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## RCIDA discusses status of former Anchor building

**By: Doug Ponder**  
Several items of business were discussed at the monthly Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority meeting on Monday, including the status of the former Anchor Packaging Building in the Rockcastle Industrial Park.

the fiscal court made the final repairs on some of the flooring and a large door at

the former Anchor Packaging building was repaired. Since the repairs have been

made, Hopkins said a professional photographer has taken pictures of the building and that she is also working on getting a drone company to take pictures and videos of the building as well.

### Drug Czar Michael Botticelli scheduled to visit Rockcastle

The Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) will visit Rockcastle County High School in February as a part of his Kentucky tour.

hosting a luncheon with Botticelli and Rogers as keynote speakers on Tuesday, February 17th before they travel to Rockcastle County.

Magistrate Michael McGuire was in attendance at the meeting and asked Hopkins how the RCIDA was promoting the building. Hopkins said that she has been approached by several large organizations for marketing purposes but the fiscal court chose not to use a marketing organization because it would cost around \$100,000.

### Farmers/Business Banquet set for February 23rd

The 55th annual Rockcastle County Farmers/Business Banquet will be held at Rockcastle County Middle School on Monday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m. with doors opening at 6 o'clock.

White House ONDCP Michael Botticelli is scheduled to visit RCHS on Tuesday, February 17th. Botticelli and U.S. Representative Hal Rogers will speak in the auditorium around 2:15 p.m. Botticelli and Rogers will also tour UNITE's "On the Move" mobile drug prevention classroom which will also be set up at the high school.

The free event is at the ECU Manchester Campus in Manchester and everyone

Hopkins said instead the Fiscal Court wanted her to contact those interested first. She said the day that Anchor announced it was leaving, she received around 45 phone calls from mostly large site selectors.

## Local doctor targeted in kidnapping phone scam

**By: Doug Ponder**  
A local doctor was targeted in a recent phone scam in which someone claimed to have kidnapped his daughter. Rockcastle Regional Hospital Communications Specialist Susan Turley said Dr. Eduardo Gomez received a suspicious phone call last Tuesday afternoon from someone claiming to be with the Mexican cartel and saying they had kidnapped his daughter. However, she said Gomez knew his daughter was safe and that the call had to be a scam. The FBI refers to the scam as "virtual kidnapping" and the scam is often targeted at doctors and people in the medical profession. In the scam, the caller claims to be from a drug cartel and claims that the cartel has kidnapped the victim's son or daughter. There is often crying and screaming in the background to prey on the victims emotions as the caller gives instructions, demands a ransom amount and orders the victim to wire the money to Mexico. Several other doctors throughout Kentucky have

## Man arrested for injuring toddler in DUI crash arraigned in court

**By: Doug Ponder**  
A Perry County man, who was recently arrested for injuring a toddler in a DUI accident, was arraigned in Rockcastle County District Court last Wednesday.

According to the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department, Campbell was traveling southbound on I-75 near the 72 mile marker when he collided with another vehicle and a semi-truck. Officers said Campbell appeared intoxicated while performing field sobriety tests.

### Missing Berea teen found safe Wednesday

A missing Berea teen was found safe last Wednesday after authority had searched for her for more than a week.

"I have shown the building several times but finding an occupant is not an overnight process," Hopkins said. "I got a call from someone in Madison County who was looking at the building for storage. It gives the county a monthly income but it doesn't produce jobs."

Several other doctors throughout Kentucky have

## Two arrested for meth possession

Two people were arrested on meth-related charges in two separate incidents this past week.

No one was injured in

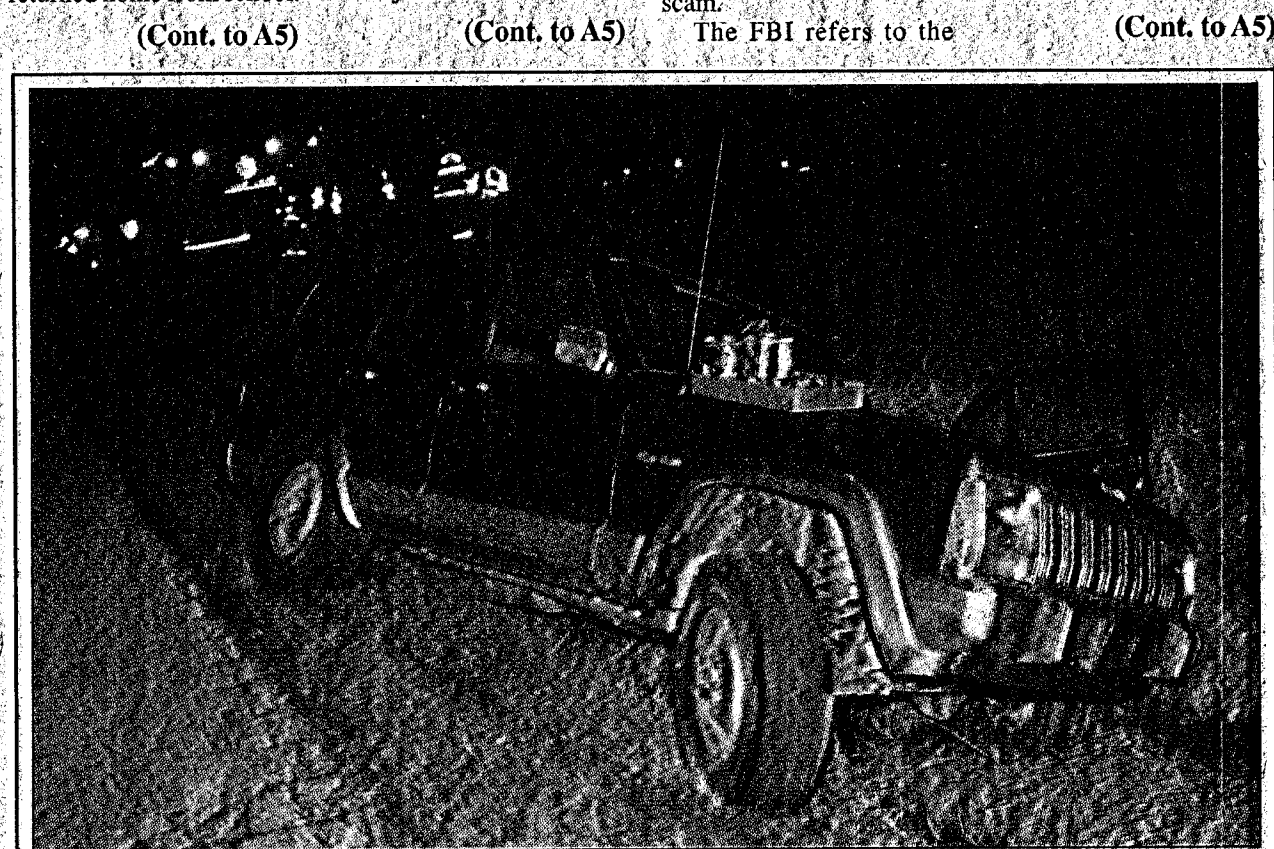
According to the Kentucky State Police, Harley Bussell, 17, of Berea was last seen being dropped off by her father at Madison Southern High School on Tuesday, January 20th. Police were notified later that night when Bussell had not returned home from school.

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In the first incident, a local man was arrested for meth possession last Saturday, after police responded to a prowler complaint on Lawrence Lane in Mt. Vernon.

Once officers arrived, they saw Renner running between two mobile homes on the street and Renner stopped when officers yelled "stop police."



Two people were arrested after police and emergency crews responded to a single car accident on Hwy 3245 in Brodhead. Authorities say Donald C. Taylor, 49, of Crab Orchard and his passenger, Virgil Cromer, 53, of Crab Orchard, were traveling west on Hwy 3245 when Taylor lost control of the vehicle, causing it to run off the roadway and end up in a ditch. When police officers arrived they found Taylor in the driver's seat with several open and unopened beer cans inside the vehicle. Officers also noticed Taylor seemed intoxicated while performing field sobriety tests. Cromer ended up in the yard behind the vehicle after the accident occurred. Officers said Cromer was uncooperative with emergency personnel and that he resisted arrest. No one was injured in the accident. Taylor was arrested and charged with DUI and possession of an open alcoholic beverage in motor vehicle. Cromer was arrested and charged with resisting arrest, public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Arrested at the scene was Robbie Dean Renner, 32, of Mt. Vernon. According to Mt. Vernon

Officers found a small plastic baggie containing

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# ramblings

by: perlina m. anderkin

Took a housecleaning binge recently -- yes, it's a notable enough occasion to warrant a column.

During the binge, I cleaned the cat box out and thought for the thousandth time that it is a sad state of affairs that while other women my age are running for president (Hillary), running Fortune 500 companies (okay, I can't think of anybody but I know there are women CEOs) or making a nuisance of themselves in the House of Representatives (Nancy Pelosi), I am stuck in Mt. Vernon cleaning out the cat box. My other menial chores do not seem anywhere near as demeaning as cleaning up waste for an animal that doesn't even appreciate it. I could write a column about my Jack Russell and, often, the same

situation but I like him...

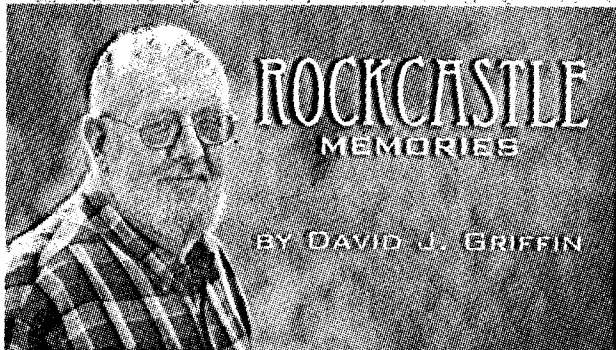
The news Friday was that former presidential candidate Mitt Romney will not make his third run for the nomination for 2016.

I was glad. Romney had an excellent chance of defeating Obama in 2012 and blew it. Now, if Jeb Bush would only decide the same, I would be a happy woman.

I don't really know whom I prefer. I like Huckabee but am not sure he can win with his religious background, and that's a sad commentary on the state of our country today. I also like Santorum, Walker, Rubio and Dr. Carson. Rubio may be a little young but he and the others are just about conservative enough for me.

The very best scenario

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## Bobcats and "Painters"

Kathy and I live in an A-frame house situated on top of a 1,300 foot mountain in Powell County. Our house literally sits on the edge of a sixty foot limestone cliff. The base of Furnace Mountain is near Stanton, and it runs through Powell County into Estill County. The limestone cliff forms the backbone of the mountain ridge. We also own a small piece of wooded property adjacent to our house. We have constructed a winding trail through the woods, and we walk the path on a daily basis with our Sheltie, Shiloh. At one point on the trail, a large out-cropping of limestone forms a small cave under the edge of the cliff.

Last week we noticed some unusually large animal tracks near that cave area. Upon closer examination with photos from the internet, we determined that the tracks were probably from a large Bobcat. Since we occasionally hear wild-cats screaming at each other on the bottom of the cliff late at night, we were not surprised to find the cat tracks on our property.

We have lived with this eerie sound for more than twenty years. The first time we heard the cat calls, we didn't really recognize the sound. But the cat kept on calling every night, so we finally got the picture; we knew that bobcats were in the area. I remarked that it "sounded like a woman screaming," and the internet confirmed that the sound is remarkably like a woman.

The idea of having wild cats near my home is not

new to me. When I was a small boy living in the Pine Grove section of Rockcastle County, my grandfather (Pop) and I used to sit on his front porch late at night, listening to the sounds of nature in the distance. We lived in the middle of a forested area on top of a hilly farm. We often heard the sounds of cats in the distance.

Pop would say, "David Joe, listen, those are painters." "Painter" is a slang term for mountain lions or pan-

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# Points East

By Ike Adams



I spent Superbowl Sunday afternoon pursuing my winter folly of trying to come up with the perfect recipe for scones. Scones are to rural folks in Great Britain as oatmeal cookies are to rural Kentuckians. In other words they are habit forming, fattening and very easy to make if you follow the basic recipe that millions of people have committed to memory.

But, like so many other foodstuffs, cooks of both scones and oatmeal cookies often add a little pinch of this or a little dab of that, a

little more or a little less sugar, flavoring extract or lack thereof, etc., etc., so that, in fact, there are hundreds, maybe thousands, of subtle little nuances that can make one's scones or cookies taste vastly better or worse than another person's even though both cooks supposedly followed the exact same recipe.

Loretta and her sister Helen, for example supposedly use the same oatmeal cookie recipe but you sure couldn't prove it by me

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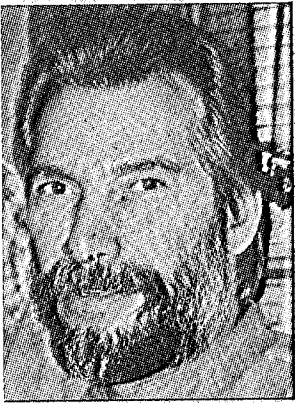
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# Obituaries



## Robert Dale Cromer

Robert "Bobby" Dale Cromer, 60, of Brodhead, died Saturday, January 31, 2015. He was born February 20, 1954 in Berea, a son of the late Dewey and Geneva Mink Cromer. He had been a heavy equipment operator haying worked for the Allen Company. He was a member of Mt. Vernon Church of Christ, and a Kentucky Colonel. He found great joy in classic cars and carpentry.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his daughter, Lois Ann (J.D.) White of Richmond; his companion, Deanna Cartmill of Brodhead; his grandchild, Mariah Rogers of Richmond; brothers, Bill (Darlene) Cromer of Mt. Vernon, and Benny (Donna) Cromer and Ricky Cromer, all of Brodhead; sisters, Lois Bastin and Betty (Larry) Albright, all of Brodhead; and a host of nieces/nephews, friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals. Burial was in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: Larry Albright, Ricky Cromer, Wayne and John Burton, Tommy and Jerome Jones, and Ronnie Parsons.

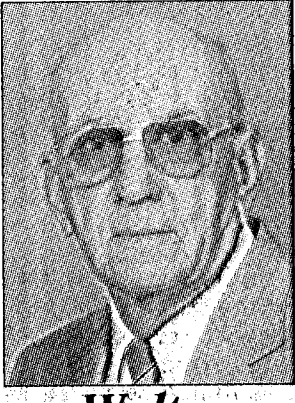
Honorary casketbearers were: Lloyd Parsons, Mark Jones, Ronnie Powell, Mike McCown, his siblings Betty Albright, Bill and Benny Cromer and Lois Bastin.

Condolences to the family may be made to his online registry at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Space2Create Valentine's Day Party

Share a special Valentine's Day with your child at the Livingston Space2Create on Saturday, February 14th from 11am to 2pm. Space2Create is a parent/child play space for ages one year to five years old. This Valentine's Day share time with your special little one. Space2Create will offer refreshments, a craft project and a space with age appropriate toys.

If you have any questions you can contact Natasha Medley at 453-2710 or Livingston City Hall at 453-2061.



## Walter Malone

Walter Malone, 89, of Mt. Vernon, died at his home Friday evening, January 30, 2015. He was born May 23, 1925 in Lynchburg, OH. He was the son of Irene Pfister Malone Denninger and Harley Malone. He was a member and deacon of Fairview Baptist Church.

He was a WWII Marine Veteran, employed by the Berea College for 30 years, member and president of Woodmen of the World, Berea Lodge. He was also an avid farmer, gardener, carpenter, cook, and helper to neighbors and others who were ever in need, in other words jack-of-all-trades.

Those left to remember him are: his wife of 68 years, Margie Anderkin Malone; his daughter, Sondra Mullins of Renfro Valley; two brothers, Gene Deinninger and David Deinninger, both of Ohio; three sisters, Mary, Lois, and Emmie, all of Ohio; three grandchildren, Clark Lair (Rachel) Mullins, II of Lexington, and Clifford Lee Mullins, and Velsie Cassondra (Eric) Elam, all of Renfro Valley; and seven great grandchildren, Alexis Irene Elam, Joseph Cas Elam, Samuel Malone Elam, Emma Rachel Nance, Nicholas Shane Nance, Lola Grace Nance, and Amelia Claire Nance.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Gwen Morley.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at Fairview Baptist Church by Bros. Steve McKinney, Vaughn Rasor and Bruce Ross. Burial followed in Scaffold Cane Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Frankie Anderkin, James Edward Mullins, Clark Lair Mullins, Clifford Lee Mullins, Eric Joseph Elam and William Madden.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Scaffold Cane Cemetery, c/o A. Brock, 602 Old US 25 North, Berea, KY 40403 or Fairview Baptist Church Building Fund, 520 Fairview Loop Road, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Visit [www.DowellMartin.com](http://www.DowellMartin.com) to view online obituary.

## Thomas "Earl" Fish

Thomas "Earl" Fish, 66, of Ocala, FL and formerly of Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, January 28, 2015 in Ocala. He was born March 15, 1948 in Berea, a son of the late Robert and Josie Thomas Fish. He was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church, D.A.V., V.F.W., the American Legion and was an Army Veteran of the Vietnam Era.

He found great joy in bluegrass music, the mandolin and guitar as well as fishing. He retired from Trane Co. in Lexington. On May 26, 1966 he was united in marriage to Bernice Cameron Fish, who preceded him in death in 2006. After Bernice's death he relocated to Ocala, FL where he met his special companion, Peggy Ritchie of Ocala.

Those left to celebrate his life are: his brother, Edward (Mary Lou) Fish of Lynn, IN; his sister, Norma Coffey of Berea; his special companion, Peggy Ritchie of Ocala, FL and her sons, Robert, James and David Ritchie; and a host of nieces/nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by brothers, Bobby and William "Bill" Fish.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, February 2, 2015 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Rick Reynolds Officiating. Burial was in the Smith Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Hospice in his memory.

Condolences may be made at [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## Card of Thanks

### Jeffrey Keith Taylor

The family of Jeffrey Keith Taylor would like to express our love and appreciation to all who have shown so much kindness and concern in the passing of our son.

We have been blessed by receiving so many prayers, visits, calls, food and such an outpouring of love at his memorial service.

The love of this community is unbelievable. We especially would like to thank the First Baptist Church Mt. Vernon who so graciously opened their doors and hearts to us in this difficult time and for the many family and friends who traveled so far to be with us in our time of need. We are so very grateful to Pastor Ronnie Angell, Pastor Neal Thornton, Mr. Lonnie Reppert, Reppert Funeral Home in Berea and all the special friends who assisted us during the memorial service for all their kindness, love and concern.

You all will be forever in our hearts.

Sincerely,  
Keith & Jenny Taylor,  
(SGM & Ms. Jenny)



## Don L. Whitaker

Don L. Whitaker, 65, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, January 29, 2015 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. He was born in Berea on December 20, 1949 the son of Paul and Arnie Graves Whitaker. He was a member of the Blue Springs Church of Christ and was a very compassionate man of the Lord.

He was a loving family man who continually provided for his loved ones. In the early 70's, he and his father co-operated a Sunoco service station in Renfro Valley where he enjoyed meeting and servicing the public. He was a hard working man who spent the following 28 years at Hyster Corporation. Anyone who was blessed to spend time with him knew he had a kind soul and high spirits. He loved spending his time at auctions, fishing, and playing with his grandkids.

He is survived by: his wife of 45 years, Liz Whitaker; his three children, Kim and James McPherson of Brodhead, and Kelly Whitaker and Kevin Whitaker, both of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Barb Allen of Russell Springs, Bonnie and Larry Wynn of Mullins Station, and Lisa and Ronnie Hayes of Mt. Vernon; eight grandchildren, Michael, Whitney, Amber, Nathan, Kaleb, Noah, and Ethan Whitaker, and Benny McPherson; and three great grandchildren, Caulin Wilson, Grayson Thompson, and Finley Thompson. Several nieces, nephews, and special friends also survive.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, February 1, 2015 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bros. Marcus Reppert and Gary Reppert. Burial was in Phelps Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Kendall Mink, Michael Whitaker, Nathan Whitaker, Travis Wynn, Jamie Zapf, and Terry Zapf.

Honorary pallbearers were: Josh Hayes, Jacob Jackson, Jed Jackson, and Kaleb Whitaker.

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## John Dean

John Micael Dean, 14, son of Robert A. Jr and Kristie Dean of Livingston passed away on Monday, January 12, 2015 at his residence.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother Carol McCracken and adopted grandfather Lee

McCracken. A memorial service will be held at a later date. [www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com](http://www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com)

## In Memory of John Micael Dean 9/8/00 - 1/12/15

Loving son, you were too young to go play with the angels. May you find the peace you never found here my little man. You are sadly missed and loved. You took our hearts with you when you left. Your time here was not long enough. I love you to the moon and back my baby boy.

Written by Kristie Dean, (Mother)

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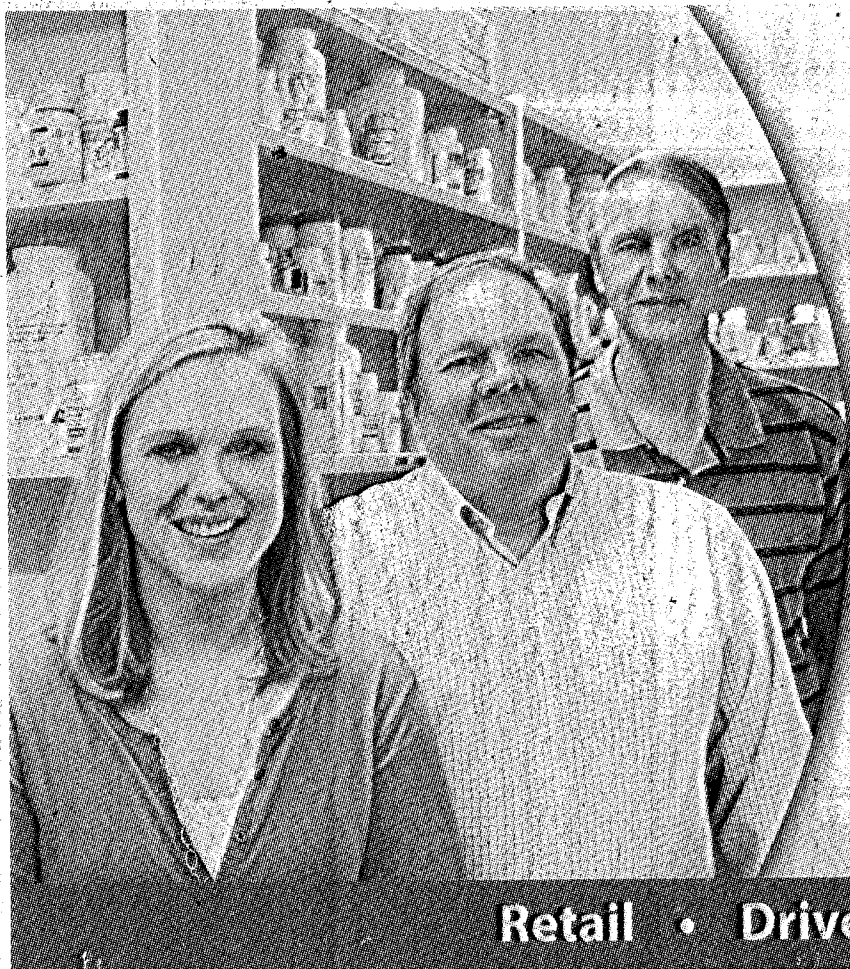


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Dear Journal,  
A few years ago, after my mother Inez passed away, I began looking through her personal effects. One day I came across several bundles of fragile, faded letters. These letters, as it turned out, were the correspondences between her mother and father, Roscoe and Evelyn Price-Norton, during their courtship while he was serving in World War I in Europe and in training here in the states. I didn't have time to devote to reading them, so I just filed them away for safe keeping until I had more time to spare.

Seeing that the day I had a lot of time to spare would never come, I got them out a few days ago. It was a pretty day and I had to go to London, so I took the letters along. After taking care of business, I headed for a restaurant for lunch. As I ate, I spread out the letters and began to read.

Most of the letters were dated between 1917 and 1919. As I read, I realized that these letters probably hadn't been opened in almost a hundred years. I also realized that what I was reading, other than family history, was a documented, firsthand account of World War I from the front lines in Europe.

I didn't get a chance to read all of the letters, only fifteen or twenty. My grandma insisted that she not be spared the details of the anguish her fiancée was facing. In his letters I could tell that he told an extreme amount of information but not of the blood and carnage he must have seen being a machine gunner on the front line. He was serving in the outfit that broke the Hindenburg line which I'm sure was highly fortified.

As I read, I stepped back in time. The phraseology and terminology of the period came alive. It's hard to explain, but it was almost like a form of poetry; very formal, too. Of course, they each had a good background in education, he being a Business major in the class of 1911 from the University of Kentucky and she being a student of what would be Office Management today from Cumberland College.

She would write of daily life at home there in Clairfield, Tennessee; how she missed him and sent well wishes from her fam-

ily and their friends, along with the family news. He wrote of how well the forces were doing, that some of the immunizations made some deathly ill and sadly, some couldn't stand the rigors of battle and were committing suicide. He told of life in the trenches, cooking their food on scrap pieces of tin and, of course, how he missed her and looked forward to coming home. He never could give his exact location in the letters, only "somewhere in Europe".

On one occasion, grandpa's outfit had to retreat hurriedly in the face of heavy fire. Each machine gun had a two-man team, my grandpa and another man operated one of them. The other man ran, leaving the machine gun behind. My grandpa ran back to retrieve the gun not wanting it to fall into the hands of the enemy but the other man was apparently killed or captured. He was never seen again.

Among the letters were vintage post cards from London, Paris, and other towns in Europe. Also, in a crinkly brown leather pouch were a few trinkets and keepsakes Grandpa carried with him overseas. One item was a Masonic membership card, a small Bible, and a long lock of Grandma's hair.

My niece, Karen Hamm Adams, (of Hidden Among Us, the American Revolutionary War Patriots of Rockcastle fame) and I plan to collaborate and put together a book containing these letters to be released in 2018, the 100th anniversary of the end of the fighting of World War I. The war officially ended in 1919. It will have a Rockcastle connection as grandpa and his three brothers, Lee, Emmett, and Egbert were from here in the county and served proudly in WWI. They all four served and lived to come back home. I'll be looking forward to working on this labor of love and seeing my grandparents in a different light for the first time.

**"Memories"**

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thers. In those days, it was common to hear such sounds in Rockcastle County. Pop was convinced that black panthers lived in the woods near our house, even though the "experts" still insist that no such cats

are found in Kentucky. My wife would adamantly disagree with that notion. Late one afternoon, near dusk, she was in our front yard and looked up the road just in time to see a large, long, silky-black cat dash across the road into the forest. She swears that it was a panther.

Kathy and I have experienced wild cats in the area near our home. One night we were sitting in our woods around a fire ring when a Bobcat snuck up to see what was going on. The only reason that we ever spotted him was that one of us was shining the flashlight around. It caught his eyes. The animal cautiously looked at us and then slowly disappeared into the woods. We both sat there looking at each other in disbelief.

This particular habitat would definitely support Bobcats because they feed on rabbits, rodents, reptiles, and insects. Our woods would provide a "smorgasbord" of delicacies for the Bobcats.

The average Bobcat is about the size of an adult Cocker Spaniel. The one we saw was about that size.

And I should make note of the fact that a mountain lion was recently found in Bourbon County, about 35 miles from Powell County.

I'm happy to have experienced a bobcat, even ever so briefly. However, I'm not so sure that I want to experience a "painter."

And I'll tell you what: black panthers are in the hills and mountains of not just Kentucky, but of Tennessee and West Virginia as well. Country people from those areas have stories of those animals going back for decades. The so-called experts just won't give any credence to that fact. But they're here alright.

I'd love to hear from you if you have any stories about mountain cats, whatever the kind! As both a scientist and a nature lover, such tales are intriguing to me. It would be great to have some "Cat" news from my home county.

(You can reach me at themnman@aol.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 49380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

**"ramblings"**

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would be for the pool of candidates for the Republican Presidential nomination to get together and decide among themselves on one candidate and save the country the agony of listening to numerous debates, save themselves and supporters a ton of money which could then be used to defeat the Democratic nominee and present a united front for the party. Not going to happen, I know, but it would be ideal.

I think Hillary will be a hard candidate for the Repubs to defeat. I'm not sure why, her accomplishments are almost nonexistent and if the truth ever comes out about Benghazi, I'm convinced that alone would sink her ship.

We'll just have to wait and see. Meanwhile, the

Repubs spend the majority of their time responding with mostly empty threats to aggressive actions by the President, including Obama presenting Congress with a budget with a half a trillion dollar deficit, completely ignoring the fact that we are already \$18 trillion in debt, \$8 trillion of which has been added since Obama took office.

I'm not sure we are not past the "tipping point" and our country is doomed to continue its downward spiral, both economically and morally.

**"Points East"**

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They can even buy that readymade dough that school kids are so frequently panhandling to raise money for a field trip or some such, one package each out of the same carton, purchased from the same kid at the same time and place.

Loretta's cookies will not taste nor look much like Helen's. I guess they must employ different ways of pinching the dough off and I'm not about to go public with which one's I like better because I don't want either one of them to change their ways or stop baking cookies for me.

I got hung up on scones last fall when I read a Carla Neggers novel in which she spent pages talking about English style cooking and actually threw a recipe for scones into the plot that looked so simple I decided to try it. The recipe only called for 5 or 6 ingredients but it required a lot more time and elbow grease than I'd expected going in but I found it to be great fun.

My clothing, the kitchen table, ceiling and floor looked like a flour sack had exploded in my hands when my wife walked in the door. But after scowling and snarling about how clean "her" kitchen was when she left the house that morning, she allowed that my scones were pretty good, but not in the same league as our friend, Don Weber's.

Don is a native Welshman who took up residence in Paint Lick back in the 1990's and decided to stay. And it does make perfect sense that he would be an authentic source of knowledge when it comes to genuine scones. To make a long story short, I talked Don out of the recipe that he always uses and it was very similar to Carla's except he uses honey and cream of tartar and she doesn't.

Anyway I tried Don's recipe, then I tried combining the best features of both, then I went online and discovered that I could spend the rest of my life doing nothing but reading scones recipes. There are even blogs devoted entirely to the finer points of making scones. Numerous term papers and college thesis have been written on the humble scone. You can find pages arguing about the proper baking temperature.

Last Sunday was my 6th

or 7th attempt. Loretta was asleep on the couch so I snuck into the kitchen and managed to assemble mixing bowl, pastry cutter, baking sheet and so forth on the table, set the oven to preheat to 400, whipped an egg into froth in a measuring cup before discovering that we only had about a cup of white flour on the place and I needed 3.

Fifty years ago I would have run down to Aunta Lona's and "borrowed" two cups of flour, no problem, and my current neighbor, Katie Rollins, would have come through this time if I'd called her. But, while cursing my dilemma,

I found a bag of whole wheat flour stuck back in

the freezer and only The Good Lord knows how it got there because I'd bet \$ Loretta has forgotten and I know, for sure, I didn't buy it. Anyway, I figured the only big difference would be that my scones would be brown instead of white.

The whole wheat scones did turn out edible, but I will not be doing them again in the near future. At least they are better than no scones at all and the dog won't get them.

Let's just say that a bag of White Lily all purpose flour in now on top of our grocery list and that I have, in my possession, over 4 pounds of whole wheat flour if anybody needs some.

**Play your cards right**

As students become more responsible for paying their own bills, they need to be aware of the types of cards available, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Debit cards are tied to a bank account. When someone uses a debit card, the money is automatically deducted from the account. Most colleges issue a type of debit card to students that can be used to buy books, supplies and meals. In that case, the card is not tied to a bank account but is preloaded with funds deposited each semester or quarter.

When a debit card has been lost or stolen, report it to the bank or credit union immediately to limit losses

from unauthorized use.

Credit cards offer what is essentially an interest-free loan if the balance is paid in full each month. Students who use credit cards should pay them off at the end of each pay period when possible to avoid paying interest fees. Most credit cards also offer cash advance services at a higher interest rate.

Lost or stolen credit cards should also be reported immediately. However, there is a \$50 limit to the consumer's liability on fraudulent charges with stolen credit cards.

ATM cards allow users to withdraw cash from their accounts when the bank or credit union is closed. Most

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**Bookmobile Schedule**  
Mon., Feb. 9th: No service. Tues., Feb. 10th: Spiro, Level Green, Willailla. Wed., Feb. 11th: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

**Basic Mental Illness Training**  
NAMI Kentucky will be presenting basic mental illness training on Thursday, February 12th at 10:30 a.m. at the Cumberland River Mental Health Center's conference room.

**NAMI Meetings**  
Mt. Vernon NAMI Cumberland River meeting three Mondays each month at the Mt. Vernon Comp Care Center. For more information, call Wayne Bullock, president at 606-256-9250.

**Retired Teachers To Meet**  
Rockcastle Retired Teachers will meet Wednesday, February 11 at Limestone Grille at 11:30. Avery Bradshaw will be there to entertain during lunch. There are several important topics for discussion and all retired teachers are encouraged to attend.

**KPR Meeting**  
The Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Kentucky Public Retirees (KPR) will meet Tuesday, February 10th at the Golden Corral Restaurant in London. Mealttime will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting to follow. Guest speaker will be David Peden, Chief Investment Officer for the Kentucky Retirement Systems. Any retiree receiving retirement benefits from KERS, CERS or SPRS is welcome to attend. Membership information will be available at the meeting or at [kentuckypublicretirees.org](http://kentuckypublicretirees.org).

**Start-It: Entrepreneurship Training**  
Want to start a business, but don't know where to start? Start-It! Entrepreneurship Training is a free three-part series designed to help you put together a successful business and marketing plan. The training will be held at the Rockcastle Adult Education Center March 5, 12 and 19, from 5 to 7 p.m. If you have any special requirements, please notify us 5 days prior to class. For more information, call 859-622-7995 or [Yvonne.harrison@eku.edu](mailto:Yvonne.harrison@eku.edu).

**DAR Meetings**  
The Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets the first Monday of each month, September-May at 6 p.m. at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. All prospective members are welcome to attend.

**Brodhead Lodge Meeting**  
The Brodhead Masonic Lodge #566 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 Limestone Grill. 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 6 p.m. of each month at the Limestone Grill. Commander Tommy Hodges invites all Rockcastle veterans to join this organization that honors American soldiers, sailors and airmen.

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## Conservation Stewardship deadline approaching

USDA's National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) recently announced the opening of the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) for new enrollments in 2015. Farmers, ranchers and foresters interested in participating in the program can submit applications to NRCS through February 27, 2015 to be considered in the 2015 round of ranking applications and awarding contracts.

"The CSP is a continuous sign-up program that has periodic cut-off dates for ranking applications. February 27, 2015 is the deadline for the coming year," said Traci Bruckner, Senior Policy Associate for Agriculture and Conservation at the Center for Rural Affairs. "Applications can be filed at your local NRCS office. We know this is a very short timeline but producers just have to file a simple application by the February 27 deadline."

As part of the CSP application process, applicants will work with NRCS field personnel to complete a resource inventory of their land, which will help determine the conservation performance for existing and new conservation activities. The applicant's conservation performance will be used to determine eligibility, ranking and payments. Contracts are awarded to those offering the highest level of environmental benefits, with NRCS working down through the list of eligible applicants until acreage allocated to the particular state runs out.

In addition, producers who received a CSP contract in 2011 have the opportunity to renew their contract for another five-year period. Renewal applications must be received by March 31, 2015 to ensure a seamless transition into their next contract without a lapse in payments. Renewal contracts do not compete with new applicants.

According to Bruckner, the Conservation Stewardship Program is a voluntary stewardship incentives program, administered by NRCS, designed to reward farmers, ranchers, and foresters for maintaining existing conservation, as well as for the adoption of additional conservation measures that provide multiple environmental benefits that run beyond the farm or ranch. This program pays producers for clean water, better soil management, improved habitat, energy efficiency, and other natural resource benefits. Since the program began in 2009, nearly 70 million acres of farm and ranch land have been enrolled in the program.

Bruckner encouraged potential applicants to call the Center's Farm Bill Helpline to learn more about the application process and help uncover and overcome barriers encountered during that process by

calling (402) 687-2100 or emailing her at [tracib@cfra.org](mailto:tracib@cfra.org).

"The Center for Rural Affairs has a long history of assisting family farmers and ranchers access farm bill programs," continued Bruckner. "The Center's Farm Bill helpline provides a direct connection to Center staff with knowledge about program rules to help you understand if a particular program will fit your needs."

Resources are available to help producers consider the CSP and make their applications. In addition to contacting the Center's Farm Bill Helpline for additional assistance in navigating the application process, application materials and information are available through the Center for Rural Affairs website, USDA's website, your local NRCS office, and the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition.

## "Czar"

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is invited to attend. The event will begin at 11 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m.

Those wishing to attend are being asked to RSVP by Thursday, February 12th by emailing Gina Muncy at [gmuncy@centertech.com](mailto:gmuncy@centertech.com).

UNITE will also honor several of the 32 community coalitions for their volunteer effort at the event including Rockcastle UNITE.

Botticelli is a former deputy director of the ONDCP. He became acting director following Gil Kerlikowske's resignation after he was appointed commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

The White House ONDCP is a position that is often known as the "drug czar" throughout the country. As White House ONDCP Director, Botticelli is responsible for the National Drug Control Strategy which outlines efforts to reduce drug use, drug related crime and violence, manufacturing and trafficking of drugs and drug-related health consequences. The strategy places an emphasis on community-based prevention programs, diverting non-violent drug offenders into treatment instead of jail and expanding access to substance abuse treatment.

For more information about the events contact Nancy Hale at [nhale@centertech.com](mailto:nhale@centertech.com).

## "Banquet"

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Director of the Growing Warriors Project and vice-president of Freedom Seed and Feed.

Tickets are \$18 each and everyone is invited to attend the event. Tickets can be purchased from the Rockcastle County Conservation District office, Mt. Vernon IGA or Circuit Court Clerk Eliza York's office.

## "RCIDA"

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Board Member Corey Craig agreed and said that there is no doubt in his mind that they will find someone to occupy the building. He said they just have to have the patience to find the right occupant.

"That's why we put the buyout clause in the lease to give us some time to find the right entity for the building. It's a great property with proximity to the interstate, it's rail served and there will be someone come along," Craig said. "The challenge for the county will be to not get anxious and jump on the first thing that comes along. We all agree we want jobs in our community but we all need to be on the same page as to what a job is considered to be."

Hopkins went on to say that the former Anchor building has been listed or presented on RCIDA's website, other state economic development websites, to site selectors and in trade publications or newsletters.

In other news, Hopkins said a previously broken HVAC unit at the SourceHOV building has been repaired. She said everything is "up and running" and that she has received no further complaints about the problem.

Hopkins said the Rockcastle 911 center is expected to move into the CSEPP building sometime this month. She said they were originally expecting to move in May but the new center was finished early.

Hopkins also informed the board about a new website created by the governor's office to start training students while they are still in school. The Kentucky Federation for Advanced Manufacturing Education (KY FAME) is a company-sponsored partnership of regional employers who share the goal of creating a "pipeline" of highly skilled workers.

Hopkins said that she has talked with County Judge Executive Doug Bishop about the issue and that he would like to meet with all the local manufacturers and the school administration to discuss the issue and its possibilities.

Board member Jason Coguer told Hopkins that he felt that she, in a recent radio program, had made it sound as though the local school system was not adequately producing and equipping students with what they needed to go out into the workforce after graduating from high school.

Hopkins said that was not what she was saying on the radio program and that she was only talking about the KY FAME program and the possibilities of everyone working together to bring more jobs to the county.

Craig said that a lot of things have been "lost in translation" about the issue and that the RCIDA, county, school system and local manufacturers need to start anew with a discussion on the issue.

"Let's all take a couple of steps back, clear our minds of what has been misconstrued and start over with this whole discussion," Craig said. "Let's blend and mesh together to see if something like this is possible."

## "Meth"

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suspected meth lying on the ground between the two mobile homes and a Suboxone strip on Renner at the time of his arrest.

Renner was charged with possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), possession of a controlled substance and tampering with physical evidence. He was lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center where he was later released on a \$4,000 cash/property bond.

In the second incident,

two men, one from Laurel and one from Madison County, were arrested on several charges after police made a traffic stop on South Wilderness Road in Livingston.

Arrested at the scene were Samuel Alan Jones, 44, of East Berstadt and Jarrod Lee Cupp, 30 of Berea.

According to state police reports, officers stopped Cupp's vehicle after noticing his license plate had expired and that his insurance had been cancelled.

When officers approached the vehicle, Cupp told them he didn't have insurance and didn't have a driver's license in his possession. He also gave officers a false name and date of birth.

However, officers later discovered that the name Cupp gave was false, after which, Cupp admitted that he was lying because there was an outstanding warrant for his arrest.

After receiving consent to search the vehicle, officers found a silver tin, containing suspected meth, lying beside the passenger seat where Jones was previously sitting.

Jones was charged with possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine). Cupp was charged with giving officers a false name or address, no registration plates, no registration receipt, failure to wear seat belts and failure to produce insurance card.

Both Jones and Cupp were lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center. Jones remains there on a \$5,000 /10% bond. Cupp was later released on a \$5,000 cash bond.

## "Arraigned"

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the accident, except Campbell's 20-month-old daughter, who was transported to Rockcastle Regional Hospital and later airlifted to the UK Medical Center where she was treated for non-life threatening injuries and later released.

Campbell was originally charged with first degree wanton endangerment, DUI and second degree assault. He was lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$30,000 cash property bond.

During Campbell's arraignment, he was appointed Public Defender Nathan Shirley and County Attorney Billy Reynolds testified against him. District Court Judge Katie Wood found probable cause on all charges against Campbell and ordered that his bond remain the same.

Campbell remains lodged in RCDC on a \$30,000 cash/property bond. Reynolds said that he is pleased with Wood's decision in the case.

"I am happy that Judge Woods found probable cause in the charges against Campbell in this accident that injured this toddler," Reynolds said. "I am also happy with Judge Woods decision in keeping Campbell's bond the same as previously ordered."

## "Teen"

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Officers received a tip last Wednesday that Bussell was staying at a home in Richmond and they found Bussell at the residence around 6:40 p.m.

Investigators said their initial investigation indicated that Bussell left the school and ran away with an unknown person. They also believed that she was not in any danger and had not been abducted.

Police were also originally asking people in the surrounding counties to be on the lookout for Bussell.

The incident is still under investigation by the Kentucky State Police and Trooper Albert LaGrange is in charge of the investigation. No other information about the case has been released at this time.

## "Doctor"

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also received virtual kidnapping scam phone calls. So far the victims have realized the phone calls were scams and no ransom money has reportedly been wired to any of the con artists.

The Virtual Kidnapping scam originated in Mexico several years ago and has now become more prominent in the United States. To avoid becoming a victim of an extortion scheme, the FBI asks the victim to look for indicators such as strange area codes, calls that do not come from the alleged kidnapped victim's phone, callers who go to great lengths to keep you on the phone, callers who try to persuade you not to call the kidnapped victim's phone and callers who only want ransom money sent via wire service.

Local police remind everyone that every alleged kidnapping call should be taken seriously and to get as much information as possible from the caller. They say to always contact law enforcement before making any decisions.

For more information about the Virtual Kidnapping scam and other commonly used scams visit [www.fbi.gov/scams-safety/fraud](http://www.fbi.gov/scams-safety/fraud).

An encouraging word:

## A Nation Under God

By Howard Coop



During my childhood and youth, February 12 was a significant national holiday observed by everyone I knew. But it was more than a holiday; it was a time to remember and be thankful for an outstanding leader who possessed the moral courage to do what he knew to be right. Although February 12 is no longer a legal holiday, we can, on that day, remember, respectfully, the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the unusual man that he was, and the significant contribution he made to our nation.

Born on February 12, 1809 in a one-room log cabin on a farm beside Sinking Creek near Hodgenville in what is now LaRue County, the rail-splitter became the sixteenth President of the United States in 1860 at a crucial time in American history. Consequently, that common man, in an uncommon way, led the nation through the Civil War that has come to be known as the nation's "bloodiest war," and its greatest moral, constitutional, and political crisis. Through that crisis and without regard for public opinion and political pressure, Lincoln stood steadfast for what he believed was morally right, and he did what he could to hold the nation together and bind up its wounds. As a result of his efforts, a nation, deeply divided by strong feelings rooted in conflicting ideologies and political persuasions, remained united and healing occurred. His leadership during that crucial period of American history is credited with preserving "the Union, abolishing slavery, strengthening the government, and modernizing the economy," quite an accomplishment for a self-educated backwoodsman from the hills of Kentucky.

Let's we forget, times like these demand more than moral equivocation and political posturing to gain favor. As Josiah Gilbert Holland wrote, "A time like this demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands" from men and women who "have honor" and "will not lie." The need is for leaders who have strength of character that is grounded in proven principles that are morally right even though they may not appear to be politically correct.



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## Lady Rockets are #1 in District after 50-47 win over Pulaski

The Rockcastle Lady Rockets took control of the 47th District last Friday night with their 50-47 win over the Pulaski County Maroons.

The Lady Rockets avenged an earlier loss to the Lady Maroons, their only one in district play. The Lady Maroons also lost to Casey County.

Friday night, the Lady Rockets, despite six turnovers in the first quarter, managed to end that period tied with the Lady Maroons at 10 all.

In the second quarter, the Lady Maroons went to the 2:42 mark before scoring while the Lady Rockets

built a 17-10 lead and were ahead 26-20 at the half.

It was a 38-29 lead at the end of the third quarter for the Lady Rockets and, in the fourth, Pulaski mounted an aggressive comeback, tying the score at 42 all with 1:45 minutes left in the game.

Sophomore Emme Barker then hit one of two free throws and senior Alaina Coguer put two in from the charity stripe and junior Morgan Renner sank one to put the Rockets up 46-42 with 41 seconds remaining.

Pulaski then got a basket, sophomore Mahala Saylor sank two free throws and Pulaski came back with a

three point basket to make it 48-47. With 2:3 seconds remaining on the clock, sophomore Hope Kelley got one of two free throws to make the lead 49-47.

PC threw the ball out-of-bounds on the inbounds pass and the Rockets Jayna Albright put in one of two free throws to seal the 50-47 win for the Lady Rockets.

In the fourth, 10 of the Lady Rockets 12 points came from the free throw line with Kelley getting the only basket.

Overall, the Rockets were 16 for 26 at the free throw line and Pulaski was 13 of 20.

Leading scorer for the Rockets was Saylor with 15; Kelley got 9; Barker 8; Coguer, Renner and junior Ashley McKinney got 5 each and Albright scored 3 points.

Monday night, the Lady Rockets traveled to Clay County to take on the Lady Tigers and the first quarter set the tone for the whole game. The Lady Rockets were down 15-5 at the first quarter stop. They fought back in the second on 10 points by Kelley and 6 by sophomore Emily Payne to pull to within five at the half 29-24. They had cut the Tigers' lead to two at the third quarter stop 37-35 but the Tigers came on strong in the fourth and outscored the Rockets 25-15 for the final 62-50.

All the Lady Rockets scoring in the final quarter came on three point baskets, three of them from Albright.

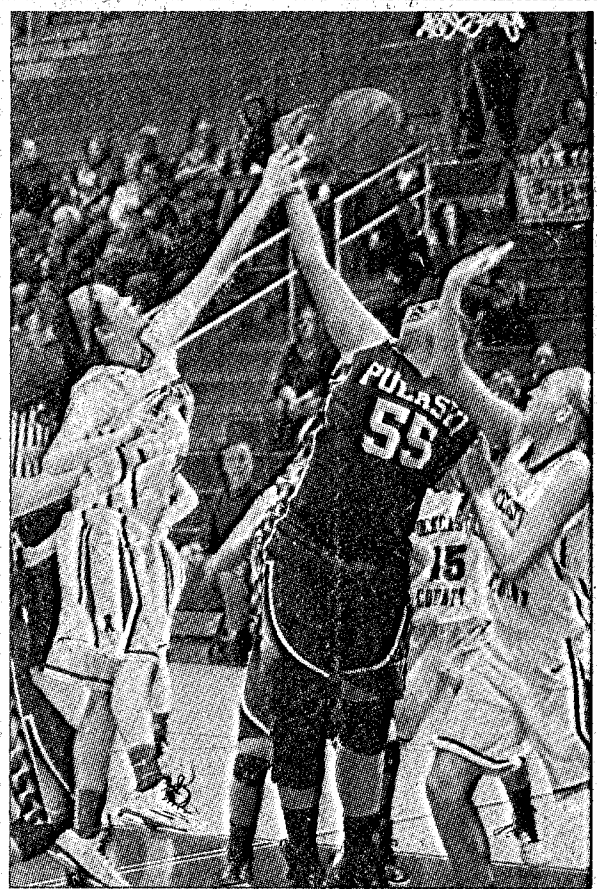
Kelley was the only Lady Rocket in double figures with 10; Albright got 9; Renner 7; Payne 6; McKinney and Saylor 5 each and Barker and Coguer 4 each.

The Rockets are now 12-

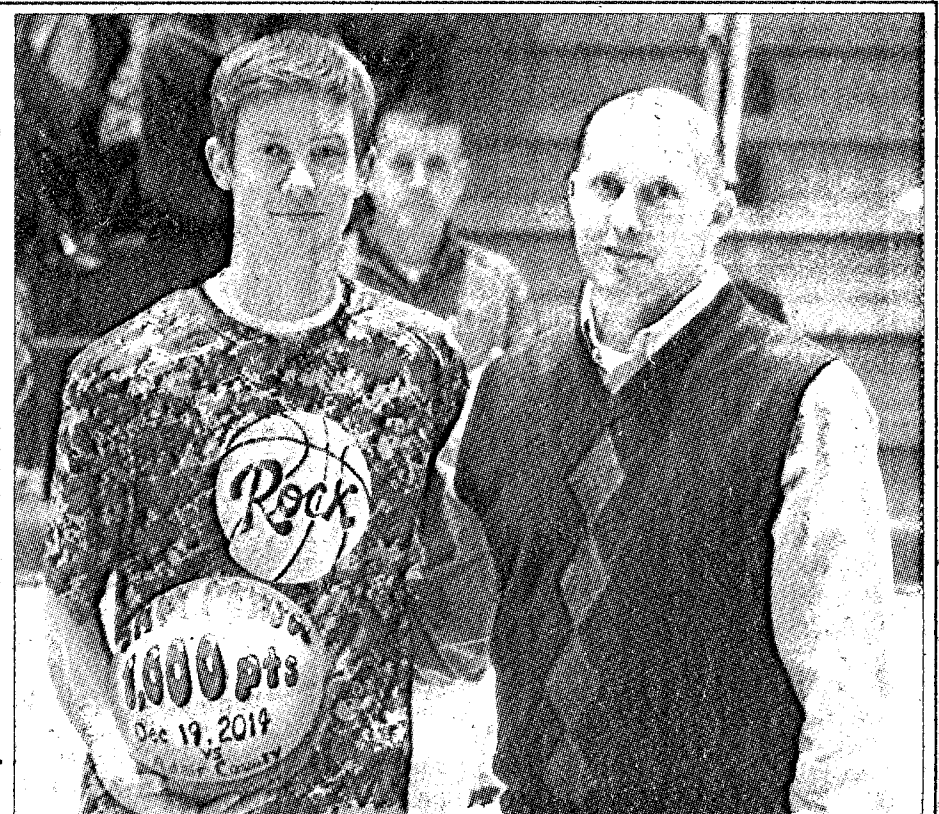
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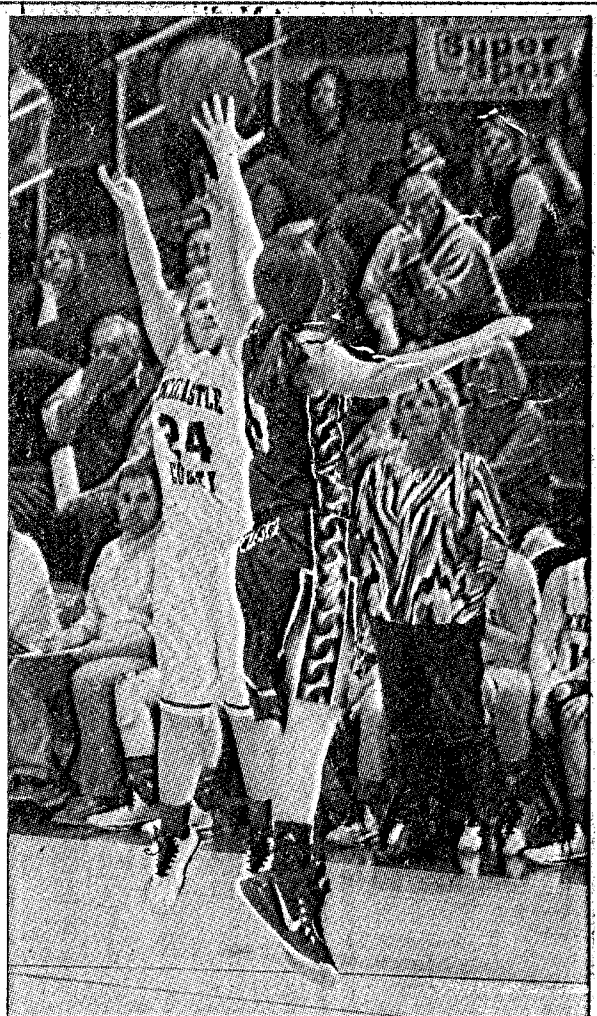
Former Rocket guard Aaron Cash had his jersey and number retired before the Rockets game against Pulaski County last Friday night. Cash was selected all-state all four years of his high school career. Cash was also the 2005 Kentucky Gatorade Player of the Year. He went on to play college basketball at the University of the Cumberlands and Transylvania University, where he was a three year letterman. The presentation was made by Rockets head coach Benny Blanton.



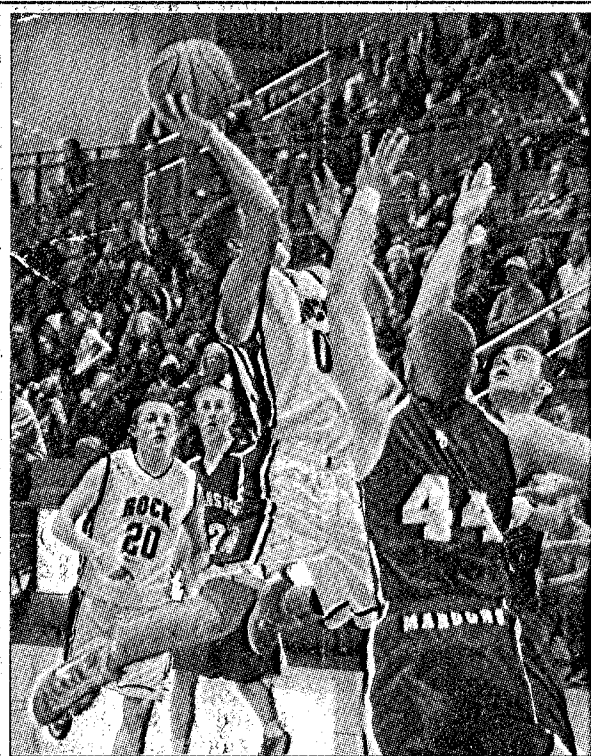
Hope Kelley and Ashley McKinney go up for a loose ball during the Lady Rockets thrilling 50-47 district win against Pulaski County last Friday night. The Lady Rockets lost to Clay County Monday night 62-50.



Rocket senior guard Sam Pensol was presented a commemorative basketball before the Rockets game last Friday night, by Head Coach Benny Blanton, for reaching the 1,000 point club. Pensol scored over the 1,000 point mark during the Rockets 60-46 win against Adair County on December 19th.



Mahala Saylor shoots a three pointer during the Lady Rockets 50-47 win against Pulaski County last Friday night. Saylor led the Lady Rockets in scoring with 15 points.



Sophomore Carson Noble takes the ball strong to the basket during the Rockets 63-46 loss to Pulaski County last Friday. Also in the photo is #20 senior Dakota Hasty. The Rockets next game is next Tuesday night when they travel to Berea for a double-header with the Lady Rockets.

## Rockets lose two straight

The Rockcastle Rockets boys varsity basketball team is now 9-14 on the season and 2-4 in district play after losses to Pulaski County last Friday night and McCreary County Tuesday night.

The Rockets lost their last district game of the season last Friday night at home to the Pulaski County Maroons 63-46.

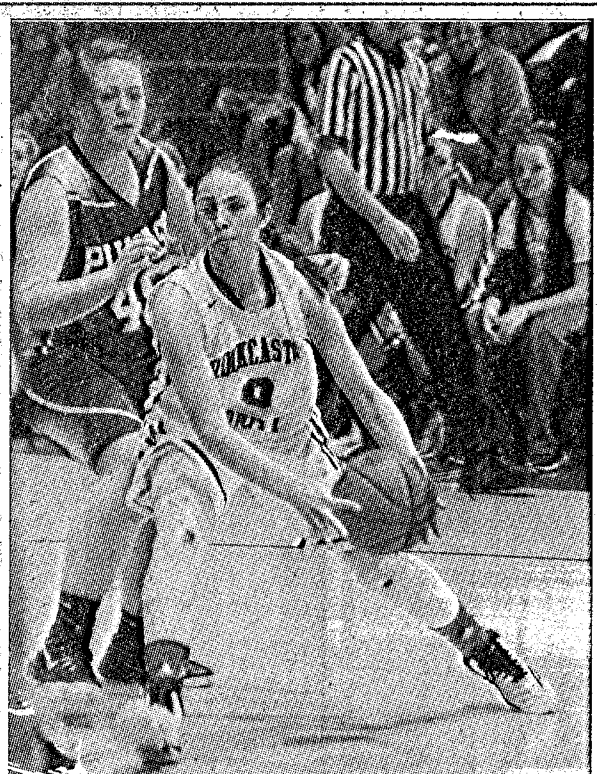
The Rockets kept up with the Maroons in the first half as they only trailed 12-10 at the end of the first quarter and 23-19 at halftime. The Maroons momentum continued into the third quarter as they led the Rockets 37-

34 at the end of the third quarter. The Maroons put the game away in the fourth quarter with a final score of 63-46.

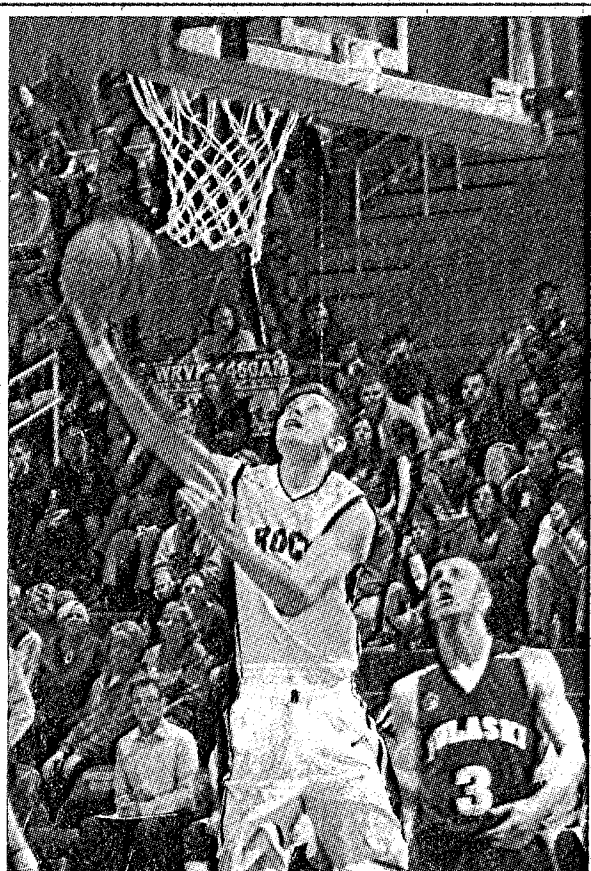
The Rockets were led in scoring by senior Sam Pensol with 13, sophomore John Cornelius was next with 12, sophomore Carson Noble had 9 which included 5 out of 6 at the free throw line, junior Dylan Rowe got 6 and senior Dakota Hasty made 4 and senior Carter Blanton had 2.

The Rockets then travelled to Stearns on Tuesday

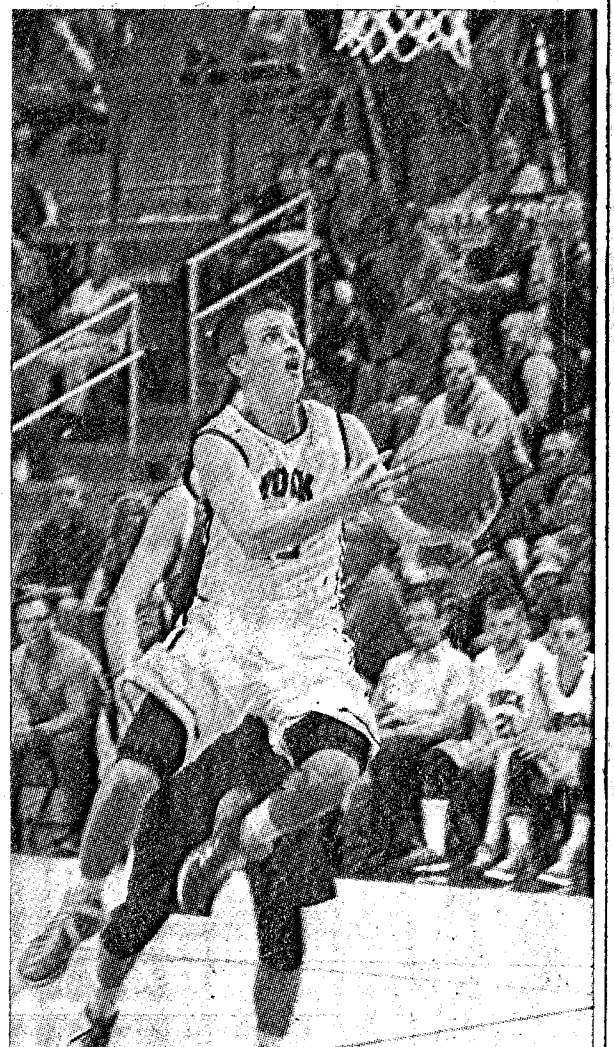
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Sophomore Emme Barker looks to pass the ball during the Rockets 50-47 win over Pulaski County last Friday night. The Lady Rockets next game is this Friday night when they travel to Southwestern to take on the Lady Warriors.



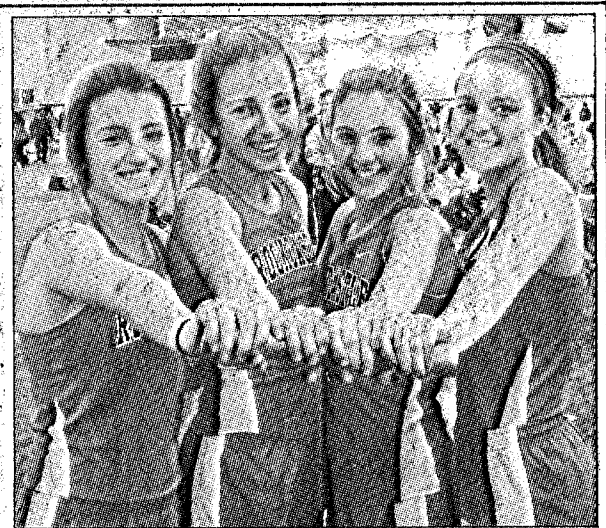
Senior Sam Pensol shoots a lay-up during last Friday night's 63-46 loss to Pulaski County. The Rockets were led in scoring by Pensol with 13. Pensol also led the Rockets in points during Tuesday night's 94-80 loss to McCreary Central with 29.



Sophomore John Cornelius goes to the basket during the 63-46 loss to Pulaski County last Friday night. The Rockets also lost to McCreary Central Tuesday night 94-80.



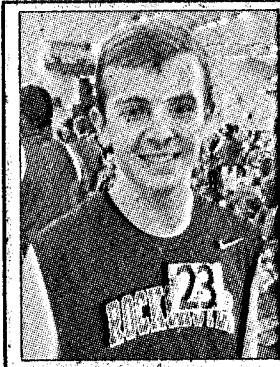
The RCMS girls' indoor track team had quite possibly their best team performance ever at the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky on Saturday. With over 70 schools competing from all three classes, RCMS placed 6th overall and 1st out of all Class 2A teams, despite having a few athletes out with the flu. Team members are front from left: Autumn Courtney, Tori Dotson and Kensi Sheffield. Back row from left: Taylor Bullock, Lanna Prewitt, Sierra Mercer, Jennifer Mercer, Samantha Douglas and Natalie Kirby.



At the UK Wildcat Classic, the RCMS girls' 4x400-meter relay team of Sierra Mercer, Autumn Courtney, Taylor Bullock, and Jennifer Mercer ran an awesome race finishing 11th overall with an impressive time of 4:34.36.



RCMS sophomore Sierra Mercer placed 10th out of 93 competitors in the 400-meter dash at the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky. Sierra's awesome time of 1:02.89 was her all-time personal best in the event. In the 200-meter dash, Sierra ran an indoor personal best time of 28.49 and finished an impressive 20th out of 121 competitors.



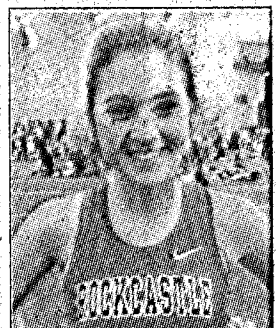
RCMS freshman Grant Isaacs had an all-time indoor personal best performance in the one mile run on Saturday at the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky. Despite being out with strep earlier this week, his time of 5:24.5 was just seconds away from his all-time personal best in the event.

### "Rockets"

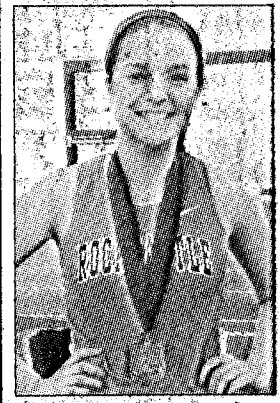
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to look for a win against the McCreary County Raiders. After a tough matchup the Rockets came away with a disappointing 94-80 loss.

The Rockets came out strong at the beginning of the game leading 18-15 at the end of the first quarter. But the Raiders cut the Rockets lead in the second quarter to 37-36. After halftime, the Raiders were firing on all cylinders leading 63-48 at the end of the



At the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky, RCMS sophomore Taylor Bullock ran an awesome indoor personal best of 2:46.9 in the 800-meter run.



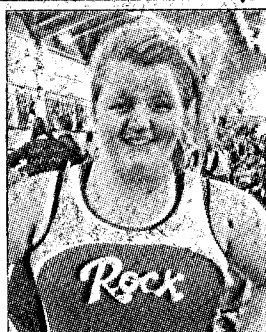
RCMS sophomore Jennifer Mercer won the silver medal with an awesome 2nd place finish in long jump at the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky on Saturday. Jennifer's awesome jump of 16'0" was an all-time personal best. Jennifer also placed 20th out of 113 competitors in the 60-meter dash with a new all-time personal best time of 8.47 seconds and 11th out of 121 competitors in the 200-meter dash with an all-time personal best of 27.81 seconds.

third quarter. The Raiders put up another massive 31 points in the fourth quarter to go on to beat the Rockets 94-80.

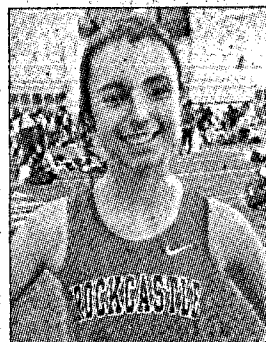
Penso led the Rockets with 29, Hasty was second with 15, Cronelius had 11, Noble got 8, Rowe had 5, senior Blake Mullins made 4 and Bfanton scored 2.

The Rockets next game is next Tuesday night when they travel to Berea to take on the Berea Pirates. Tip-off is at 7:30 p.m.

The Rockets have played their last three games without starting center Lucas Gentry. Gentry is still listed as probable for the Rockets next game against the Pirates.



At the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky, RCMS 8th grader Samantha Douglas placed 25th in shot put with an all-time personal best throw of 26-11.25".



At the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky, RCMS sophomore Lanna Prewitt ran an awesome race in the one mile run finishing in an impressive time of 6:39.28 despite being under the weather with strep this week.



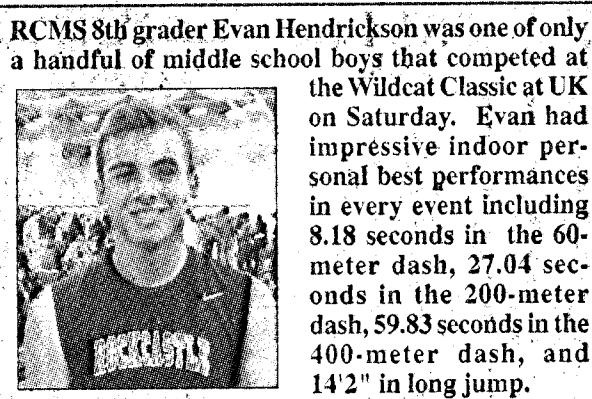
At the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky, RCMS 7th grader Autumn Courtney placed 5th in long jump with an incredible personal best jump of 15'8.5". Her jump ranks her #1 in the nation among all 7th grade indoor long jumpers. Autumn also placed 20th in the 60-meter hurdles with an awesome personal best time of 11.28 seconds and 32nd out of 93 competitors in the 400-meter dash with another personal best time of 1:09.



RCMS 8th grader Kensi Sheffield pulled off a very impressive "triple" at the Wildcat Classic hosted by the University of Kentucky. Kensi ran indoor personal bests in all of her events including 6:14.74 in the one mile run, 2:49.51 in the 800-meter run, and 14:08.41 in the two mile run.



At the UK Wildcat Classic, the RCMS girls' 4x800-meter relay team of Sierra Mercer, Taylor Bullock, Lanna Prewitt, and Tori Dotson ran an awesome race finishing 4th overall with an amazing time of 10:48.44. Sierra and Taylor also competed in this event back-to-back with the 4x400-meter relay.



RCMS 8th grader Evan Hendrickson was one of only a handful of middle school boys that competed at the Wildcat Classic at UK on Saturday. Evan had impressive indoor personal best performances in every event including 8.18 seconds in the 60-meter dash, 27.04 seconds in the 200-meter dash, 59.83 seconds in the 400-meter dash, and 14'2" in long jump.

### "Lady Rockets"

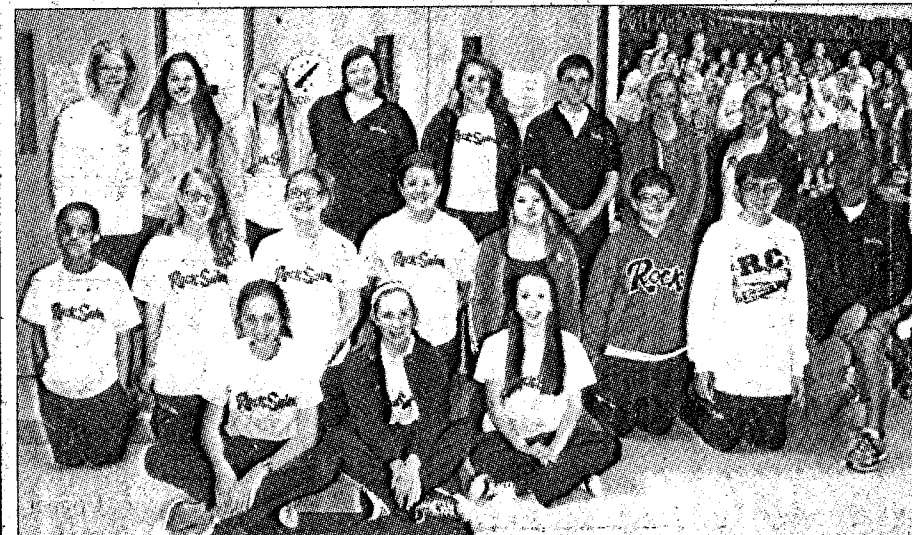
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13 on the season.

Friday night, the girls will journey to Southwestern to take on the Lady Warriors and next Tuesday night, there will be a girls and boys varsity game at Berea.



At the UK Wildcat Classic, RCMS 7th grader Tori Dotson finished an amazing race in the two mile run placing 2nd overall and earning a silver medal for her outstanding performance. Her time of 12:15.69 was not only an indoor personal best, but also a new all-time RCMS indoor record in the event. She is currently ranked #1 in the nation in the two mile among all 7th graders who have competed in the event. She also placed 12th in the one mile run with an awesome new personal best time of 5:36, just missing the all-time RCMS indoor record of 5:33. Her mile time qualified her for the elite middle school mile at the New Balance Indoor National Championships in New York City in March.



The RCMS Swim Team recently attended a meet against Madison Southern, George Rogers Clark, and Berea Community swim teams. Many swimmers had PRs at this meet. Overall RCMS placed 2nd in the meet. Team members pictured are front row: Autumn Courtney, Laurel Yates, and Emily Hall. Second row: Vashaun Alexander, Aden Amburgey, Emilee Thomas, Tristan Winstead, Paige Fowler, Reese Sherrow, Dawson Nicely, and Coach Shannon. Back row: Coach Charon, Savannah Goff, Emily Deubel, Makenzie King, Callie Asher, Joseph Hunt, Rachel Cain, and Rebekah Lake. (Not pictured Emily Childress)

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# Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, February 5, 2015

## Comer announces local Youth Chairs for campaign

Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture James Comer, who is running to be the next Governor of Kentucky, has asked Billy Cameron and Hannah Eaton to serve as Co-Youth Chairs for his campaign in Rockcastle County.

"I know Billy through his outstanding work in FFA and Hannah through her leadership in the Republican Party. These two represent the future of our state and are assets to the Rockcastle County community. It's an honor for me to have their support in my campaign for Governor. With their help, we will not only win this campaign, but will build a better and brighter future for all Ken-

tuckians," Comer said.

Billy is the son of Billy and Charlotte Cameron of Mt. Vernon. He is a junior at Eastern Kentucky University where he is an Agriculture Business Management major.

Hannah is the daughter of David and Beth Eaton of Mt. Vernon. Eaton, a sophomore at Eastern, is majoring in Middle School English and Social Studies Teaching.

Both are graduates of Rockcastle County High School.

Before becoming Agriculture Commissioner, Comer, who is a Monroe County native, served in the State House of Representatives for 11 years. He

has earned praise for bringing transparency, efficiency, and accountability to Kentucky's Department of Agriculture.

His runningmate for Lieutenant Governor is Senator Chris McDaniel of Northern Kentucky who is Chairman of the Kentucky Senate's influential Appropriations and Revenue Committee.

The 2015 Republican Primary for Governor is May 19, 2015.



James Comer has named Hannah Eaton (left) and Billy Cameron (right) as local Youth Chairs in his campaign for Kentucky Governor.

### Hidden Among Us

## The American Revolutionary War Patriots of Rockcastle

To celebrate and honor the county's American Revolutionary War Patriots and to enlighten the community about the service and sacrifice of these brave men, on behalf of the Rockcastle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, I have compiled highlights of the service of the known patriots living in the county and who applied for a pension between the years of 1818 and 1842. All information was taken from the patriot's own account from his pension application and other historical documents. More information can be found on each patriot at the local library or the Rockcastle Historical Society. (Copyright Pending). If you are interested in joining the Daughters of the American Revolution or the Children of American Revolution, please contact Debbie Brown (606) 758-8659 or Iris Young (606) 256-2851.

### Jacob Stevens/Stephens

Virginia  
Jacob Stevens/Stephens was born in 1759 Stevens City, Frederick Co. VA and died 6 June 1849 in Rockcastle Co. KY. Ac-

ording to his pension application, he gave the following account of his service on 17 June 1819 in Madison Co. KY at the age of seventy.

Jacob enlisted for twelve months at Montgomery Co. Courthouse in the state of Virginia in 1777 under Captain Joseph Crockett and served in the 7th Regiment Virginia Line on the Continental establishment in the Brigade of General Woodford. He continued to serve in this company against the enemy until 1778 when he was discharged at Middlebrook in the state of New Jersey. He served one year and was in the Battle of Monmouth (28 June 1778).

He was allowed a pension at the rate of \$96.00 annually commencing on 6 November 1819 for one year service as a private in the Virginia Continental Line. His pension was suspended on 1 May 1820 on the grounds that his property value was worth more than \$150 in sliver, which violated the terms and conditions for drawing a pension. He was later reinstated on 29 July 1827. After his

death in 1849, his wife, Rachel applied and received a widow's pension on 24 November 1849.

Jacob lived in Montgomery Co. VA during the war and shortly after the close of the Revolution, he came to settle in Kentucky. The first recording of Jacob in Kentucky was his marriage to Rachel English on 10 November 1786 in Lincoln Co. KY. By 1810, he was settled in Madison County. By the time the 1830 Census was recorded, Jacob and his family were living and farming in Rockcastle County. Jacob died on 6 June 1849 and Rachel followed one year later in July 1850. Both are buried at the Vires-Ogg Cemetery, Scaffold Cane in Rockcastle Co. KY. Jacob and Rachel has unmarked graves in the cemetery until 1937. Mrs. Ellen Mitchell of Berea, KY applied and received a military headstone for Jacob. Rachel's grave is still unmarked.

According to the 1820 Census, Jacob and Rachel had at least ten children. Only three are mentioned by name in Jacob's pension application, as most of them

were married and out on their own. The known children of Jacob and Rachel are Isaac Stephens (about 1800-after 1860 IN) married Sarah Harper in March 1825 Madison Co. KY and moved to Indiana. Their children were: Andrew, Charles, Elizabeth, James, June, Lucinda, Mary, Nancy and William. Stephen Stephens (June 1804 Madison Co. KY-19 March 1847) married Elizabeth Thurman (1807-1885) in 1826 Madison Co. KY. They are buried at Scaffold Cane Cemetery in Rockcastle Co. KY. Their children were: Martha, John, William, Mary and Elizabeth. English Stephens (25 February 1811-8 January 1862 Missouri) married Nancy Harper (1816-1884) on 22 March 1836 Hendricks, IN. They are buried at the Old Linneus Cemetery in Linn Co. MO. Their children were Jonathan, Mary, Martha, Jacob, Julia, Isabelle and Casius Clay. Ann Stephens (1807 KY)

Jacob Stevens/Stephens is a recognized Patriot of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

## Farmers and Businessmen Banquet is February 23rd

The 55th Annual Farmers/Businessmen Banquet will take place on Monday, February 23rd at the Rockcastle Middle School. This year the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the event which includes dinner catered by Limestone Grille, entertainment by Avery Bradshaw, plaque presentations from the Kiwanis Club, Conservation Office and Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce to recognize outstanding individuals or organizations in Rockcastle

County. This year our main speaker is Michael Lewis, Executive Director of Growing Warriors Program and Vice President of Freedom Seed to Feed.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and program begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the following three locations: Mt. Vernon IGA Grocery (Steve McKinney), Conservation Office (Sandi Whitaker) and Courthouse Circuit Clerk office (Eliza York).

## Leadership Rockcastle will begin 12th class in March

This year participants of Leadership Rockcastle will be the 12th class to participate in this program. The Rockcastle County Development Board, who sponsors Leadership Rockcastle, is looking for individuals that want to learn more about our government, leadership opportunities, and how to get involved with quality of life county projects.

The beginning session will take place on Saturday, March 21st at the Red Hill Horse Camp from 9am to 5pm. In April, the group

will tour the State Capitol, and from May through October, the class will meet once a month at a variety of county locations to discuss a variety of topics.

Leadership Rockcastle is one of the longest running leadership programs in Eastern Kentucky. If you would like to be involved with community projects and improve life in our county, please consider joining this class.

For more information, contact Lynn Tatum at 606-308-4646 or email klytatum@yahoo.com.

## Space2Create sponsoring Valentine's Day Party

Share a special Valentine's Day with your child at the Livingston Space2Create on Saturday, February 14th from 11am to 2pm. Space2Create is a parent/child play space for ages one year to five years old. This Valentine's Day share time with your special little one. Space2Create will offer refreshments, a craft project and a space with age appropriate toys.

If you have any questions you can contact Natasha Medley at 453-2710 or Livingston City Hall at 453-2061.



Mayor Mike Bryant congratulating Water Superintendent Dennis McClure on his 33 years of employment with the City of Mt. Vernon. The city recognized Mr. McClure at a retirement luncheon at City Hall on Friday.

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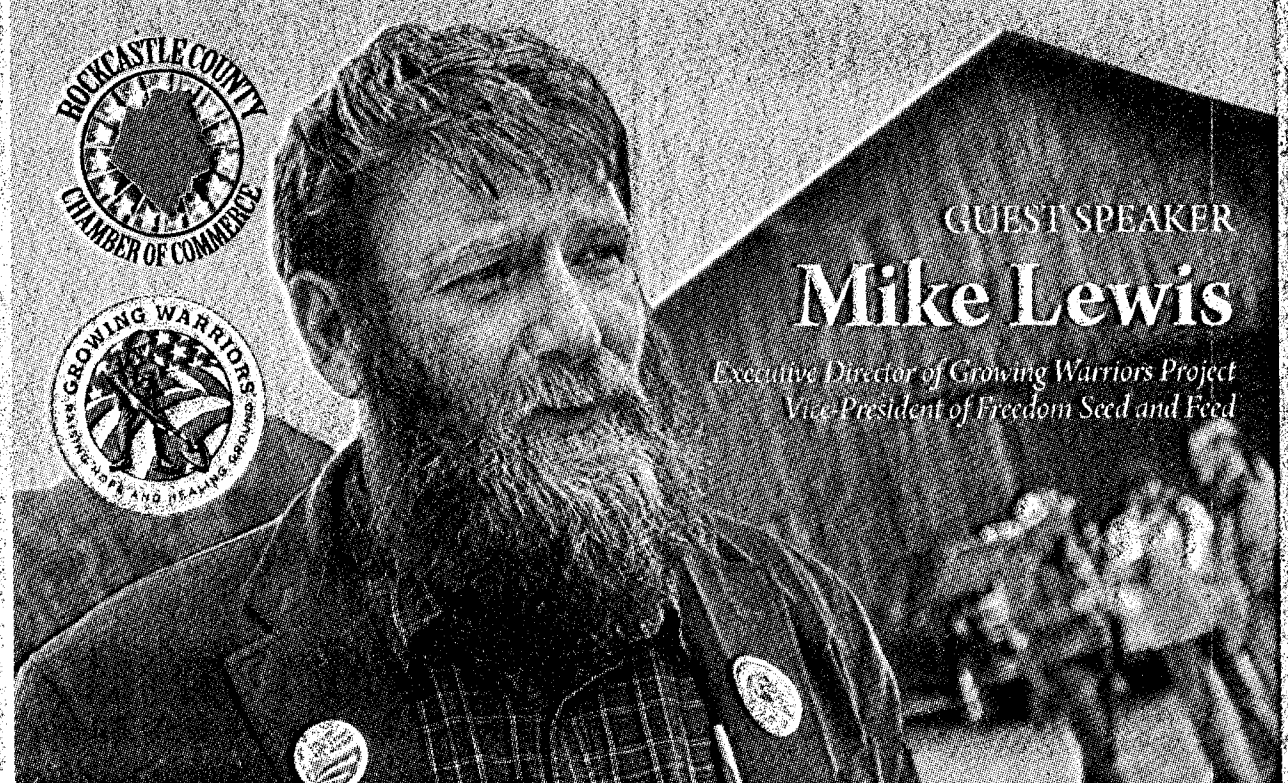
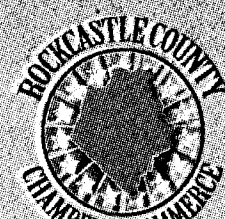
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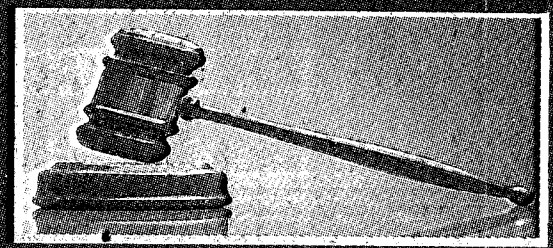


GUEST SPEAKER

Mike Lewis

Executive Director of Growing Warriors Project  
Vice-President of Freedom Seed and Feed

# News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



## District Civil Suits

Calvary SPV I LLC vs. James R. Helton, \$2,751.21 claimed due.  
 Cavalry SPV I LLC vs. Shelby C. Stone, \$8564.90 plus claimed due.  
 LVNV Funding LLC vs. Sherri R. Kelsay, \$737.08 plus claimed due.  
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Linda Duncan, \$1,059.24 plus claimed due.  
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Carlene Allen, \$606.70 plus claimed due. C-00016

## Circuit Civil Suits

Atlantic Credit and Finance vs. Richard Pedery, \$9,789.47 claimed due.  
 Citizens Bank vs. Oscar Hensley, et al, \$44,615.45 plus claimed due.  
 Steven Greenwell vs. Jill Corrine St. John, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00012

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## Deeds Recorded

Travis Lee Eller, property on U.S. Hwy. 25, to Rick Saylor. Tax \$20.  
 Travis Lee Eller, property in Rockcastle County to Rick Saylor. Tax \$4.  
 Rick Saylor and Travis Lee Eller, property in Rockcastle County, to Rick Saylor and Timothy Eugene Taylor. Tax \$10.  
 Marvin and Dora Smith, property in Rockcastle County, to Dora Smith. No tax.  
 Cassandra and Brian Ryman, property on old Ky. 25, Loop 1, to Carl and Bonita Swanigan and Cassandra Ryman, No tax.  
 Charles Michael and Louann Carr, property on Hwy. 3245, to Franklin D. Carr. No tax.  
 Blake and Kristen Roberts, property in Sparks & Davis Addition, to Larry Christopher Newcomb. No tax.  
 Larry Christopher Newcomb, property in South Ridge Estates, to Blake and Kristen Roberts. No tax.  
 Bruce Waddles, property in Rockcastle County, to

Jeffrey and Melissa Frith. Tax \$23

Robert and Victoria Robinson, property on Copper Creek Road, to Bryan Howard. Tax \$16.50

Pamela Lunceford, Barbara Ann Lunceford and Danny Ray Lunceford, property in Rockcastle County, to Pamela Lunceford. No tax

## Marriage Licenses

Mary Yvonne Miller, 29, Crab Orchard, SourceHOV to Steven Marshall Eversole, 26, Crab Orchard, engineer. 1/22/15

Brittany Cheyanne Lakes, 19, Orlando, unemployed to Cromer Smith III, 23, Mt. Vernon, unemployed. 1/26/15

## District Court

Jan. 21, 2015

Hon. Kathryn G. Wood  
 Anita Adams: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine and costs.

Speeding: Tatum B. Allen, Taylor C. McWilliams, action slip;

William R. Chasteen: receiving stolen property, 12 months/probated 24 months on condition plus costs.

Christopher L. Perez: assault, 4th degree, 365 days/probated 24 months on condition, plus costs.

Brian D. King: speeding and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Andrew D. Marcum: reckless driving, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

William D. Martin: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine and costs.

Darlene M. Meadows: rear license not illuminated and license to be in possession, license suspended for

fta.

Michael C. Chrisman: failure to dim headlights, failure to produce insurance card, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, failure to notify address change to Dept. of Transp., bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (FTA)/license suspended.

Christopher Faulkner: reckless driving, license to be in possession, action slip.

Stanley C. Harrison: drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, \$100 fine and costs, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Dustin R. Hine: failure to produce insurance card, no operators/moped license, license suspended for fta.

Donald S. Johnson: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no operators/moped license, license to be in possession, license suspended for fta/bw issued.

Johnny F. Meadows, Jr: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; possess open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, \$25 fine and costs.

Joseph Miller: fines/fees due (\$113), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

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

Burford R. Pearson: fines/fees due (\$533), bw issued for fta/11 days in jail or payment in full.

Djanna Michelle Pigg: terrorist threatening, burglary, bw issued for fta/bw issued.

Betty K. Prather: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension, 30 days in jail/probated 24 months on condition.

Sean S. Smith: improper display of registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license sus-

pending.

Miles M. Wilmer: alcohol intoxication in public place and possession of open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Steven D. Woodward: restitution due (\$700), bw issued for fta.

Brandon M. Wynn: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

## Farm to Food Banks helps unfortunate Kentuckians

By James Comer • Agriculture Commissioner

When you donate a part of your state tax refund to the Farms to Food Banks Trust Fund, you're helping Kentuckians in unfortunate circumstances - some of them your friends and neighbors - gain access to fresh, nutritious, local foods. You're also helping Kentucky farmers make a living. It's good for economic development, and it's consistent with Kentucky values of compassion and generosity.

A nonprofit that benefits from the trust fund, the Kentucky Association of Food Banks' Farms to Food Banks program, pays farmers for produce that retailers don't want because of minor blemishes or size discrepancies and distributes it to low-income Kentuckians to serve to their families. Farmers are able to generate revenue for product they would not have been able to sell otherwise, and healthy food is consumed rather than being plowed under in the field.

The Farms to Food Banks program received a grant of \$41,433 from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture in 2014 thanks to donations from individuals who designated a portion of their state income tax refund to the Farms to Food Banks Trust Fund.

In 2014, 373 Kentucky farmers from 66 counties were paid an average of \$1,450 for the produce they provided to the KAFB's Farms to Food Banks program. More than 3 million pounds of Kentucky-grown fruits and vegetables were distributed to our hungry neighbors in all 120 counties rather than going to waste in the field. That is the equivalent of filling half a plate full of fruits and vegetables for 4.8 million meals. For more information about the Kentucky Association of Food Banks and its Farms to Food Banks program, go to [www.kafb.org](http://www.kafb.org).

In Kentucky, 1 in 6 of our neighbors - including nearly 1 in 4 children - is food insecure, which means they lack consistent access to enough nutritious food for an active, healthy life. In a state with abundant natural resources, a strong agriculture industry, and a rich food history, no one should go to bed hungry. As we commemorate Farms to Food Banks Month, I hope all Kentuckians will join me in donating a portion of your state tax refund to the Farms to Food Banks Trust Fund.

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Free Bible Courses

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## Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on WDKY Fox 56.

## Alpha Recovery

Conway Missionary Baptist Church is sponsoring an Alpha Recovery Program. "Everyone in life has to start out somewhere. This is place that you can have a new beginning in your recovery." The program will be held each Friday night at 7 o'clock beginning in February.

For more information, contact Jessica Johnson at 606-392-9440 or Ray Owens at 606-308-5593.

## Soup Bean Supper and Benefit Singing

Sand Hill Baptist Church will hold a Soup Bean Supper and a Benefit Singing on Saturday, Feb. 7th, beginning at 6 p.m. Proceeds will go toward a heating unit.

Singers will be the Doans and Sounds of Glory. Pastor Tommy Miller and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

## Marriage Conference

CrossPoint Church of God presents "Marriage God's Way" on Saturday, February 7th from noon to 4 p.m. View marriage from a heavenly perspective as we explore the biblical truths of the marriage covenant, spousal roles, com-

# Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps  
Musical Waterfalls: No Pond Required

Among the most charming of homes are those with the sounds of waterfalls. There are many things a homeowner can do in the yard to make the place more lovely. But I am quite certain there are few projects that will steal the attention of your visitors like the sounds of moving water. The ears, the eyes and then the feet seek out the mesmerizing sounds of a waterfall or babbling brook. After building many waterfalls myself, some folks have wished they would have gone bigger, but I've heard none express regret at having added water to the yard. It's pond maintenance that deters a number of would-be watergarden owners. I'd like to show the reader that you can have most of the benefits and none of the worries with a "pondless" waterfall.

Transforming an ordinary house and lot into a genuine paradise has been the focus of this column from the beginning. Many landscaping elements can enhance the appeal of a home. None more profoundly than the addition of water.

Worries with green ponds, keeping the leaves out, even possibly a toddler falling in, dissuade some from adding ponds to their landscape. Today we will explore the addition of waterfalls and maybe a stream to your place, but not the pond. Just-a-pond, pondless waterfall, pond-free and cascading falls are some of the names different ones use to describe a waterfall and a reservoir in the ground to hold the pump and water out of sight. They can be as big or as compact as the homeowner decides, small kits starting near a thousand dollars, plus rocks and gravel, plus the labor. These pond free features have the

appeal, the sounds, plus a place for birds to drink and bathe.

These cascading waterfalls can be modest, or can be as grand and impressive as a real mountain stream. The size of the home, the yard, and the budget will influence the final choice. My personal preference is to build the feature to look natural, like it isn't man-made. But, not everyone has my tastes, and the natural doesn't always blend perfectly with the contemporary home. Whatever the style, adding the musical sounds of water to your place will be a real winner.

A well built waterfall and pond will require less maintenance than an equal sized portion of lawn. However, the pondless waterfall requires almost no effort at all.

Even leaves can be blown away with a leaf blower, and there is no pond to clean, and moving water does not breed mosquitoes. Either way, a low maintenance water garden or a no maintenance pondless waterfall, adding water to the yard (or even indoors) will transform your place more nearly into your personal paradise.

While you can add a pre-formed plastic tub from the home improvement store and create a little waterfall and add a frog and a goldfish on a "shoestring" the reality is most of these little features disappoint and end up being torn out and thrown away in a few years. The well build natural looking waterfall is a definite asset to a property, and there is not really a reason it won't continue to function for decades. (Just add water once in a great while and every few years the pump will wear out.) Not much else should ever go wrong if the builder is an artist and a professional.

The author, Max Phelps, is a landscaper. Website: www.rockcastles.net

## Hearts for Hospice Month

# Help Hospice with a donation in February

Local businesses are helping the community show their appreciation for hospice by taking part in the annual Hearts for Hospice Month.

For the month of February, customers at participating businesses can donate one dollar or more to have their name, or the name of a loved one, displayed on a hospice heart inside the business.

Rockcastle County residents can show their appreciation for hospice care at Citizens Bank locations in Brodhead and Mount Vernon.

Julie Hatfield, special events coordinator with Hospice Care Plus, says the Hearts for Hospice campaign has two purposes.

"Hearts for Hospice raises awareness about hospice care and the help and support it gives to both patients and families," said

Hatfield. "And, of course, the donations are very important to our non-profit program. Not everyone realizes that, even when we are reimbursed by insurance, it only covers a portion of the care we provide. Plus, we have some programs, such as grief support and palliative care, which receive no insurance reimbursement whatsoever. They thrive because of the community's investment in them."

Hearts for Hospice will continue through the end of February. All proceeds support Hospice Care Plus programs: hospice home care, the Compassionate Care Center, Bereavement Outreach and Palliative Care Plus.

For more information about Hospice Care Plus, visit hospicecp.org or call 859-986-1500 or 800-806-5492.

## An encouraging word:

### Think With Sober Judgment

By Howard Coop



Many years ago when I was younger and a student in high school, I was introduced to Sigmund Freud's idea of the ego, one part of what he called "the psychic apparatus." Across the years as I became more familiar with such words as egoist, egotist, egocentric and egoism, I have given some thought to that Freudian concept and its significance for daily life.

Now, ego is defined in more than one way. Sometimes it is defined as "the self." At other times, it is defined as "the individual as aware of himself."

Most folk are aware of the self, but when one is overly aware of the self, one becomes an egotist, and life is self-centered, a personality trait that is not admirable. An anonymous quote from an old issue of the Reader's Digest put it this way: "Edith was a little country bounded on the north, south, east and west by Edith." John Ruskin, English author and critic, put it another way, "When a man is wrapped in himself, he is a pretty small package."

There is another, and a more desirable, way to be

aware of the self, and it results in a more admirable person with a more pleasant personality. When the ego is properly in focus, there a real sense of genuine humility, and that is a positive asset that makes life more attractive.

A long time ago William Shakespeare wrote, "Know thyself and to thine own self be true." That may not be easy, but it is a real necessity. Miguel de Cervantes, who lived from 1547 to 1616 and is recognized as one of the greater figures in Spanish literature, said, "Make it thy business to know thyself, which is the most difficult lesson in the world."

For almost two thousand years, we have been reminded, "Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober (that is, characterized by reason, sanity, or self-control) judgment."

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We love you. Steve, Kristie, Chase, and Gannon Fain David, Melissa, Noah, Ethan, and Zake Fain



# Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

## VANILLA WAFER CAKE

Many of you may remember Mamaw—Martha Owens—who was very active in the community and the Brodhead Baptist Church. She and my aunt Jean Albright used to make a vanilla wafer cake frequently. It is a very rich moist cake and goes just as well with a cold glass of milk as it does a cup of hot tea or coffee.

1 cup butter  
2 cups sugar  
6 eggs  
1 box (12 ounce) vanilla wafers, finely crushed  
1/2 cup milk  
1 pkg. (7 ounce) shredded coconut  
1 cup chopped pecans  
Cream butter, add sugar and beat until smooth. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Add vanilla wafer crumbs alternately with milk. Stir in coconut and pecans. Pour batter into greased and floured tube pan. Bake in 350° oven for 1 and 1/2 hours.

## MOM'S BUTTERMILK CAKE

Mom was my mother-in-law Vida Clifton Hoskins. She and Pop (Will's dad) were both excellent cooks.

3 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
1 cup shortening  
2 cups sugar  
4 eggs  
1 cup buttermilk  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Do not preheat oven. Grease and flour a 10-inch tube pan. Set aside.

Sift flour, salt, soda and baking powder into a large bowl. In a separate bowl, cream shortening and sugar with mixer set on medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. In another bowl, combine buttermilk and vanilla.

Add flour mixture to shortening mixture, alternating with buttermilk mixture. (Begin and end with flour mixture.) Pour batter into prepared pan, spreading evenly. Gently tap pan on counter to release any trapped air.

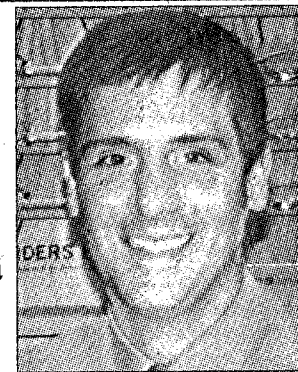
Place in cold oven. Turn oven to 325° and bake for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Let cool for 25 minutes and remove to wire rack to cool completely. Store at room temperature in an airtight container.

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# Bible Talk

We continue our studies this month of Beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount.

**Blessed are the Merciful** - In Matthew 5:7, "Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy." Mercy is a great quality that we must seek to incorporate into our lives and hearts. Two biblical examples of showing mercy are: Forgiving others of sin, Mt. 18:21-35 and being a "Good Samaritan" toward our fellow human beings, Luke 10:25-37.

**Blessed are the Pure in Heart** - Matthew 5:8, "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Purity is a term that suggests that which has been cleansed and therefore would be clean, uncontaminated, guileless, genuine. We must be pure in heart, a sincere spirit, a clean mind, a soul uncontaminated by the wiles of the devil, attitudes that are guileless. We should have goals and aims that only seek to be pleasing to God. Our world is filled with hearts that are filthy, vile, polluted with the sin and iniquity.

**Blessed are the Peacemakers** - Matthew 5:9, "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God." Now notice it did not say the peace hoppers, or peace wishers, but the peacemakers. The goal of the faithful children of God is to seek to win people to Jesus, that those that are lost may find peace with God. Men and women are enemies of God by their sin and wickedness, Col. 1:21, "And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled." A peacemaker seeks to get people to be reconciled to God, by teaching, encouraging, and admonishing them to obey the gospel of peace.

**Blessed are the Persecuted** - Matthew 5:10-12, "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." This last beatitude comes as a result of living and applying the first seven beatitudes in our lives. Men and women who are poor in spirit, having come to the Lord with a broken and contrite heart, who have meekly obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ, and who are hungry and thirsting after righteousness will be persecuted. Those who are merciful and seek to be pure in heart, while trying to be a peacemaker will, cause the ungodly to persecute them.

We invite you to worship with us at the Providence church of Christ. 758-8524  
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Our Web Site: [www.WhatSaihtTheScriptures.com](http://www.WhatSaihtTheScriptures.com)

# Minds in the Middle

Thanks to all of the RCMS students who participated in Team Abby Day last Wednesday. Students wore purple and held a hat day to show support for Abby Langford in her battle with cancer. We also thank Abby for coming to visit us on that day. \$350 was raised by our students and staff.

The Shoebox in Mt. Vernon has offered to help the 8th graders with their fundraising efforts. Make a \$5 donation to toward the 8th grade trip and receive a card for a free pair of shoes with the purchase of a pair of equal or greater value. See an 8th grader to make a donation. Thank you to the Neeley family for helping us out! The KONA Ice trucks will be here on February 18th. All proceeds benefit the 8th grade trip.

Congratulations to the Academic Team for their performance at Saturday's

regional tournament. The team placed second overall out of a total of twenty-four teams. The Quick Recall team placed third. The following students placed in individual testing and will be moving on to the State Finals this March in Louisville: Katie Vance placed second in Social Studies and first in Arts and Humanities, Tessa Pickle placed third in Language Arts, Aden Amburgey placed third in Arts and Humanities and Drew Bullock placed fifth in Social Studies.

ESS will resume next Thursday, February 12th and will be held each Thursday thereafter. Students who need some extra help with their assignments can stay after school until 4:45. Transportation is provided.

Ninety of our 8th graders have been randomly selected to participate in the NAEP assessment in Febru-

ary. Students who were selected should have brought home a letter about it last week. That assessment will take place on February 24th.

Remember that we now have drug testing kits free to all parents. The test is a saliva test and is very easy to give. This is a great resource for parents who have suspicions that their

child may be using drugs. The kits are sponsored by Unite and can be picked up in our Youth Services Center.

8th graders who are interested in the Rogers Explorers program must have those applications in by February 15th. The Rogers Explorers program is a three day summer program at a Kentucky college where students use creative thinking, teamwork and leadership skills.

# Tiger Pause

## Calendar

Tuesday, February 17 - District Spelling Bee 9:00 TLC in Mt. Vernon

Wednesday, February 18 - Box Tops are due

Wednesday, March 11 - Spring Pictures

Friday, March 27 - Brodhead Family Resource Advisory Cncl Mtg @ 12:00

Please remember that all treats sent to school for students to share must be packaged from the store. No homemade items are allowed for classroom celebrations. This includes birthdays. This is for the safety of everyone.

Box Tops are due by Wednesday, February 18. We ask that you continue to save and send in box tops after this time, but we need all that we can get for our second mailing this year on the 18th.

The letter that you received about tutoring is a community effort and not school related. If you returned the form you will be contacted by someone involved in the program. No transportation is being offered and the school has no further information other than what has been shared.

Please remember to watch your local TV stations or listen to WRVK for school closings, delays or early dismissals. You can also sign up for text alerts online at WLEX and WKYT for quick notification on your cell phone. Please have alternate plans in place for your children in these circumstances.

Congratulations to Karalinn Loudermilk, 5th grade winner of the Brodhead Elementary, AARP Kentucky and Kentucky Teachers Association "Grandparent of the Year" essay contest. Her essay honors her grandparent and celebrates the importance of grandparents in the lives of all children.

If you plan to have items delivered to your child at school for birthdays, Valentine's Day, or other occasions, please note that glass containers and balloons are not allowed on buses due to safety concerns. If your child receives such items you will need to pick them up at school. Students must be able to carry all delivered items on their own along with their backpack, jacket, etc.

## State taking applications for Junior Chef competition

Students, sharpen those knives: The Kentucky Department of Agriculture's Farm to School Junior Chef competition will launch its third season this spring, and Agriculture Commissioner James Comer encourages high school cooking teams to apply this month.

"The Junior Chef competition is a great way for kids to learn basic cooking skills and gain an appreciation for local foods," Commissioner Comer said. "At the same time, contestants learn to work on a team, manage time and money, and many other skills that they can use in their everyday lives."

Forms, guidelines, and answers to frequently asked questions are available at the Farm to School Junior Chef website, [www.kyagr.com/junior-chef](http://www.kyagr.com/junior-chef). All required forms, recipes, and the \$150 team entry fee must be mailed to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and postmarked no later than Feb. 24.

Kentucky students in grades 9-12 are eligible to participate. Each team must have three to five members and may have one substitute. Each team's recipe must include at least five local products and must conform to National School

Lunch Program guidelines. Dishes will be judged on taste, appearance, creativity, best and most use of local products, and appropriateness for school food service personnel.

District competitions will open in April, and regional competitions will take place in May. The 16 regional champions will meet to determine the state champion at the Kentucky State Fair in August in Louisville.

Owen County High School won the Junior Chef championship in 2014. Mayfield High School earned the inaugural Junior Chef crown in 2013.

The Farm to School Junior Chef competition is made possible with the cooperation of Sullivan University; the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service; the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service; the Kentucky Department of Education; and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture.

For more information, go to the Junior Chef website, [www.kyagr.com/junior-chef](http://www.kyagr.com/junior-chef), or contact Tina Garland, the KDA's farm to school program coordinator, at (502) 382-7505 or [tina.garland@ky.gov](mailto:tina.garland@ky.gov).

## Kentucky residents have chance to win iPad in KHEAA drawing

Kentucky residents have another chance to win a new iPad from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) in a sweepstakes being held through Facebook in February. The contest runs from 12 a.m. on Feb. 1 through 12 a.m. on March 1.

To enter, a Kentuckian must click on the orange graduate icon on the KHEAA Facebook page, answer one question about college, and "like" KHEAA on Facebook. KHEAA will not share or sell any personal information to a third party.

Only Kentucky residents are eligible. Employees of KHEAA or its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), and their

immediate family members are not eligible. Prior winners are also not eligible.

The drawing will be held in early March, and the winner will be notified by email. The winner must respond by email within three calendar days to receive the iPad with Retina display. If no response is received within three days, another winner will be drawn.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call (800) 928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

## Federal student aid programs can help pay college costs

The federal government sponsors numerous financial aid programs that can help students and their parents pay college expenses. This brief summary from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) describes the more common federal grant and loan programs. Grants generally do not have to be repaid, but loans do.

•Federal Pell Grant: Pell Grants provide up to \$5,730 per year for undergraduates with financial need. The amount may change this year.

•Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant: grants that provide up to \$4,000 per year for undergraduate students who have exceptional financial need.

•Federal Perkins Loan: loans for students with exceptional financial need. Undergraduates can get up to \$5,500 per year, while graduate students can get up to \$8,000 per year.

•Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans: These loans, also called Stafford Loans, are available to undergraduate, graduate and professional students. The amount students may borrow depends on their year in school.

•Federal PLUS Loan: Parents of dependent undergraduate students may qualify for PLUS Loans, depending on the parents' credit ratings. The amount available depends on how much other financial aid the student receives. Graduate and professional students may apply for PLUS Loans if they have exhausted their Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loan eligibility.

The Free Application for

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is used to apply for all of these programs. Families seeking a PLUS Loan must also submit a separate application.

To find links to other useful education websites, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

## Mt. Vernon Message

### School News

February 6 Candygram flyers will be sent home. Watch for details.

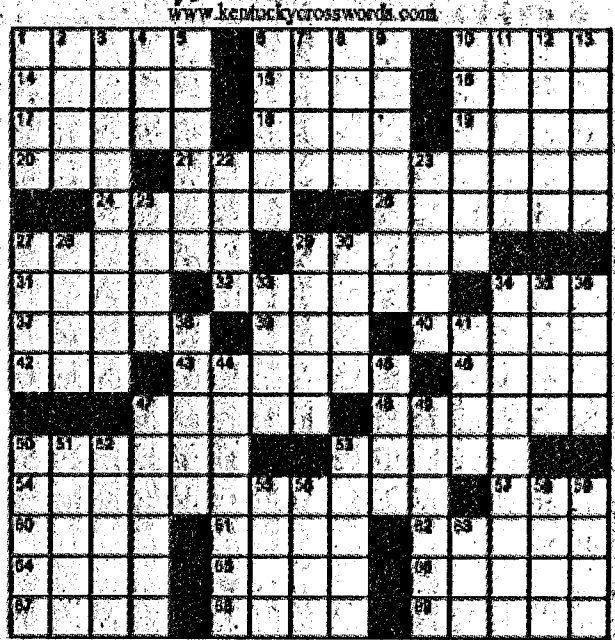
February 9 Candygram orders will be taken from February 9 until February 12.

February 13 Candygrams will be delivered.

February 16 There will be no school in observance of President's Day.

Our MVES UNITE Club sponsors Candygrams each year. Students may purchase candy to be delivered to their person(s) of choice on February 13. This treat will be accompanied by a tag with a special message from the sender. Students may purchase as many as they wish and may even take these home for parents, grandparents and/or siblings. These will be purchased during recess time. Someone will visit each room to collect the order and money. Choices for the candygram are: Hershey Bar \$1; three Musketeers Bars \$1, M&M's \$1 or Fruit Snacks 50 cents.

## Kentucky Crossword #668



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- Davess Co. area, or custom
  - Military shelters
  - Time gone by
  - Road marker
  - "Quickly"
  - Hummer's neighbor
  - Baby grand, e.g.
  - Cruise stopover
  - Docking spot
  - Uncle of note
  - Bowling Greens, KY
  - was once a significant part on this waterway
  - Retreats
  - Veggie with stalks
  - Slender
  - Eyeglasses
  - Quarries
  - Most of Libya
  - Defensive
  - Choir voices
  - Grease pump
  - Home county of Busy Daisy, Happy, Hazard and Rowdy, KY
  - Maiden name indicator
  - Montpelier writings
  - Pleaus
  - Chuckle
  - Themes
  - Kentuckiana George Clooney and Warren Oates, for two
  - Cold shower?
  - Bracken Co.'s seat
  - Skip procedure
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  - occurrences
  - Diva's solo
  - Kentucky governor who established KET in schools
  - Creative
  - Colors
  - Fire starter
  - Gaelic tongue
  - Home county of Cumberland Lake State Resort Park
  - Order to a broker
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**Hunter post Kentucky's second highest deer harvest**

After two seasons of record harvests, Kentucky's deer hunters kept the pace up this past season.

The 2014-15 season closed on Jan. 19 with 138,892 deer checked; the second highest total on record and third consecutive season with a harvest exceeding 130,000 deer.

"I'm happy," said Gabe Jenkins, deer and elk program coordinator with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "There are a lot of deer on the landscape, and we're seeing an uptick in license sales. We're providing hunting opportunity and our hunters are able to be successful. As an agency, that's what we want to do."

A record 144,409 deer were taken during the 2013-14 season when a spotty acorn crop put deer on the move.

Acorns were plentiful across much of the state this time around. Recognizing this, many hunters likely shifted their focus from field edges to the timber and travel corridors instead.

A strong opening month and an unprecedented start to the modern gun deer season emerged as key drivers.

"The three seasons where we have had our three greatest harvests have featured big Novembers," said David Yancy, deer biologist with Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "And there's no question September has become more

important or more interesting to hunters. I think hunters have gotten to where they like it and can't wait to get out there."

Hunters checked 5,928 deer in September, the third highest total on record for that month. Favorable weather across the state spurred a record harvest on opening weekend of modern gun deer season.

Compared to the previous season, the modern gun harvest finished at 102,889, down less than 2 percent from the season before.

Archers bagged 18,368 deer and muzzleloader hunters 14,673. Crossbow hunters accounted for 2,962 of the harvest total.

Owen County again led the state. Hunters there checked 3,470 whitetails. Pendleton County was next with 3,305 followed by Crittenden County at 3,224, Christian County at 3,062 and Graves County at 2,964.

The majority of deer taken were male. Female deer accounted for 45.7 percent of the overall harvest.

Biologists estimated the statewide herd at 1 million deer entering this past season. Herd estimates are derived through computer modeling that takes into account harvest and age structure data.

Looking ahead, the prospects are promising for a strong 2015-16 season.

"We really had a more pronounced December and

January rut," Jenkins said. "Those late ruts are usually an indicator of herd health. I heard a lot of people talking about fawns cycling in January. That's strictly related to health; the fact that they're good, fat and capable of doing that. More than likely, they will have a fawn, and that equates to more fawns on the landscape this spring which equates to more hunting opportunity next season."

The Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide annually features a list of trophy bucks harvested the previous season that met qualifications for entry into the Boone and Crockett Club's record books. A buck must net score 160 or higher typical or 185 or higher non-typical, as determined by the Boone and Crockett scoring system.

Hunters who want their trophy included in the list should send a non-returnable photo, copies of the completed and signed score sheets, and include the county in which the deer was taken and the equipment used to harvest the deer to: Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide, #1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601 by May 1, 2015. The same information may also be submitted electronically by emailing the following address at [info.center@ky.gov](mailto:info.center@ky.gov).

"Our Boone and Crockett submission numbers have been high over the past five years," Jenkins said. "That's a good indicator of health and herd quality."

**Elk quota hunt drawing applications now on sale**

Now is the time to apply for Kentucky's elk quota hunts.

Hunters have until midnight (Eastern time) on April 30 to apply online via the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' mobile-friendly website at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov). The drawing for elk permits is open to both Kentucky residents and those who live outside the state.

Hunters may submit one application for each of the four permit types but can only be drawn for one hunting permit. Each application entry costs \$10.

"There are a variety of reasons to apply," said Gabe Jenkins, deer and elk program coordinator with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "It's an opportunity to hunt a game species in the state that many consider the pinnacle. It's also fantastic table fare. An elk can provide a couple hundred pounds of meat."

"And it's close to home. Most of the elk hunters in the east have to travel west. The permits in Kentucky are about the same price as they are in the western states, but it's 20 hours closer. Our success rates are much higher, too."

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission has recommended 900 permits, in addition to 10 youth-only

permits, for the 2015-16 elk seasons. The proposed allotment of general elk quota hunt permits is 150 firearms and 100 archery-crossbow permits for bull elk; 400 firearms permits and 250 archery-crossbow permits for cow elk.

Hunters ages 15 and younger can apply for the youth-only elk quota hunt

during the same application period as the general elk quota hunt drawing. They may also apply for the general quota elk hunt drawing, but cannot be drawn for both in the same year.

The elk quota hunt drawing will be conducted in early May by the Kentucky Commonwealth Office of Technology. Results of this random computer draw from each applicant pool will be posted online at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov).



Roy Lee Roberts IV and Dillon Roberts celebrated their 3rd and 19th birthday January 30, 2015 with family and friends at Trinity Fellowship room in Berea. Pictured with them is a very special friend, Lula McCollum who is 91 and one half years young. Roy Lee's birthdate is January 29th and Dillon's is January 31st.

Maretburg native Jordan Kelley was recently named to the Fall 2014 Dean's List at Berea College. He is currently a junior at the institution and is majoring in Technology and Applied Design with a minor in Business Administration. Kelley has an ambition to pursue an industrial engineering career. He is the son of Tim and Brenda Kelley, also of Maretburg. To be named to the Dean's



List at Berea College a student must maintain a 3.4 minimum GPA while being enrolled in a minimum of 4 credits (equivalent to 16 semester hours).

**New grant program to save lives across Kentucky**

A local non-profit is launching a new grant program aimed at getting people screened for the No. 2 cancer killer among men and women.

The Colon Cancer Prevention Project, which is based in Louisville, announced this week that it will be offering grants of up to \$10,000 to programs that motivate people to get screened for colon cancer. Timely screenings can allow for polyps to be detected and removed before they turn into cancer.

The program, called Project Innovation, is aimed at igniting grassroots awareness in the areas of Kentucky and Southern Indiana that need it most.

"We are excited to be able to offer this opportunity, and hope it encourages people to take action in their communities and educate their neighbors about colon cancer screening," said Andrea Shepherd, Executive Director for the Colon Cancer Prevention Project.

Kentucky is one of the worst states in the country for colon cancer incidence rates, with 2,600 people be-

ing diagnosed each year and nearly 800 dying from the disease.

The Colon Cancer Prevention Project has a mission to end preventable colon cancer death and suffering by increasing screening rates. Its work includes education, advocacy, health systems improvement, and survivor support.

The Project serves the entire state of Kentucky and the Southern Indiana area and is a partner in the national initiative to increase screening rates to 80% by 2018. Kentucky's screening rate is currently 66%, below the national average of 68%.

Project Innovation is open to anyone who is interested in raising awareness about colon cancer in Kentucky or Southern Indiana. A grant application is available on [ColonCancerPreventionProject.org](http://ColonCancerPreventionProject.org) (under "How I Can Help"). Applications will be accepted through May 15.

More information is available at [ColonCancerPreventionProject.org](http://ColonCancerPreventionProject.org), or by contacting Lindy Reinhardt at [lreinhardt@c2p2ky.org](mailto:lreinhardt@c2p2ky.org).

**Money Tips for Students**

**Understanding pay stubs**

When you work, your employer will give you a pay stub when you get paid, even if you use direct deposit. Understanding the information on the pay stub is vital to managing your money and budgeting.

Each company's pay stub is different, according to KHEAA, but all employers must include these items:

- Gross Pay: This is what you earned that pay period before any taxes or benefits, such as insurance, were withheld.

- Net Pay: This is your take-home pay after all the taxes and benefits have been deducted from your gross pay.

- Federal Tax Amount: Federal income tax might be abbreviated as Fed Tax, FT or FWT. This is how much was withheld to pay your federal taxes, based on the W-4 form you filled out when you were hired.

- State Tax: State taxes might be abbreviated as St Tax, STW or simply by the abbreviation of the state in which you reside (for example, KY).

- Local Tax: Some cities, counties or school districts may require you to pay a local tax. You may not have this tax withheld if you don't live or work in an area that assesses these taxes.

- Social Security Tax: Social Security tax might be abbreviated FICA, SS, SSWT or OASDI. The federal government requires that 6.2 percent of your wages be withheld.

- Medicare: Medicare tax might be abbreviated MWT or Med. Like Social Security taxes, the federal government requires that 1.45 percent of your wages be withheld.

- Year-to-date (for pay and deductions): The year-to-date fields show how much you have earned up to that point, as well as what has been deducted for each tax or benefit.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's grant and scholarship programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). It provides financial literacy videos at <http://itsmoney.kheaa.com>. KHEAA also provides free copies of "It's Money, Baby," a guide to financial literacy, to Kentucky schools and residents upon request at [publications@kheaa.com](mailto:publications@kheaa.com). To learn how to plan and

prepare for higher education, go to [www.gotocollege.ky.gov](http://www.gotocollege.ky.gov). For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

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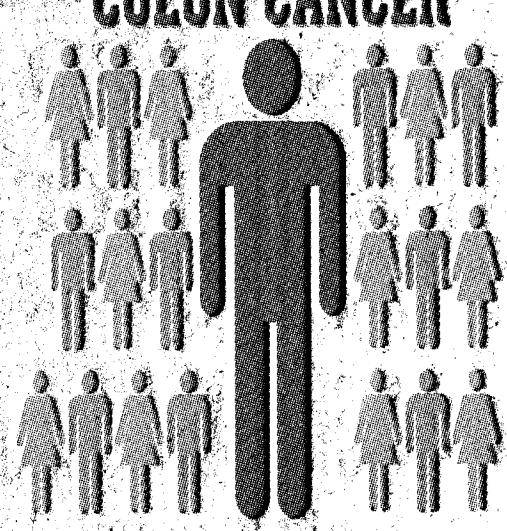
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**Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority** on Mondays 4 to 8 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf

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## For Rent

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## Posted

**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on property belonging to Kelly Denney, 48 Pokeberry Lane off Sand Springs Road. Beware of dogs. Violators will be prosecuted. 4x3p

**Posted:** Absolutely no trespassing, hunting or ATVs on land belonging to Al and Barbara DeChambeau on Poplar Gap Road and Poplar Gap Church Road. Violators will be prosecuted. 4x5p

**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing at 1435 Marler Hollow. Not responsible for bodily injury. Violators will be prosecuted. 47x24p

**Posted:** No hunting or trespassing on land belonging to Glen Roberts at 560 Dix River Branch Road, Brodhead. Violators will be prosecuted. 35xntf

**Posted:** No hunting, trespassing or ATVs on land belonging to Jason and Sara Coguer at Roundstone. 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. (1/21/16)

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

**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. 25fn

## Miscellaneous For Sale

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**Notice is hereby given that** Kristie Watson, P.O. Box 184, Winnabow, North Carolina 28479 has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Virgil L. Alcorn on the 26th day of January, 2015. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Kristie Watson or to Hon. William D. Reynolds, 140 West Main St., P.O. Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456 on or before March 26, 2015. 6x3

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**Notice is given that** Linda P. Williams has filed a Periodic Settlement of her account as guardian of Caleb W. Williams, a minor. A hearing on said settlement will be held on February 16th at 11 a.m. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before this date. 5x2

**Notice is hereby given that** Ernest Lee Bishop, Jr., 315 Don Thompson Spur, Somerset, Ky. 42502 has been appointed administrator of the estate of William O. Bentley. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them, according to law, to the said Ernest Lee Bishop, Jr. or to Hon. Ryan D. Morrow, McShurley and Morrow Law Office, P.O. Box 182, Somerset, Ky. 42502 on or before July 29, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. 6x3

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The results: Removes less than 20% of the soil from the carpet driving the remainder down deeper into the carpet fibers. The lye/bleach solution used by steam cleaners to dissolve stains fades carpet colors. Drying time is 1 to 5 days depending on the carpet texture. As a result of the water saturation, carpet fibers harden and the floor pad remains damp, which promotes bacteria growth and mildewing, causing carpet threads to rot, shorting the life of your carpet. Carpet manufacturers recommend that you do not steam clean carpets.  
**Option 2: Dry Foam-How does it work?**  
C. Carpet fibers are agitated with carpet combs to separate the fibers loosening dirt particles, which are then dry cleaned with an industrial strength vacuum.  
D. The carpet is then shampooed with horse hair brushes using Dry-Foam lather, a solution that contains six different cleaners and fabric softener, color brightener, deodorizer, disinfectant, crystalline agent, scotch guard, & degreaser. Does not contain lye or bleach.  
E. Carpet fibers are then groomed to fluff up worn walk areas to give a uniform look to the carpet.  
The results: Removes over 90% of carpet soil. Rejuvenates and brightens colors and patterns of carpets. Drying times is less than 2 hours. Floor pads remain dry-Fabric Softener makes carpets soft again. Promoting the life of the carpet.  
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