Gracie McGuire, Kylie McPhetridge, Harrison Mullins, Maddox Parsons, Jocelyn Reynolds, Maggie Reynolds, Alex Smith, Shane Smith, Michael Sparks and Sydney Woods.
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 Chloe Bray, Sierra Cassidy, Bella Dalton, J'lena Diaz, Avery Hayes, Payton Howard, Ashley Napier, Lydia Navarre, Abby Phillips, Aubrey Phillips, Ethan Smith and Jon Wilson.
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 Kendra Barnes, Madison Barnett, Aaliya Blackburn, Nathan Doan, Zeke Fain, Gabby Hatfield, Madison Hayes, Molly Lowery, Evam Martin, Lauren McClure, Maddux McClure, Blaine McLemore, Brandon Valle and Ella Vance.
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Fifth Grade
Cameron
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Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 12-CI-00085
U.S. Bank, National Association
a/k/a U.S. Bank, N.A. Plaintiff
v.
James E. Denham, Amy Denham,
Bank One, NA, n/k/a JP Morgan
Chase Bank, and Rockcastle
County, Kentucky Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
 Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 17, 2013 and an order rescheduling the sale entered on December 19, 2013 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of ONE HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 86/100 (\$108,228.86) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.
At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, February 21, 2014
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.
 Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

3029 Lambert Road, Berea, KY. f/k/a 719 Lambert Road, Berea, KY
 A tract of land on the east side of Copper Creek on the south side of Lambert Road approximately 3 miles west of US Highway #25 in Rockcastle County, Kentucky. The description of said tract begins at a steel pin and survey cap 10 feet south of the centerline of a 12 foot gravel road (Lambert Road), said pin being situated N 28 deg. 08' 58" W, 301.62 feet, from a set stone (found); said stone being the original southeast corner to the eight acre parent tract.
 The above mentioned tract is more particularly described as follows:
 From the above described beginning point four calls as follows: Leaving said beginning point a new line S 73 deg. 13' 47" W, 420.87 feet, to a new corner in the centerline of Copper Creek, passing at 405.87 feet a steel pin and survey cap reference point; thence with the centerline of Copper Creek N 08 deg. 53' 28" W, 168.60 feet to a new corner in the centerline of Copper Creek; thence leaving Copper Creek a new line N 73 deg. 13' 47" E, 384.64 feet to a steel pin and survey cap situated 10 feet south of the centerline of Lambert Road, passing at 2.00 feet a steel pin and survey cap reference point; thence along the west side of beginning. The above described tract contains 1.544 acres as surveyed by S.W. Waddle, PLS #2234, May 6, 2000.

Being the same property acquired James E. Denham, single, by deed dated July 11, 2000, executed by Charles R. Baker, et al. of record in Deed Book 180, page 391 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Court Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:
 1. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
 2. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
 3. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
 4. The purchaser shall pay the 2013 and thereafter local, county and state property taxes.
 5. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
 6. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
 7. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
 8. The risk of loss for the subject real property shall pass to the purchaser on the date of sale.
 9. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".
John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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Commonwealth of Kentucky
28th Judicial Circuit
Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division II
Civil Action No. 08-CI-00304

Farm Credit Services of
Mid-America, FLCA Plaintiff

v.

Stella Thompson and Carl Thompson,
her husband, deceased, and
County of Rockcastle, KY Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE
 Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on January 8, 2014 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of EIGHTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS AND 16/100 (\$80,245.16) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.
At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Friday, February 21, 2014
Beginning at the Hour of 11:30 a.m.
 Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Located on the West side of Linville Road in Rockcastle County, Kentucky approximately 0.01 mile from the junction of Flat Gap Road and Linville Road.

Beginning at an iron pin set on the West side of the Linville Road, right of way, said pin being a corner to Don Dees (Deed Book 177, Page 029); thence with the West right of way of Linville Road South 02 degrees 03 minutes 07 seconds West for a distance of 31.03 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way of Linville Road South 04 degrees 24 minutes 11 seconds West for a distance of 60.52 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 06 degrees 46 minutes 52 seconds West for a distance of 40.05 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 08 degrees 50 minutes 18 seconds West for a distance of 77.22 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 06 degrees 01 minutes 44 seconds West for a distance of 30.58 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 00 degrees 57 minutes 54 seconds East for a distance of 18.07 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 04 degrees 13 minutes 34 seconds East for a distance of 19.15 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 09 degrees 09 minutes 10 seconds East for a distance of 24.49 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 13 degrees 47 minutes 09 seconds East for a distance of 46.85 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 13 degrees 05 minutes 48 seconds East for a distance of 83.91 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 10 degrees 14 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 56.50 feet to a point on the right of way; thence continuing with the right of way South 06 degrees 56 minutes 06 seconds East for a distance of 36.53 feet to an iron pin set on the West side of the Linville Road right of way, said pin being a new corner to Don Dees (Deed Book 119, page 383); thence with the new line of Don Dees South 85 degrees 34 minutes 23 seconds West for a distance of 165.78 feet to a double chestnut oak tree; thence continuing with the new line of Don Dees North 32 degrees 15 minutes 41 seconds West for a distance of 86.88 feet to a 12 inch pine tree, said tree being a new corner to Don Dees and is in the line of Eddie Wilson (Deed Book 167, Page 372); thence with the line of Eddie Wilson North 02 degrees 16 minutes 43 seconds East for a distance of 358.10 feet to a 10 inch hickory tree; thence continuing with the line of Eddie Wilson North 20 degrees 48 minutes 19 seconds East for a distance of 112.21 feet to a 20 inch chestnut oak tree, said tree being a corner to Don Dees (Deed Book 117, Page 29); thence with the new line of Don Dees South 87 degrees 47 minutes 49 seconds East for a distance of 132.99 feet to an iron pin set on the West side of the Linville Road right of way which is the point of beginning and having an area of 2.0299 acres as surveyed by Bobby Hudson, LPLS 1253 on 10/02/2002.

The real property is improved with a 2003 Patriot UV137D 64' x 28' mobile home, serial number LLP-13025.

Being the same property conveyed to Mortgagees by deed dated December 10, 2002 and recorded in Deed Book 192, page 687 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:
 1. The real property and mobile home shall be sold together as a whole.
 2. The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
 3. The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
 4. Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
 5. The purchaser shall pay the 2013 and thereafter local, county and state property taxes.
 6. Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
 7. The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
 8. In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
 9. The successful bidder shall at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on any improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, to the extent of the court-appraised value of said improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price, whichever is less as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court.
 10. The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".
John D. Ford
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court

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395/Fed Safety Regs - Hours of Service for Drivers, bw issued for fta.
 Jeremy R. Keeton: part 395/Fed Safety Regs - Hours of Service for drivers (two counts), bw issued for fta.
 Melissa M. Kenniston: part 395/Fed Safety Regs - Hours of Service for Drivers, bw issued for fta.
 Ronnie L. Maples: Part 391 of Fed Safety Regs I - Qualification of Drivers, bw issued for fta.
 Noble W. Monteith: no tail lamps, paid.
 Michael S. Adkins: unlawful imprisonment, 2nd degree, 60 days/probated 12 months on condition plus costs.
 James Clyde Payne: criminal trespass, 10 days/credit time served.
 Megan R. Stewart: fines/fees due (\$258), converted to 6 days in jail.
 George Ann Mink: disorderly conduct, \$100 fine and costs.
 Justin Lee Bishop: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.
 Angelia M. Chasteen: fines/fees due (\$3087), bw issued for fta.

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Small apartment in Brodhead on Hwy. 70. Available Feb. 1st. One bedroom, central heat and air, refrigerator and stove furnished. Wood floors. No pets. \$550 a month includes utilities. \$200 security deposit. References required. 758-8692. 7x2

House Trailer in Livingston. Has central air, KU, city water and sewer. Large yard (owner mows). No pets. Background check required. \$325 month/\$300 security deposit. 7xntf

Trailer on Hwy. 618 on a large lot. Recently remodeled. Hardwood floors throughout and all appliances included. \$350 deposit/\$350 per month. Call 606-308-3847. 50xntf

Duplex in Brodhead. All appliances furnished. Call Patty. 758-9666. 46xntf

House and Trailer in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 46xntf

Trailers and house in Brodhead. No pets. 758-8922. ntf

Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

Accepting Applications: For 2 and 3 bedroom units at Valley View Apartments. Rent based on income. Call 256-5912. Equal Housing Opportunity, TDD for hearing impaired only. 1-800-247-2510. 36tf

For Rent

Maple St. Storage of Brodhead
256-2884 or 606-308-2491

Property For Sale

For Sale or Lease: 3 bedroom furnished house on land contract in Brodhead. No pets. 758-4729. 48xntf

Property between Mt. Vernon and Somerset. 6.1 wooded acres for \$34,900 or 4.77 acres for \$29,500 with mountain view. Owner financing available. Call Dwight at 859-331-4888. 30xntf

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Posted

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on all land in Rockcastle County belonging to Harold Miller. Violators will be prosecuted.

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

Posted: No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Lora Lambert on Boone Gap Road. Not responsible for accidents.

Posted: No trespassing on land belonging to James and Dorothy Rash heirs on Rash Branch Road off Chestnut Ridge. No hunting, camping, ATVs, trespassing for any purpose. Not responsible for accidents. Violators will be prosecuted.

Posted: No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Carol Blackburn, 1435 Marler Hollow. Violators will be prosecuted.

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

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

Posted: No trespassing, hunting or fishing on land belonging to Rachel Denney on Hwy. 3245 (former Reggie Bengé property).

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

Miscellaneous For Sale

Estate Sale: For Mr. Tim Taylor this Saturday, February 8th, starting at 8 a.m. The sale is located at 174 Spring Hill Lane, Mt. Vernon (in Houston Point Subdivision). Household items, furniture, appliances, light fixtures and more. 7x1
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Wanted

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Notices

Notice is hereby given that Judy C. Rowe, 4678 Spiro Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Leon Rowe on the 13th day of January, 2014. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Judy C. Rowe or to Hon. William D. Gregory, 240 East Main St., P.O. Drawer 220, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 14, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. 5x3

Notice is hereby given that Ledford Hal Hunt, 808 Dairy Lane, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executor of the estate of Carolyn Dolores Lamb Hunt on the 15th day of January, 2014. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Ledford Hal Hunt or to Hon. Debra Hembree Lambert, P.O. Box 1094, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 16, 2014 at 9:39 a.m. 5x3

Notice is hereby given that Barbara Coffey, 2353 Hurricane School Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed executrix of the estate of Lewis E. Coffey on the 15th day of January, 2014. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law to the said Barbara Coffey or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, P.O. Box 1250, 160 West Main St., Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 16, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. 5x3

Notice is given that Lena Tolson, P.O. Box 41 Brodhead, Ky. 40409 has filed a Final Settlements of her accounts as Executrix of the estate of Bernard Brummett, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held February 19, 2014 at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 7x1

Notice is hereby given that Kevin Scott Wolfe, 3559 Blue Springs Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Administrator w/ will annexed of the estate of Ransom R. Wolfe, Jr. on the 27th day of January, 2014.

Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Kevin Scott Wolfe or to Hon. John D. Ford, Coffey & Ford, P.S.C., 45 East Main St., P.O. Box 247, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before July 28, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. 7x3

Notice is hereby given that Virginia Elaine Murphy, 363 Wabd Jones Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the estate of James H. Murphy on the 27th day of January, 2014. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law to the said Virginia Elaine Murphy or to Hon. Kendall L. Duerson, 117-A Clay Drive, P.O. Box 523, Berea, Ky. 40403 on or before July 28, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. 7x3

Pets

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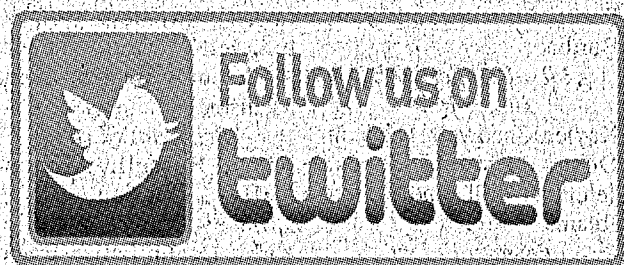
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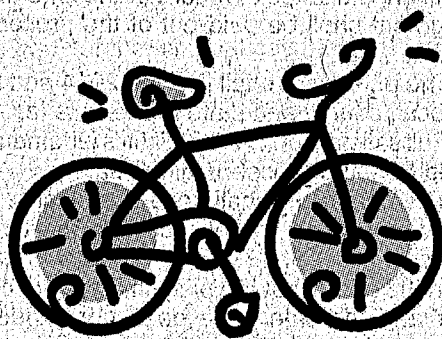
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Test results from Consumer Report, 2008.
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A. Steam Cleaners saturate your carpet and floor pad with hot (150° degree) soapy water containing lye and bleach to help dissolve stains.
B. After your carpet reaches its maximum saturation point the solution is then extracted by means of a commercial shop vacuum.
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Option 2: Dry Foam-How does it work?
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E. Carpet fibers are then groomed to fluff up worn walk areas to give a uniform look to the carpet.
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Comer promotes farm plate in Rockcastle

Agriculture Commissioner James Comer visited the Rockcastle County Clerk's office this past Monday, Feb. 3 to encourage local residents to make a voluntary \$10 donation when they renew their farm license plates.

The donations will be split evenly among Kentucky 4-H, Kentucky FFA, and Kentucky Proud.

"FFA and 4-H do an outstanding job of preparing the next generation of farmers, citizens, entrepreneurs, and leaders," said Commissioner Comer, a former state president of

Kentucky FFA. "Kentucky Proud helps Kentucky farmers and food producers sell their products while helping consumers find the local foods they want. Your voluntary \$10 donations will help keep these worthwhile programs going."

Kentucky FFA has about 15,000 members in nearly 140 chapters. FFA is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. It is open to any stu-

dent age 12-21 who is enrolled in an agriculture course in a public school.

Some 204,000 youths are involved in Kentucky 4-H programs, and Kentucky ranks in the top 10 in several 4-H enrollment categories nationwide. 4-H is found in every Kentucky county and is a community of more than 6 million young people across America learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.

Kentucky Proud is the official state program for food and farm products that are grown, raised, made, or processed in Kentucky. Thousands of farmers, processors, retailers, restaurants, farmers' markets, school systems, Kentucky state parks, and Kentucky Farm Bureau roadside markets are members of Kentucky Proud.

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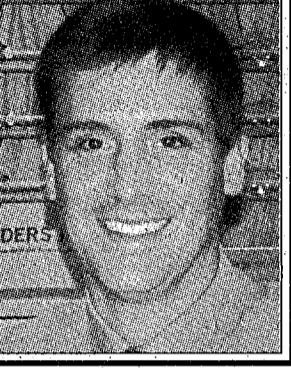


Two Rockcastle County High School seniors served as pages in the Kentucky State Senate last Thursday. Jacob Taylor and John Hughes spent the day in Frankfort where they attended a press conference in the Capitol rotunda, a committee meeting, a lunch with Representative Jonathan Shell, and then served as pages for Senator Jared Carpenter while the Senate was in session. Pictured from left are: Taylor, Senator Carpenter, and Hughes.

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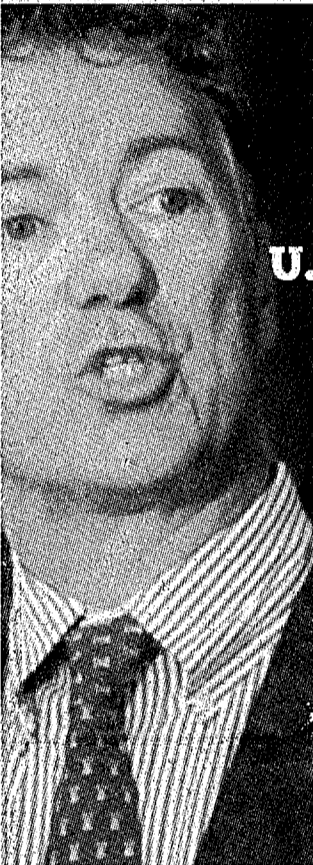


Rockcastle Republican Lincoln Banquet

Keynote Speaker: U.S. Senator Rand Paul

Monday, Feb. 17 at RCMS. Doors open at 6:30 with dinner at 7. Tickets are \$22 at Elizabeth York's office. Must be purchased by Tuesday.

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The Eastern Kentucky University Mock Trial Team was one of seven teams at the American Mock Trial Association Regional Tournament, held Feb. 1-2 in Tallahassee, Fla., to qualify for the opening round of the National Championship Tournament. Pictured front from left: Josh Lang, Fort Thomas; Caleb Taylor, Union; Allie Maples, Mt. Sterling; and Angel Spürlock, Mt. Vernon. Back row from left: Matthew Boggs, Whitesburg; Anthony Sean Potter, Whitesburg; and Damir Siahkoochi, Irvine.

Jackson Energy donation will benefit Rockcastle families

Working to improve local communities has always been a part of Jackson Energy's mission, and a recent donation from the cooperative will benefit families in Rockcastle County.

Jackson Energy gave \$2,000 to Christian Appalachian Project, which will use the money to fund its Rockcastle County programs. The total also included \$1,000 from CoBank, a cooperative lending institution based in Denver, Colorado.

The donation is part of CoBank's "Sharing Success" initiative, a \$3 million charitable fund designed to benefit cooperatives and the charitable groups they support throughout rural America. Under "Sharing Success," CoBank matches contributions by its cooperative customers, like Jackson Energy, to the nonprofit organizations of their choice.

Jackson Energy selected Christian Appalachian Project (CAP) for the contribution. CAP is an interdenominational nonprofit that has been providing outreach programs to Appalachian counties, and Jackson Energy's service area, since 1964. In Rockcastle County,

CAP operates a child and family development center, a spouse abuse center and a food pantry. Over 27% of the Rockcastle County population lives in poverty, according to the USDA Economic Research Service. "We consider Jackson Energy a partner," says Christian Appalachian Project President & CEO Guy Adams. "Both of our organizations know the people in the region very well from our many years of working in the area."

hand to many of the same families we serve," adds Jackson Energy President & CEO Carol Wright. "When we had the opportunity to take part in the 'Sharing Success' program, we chose CAP because of the positive impact its programs have on this region."

This is the second year Jackson Energy has participated in the 'Sharing Success' program. Jackson Energy is a Touchstone Energy Cooperative serving 51,000 homes and businesses in Southeastern Kentucky.

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Livingston Fire & Rescue Turkey Shoot
Livingston Fire and Rescue will hold a Turkey Shoot on Sat., Feb. 8th and Sat., Feb. 22nd, beginning at 10 a.m. at David Mason's garage, north of Livingston on U.S. 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shot guns only. No custom guns. Judge's decisions final. \$2 a shot. Shells furnished by fire department. Concessions will be sold.

Brodhead Alumni Banquet
The Brodhead Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, April 26th.

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

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

Kiwanis Club Meetings
The Rockcastle Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday at noon at the Renfro Valley Lodge. Everyone is invited.

Historical Society Hours
The Rockcastle Historical Society is open on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RTEC garage building.

American Legion Post 71
American Legion Post 71 meets the second Thursday at 7 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grille. Commander David Owens invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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