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Brodhead increases water and sewer rates

By: Doug Ponder

Several items of business were discussed at the monthly Brodhead Council meeting Monday night, including the recent water and sewer rate increases.

The council approved the second reading of an ordinance that will increase water and sewer rates for their customers at a special called meeting on January 19th. The ordinance will be in effect immediately and will be represented on February's water and sewer bills.

The ordinance raised water and sewer rates at every level by six percent. For city customers, the base of \$20.78 a month will increase to \$22.02. The next 8,000 gallons of water will increase from \$6.27 per thousand to \$6.64. 40,000 gallons of water or more will increase from \$5.99 to \$6.34. 50,000 gallons of water or more will increase from \$5.63 to \$5.96.

Customers outside the city limits will pay a base rate of \$29.01 for 2,000 gallons or less instead of the current \$27.37 and \$9.27 per thousand instead of \$8.75 for the next 8,000 gallons used. Usage of 40,000 gallons of water or more will increase from \$6.90 to \$7.10 per thousand and 50,000 gallons of water or more will increase from \$5.78 to \$6.12 per thousand.

The base sewer rate for customers using 2,000 gallons or less will be \$25.64 up from \$24.19. For customers using over 2,000 gallons, the sewer rate will be \$4.61 per thousand instead of \$4.35.

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Speaks sentenced on federal charges

A local man, who was arrested for bank robbery last January, was recently sentenced in United States District Court.

Lee Hamilton Speaks, 29, of Mt. Vernon was originally arrested on January 19, 2014 after he admitted to police that he robbed Citizens Bank in Brodhead on January 17, 2014 and Cash Express in Mt. Vernon on January 18, 2014. He was originally charged with two counts of first degree robbery.

Speaks first degree robbery charge for the Citizens Bank robbery was tried on the federal level, due to the bank being a member of the FDIC. He was sentenced in U.S. District Court on January 23rd for one count of bank robbery and one count of use of a firearm during a crime of violence.

Speaks was sentenced to 37 months imprisonment for bank robbery and 84 months imprisonment for use of a firearm during a crime of violence. Both are scheduled to run consecutively for a total of 121 months.

The court also made rec-

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Operation UNITE recently announced Mt. Vernon resident Nancy Hale as their new President/CEO. Hale replaces former President/CEO Dan Smoot who left the position after being named Appalachia HIDTA's director of drug prevention and education. Hal is shown above with U.S. Representative Hal Rogers. Hale was officially introduced as UNITE's new President/CEO at a press conference with Rogers in Washington D.C. last Thursday.

Nancy Hale named Operation UNITE President/CEO

By: Doug Ponder

Operation UNITE recently announced that Mt. Vernon resident Nancy Hale has been named the new President/CEO.

Hale replaces former President/CEO Dan Smoot who left the position after being named as Appalachia HIDTA's director of drug prevention and education. UNITE Board Chairman Tom Handy said that they have every expectation that

Hale will continue to take UNITE to new heights.

"We first became acquainted with Nancy through her volunteering with the UNITE community coalition in Rockcastle County," Handy said. "She has been an excellent leader in creating and sustaining educational and treatment programs."

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School calendar and weather days discussed at school board meeting

By: Doug Ponder

The 2014-2015 school calendar, and the amount of weather days missed this school year, were the main topics of discussion at the monthly school board meeting Tuesday night.

Director of Pupil Personnel Becky Isaacs said that it has been easier to review this year's school calendar as compared to last year's.

"As of tonight we have completed 103 instructional school days and had six weather days," Isaacs said. "I'm elated that we aren't looking at another winter like last winter where we missed 26 days."

Isaacs said that school will be closed for President's Day next Mon-

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Fiscal Court has first reading of Right-To-Work ordinance

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court, following the lead of several other counties in the state, held the first reading of a Right-To-Work ordinance at their regular monthly meeting Tuesday.

Calling it "a good thing

and the right thing," County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop told the court that the ordinance would "get businesses looking at Rockcastle County."

On the state level, the right-to-work law has

passed the Republican-controlled senate but, in the democrat-controlled house, it can't make it out of committee. "The attorney general is bad against it," County Attorney Billy Reynolds told the court but he also read to the court a part of the statute (KRS 67.083) concerning a county's function of government that is being used as the basis for the right to pass the ordinance.

The ordinance reads, in part, "it is the intent of this ordinance to provide that no employee covered by the National Labor Relations Act need join or pay dues

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19 apply for Dog Warden position

Thirteen of the nineteen applicants for the position of Rockcastle County Dog Warden were at the fiscal court meeting Tuesday, at the invitation of County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop, to introduce themselves and give a brief summary of their qualifications for the job.

Magistrate Bill McKinney told the applicants that the position was an "important job, a tough job." He reminded them that they would be on duty 24/7. "If Mike Peters or the state police pull over a drunk driver and take him to jail and they have a pet with them, you have to come out and take charge of it," Dog wardens also fill in on weekends at the kennel to check on the animals and feed them, McKinney said. "We have to make sure we keep the state happy."

Following the 13 presentations, the men were told by Bishop that a decision would be announced at next month's meeting.

The court was also given the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's recommendations for the county's 2015-16 Rural Secondary Road Program.

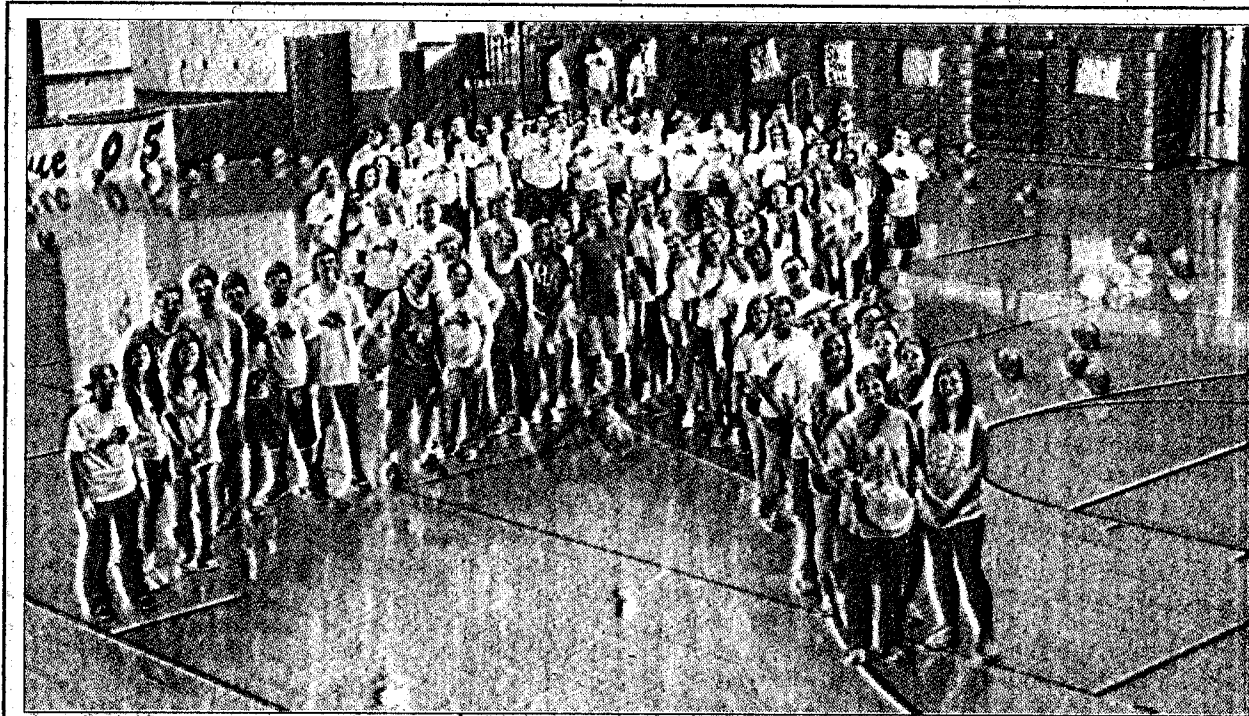
Getting an upgrade will be KY 1004 which will be resurfaced from the intersection of KY 1912 at milepost 3.545 and extending 5.218 miles to milepost 8.763 at a cost of \$529,529.

Total amount allotted for the program in Rockcastle County is \$1,339,013. Of this amount, routine maintenance costs, for the county's 152,632 miles of rural secondary roads, of \$619,700 was deducted, along with \$3,862 for county judge's expense and

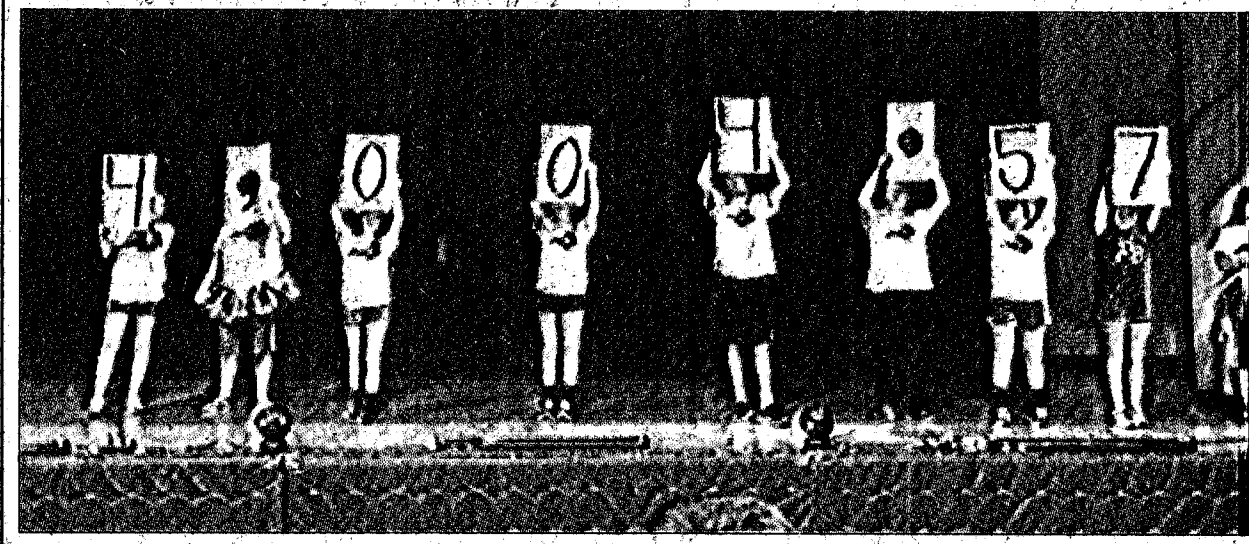
\$185,922 for county flex funds, leaving the \$529,529 for improvements on KY1004.

Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Jeremy

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Several Rockcastle County High School students participated in an eight hour "Dance Blue" marathon last Saturday at the Rockcastle County Middle School gymnasium. The students went for eight straight hours with no sitting and only dancing. The students raised \$4,004.57 and all proceeds will go to the Kentucky Childrens Hospital to help children and families who are enduring or fighting childhood cancer. Shown above is a group photo of the students who participated in the Dance Blue marathon. Shown below is a photo of students holding up posters of how much money was raised at the event. (Photos courtesy of Kayla Bryant)



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Points East

By Ike Adams



I spoke to both little brother, Keeter and Mike Mitchell, this week to see if they are planting peas on Valentine's Day.

Both of them indicated that they would be doing so even if they had to wear sub Arctic clothes and punch holes in the frozen ground with red hot poker. I know, for sure, that Mike's father, the late Dock Mitchell, has done just that.

I have two pounds of mammoth melting sugar snow pea seed on hand and I do plan to get out there on Saturday and plant a handful by the fence that separates my place from the black Angus herd in Kevin Brown's big pasture. That is unless it's raining or snowing and if the ground is still frozen. In which case, I plan to wait until the first day that the weather is comfortable enough to get outside and stir around. In any event, planting some peas in February is definitely on my to-do list for no other reason than to say I did it.

One time, back in the 1980's, before we bought our place on Charlie Brown Road, we lived up on the ridge in a house that now sits beside the new Paint Lick Elementary School. At that point in time the property was part of a big meadow that served as graze land for a large herd of cattle. A sturdy wire fence, more 400 feet in length, separated our yard and my vegetable garden from the cows.

I had grown dipper and bird house gourds on the fence in prior years, so, on one Valentine's Day, I talked the kids into riding out to the hardware store with me to buy a dollar pack of sugar snap peas. My only goal was to teach them about the old mountain tradition and get them interested in growing something they loved to eat. We planted the peas alongside the fence in a row that wasn't much longer than 25 feet. The kids were adamant that we were wasting time because they figured the cows would eat the plants as fast as they came up and they also knew that Ralph King and I were growing an acre of snow peas for commercial intent so why waste time growing them in our yard and making it more difficult to mow the grass?

But after convincing them that the sugar snaps were vastly different from snow peas, they went along with the project only because it beat the dicken's out of boredom. Unfortunately when it came time to weed and hoe the little crop, the kids decided that sheer boredom was a viable option. I actually believe they were a little disappointed that the cattle showed no interest in eating the vines because, more than once, I heard them calling, "Here cow, here come, come and get a taste of this."

Ralph and I had already discovered that pea vines are virtually pest free and probably the easiest of all commercial crops one can grow using only organic assistance. Neither deer nor rabbits, of which there are more than plenty on Ralph's farm,

showed any interest in munching on pea vines nor during the several years we grew them, did we once encounter a problem with insects or plant disease. Don't ask why because I don't know.

Anyway, when that first little fence row of sugar snaps ran pale, gray/green vines 5 feet up the wires and became covered with snow white blossoms and emerald pods just before school was out for the summer, the kids delighted in showing them off to their friends and bragging on the results of their labor even though they had pulled nary a weed nor once picked up a hoe to make it happen.

In the meantime, Ralph

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Frankfort Report...

By Jared Carpenter, State Senator

The Kentucky General Assembly began "part two" of the 2015 session on Tuesday which made for a busy week for legislators in Frankfort.



Continuing the goal of "creating Kentucky jobs and strengthening Kentucky families," the Senate Majority Caucus wasted no time introducing our next five priority bills and giving them a first reading on the Senate floor on Tuesday.

We passed Senate Bill 7 on Thursday, which would require ultrasound pictures of a woman's unborn baby to be made available to the individual considering having an abortion, if she chooses to see them.

Also on Thursday, we passed Senate Bill 10 which would continue the development of a stroke system of care in Kentucky and facilitate timely access to an appropriate level of care for stroke patients. In 2006 the legislature passed a resolution that encouraged the development of this system.

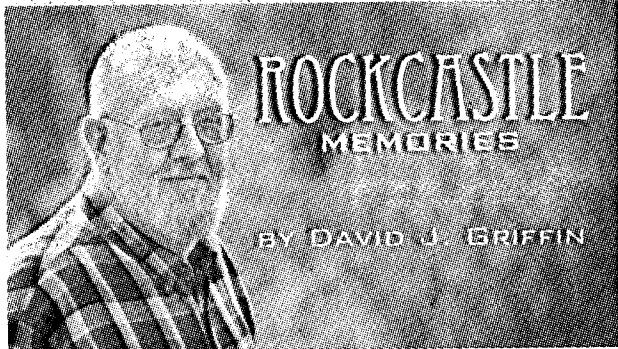
We also passed Senate Bill 9 which would reduce the cost of new school construction by exempting said schools from the "prevailing wage" requirements in order to give schools more budgetary flexibility.

On Thursday we finally passed Senate Bill 6 which is a piece of legislation that would create a medical malpractice claim board to review cases against health care providers before they can be pursued in court to help stop frivolous lawsuits.

On Friday we passed Senate Bill 8, which would permit charter schools in Kentucky in order to close the educational achievement gap and give parents more choices for their children.

The past week of action emphasizes that this Senate is determined to deliver progress and make changes by providing legislation that helps create jobs and strengthens Kentucky families.

I would encourage you to follow these bills closely,



We're Having A Party

While recently driving my Ford Escape, I heard the song "We're Having a Party" by Sam Cooke playing on my stereo through its twelve speakers. I turned up the volume as loud as it would go. I was not surprised to hear the tune because it is one my 500 favorite rock and roll songs of the 50s and 60s that I have installed on a "flash drive" for my automobile. I keep that thing hooked up virtually all the time, and I usually can sing along with the words of every song.

When a song is as old as this one by Sam Cooke, it is like being taken back to my high school days when most of my friends and I either listened to the radio or played

our records on home stereos. It's simple a song, but it truly hits home for those of us from the boomer generation:

*We're having a party
Dancing to the music
Played by the DJ
On the radio
The Cokes are in the ice box
The popcorn's on the table
Me and my baby, we're out here on the floor
So listen, Mr. DJ
Keep those records playing
'cause I'm having such a good time
Dancing with my baby
Having a party
Everybody's swinging
Dancing to the music
On the radio*

In those golden days of rock and roll music, my friends and I gathered at each other's homes and to do just what Sam Cooke suggested - we were having a party. Several of us could bring our friends into our homes and listen to the music we loved so much. My cousin Patsy Cummins had us over to her house on many occasions. We either listened to music, ate snacks provided by Aunt Jack or Uncle Jesse, or played croquet on his most professional court. Since Patsy was a couple of years older than I was, I became friends with some of her classmates. Some of those connections lasted for years.

From time to time, we gathered in the afternoons after school to walk to Sandy Murrell's house and listen to her music; we always had those Cokes from the icebox. Although Sandy's father usually instructed us to "turn the music down," we were always made most welcome. Or, we might instead go to Virginia Rose McBee's house for our music and snacks.

Nancy Helton had some of the largest parties, which were usually on Saturday nights. She'd call and say, "David Joe, I'm having a party, and I want you to bring your 45's for us to hear." Once again, Nancy was a bit older than I, but I also loved being with her friends. I remember one night when there were probably 30-40 teenagers at her house. It became so crowded that some of us moved the party outside.

One of Nancy's friends was Mason Gregory. When he had a party, which was quite often, I was invited. His gatherings were always fun because he had music for dancing, popcorn was on the table, AND we even played the game of Post Office. Believe me when I tell you that I will NEVER forget one night when someone in the group was calling out "postal numbers" and my

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T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Memories of my Hometown

Dear Journal,

It was just before day-break on a Monday morning. Stanley had already gotten up and turned on the TV to hear the news. I was awake and beginning to get out of bed when I heard something about a longtime business in downtown London that had burned during the night. Weaver's Hot Dogs had burned and another business, Bob's, a department store next to it was heavily damaged by smoke.

Being born and raised in London and being very familiar with both businesses caused a sinking feeling to come over me. Two businesses, about half a block in the heart of town, were destroyed. What a devastating event to happen to any little town.

When I recovered from the shock of it all, my mind drifted back to the many years I had in connection to

the businesses. I remember Bob's when I was just a child. There wasn't the big name department stores, at least in London, that there are today. It was the little "Mom and Dad" stores, and in a little town like London, everybody knew "Mom and Dad".

When I was in my teen years and had my first job one summer, I went to Bob's and bought some clothes for the upcoming school year. One of the things I got was a pair of Johnny Bench tennis shoes. I paid about forty-some dollars for them, which was a jaw-dropping price for that day. I was a big Reds fan, so I thought they were worth every penny.

Stanley and I went to Weaver's for New Years Eve night, which was only a few days prior to its demise. It was my second time being in there.

When I was young, my

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Obituaries



Larry Travis, Sr.

Larry Travis, Sr., 94, of Mt. Vernon, died Thursday, February 5, 2015 at the U.K. Hospital in Lexington. He was born April 14, 1920 in Connellsville, PA, the son of the late Ora A. and Georgianna Swearingner Travis. He was a retired teacher and football coach for the Rockcastle County School System, enjoyed all sports, played semi-pro Baseball for the Air Force and the Washington Senators, and was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors are: two sons; Paul (Laura) Travis of Richmond, and Larry R. (Cathy) Travis, Jr. of Alexandria; four grandchildren, Andrew and Will Travis of Richmond, and Joshua Travis and Sarah Kuhn of Alexandria; and three great grandchildren, Landen, Nora, and Jaxon Kuhn. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nell Wanda Niceley Travis.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 9, 2015 at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon with Bro. Bruce Ross officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Andrew Travis, Will Travis, Josh Travis, John Kuhn, John Mark Bray, and Ronnie Brown.

Honorary pallbearers were: Bige Towery, Leo Hopkins, Bill Dowell, Chock Machal, Bobby Hayes, Oscar Fain and the 1960 Mt. Vernon High School Football Team.

Arrangements by Cox Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions are suggested to: The First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon, KY

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.

Card of Thanks

Billy Ray Barnes

The family of Billy Ray Barnes would like to thank everyone for their kind words, beautiful flowers and gifts. Thank you Bro. Wayne Harding and the Maretburg Church for the wonderful food and hospitality. Thanks to the pallbearers - Keith Bullock, Kyle Barnes, Dewayne Richards, Gary Hurst, Jerrill Johnson and Chuck Williams. Thanks to Judy and Marvin Owens, Marvin Owens Funeral Home, Brodhead.



David Osborne

David Osborne, 66, of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born on June 24, 1948 in Harlan, the son of the late Gillis and Martha Burke Osborne. He was a retired forklift operator at the Train Company in Lexington, enjoyed going to church, playing the guitar, ginseng hunting, and was a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Barbara Poynter Osborne of Mt. Vernon; two sons, Shawn (Saundra) Osborne and Jonathan Osborne, all of Mt. Vernon; one step-son, Richard Kirby of Brodhead; two brothers, James Osborne of Wildie, and Terry Osborne of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Ann Benson, Virginia Parsons, and Brenda McKinney, all of Mt. Vernon; and four grandchildren, Katelyn, Shawn David, Tyler, and Tanner Osborne. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one brother.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Jason Brown officiating. Burial was in the Osborne Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Shawn David Osborne, Robert Peters, Matthew Renner, Richard Kirby, Randall Fields, John Benson, and Josh McKinney.

Send condolences online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.

Thomas Mallicoat

Thomas Dewey Mallicoat, 70, of Orlando, died Monday, February 9, 2015 at his home.

Funeral arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete.

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

Visit www.DowellMartin.com to view online obituary.

Geneva Argenbright

Geneva Argenbright, 87, of Livingston, widow of Arthur Argenbright, died Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

Funeral arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and are incomplete.

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

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Cecil McCracken

Cecil McCracken, 75, of Livingston, died Monday, February 2, 2015 at St. Joseph Berea Hospital. He was born June 27, 1939 in Rockcastle County, the son of John and Zadie Higgins

McCracken. He was a farmer and an Army Veteran.

He is survived by: one son, Robert (Nora) McCracken of Mt. Vernon; four daughters, Lisa (Vernon) Copley of Magnolia, Beverly McCracken of Tennessee, Diana Martin of Indiana and Kristie (Robert) Dean of Mt. Vernon; two step sons, James Raymond Alcorn and Joey Alcorn, both of Livingston; one step daughter, Marlene Alcorn of Livingston; one brother, Donald McCracken of Indiana; and one sister, Irene Ross of Indiana. Also surviving are several grandchildren and one great grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: his wife, Carol McCracken; two brothers, Lee Roy and Larry Wayne McCracken; and one grandson, John Dean.

Graveside services were conducted Thursday, February 5, 2015 at the Johnetta Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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Emily Mae Barton

Emily Mae Barton, 83, of Orlando, wife of Leonard Barton, died Friday, February 6, 2015 at the Rockcastle Regional Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jack Stallworth. Burial was in Briarfield Cemetery.

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Morris Cromer

Morris Cromer, 55, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, January 3, 2015 at his home. He was born December 28, 1959 in Somerset, the son of the late Orville and Gladys Iona Coffey Cromer. He was mechanic, enjoyed hunting, fishing, old cars, spending time with family and friends, working at the saw mill, and was a member of the Baptist faith.

Survivors are: one daughter, Vanessa Cromer of Mt. Vernon; and two brothers, Ralph, and Randy Cromer, both of Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Cox Funeral Home with Bro. Mark Reppert officiating. Burial was in High Dry Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ralph Cromer, Randy Cromer, Jeff Debord, Tim Coffey, Tim Cameron, and Gregory Nolan.

Honorary pallbearer was Michael Muncey.

View the complete obituary, sign the guest registry, or send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com.

LF&R Spaghetti Dinner & Gospel Singing February 28th

Livingston Fire and Rescue will host a spaghetti dinner and bluegrass/gospel singing on Saturday, February 28th, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Livingston firehouse. \$7 all you can eat.

Several different groups will be on hand to entertain. Everyone welcome.

LF&R Turkey Shoot February 21st

Livingston Fire & Rescue will host a Turkey Shoot on Sat., Feb. 21st at 11 a.m. at David Mason Garage, north of Livingston on U.S. 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shotguns only!! No custom guns! Judges' decision final. \$2 a shot. Shells furnished by fire department. Concessions will be sold.

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Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps
Add Some Stone to the Landscape

Stone adds strength and character to a yard. A few large boulders placed so as to look like they've always been there or some professional stone masonry: stone always enhances the home if added tastefully.

Strength, character and warmth radiate from stone in ways few if any other materials can manage.

Stone homes, even if an entryway or a turret only are stone covered, are grand architectural wonders. Besides homes built out of stones or with stone on them, there are plenty of other ways to enhance your place with stones.


For simplicity, you may want to start with what you have. Is there a "rock pile" on your place? Is there a large boulder on the lot somewhere that your builder "forgot" to move? Maybe there's an outcropping where massive underground rocks reach the surface. Taking advantage of native stones common to the area will actually look more natural and less contrived than exotic stones from far away. (And local is always

less costly, as it takes a lot of fuel to haul heavy rocks from one part of the world to another.)

Rock yards and stone merchants do exist to supply various rocks from both near and far, so even if there are no rocks on your property, you certainly can bring in stones to do some lovely projects at your place. Natural fieldstone, natural river rocks, natural pebbles, crushed pebbles from a quarry, and even man-made stones are all possibilities. Hand split veneer, thick building stones, cut pave stones, large flagstones, cobblestones and even a huge boulder or two may all be available for consideration.

Those big boulders can anchor a corner of your lot, mark either side of a driveway entry, have the house number carved on them, and I feel sure we could come up with other ideas with a little imagination. If you have a large boulder that is in the way but would be tough to move, I would suggest a curved drive or a curved path around the boulder would make for a

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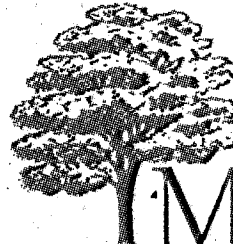


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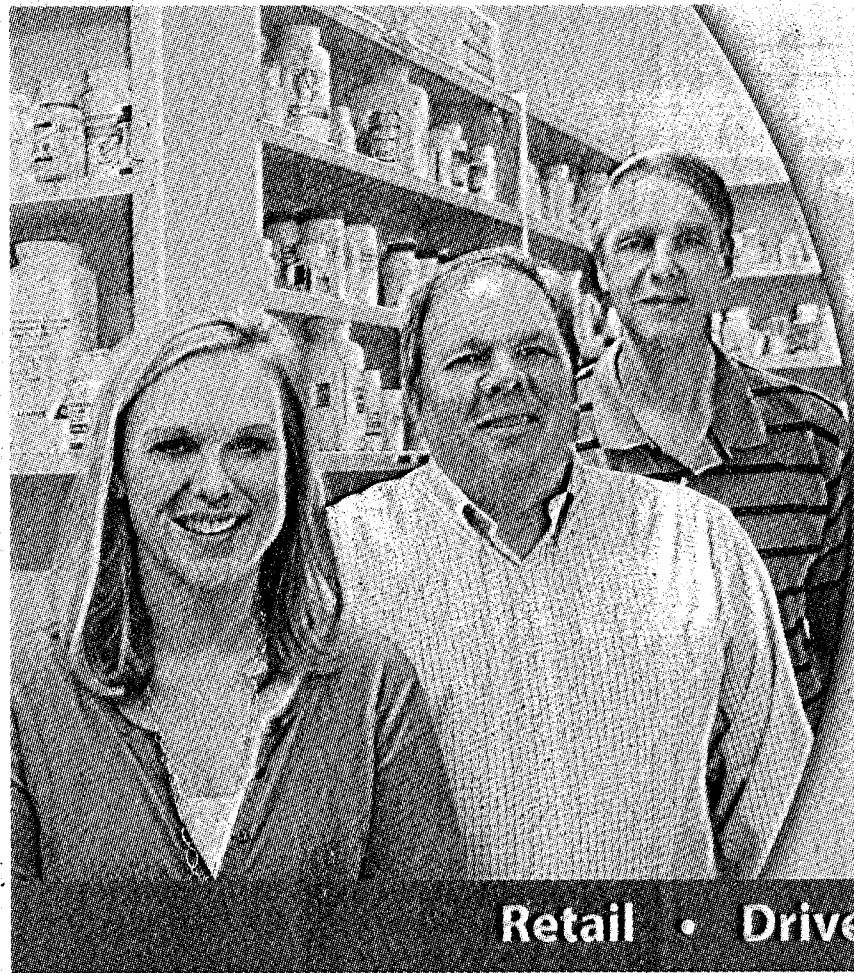
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Tom Mills

Rockcastle County Extension Office

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Your goal is to manage heifers so they'll conceive early by reducing the age of puberty, shortening the time from puberty to conception and increasing fertility.

Age at puberty is the most important factor in managing heifer reproduction. For puberty to occur, a heifer should weigh at least 67 percent of her expected mature weight. This percentage of mature weight is a heifer's "target weight."

Most heifer development programs require that heifers reach the target weight by the onset of their first breeding season. For maximum fertility and reproduction, heifers must have at least one estrus before the breeding season begins. Research shows that fertility increases about 20 percent from the first to third estrus after puberty. Thus, it's logical to manage heifers to reach puberty before the start of breeding season.

Crossbreeding is another management practice to reduce heifers' age at puberty. Crossbred heifers, with a genetic makeup of not more than 75 percent of one breed, have a significantly reduced age at puberty compared to straight-bred heifers. Crossbred heifers also have greater overall fertility resulting from hybrid vigor.

Examine the cowherd to determine the cows' approximate weights and use

these data to set the heifers' target weights. Then, determine how much heifers must gain daily to reach the target weight. Once you determine the necessary daily weight gain, develop a ration that provides the proper nutrients to help heifers reach the target weight. Periodically weigh heifers to ensure that they're gaining the appropriate weight. If not, adjust the ration to compensate.

Also, be sure heifers are properly vaccinated according to label and veterinarian recommendations.

Breeding is the final step in managing heifer development. It's advisable to consider estrus synchronization and/or artificial insemination. Some advantages of estrus synchronization are potentially higher pregnancy rates; heavier, more uniform calves at weaning; and increased production and labor efficiency. Using AI gives producers the ability to use superior, more predictable sires.

Most calving problems occur when heifers have calves for the first time; thus, there is merit in using estrus synchronization and AI with bulls of proven calving ease on first-calf heifers.

Getting heifers bred as early as possible gives them more time to rebreed after calving. For more information about cattle reproductive efficiency or other cattle topics, contact Tom Mills Extension Agent for Agriculture at Rockcastle Cooperative Extension Service. Beef Producer Meetings are continuing each Thursday Night at 6:30pm at the Extension Office at 1050 West

Main Street. Topics this week are Cattle feeding and Nutrition. Next week Cattle Market Out Look and the final Thursday is Cattle Genetics.

Article provided by UK Beef Specialist Les Anderson and Darrah Bullock. Educational programs of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

"Memories"

(Cont. from A2)

number was called. With some trepidation, I slowly walked into the Post Office room.

When I opened the door, I was astonished to see one of my older friends there with me. I think that I was a freshman and she was a senior. My young heart was racing so fast that it almost took my breath! That was my first time to kiss a WOMAN - and frankly, I don't think I ever recovered.

Yes, we were having parties, and it was wonderful. I never experienced any drinking and, of course, there were no drugs involved. But we had a ball dancing to our music. And many of those songs are the ones that I am listening to now - but in my Escape every time I turn on the engine.

(You can reach me at themtom@att.net or you can drop me a line at 2167 Furnace Road - Stanton, KY 40380. I appreciate your comments and suggestions.)

"Journal"

(Cont. from A3)

mother let me know at an early age that ladies didn't go into Weaver's "pool hall", as it was known then, only ones of a certain cali-

ber would be caught in there. It didn't have anything to do with the hot dogs, it was the pool tables and the men of ill reputation who hung out there. In fact, the more "refined" ladies were said to have crossed the street and continued on the other side of the street, and then crossing back again if needing to shop at a store past Weavers on that side of the street to avoid the men who congregated outside the pool hall. There were another two or three places in town where "ladies" weren't to go either.

One day when I was in town near Weaver's and being around forty, I decided to dare go inside. The pool tables were gone and I didn't see what all of the hoopla was about. I can't really say for sure what kind of a place Weaver's was at one time, but it has been a very nice, respectable place for some years now, the kind of good restaurant you could find in, say Lexington. On New Year's Eve night, we were served very nice meals in a noisy* but pleasant atmosphere...and there wasn't even a hot dog or pool table in sight.

"Frankfort"

(Cont. from A2)

agendas.

In addition to general information about the legislative process, the website also provides information on each of Kentucky's senators and representatives, including their phone numbers, addresses, and legislative committee assignments.

As I mentioned before, the Kentucky General Assembly maintains toll-free phone lines to help everyone follow legislative action. If you wish to offer your feedback or opinion on any issue, you can call the Legislative Message Line at (800) 372-7181. Those who prefer to offer their feedback in Spanish can call the General Assembly's Spanish Line at (866) 840-6574. Citizens with hearing impairments can use the TTY Message Line at (800) 896-0305.

A taped message containing information on the daily schedule for legislative committee meetings is available by calling the Legislative Calendar Line at (800) 633-9650.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

and I had planted our crop in mid April and we were scurrying around trying to find high school kids to help pick peas about 2 weeks, or less, after the February crop came in. I honestly believe that if the early crop had been the same variety as our commercial crop, they would have come in at the same time.

In other words, about the only real purpose that planting peas in February serves is that it provides an excuse to get out there in the garden and plant something

that can survive a hard frost and even a moderate freeze or two if the freeze doesn't last more than a few hours. Spinach is yet another crop that you can plant right now and still have good results. There are probably others but those are the only 2 that I can hardly live without.

Come Saturday, weather permitting, if you drive by Charlie Brown Road, that will be me out there beside the fence with the seng hoe nephew Chris Adams made

me, with the little brown bag of pea seed poking out of my jacket pocket while digging little holes alongside Kevin's fence and commiserating with my little brother and Mike Mitchell who swear they will be doing the same thing there at Red Star in Letcher County. I will let you know if they make anything while hoping that the Angus have not developed a taste for pea vines since the last time I tried this.

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

Celebrate Recovery
Celebrate Recovery sessions will be held each Monday at 6 p.m. at the Community Outreach Center in Brodhead.

FFA Alumni Chili Supper and Auction
On February 21st, the Rockcastle County FFA Alumni will be hosting their annual Chili Supper and Auction in the RCHS Cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 per person at the door. The chili supper will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the auction at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Rockcastle County FFA Alumni to support ag students.

Climax VFD Soup Bean Supper
The Climax Volunteer Fire Dept. will host a free community soup bean supper on Friday, Feb. 20th at 6:30 p.m.

LF&R Spaghetti Dinner & Gospel Singing
Livingston Fire and Rescue will host a spaghetti dinner and bluegrass/gospel singing on Saturday, February 28th, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Livingston firehouse. \$7 all you can eat. Several different groups will be on hand to entertain. Everyone welcome.

LF&R Turkey Shoot
Livingston Fire & Rescue will host a Turkey Shoot on Sat., Feb. 21st at 11 a.m. at David Mason Garage, north of Livingston on U.S. 25. 410-16-20-12 gauge shotguns only!! No custom guns! Judges' decision final. \$2 a shot. Shells furnished by fire department. Concessions will be sold.

Fire & Ice Ball - Class of 1994
The Class of 1994 will hold their 20 year reunion with a Fire & Ice Ball at the Rockcastle Co. Middle School from 6 p.m. to midnight. This is a formal event. \$25 per couple/\$30 at the door. Contact Nalalie Lynne Albright at 606-386-1292 for more information.

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.

Baseball Players Needed
It's baseball time again! Local travel team looking for 13-14 year-olds to fill the roster this season. For information or questions, call 859-625-8725.

Mt. Vernon Council Meeting Rescheduled
The regular scheduled Mt. Vernon City Council meeting for February 16th will be held February 23rd at 7 p.m. due to Presidents Day.

DBCAA Board Meeting
Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. will have a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, February 24th at 5:30 p.m. in Clay County at the central office, located at 1535 Shamrock Road in Manchester. The public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

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.

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.

Auction Bidding Ends Monday, February 16, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.
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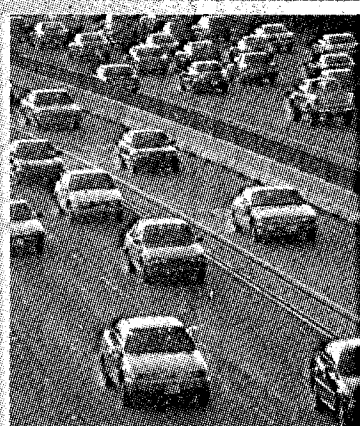
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“Ordinance”

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to a union, or refrain from joining a union, as a condition of employment; and provide certain penalties for violation of those employment rights.”

Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority Executive Director Holly Hopkins told the court that Warren County received 15 inquiries from manufacturers the day after their court passed the ordinance.

The ordinance, in its entirety can be found elsewhere in this week’s Signal.

The ordinance was approved unanimously by the court. A special meeting will be called for the second reading and final passage of the ordinance, Bishop said.

“Brodhead”

(Cont. from front)

The combined monthly “base rate” for city water and sewer customers will increase to \$47.66 which is a \$2.69 per month increase from \$44.97.

GRW engineering firm designed a rate study for the City of Brodhead in the summer of 2013. The rate study called for rate increases in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

The rate study further stated that if the city failed to increase rates they would have an estimated net revenue loss of \$17,184 in 2015, \$20,150 in 2016 and \$23,206 in 2017.

The City of Brodhead was also recently approved for a grant/loan from the Kentucky Infrastructure Assn. (KIA) to repair the city’s sewer system. The city will receive \$1.2 million with \$600,000 of the funding as a grant and the other \$600,000 as a loan with a three quarter percent interest rate.

The funding of the KIA grant/loan is designed to be used for sewer line and manhole replacements, waste water pumping station replacement, construction of wet water flow equalization at the treatment plant, city hall lift station maintenance and a new state mandated influent meter that has to be installed at the city’s sewer plant.

The grant/loan funding will also include the costs of doubling the city’s 150,000 gallons a day sewer plant processing capacity to 300,000 gallons a day.

Water and sewer employee Shannon Cash said that the mayor and the council need to meet so they can decide on what to purchase or repair for the city’s sewer plant.

“We all need to get together in a meeting and make up our minds about what is needed at the sewer plant,” Cash said. “This is something that shouldn’t be put off for three or four months. This is something we should do at the next meeting.”

Graves agreed and said that Cash and the other water and sewer employees need to decide what they think is best and present it to the council at a meeting in the near future. The rest of the council agreed.

In other business, Graves said that several people have approached him about installing a flag pole at the new Depot Park across from Citizens Bank in Brodhead.

Graves said that Woodmen of the World is an organization that donates flags and flagpoles to government and other organizations. He said he would check with the organization’s local representative to see if the city is eligible to receive an American flag and flagpole.

Mayor Walter Cash said that several people have contacted him about installing lights at the new stage at the Depot Park. Cash said that people have been complaining about the lack of lighting during concerts.

Brodhead Fire Chief

John Dyehouse said the fire department can provide light towers for the stage during the Dix River Festival and other city sponsored events. He said they can aim them toward the crowd so people can see during concerts. The council agreed that placing light towers near the stage was a good idea and would solve safety concerns.

“Speaks”

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commendations that Speaks participate in a 500-hour RDAP program and in job skills/vocational training. Special conditions of Speaks’ sentencing also stated that he must pay \$3,025 in restitution to Citizens Bank.

On the first degree robbery charge for the Cash Express robbery, Speaks was indicted by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury last March. As opposed to the Citizens Bank robbery, the Cash Express robbery is not a federal case as the loan agency is not FDIC insured.

Speaks was recently served the indictment warrant for the Cash Express robbery and is currently lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$175,000 cash/property bond. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Rockcastle County Circuit Court this Friday at 10 a.m.

Speaks was also a suspect in the January 2014 bank robberies at PBK Bank in Mt. Vernon and PBK Bank in Hustonville. However, he has not been charged in those robberies.

“Schools”

(Cont. from front)

day because fewer than ten days were missed due to inclement weather by the first Monday in February. She said the current last day for students would be May 18th.

However, Isaacs said that if fewer than ten days are missed by the last Monday in February, than spring break from March 30th through April 3rd may only be granted by a calendar amendment that would have to be approved by the school board.

Board Member Anna Stevens asked if the “fewer than ten days” clause meant that no more than nine days could be missed due to inclement weather and other emergencies. Isaacs said yes and that they can’t miss ten days.

“We are at the point to where we will have to wait and see what happens over the next couple of weeks,” Isaacs said. “We will know everything and you all will be able to make a decision about the calendar at the next board meeting.”

Superintendent David Pensol also advised the board about how the school district decides to close due to inclement weather. Pensol said he has received a lot of feedback and questions from Rockcastle Countians about the issue.

Pensol said that on a questionable weather day, Transportation Director Chris Cornelius and his staff start driving along Rockcastle County roadways about 3:30 or 4 a.m. Pensol said he joins them later in the morning and that they all have certain routes of roadways that they check for snow, ice, etc.

“We have several areas divided out and we all talk to each other,” Pensol said. “I make the final decision with input from them and the decision is always based on what is the safest for our students and faculty.”

Pensol said that he is aware that there is a lot of social media input from Rockcastle Countians. He said the decision to close or to have school is not always popular on social media.

“There is no way to address all those social media comments,” Pensol said. “It’s not a good idea to address all of them actually.”

Pensol went on to say that the decision to close

school for inclement weather has been more complicated this year than recent years.

“This winter has been different with the ice. Last winter you automatically knew when school needed to be closed but this year it’s different,” Pensol said. “We have a whole lot of teenagers driving and dozens of buses of students to keep safe. It’s a big responsibility and safety is first.”

School Board member Angela Stallsworth Mink said she had a complaint about the RCHS student section being obnoxious and rude to opposing teams during the home high school basketball games. Pensol said he would check into the issue.

The Superintendent’s personnel action report showed classified hirings of James Isaacs as RCHS assistant baseball coach, Jake Woodall as RCHS boy’s track coach and Janetta Begley as an MVES instructional assistant.

There was also two certified hirings of Joseph Bullen as substitute teacher and Wendy Danniels as a substitute teacher. Michael Hamilton was added as a volunteer RCHS assistant football coach.

Resignations were Douglas Hughes as RCHS assistant football coach and Billie Tankersley as MVES instructional assistant.

“UNITE”

(Cont. from front)

duced as UNITE’s new president/CEO at a press conference with U.S. Representative Hal Rogers in Washington D.C. last Thursday.

“I have the utmost respect and confidence in Mrs. Hale’s ability to lead the UNITE program,” Rogers said. “She is highly respected and brings a solid background of leadership skills and compassion to the position.”

Hale retired as an educator in 2012 after serving as an administrative coordinator, career counselor and teacher in the Rockcastle County School system for 34 years. She became the Co-Program Director for the UNITE Service Corps (AmeriCorps) program in the fall of 2012 and has also served as an executive board member and a volunteer for the Rockcastle County UNITE Coalition for more than ten years.

Hale’s long list of service and awards includes serving as a volunteer for the Kentucky YMCA Youth Association for 25 years. She was chosen as the “Kentucky YMCA Champion” in 2001 and she was the first inductee into the Kentucky YMCA Youth Advisor Hall

of Fame in 2010. Hale was also named “Kentucky Volunteer of the Year” in 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2004.

Hale said that she was “humbled” and “appreciative” when she first heard the news that she had been chosen as UNITE’s President/CEO.

“I have to admit that I became emotional when I first heard I was appointed. UNITE has saved lives and I have seen it firsthand,” Hale said. “UNITE has meant so much to our family and other families I know. This is another opportunity for me to give back to an organization that has saved so many lives.”

As President/CEO, Hale said she plans on furthering UNITE’s three-pronged approach of law enforcement, treatment and education. She said they will continue to look for more partners and programs such as Appalachia HIDTA and their “Give Me A Reason” drug prevention initiative.

“We will continue to look for more partnerships with school systems by providing more education programs and rehabilitation centers by providing more vouchers,” Hale said. “There is nothing more important than educating our youth and saving lives.”

“Livingston”

(Cont. from front)

duced. However, those local companies must be certified by the state so they can take part in bidding on the project which is being funded through a state 80/20 transportation grant.

The mayor said that the project would obviously have to be pared back even more than it already had been if the bid could not be reduced drastically.

As a first item of business for the meeting, Mayor Medley swore in the two remaining members of the commission, Charlene Newcomb, who was re-elected in the November general election but was unable to attend the January swearing in, and Ricky Westerfield who was appointed to fill a vacancy on the commission.

The Livingston School gym was also discussed with Medley reporting that there was a problem with the concrete floor in the gym. Medley said the concrete is flaking and the new hardwood floor cannot be laid until the problem is solved. One option, Medley said, is to lay a subfloor at an approximate cost of \$8,000; however, it is up to the fiscal court to decide how to fix the problem, Medley said.

The mayor told the commissioners that there was a lot of interest in renting the

gym by several different groups once it is completed.

Medley also said that initial talks were being held with the Cumberland Valley Area Development District about the possibility of finding funding for a new sewer system for Livingston. However, he said the city’s audits would have to be brought up to date and the city was presently working with an accounting firm in Manchester.

He also reported that the Space to Create Room in the school was “super busy” and a Valentine Party would be held there on Saturday, February 14th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The room, designed for one to five-year-olds, is also available to rent for private parties, he said. Both the Visitors’ Center and Space to Create Room are staffed with a grant from the Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle Tourist Commission.

The school’s cafeteria is also nearing completion and Commissioner Katha Carpenter was named as the person responsible for scheduling events for the facility.

The town’s fitness center, located in the building adjacent to the school, is now open six days a week 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

“Warden”

(Cont. from front)

Bartley was before the court to ask for their continued participation in the “Rocket Docket” program. Bartley said the program reduces dramatically the number of days some defendants spend in the system from arrest to resolution of their case, thereby saving the county an estimated \$67,000 in jail expenses in 2014.

In 2014, Bartley said, 32 cases were resolved using the Rocket Docket procedure.

County Attorney Billy Reynolds recommended the court continue their participation and the motion passed unanimously. The court pays the commonwealth attorney’s office \$15,000 annually to help defray their expenses of the program.

The court also approved a change in wording in the policy and procedures manual for the Rockcastle Detention Center. Deputy Jailer Dan Offutt told the court that the wording change would enable the detention center to save money on the expense of medical care for inmates by allowing medical professionals, LPN level up, to tend inmates instead of a doctor always having to be present.

Jailer Carlos McClure told the court the change was part of his ongoing ef-

fort to par expenses at the jail.

Pongo Fire Department Chief Tony Bullock was before the court to ask for their help on the purchase of a thermal imaging camera, used in fires to show hot spots and in search and rescue to locate people through their body heat.

Bullock said the department had received a \$3,200 grant for the equipment but still needed \$2,000 to \$2,500 to make the purchase.

The court approved the request.

Deputy Sheriff Dale McNew presented the court with an excess fee check of \$4,927.50 for 2013. McNew said that the excess fee check for 2014 should be something over \$9,000.

Sheriff Mike Peters asked the court to provide a Letter of Support for a \$350,000 federal grant he has applied for which will, among other things, provide funding for two certified deputies to work strictly on drug cases in the county. The court approved the request.

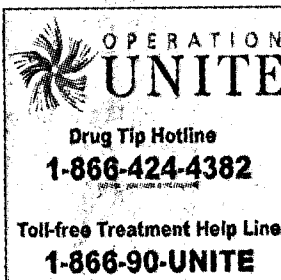
The court also made a decision on an issue which has plagued the court for well over a year -- Roger Rucker’s, of Lambert Road, fence.

Mr. Rucker removed his fence when the road was widened last year and originally told the court it would cost \$7,900 to replace it “as good or better” as he was promised by then County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloffis. The court approved the payment and a check was cut for that amount. When Rucker came to pick up the check, he told the judge’s secretary Patricia Martin that the bill was actually \$7,922.60 and refused to accept the \$7,900 check.

The court decided Tuesday to pay Rucker the \$7,922.60 with County Judge/Executive Doug Bishop commenting “if he doesn’t want to take that, he just needs to stay out of here and sue us.”

Magistrates Gary Burdette and Mike McGuire voted no on the motion to make the payment but it passed with McKinney, Shannon Bishop and William Denny voting aye.

As a final item of business, the court transferred \$250,000 from the occupational tax fund to the general fund. \$100,000 of that will be transferred to the detention center.



PUBLIC (LEGAL) NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT ROCKCASTLE COUNTY EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Lady Rockets lose to Warriors; beat Berea

It wasn't a pretty sight last Friday night but the Lady Rockets tried valiantly in their 80-31 loss to the 19-3 much bigger and faster Southwestern Warriors.

The game was never in question from the start with the Lady Warriors building a 29-10 first quarter lead and extending it to 49-19 at the half and 67-27 at the third quarter stop.

Nine Lady Rockets saw action with none of them getting into double figures. Junior Ashley McKinney led the scoring with 8 points; senior Alaina Coguer got 5; sophomore Emme Barker scored 3 points; junior Morgan Renner and sophomores Mahala Saylor and Hope Kelley all got 4 points each; senior Antelia Eversole scored a basket and sophomore Jayne Albright got 1.

Tuesday night, at Berea, the Lady Rockets had an easy game against the Lady

Pirates, enroute to picking up their 13th win of the season against 14 losses and it was Coach Chrysti Noble's 500th career win.

The Rockets were ahead 23-6 at the first quarter stop, 40-19 at the half, 55 to 26 at the end of the third quarter and wound up beating the Pirates by 30, 70-40.

Kelley led the scoring for her team with 19 points; Coguer got 14, including three three-point baskets; Albright scored 8; Saylor, Renner and sophomore Maddy Bullen got 6 each; McKinney scored 4; sophomore Caroline Coguer 3 and sophomore Emily Payne and 7th grader Shelby Newland got 2 each. In all, Coach Noble played 12 Rockets with 10 of them getting into the scoring column.

The Rockets regular season is winding down with only three games remaining

before district play begins the 23rd at Pulaski County High School.

Thursday night, the Lady Rockets will host Madison Central for a jayvee/varsity game. McCreary Central will come to town on Mon-

day, February 16th and the Lady Rockets will then travel to South Laurel on Friday, Feb. 20th for a doubleheader with the boys team for the final game of the regular season.

Rockets beat Berea

Led by senior Sam Pensol's 24 points, the Rockets easily won their game against the Berea Pirates Tuesday night 71-60.

The Rockets were up 17-10 at the end of the first quarter, 34-22 at the half and 50-35 at the third quarter stop.

In the fourth quarter, the Pirates mounted something of a comeback, cutting the margin to 59-53 and having the ball and a chance to cut the margin to four. However, the Pirates were plagued with turnovers throughout the game and another one gave the ball back to the Rockets who then built their lead back for the final 71-60.

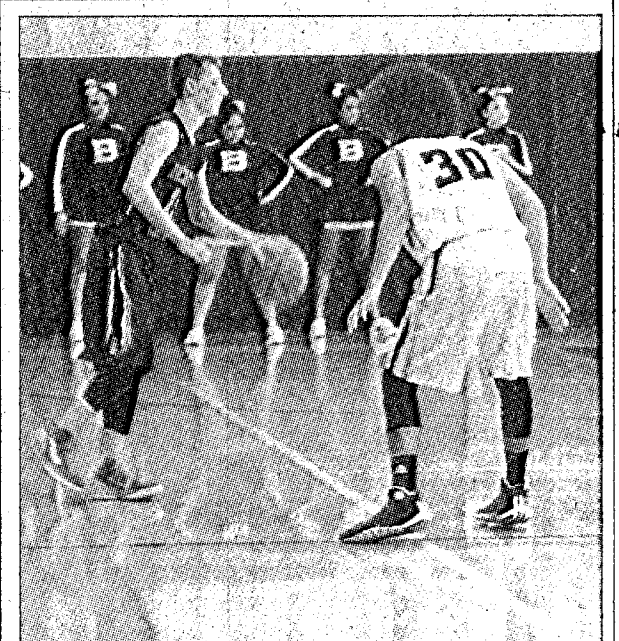
Eight Rockets got into the scoring column for Coach Benny Blanton. Besides Pensol's 24; sophomore Jon Cornelius got 15,

including going 6 for 6 from the free throw line; sophomore Carson Noble got 11; senior Dakota Hasty scored 7; senior Blake Mullins got 6; senior Carter Blanton, who went down late in the fourth with a knee injury got 4 and juniors Dylan Rowe and Alex Spragens got 2 each.

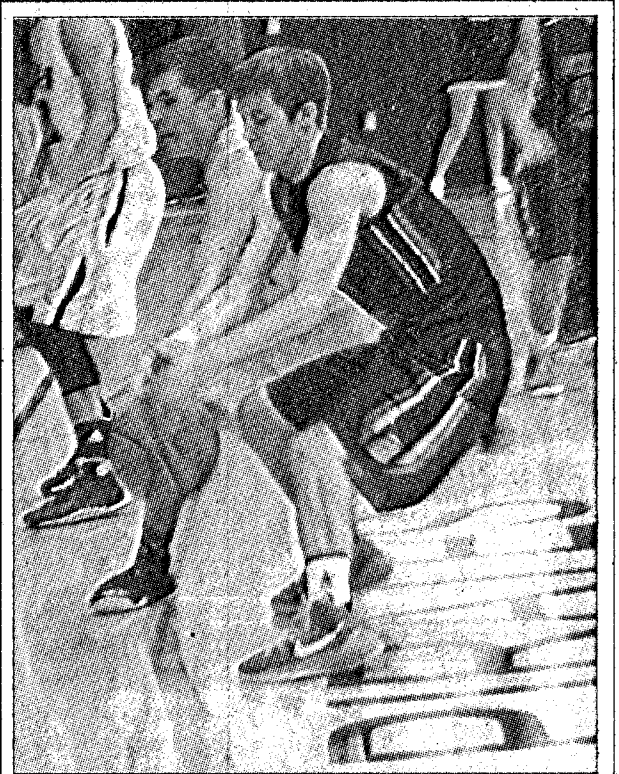
Senior Night is Friday

Senior Night at RCHS will be held this Friday night between the Jayvee and Varsity boys games with Garrard County.

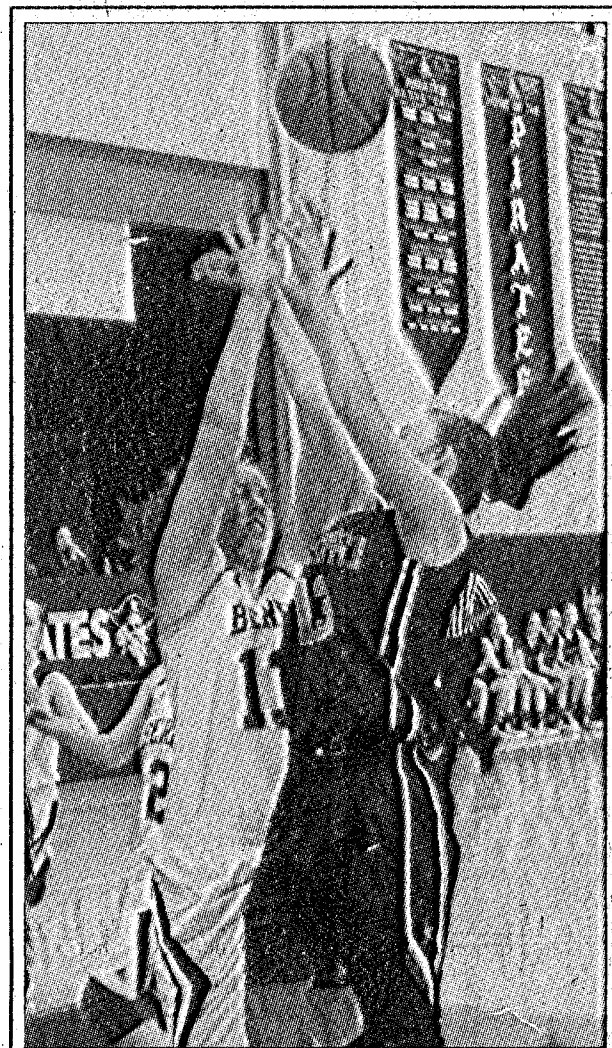
Girl and boy seniors playing basketball, on the cheerleading squad and in JROTC will be recognized, along with their parents/guardians.



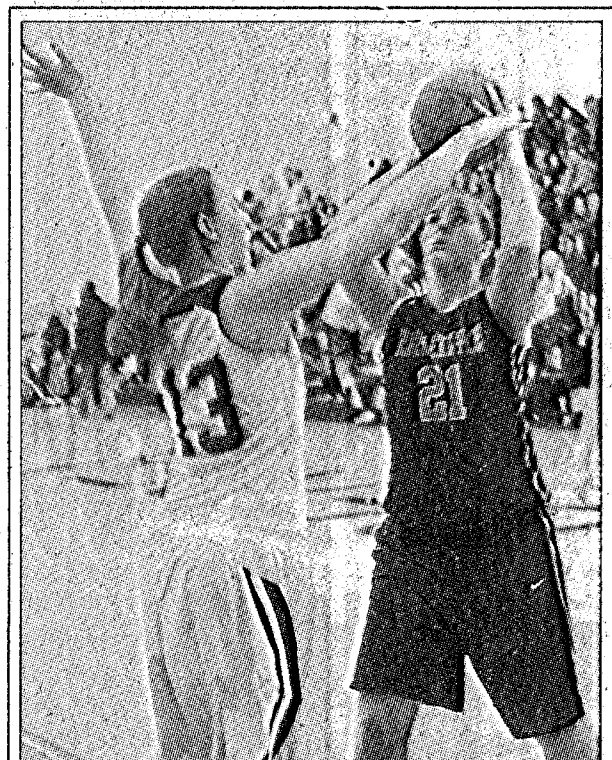
Dylan Rowe brings the ball up the floor during the Rockets 71-60 win against Berea. The Rockets will play Pulaski County Tuesday, February 24th in the first round of the 47th District tournament.



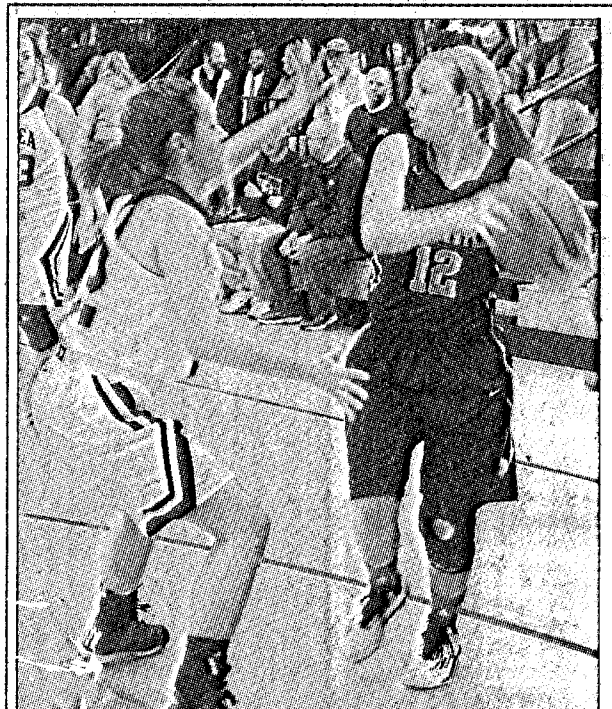
Sam Pensol goes after a loose ball during the Rockets 71-60 win against Berea on Tuesday night. The Rockets next game is this Friday night at home when they take on Garrard County at 7:30 p.m.



Morgan Renner tries to grab a rebound during the Lady Rockets 70-40 win against Berea Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets found out Monday that they will play Somerset in the first round of the 47th District tournament on Monday, February 23rd.



Amelia Eversole attempts a shot during the Lady Rockets 70-40 win against Berea Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets return to action this Thursday night at home when they take on Madison Central at 7:15 p.m.



Maddie Bullen looks to pass the ball inside during the Lady Rockets game against Berea Tuesday night. The Lady Rockets won the game 70-40 after losing to Southwestern last Friday night 80-31.

Kentucky Afield Outdoors

Five ways to save money for spring fishing, turkey hunting

Although the price of a gallon of gas is lower than at any time in recent memory, not many folks have extra money to burn.

This is especially true for non-essential things such as fishing reels, shotguns, hunting clothing or fishing waders. Adult commitments such as your mortgage must be paid before any money goes toward a new spinning reel. Obtaining quality hunting and fishing gear inexpensively is a useful skill for outdoors enthusiasts to learn.

Here are five ways to save money on gear for the upcoming spring fishing and turkey hunting seasons.

1. Hit the clearance sales to upgrade fishing equipment: February is the best month to buy new fishing equipment, especially if you want to upgrade to a higher quality rod, reel or finally retire the shop worn waders you've patched 10 times.

Manufacturers debut their new models at this time of year. The large catalog outfitters and the sporting goods section of department stores often offer significant discounts on older models of rods and reels to clear space for the new. This is especially true with fishing reels.

These discounted reels or rods are still new and were the cutting edge a year or two ago. Model changes are often cosmetic and the performance afield is exactly the same from older model to new.

If you are still wading with hot, sticky and leaky neoprene or coated canvas waders, February is the time to upgrade to breathable waders. New fishing catalogs from outfitters are now arriving in mailboxes around the country. Their websites often contain

closeout prices on older iterations of breathable fishing waders. This is a great time to get comfortable, breathable waders at attractive prices.

2. Hit the clearance sales to upgrade hunting clothing: After the waterfowl seasons close in late January, department stores and the big retail/catalog outfitters often place cold weather hunting gear on clearance, where savings can be 40 percent or more off the price the previous fall. This is an especially good time to save on waterfowl hunting clothing or coveralls and jacket/bib combinations for deer hunting, both of which aren't cheap. They often clearance leftover lighter weight camouflage shirts and pants as well, perfect gear for the coming spring turkey season.

3. Inquire with friends and relatives about buying their old outdoor gear: As you progress in the outdoor arts, it is normal to upgrade to newer gear every few years as financial circum-

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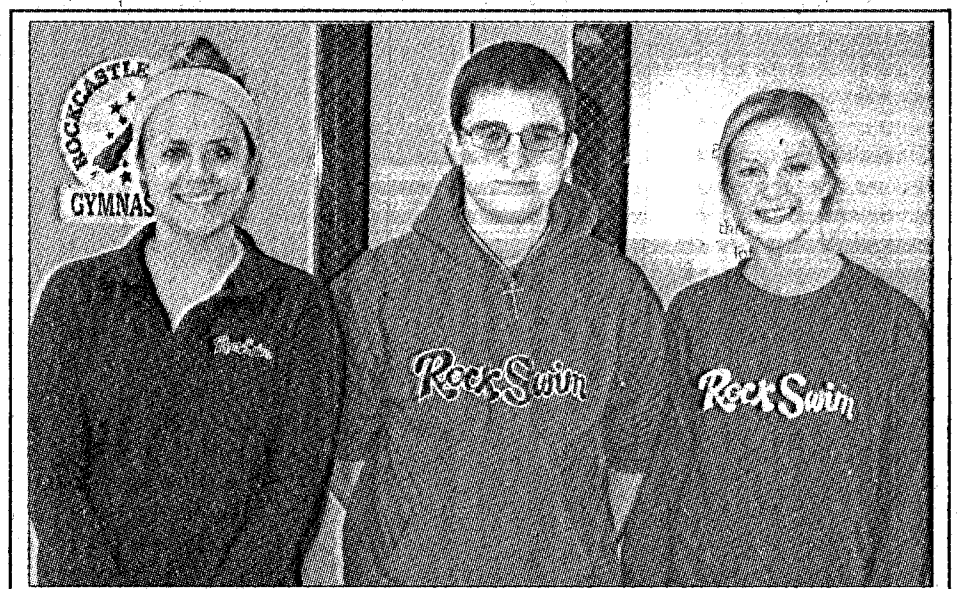
Swim team competes at Richmond Model

The RCHS Swim Team attended a meet at Model Tuesday, February 3rd. Team members swam against Model, Berea Community, and Madison Southern swim teams. Several swimmers had strong swims at this meet with the Women's 400 Free Relay team consisting of Emilee Thomas, Rachel Cain, Laurel Yates, and Rebekah Lake taking first place. So far this swim season, several school records have been broken with new records made.

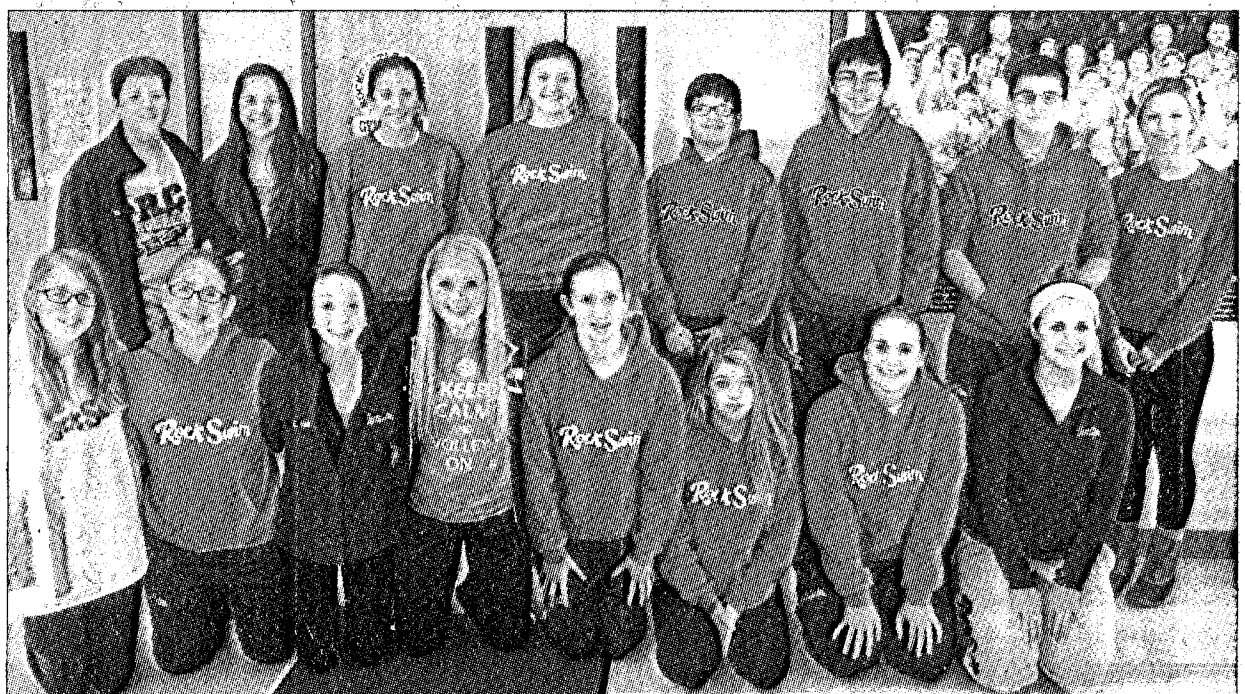
This year's new records are:

- Women's 200 Medley Relay- Rebekah Lake, Emily Childress, Rachel Cain, and Laurel Yates- 2:14.69
- Women's 200 Freestyle- Laurel Yates- 2:18.00
- Women's 100 Breaststroke- Laurel Yates- 1:19.43
- Men's 200 Freestyle- Joseph Hunt- 2:36.29
- Men's 500 Freestyle- Joseph Hunt- 7:32.02
- Men's 200 IM- Joseph Hunt- 2:56.59

Senior swimmers were recently honored at a meet at Berea College. Senior swimmers are: Joseph Hunt, Rachel Cain, and Callie Asher.



Senior RCHS swimmers were recently honored at a meet at Berea College. Senior swimmers are Callie Asher, Joseph Hunt and Rachel Cain.



RCHS Swim Team members pictured are front row: Aden Amburgey, Emilee Thomas, Emily Hall, Emily Deubel, Laurel Yates, Paige Fowler, Rebekah Lake and Callie Asher. Back row: Tristan Winstead, Savannah Goff, Autumn Courtney, Kenzie King, Reese Sherrow, Dawson Nicely, Joseph Hunt, and Rachel Cain.

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.

"Yards"

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lovelier look anyway. Make a planting bed or rock garden or something around the stone if it looks out of place in a grassy lawn.

Flagging or steppers set in the lawn, or on a bed of sand or finely crushed gravels, can make paths, patios and walks. For a front walk or a busy, high traffic area, a walk of thin stones mortared on top of a concrete base are the most durable and safest option.

The pile of stones at the woods edge can become bed edging, a low retaining wall, or can line a low area for a dry creek type feature. Dry stacked walls from just one stone on top of another to perhaps one or two feet tall are a lovely way to use excess stones that will stack together. Adding good soil behind them can make wonderful raised planting beds, so many plants grow much better in this type arrangement.

Stone benches, both from large slabs or from small stones mortared together, and stone tables are just nicer than similar items from cast concrete. A stone patio, a stone path, a stone fireplace, a retaining wall for a raised flower bed—I can see placing the stone table with benches right in the middle!

Mulches of stone, piled two to four inches thick on top of weed barrier cloth, can be a use for gravels of your choice. Mulch once and done for years. Fine gravel can also be used for paths, (this won't work for you ladies with heels though) and create low-cost options to concrete or stonemasonry.

Consider adding a special space to unwind—even adding a large core-drilled stone for a bubbling waterfeature.

Smart utilization of stones can certainly enhance both curb appeal and aesthetics of a home.

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.

"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.

"Hunting"

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stances allow. This leaves outdoors enthusiasts with a conundrum: their older gear is too nice to throw away or donate, but they don't use it anymore. They may gladly sell this gear reasonably to a friend or relative and be thankful it will be used and appreciated by someone they know. In the case of outdoor clothing, it may be given to you.

4. Clean and lube a spinning reel to make it new again: If a spinning reel feels like it is slowly filling with sawdust or develops an annoying catch on the retrieve, it is likely not completely shot and needs replacing, but just dirty and starved for lubrication. Old grease and oil attracts dirt and grit over time. This gunk builds up and impacts the reel's performance.

Remove the reel spool and wipe down the spool shaft and apply a light coat of reel oil. Oil the roller bearing on the bail that lays line on the spool. Remove the handle and the screws that hold the side plate (some reels have a decorative plate that covers one of the side plate screws). Gently pry open the side plate. You'll see the main gear in the middle with a roller bearing on top of it. Remove the roller bearing and drop it in rubbing alcohol to dissolve old oil, grease and accumulated crud. Clean the main gear, the drive gear in front of the reel and the worm gear along the bottom with an old tooth brush and hot soapy water. After drying, apply a light coat of reel grease to the gears and apply a few drops of reel oil to the roller bearing. Reassemble the reel and it should sing like new.

5. Buy a used pump shotgun for spring turkey hunting: A turkey hunting shotgun is a utility gun, not a pretty over-and-under for wing or trap shooting. Gun stores often have used pump shotguns for \$150 or less. A friend or relative who's hunted for years often has an old pump they would let go of at little cost. Online auction sites have used pumps for bargain prices as well. As long as it functions, the appearance matters little since the first step is covering the gun with camouflage tape, making sure not to interfere with its action in the process.

At this price, you can afford to add a red or green rear bead sight. Now, you have an affordable and perfectly functional turkey hunting shotgun. A 12-gauge that can chamber 3-inch magnum shells is best. Use these tips to save much needed cash in getting the outdoor gear you need. The warm winds of spring are just around the corner.

Author Lee McClellan is a nationally award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is a life-long hunter and angler, with a passion for smallmouth bass fishing.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF ROCKCASTLE ORDINANCE NUMBER 15-

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCE BY REGULATION OF CERTAIN INVOLUNTARY PAYMENTS REQUIRED OF EMPLOYEES IN ROCKCASTLE COUNTY

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Ordinance to provide that no employee covered by the National Labor Relations Act need join or pay dues to a union, or refrain from joining a union, as a condition of employment; and provide certain penalties for violation of those employment rights; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to promote economic development within the County, directly and in cooperation with public and private entities promoting Rockcastle County and its resources, its people and its many geographical and cultural advantages; and

WHEREAS, Rockcastle County and its residents compete for the expansion of employment opportunities with other cities, counties and states whose citizens benefit from the protections under similar right to work legislation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 67.083 Rockcastle Fiscal Court is tasked with and empowered to regulate commerce for the protection and convenience of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Court of Rockcastle County hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Rockcastle County to promote and encourage direct commerce for the protection and convenience of the public, by giving employees freedom to choose employment without restraint or coercion regarding the payment of mandatory dues, fees or other payments to a labor organization as a condition of that employment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY that no employee within ROCKCASTLE County covered by the National Labor Relations Act need join or pay dues to a union, or refrain from joining a union, as a condition of employment; and certain penalties shall be provided for violation of those employment rights:

Section 1. Authority. This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the authority granted to the Fiscal Court of Rockcastle County as a political subdivision of the Commonwealth in accordance with the laws set forth in the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the laws of the United States of America. The intent of this Ordinance is to be applied throughout the County, with all municipalities included.

Section 2. Declaration of public policy. It is hereby declared to be the public policy of the County of Rockcastle in order to ensure individual freedom of choice in the pursuit of employment, for the protection and convenience of its citizens who desire the broadest choice of employment opportunities, to permit its citizens to choose to increase their real take home pay by decreasing mandatory payroll deductions in order to stimulate savings and economic growth, and to encourage an employment climate conducive to the economic development of the County, including recruiting new businesses to the County, that the right to work shall not be subject to undue restraint or coercion. The right to work shall not be infringed or restricted in any way based on membership in, affiliation with, or financial support of a labor organization.

Section 3. Terms. The terms "employee," "employer," "labor organization," and "person" as used in this Ordinance shall have the same meanings as defined by the National Labor Relations Act.

Section 4. Freedom of choice guaranteed, discrimination prohibited. No person covered by the National Labor Relations Act shall be required as a condition of employment or continuation of employment:

- (A) to resign or refrain from voluntary membership in, voluntary affiliation with, or voluntary financial support of a labor organization;
- (B) to become or remain a member of a labor organization;
- (C) to pay any dues, fees, assessments, or other charges of any kind or amount to a labor organization;
- (D) to pay to any charity or other third party, in lieu of such payments, any amount equivalent to or a pro-rata portion of dues, fees, assessments, or other charges regularly required of members of a labor organization; or
- (E) to be recommended, approved, referred, or cleared by or through a labor organization.

Section 5. Voluntary deductions protected. It shall be unlawful to deduct from the wages, earnings, or compensation of an employee any union dues, fees, assessments, or other charges to be held for, transferred to, or paid over to a labor organization, unless the employee has first presented, and the employer has received, a signed written authorization of such deductions, which authorization may be revoked by the employee at any time by giving written notice of such revocation to the employer.

Section 6. Agreements in violation, and actions to induce such agreements, declared illegal. Any agreement, understanding, or practice, written or oral, implied or expressed, between any labor organization and employer that violates the rights of employees as guaranteed by provisions of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be unlawful, null and void, and of no legal effect.

Section 7. Coercion and intimidation prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person, labor organization, or officer, agent or member thereof, or employer, or officer thereof, by any threatened or actual intimidation of an employee or prospective employee, or an employee's or prospective employee's parents, spouse, children, grandchildren, or any other persons residing in the employee's or prospective employee's home, or by any damage or threatened damage to an employee's or prospective employee's property, to compel or attempt to compel such employee to join, affiliate with, or financially support a labor organization or to refrain from doing so, or otherwise forfeit any rights as guaranteed by provisions of this Ordinance. It shall also be unlawful to cause or attempt to cause an employee to be denied employment or discharged from employment because of support or non-support of a labor organization by inducing or attempting to induce any other person to refuse to work with such employees.

Section 8. Penalties. Any person who violates Section 7 of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a Class A Misdemeanor. A violation of any other section of this Ordinance shall be classified as a Class B Misdemeanor.

Section 9. Civil remedies. Any individual harmed as a result of any violation or threatened violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall have a civil cause of action in Circuit Court to enjoin further violations, and to recover the actual damages sustained; together with the cost of the lawsuit, including a reasonable attorney's fee. Such remedies shall be independent of and in addition to the penalties and remedies prescribed in other provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 10. Duty to investigate. It shall be the duty of the Rockcastle County Sheriff to investigate complaints of violation or threatened violations of this Ordinance and to take all means at his/her command to ensure the effective enforcement of this Ordinance.

Section 11. Prospective application. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all contracts entered into after the effective date of this Ordinance by employers or labor organizations covering employees within this County, and shall apply to any renewal or extension of any existing contract.

Section 12. Effective date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after its passage and approval.

Section 13. Severability clause. If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, entity or circumstances, shall be invalid or unenforceable to any extent, the remainder of this Ordinance, and the application of such provision to other person, entities or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by law.

Section 14. Repealer clause. All prior Orders, Resolutions or Ordinances or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to KRS 67.077 in that it was published in summary form on the 12th day of February, 2015, and was introduced and had first reading on the 10th day of February, 2015, and said Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon second reading and signature, recordation and publication in summary form pursuant to KRS Chapter 424 and KRS 67.077 Subsection 3.

APPROVED this 10th day of February, 2015.

/s/ Doug Bishop,
Rockcastle County Judge Executive

ATTESTED:
Patricia Martin,
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Farmers/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 Grill, 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 begins 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 kyltatum@yahoo.com.

Space2Create sponsoring Valentine's Day Party this Saturday 11 am to 2 pm

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.

SCC scholarship deadline approaching

Applications are currently being accepted for numerous scholarship opportunities available through Somerset Community College.

March 1, 2015 is the priority deadline for scholarships. All incoming and current students are encouraged to apply.

"We encourage all students to apply for scholarships," said JR Thompson, SCC's scholarship coordinator. "This includes, but isn't limited to, current high school seniors, students who have attended other colleges, homeschooled students, or students of all ages, backgrounds and regions of the SCC service area."

Funding for scholarships at SCC comes from a variety of sources, including external funding, state, KCTCS, institutional and endowed scholarship funds. Last year, the scholarship office at SCC awarded \$734,228 in funding to SCC students.

To apply, all interested students must complete the scholarship application that can be found online at Somerset.kctcs.edu. A link to "Scholarships" can be found on the "Financial Aid" page of the website and a scholarship application can be downloaded, printed and mailed to the address listed. Students may also visit the SCC Office of Financial Aid, located on the Somerset and Laurel Campuses, for a scholarship brochure. The application submission deadline for the Fall 2015 term is March 1, 2015 and must be postmarked by that date.

Applicants will also need a most recent transcript, a copy of the most recent federal tax return (in order to be considered for financial need scholarships) and ACT, SAT or COMPASS results.

"Through the generosity of donors and other agencies, the scholarship program at Somerset Community College has afforded students with the opportunity to earn their college degree while providing funding that offset the cost of tuition," said Thompson. "Scholarships provide an excellent way for an individual to supplement their award package and therefore we encourage all students to apply. Although many of the scholarships are

based on financial need or academic achievement, we also have scholarships for specific programs, for students from specific geographical regions, and for those who have other qualifications or needs. One former scholarship recipient wrote this in regards to his experience: "This scholarship relieved a significant financial burden from my shoulders. It has allowed me to avoid taking out loans that would follow me throughout my education and would have slowed down my progress. I am grateful for the assistance."

For more information on applying for a scholarship at SCC, contact Thompson at charles.thompson@kctcs.edu or by phone at (606) 451-6644.

Somerset Community College is a comprehensive

two-year institution of higher education. SCC has campuses in Somerset and

London, and centers in Clinton, McCreary, Casey, and Russell counties.

Join Arbor Day Foundation and receive 10 dogwood trees

The Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for everyone to celebrate the arrival of spring by planting trees. Join the Arbor Day Foundation in March 2015 and receive 10 white flowering dogwood trees.

"White flowering dogwoods will add beauty to your home throughout the year," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Dogwoods are known for their showy spring flowers, scarlet autumn foliage, and red berries that attract songbirds during winter."

The trees will be shipped postpaid with enclosed planting instructions at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Arbor Day Foundation members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the Foundation's bimonthly publication, and The Tree Book.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE DOGWOOD TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 30, 2015. Or join online at arborday.org/march.

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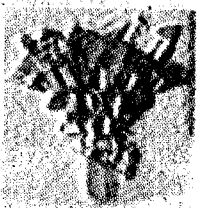
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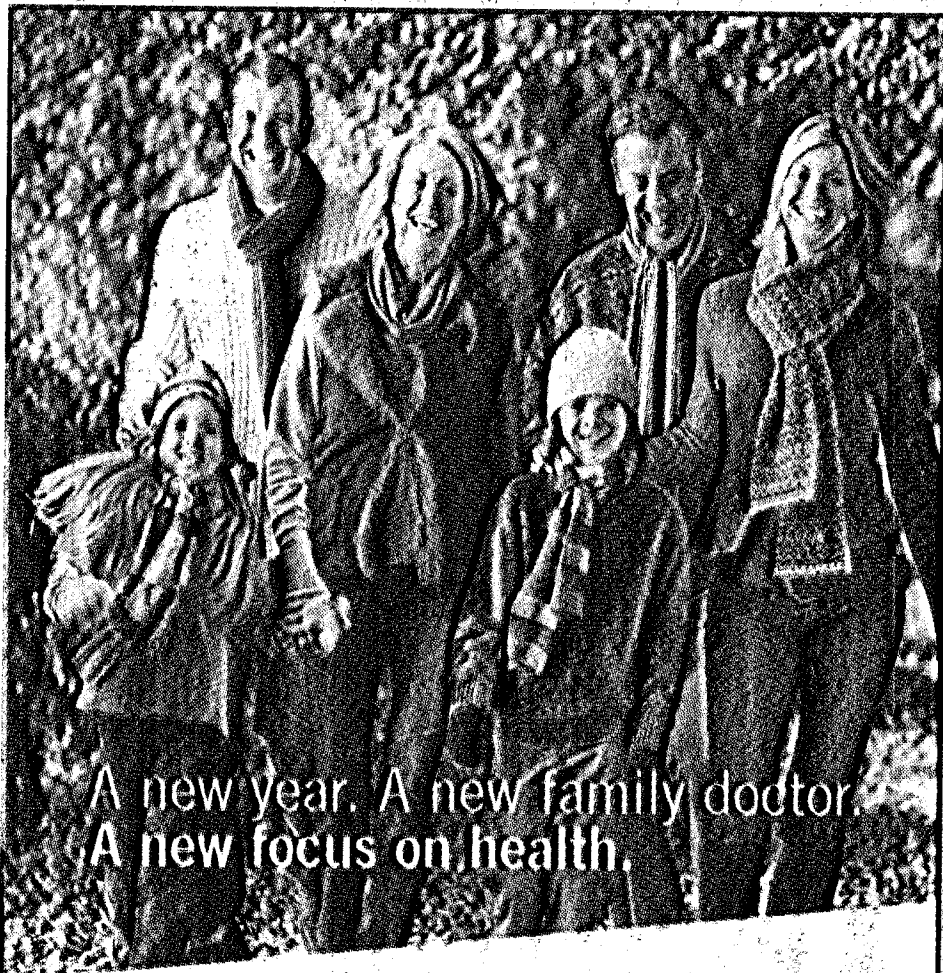
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Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Mt. Vernon musician will be featured on KET and RFD-TV

By: Doug Ponder

A Mt. Vernon musician will be featured on KET and RFD-TV this week.

Joe McClure, 47, of Mt. Vernon is a former banjo player for the well-known bluegrass band "The Velvet Blue." McClure and the band were recently interviewed and also performed on Kentucky Farm Bureau's "Bluegrass and Backroads" show.

The episode will be featured on KET this Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and it will be featured on RFD-TV next Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The episode will also be periodically rebroadcast on both channels.

"The Velvet Blue" was founded in 2012 and have since played in concerts with several popular bluegrass artists, including Dale Ann Bradley, Lost and Found, II Tyme Out and John Cowan and The Grascals. The band released

their debut album "Memories & Heartaches" in 2013, which included hits "When the Crops Are Laid By," "The Night My Grandpa Died," "I Think I'd Rather Fall" and "Blue in the Blue Ridge Mountains."

The band now features Brain Cooper (vocals and guitar), Carrie Johnson (vocals and bass guitar), Taylor Hampton (mandolin) and Lyndon Howard (banjo).

McClure said he was asked to join the band as a temporary banjo player in 2012 and they immediately hit it off as a band.

"I loved their harmony and singing. I also enjoyed touring with them. We even had a Canadian tour that ended in Nova Scotia," McClure said. "I couldn't ask for better musicians and friends."

McClure recently left the group because of other life and family obligations.

However, he said he still plays with the band on occasion.

"The reason I left was it was hard to fulfill all the tour dates and also hold down a full-time job," McClure said. "But I am still on the back burner for this band and others."

For more information about The Velvet Blue visit www.thevelvetblue.com or www.facebook.com/thevelvetblue.



Joe McClure, right, is one of the musicians with "The Velvet Blue" featured this week on KET and RFD-TV.

Hidden Among Us

The American Revolutionary War Patriots of Rockcastle

By Karen Hamm Adams

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 of American Revolution, please contact Debbie Brown (606) 758-8659 or Iris Young (606) 256-2851.

William Swinney

North Carolina
William Swinney was born 28 May 1761 Surry Co. NC and died 9 September 1857 in Rockcastle Co. KY. According to his pension application, he gave the following account of his service on 16 September 1833 in Pulaski Co. KY at the age of seventy-two. William entered the service of the United States while a resident of Surry Co. NC in the month of August, the year he couldn't remember, for a term of three months. His company belonged to the regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Williams, who lived in the same neighborhood as William. They were marched to near the head of the Yadkin River, where they crossed the Blue Ridge at a place called the Flower Gap. They were then marched to the neighborhood of the Long Islands of Holston River and were stationed there about four weeks.

The next part of their journey led them to Powell's Valley, TN near Cumberland Gap. He was stationed there until the end of his term of service. He was detained in the service after the expiration of his three months by the order of

Blood Drive next Tuesday

The Kentucky Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in Mt. Vernon next Tuesday.

Those wishing to donate in Rockcastle County can do so at the First Baptist Church gymnasium from 1 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

To schedule a donation visit kybloodcenter.org or call 1-800-775-2522. Blood donors must have a photo ID, be seventeen-years-old, weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health and meet other additional requirements. Sixteen-year-old donors must have a signed parental permission slip which can be found at www.kybloodcenter.org.

the commanding officers. While being detained, William's group of men was engaged at different locations marching, scouting and ranging against the Tories and Indians. After about one month, William was discharged by Colonel Joseph Williams.

In September of the same year, William was drafted for a three month tour to serve in the Company of Captain Hickman. When the company began to join the Army, William was confined with fever and was able to travel seven or eight days later. He caught up with his Company at Camden, SC which was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Malmedy under General Nathaniel Greene. They were marched near the battleground of the Eutaw Springs, and being sick with a few others, was left on the road while the rest of the Army marched on and was engaged in the Battle of Eutaw Springs. After the battle, William was ordered to guard prisoners to Salisbury, NC and was engaged in that service until the term of three months had expired. He received his discharge from Colonel Locke.

He was again called into service in the Company of Captain Mosby immediately after the Battle of Kings Mountain (7 October 1780). They were marched to guard

the prisoners taken at the Battle of Kings Mountain and remained there engaged in that service until ordered to be discharged. William was allowed a pension at the rate of \$26.66 annually commencing 4 March 1832 for eight months of service as a private in the North Carolina Militia.

William lived in Surry Co. NC when he was called into service and after the war had ended. Five years later, he moved to the state of Tennessee and settled in Washington Co. on Roans Creek and lived there for about ten years. He moved to Kentucky and lived in Bourbon Co. five years, then to Madison Co. for four years. He later moved to Pulaski Co. (about 1809) and lived there for twenty four years at the time of his pension application. By the 1840 Census, William was listed as living in Rockcastle County.

William married Milley Griffin (1768 Surry Co. NC-1840 Rockcastle Co. KY) on 1 February 1785. William later married Sarah "Sally" Ross (1794-October 1862 Rockcastle Co. KY) on 16 December 1842 in Rockcastle Co. KY. After William's death on 9 September 1857, Sarah applied and received a widow's pension on 22 May 1858. William and Sarah are buried in marked graves at the Friendship Cemetery at Level Green in Rockcastle County.

William did not mention his children in his pension

application. The known children of William and Milley are: John Swinney (1785NC-15 March 1814 Bourbon Co. KY) married Unknown and had two children. Jesse Swinney (1790); Daniel Swinney (1794 Pulaski Co. KY-23 May 1835 Pulaski Co. KY) married Elizabeth Griffin (1795-1883) on 10 October 1818 Pulaski Co. KY. They had seven children. Thomas Swinney (1795 KY-1867 Pulaski Co. KY) married Jenny Lee (1800-1850) on 2 October 1813. They had seven children. Stephen Swinney (1797-10 October 1821 Pulaski Co. KY) married Celia Lilly White (1797-1880) on 1 August 1820 Pulaski Co. KY. Joshua Swinney (20 November 1803-December 1880) married Susannah Prather on 23 November 1825 Pulaski Co. KY. Robert Swinney (17 October 1806 Pulaski Co. KY-21 January 1877 Rockcastle Co. KY) married Lydia Vanhook (1814-1891) on 7 February 1828 Rockcastle Co. KY. They had eleven children. Elizabeth Swinney (1811 Pulaski Co. KY-1845 Pulaski Co. KY) married William C. Isaacs on 16 December 1831 Pulaski Co. KY. Murphy Swinney (1816 Pulaski Co. KY-26 May 1864).

William Swinney (written as Sweeney) is a recognized Patriot by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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 next Tuesday as a part of his Kentucky tour.

White House ONDCP Michael Botticelli and U.S. Representative Hal Rogers are scheduled to visit RCHS next Tuesday and they will both 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.

According to a UNITE news release, UNITE is also hosting a luncheon with Botticelli and Rogers as keynote speakers before they travel to Rockcastle County.

The free event is next Tuesday at the ECU Manchester Campus in Manchester and everyone 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 this Thursday by emailing Gina Muncy at 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 UNITE President/CEO Nancy Hale at nhale@centertech.com.

Former Rockets head coach Tom Larkey hired at Perry Central

By: Doug Ponder

Former Rockcastle County Rockets football Head Coach Tom Larkey is now the new head football coach at Perry County Central High School in Hazard.

Larkey was hired for the position last Saturday. He replaces former Perry Central Commodores football head coach Jordan Amis who recently resigned.

Larkey takes over the helm at Perry Central after being dismissed as the Harlan County Black Bears head football coach on January 20th.

Larkey said he was thrilled when he received the news that he would be the new head coach at Perry Central.

"I am excited about the opportunity," Larkey said. "Sounds like they are willing to do what it takes to build a program here."

The Perry Central Commodores football team had a 1-10 record last season. Larkey said that he will be looking for overall "commitment" from his players in order to have a winning record next season.

"Players need to put in the discipline needed and believe in themselves," Larkey said. "We need to

make it exciting again by winning. We need to have a winning season and win a district championship."

Larkey has been a head coach in high school football for 34 years and has an overall record of 292-116 which includes 12 district championships, 9 district runner-ups, 6 regional championships, 5 regional championship runners up and 2 state championship runners-up.

His best record as head coach was at Rockcastle County where he coached from 1985-2007 and had an overall record of 212-67, which included 8 district championships, 4 regional runners up, 4 region championships and 2 state runners up.

Larkey went on to say that Rockcastle County is not on Perry Central's schedule next season. However, he said he will coach against his son Chris, who is the head coach at North Laurel High School, and against his former school Harlan County.

"Yeah we play both North Laurel and Harlan County next season," Larkey said. "That could be interesting."

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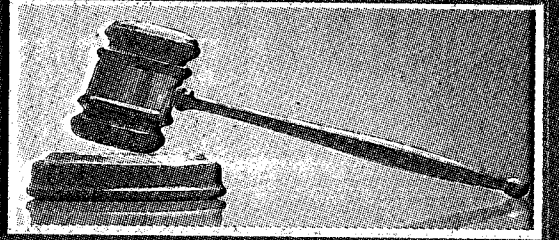
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For more information or to sign up, contact Kayla Rowe at (606) 256-7767 or kayla.rowe@rhccc.org.

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse



Circuit Civil Suits

Troy Bradley v. Sandra Bradley, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Diana Joy Helms v. Marc Earl Helms, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Stanley Jay Anderson v. Allen K. Ray, et al; complaint.
 Nathan Andrew Alcorn v. Shemia Marie Crouse, verified petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Tammi Renee Martin v. Marvin Eugene Martin, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00017

Larry Goff, Ronnie Goff and Chris and Shannon Goff, property in Rockcastle County, to Bob Lunsford, Tax \$4.50

Secretary of Veterans Affairs, property in Rockcastle County, to Colin and Tressa Loudon. Tax \$73
 Fannie Mae, property on Old Smoky Road, Brodhead, to Neil Vanwy. Tax \$27

Dale and Gayle Scoggin, property on waters of Little Negro Creek, to Christopher and Brooke Bishop. Tax \$70

Jewell L. Graves, property on Mattie Hasty Road, to Clinton A. Graves and Keith D. Graves. No tax

Alan L. Gaddis: failure to or improper signal, \$25 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine; driving DUI suspended license, \$100 fine and costs.

Michael J. Hifner: no/expired registration plates - receipt, bw issued for fta.

Speeding; Richard D. Hysinger, Jonathan Scott Jelton, Bryce A. Childers, Jaime O. Miranda, Suzanne C. Snider, Nicholas Stenger, Tammi L. Anderson, Chelsea B. Killman, Wendy K. Solis, license suspended for fta; Jamie M. Juett, Christopher Deangelis, \$44 fine and costs; Melody S. Bryant, paid; Nicholas S. Fletcher, \$18 fine and costs; John E. Mills, \$48 fine and costs.

Candice D. Kidwell: failure to wear seat belts, fine paid.

Jeremy B. King: improper equipment, costs only.

Matthew Z. Damrell: disregarding traffic control device, license suspended for fta.

Kristina Lynne Kern: use/possess drug paraphernalia, public intoxication controlled sub., bw issued for fta.

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

Virginia Mahaffey: no/expired registration plates - receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

David L. Page: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs.

James William Weaver, Jr: receiving stolen property, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Bobby Akers: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, \$200 fine and costs, \$375 service fee, 30 days operator license suspension/ADE authorized; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine.

Feb. 2-4, 2015
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Joshua S. Little: alcohol intoxication in a public place, \$50 fine and costs.
 Virginia Mahaffey: no/

expired registration plates, \$25 fine; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, \$25 fine.

Jarrold L. Cupp: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, license to be in possession, giving officer false name or address, 7 days in jail in lieu of fines, credit time served.

Joshua Howard: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, failure to produce insurance card, 7 days in jail in lieu of fines, credit time served.

Brandon Simpson: driving DUI suspended license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 4 days in jail/ to serve/credit time served.

Brandy L. Riney: theft by unlawful taking or disp. shoplifting, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Jonathan Tanner Allen: fines/fees due (\$188), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Randy Wayne Allen: fines/fees due (\$296), bw issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment in full.

Alisha J. Beaudin: fines/fees due (\$178), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Michael G. Blair: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Dean R. Blessing: fines/fees due (\$163), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Joyce E. Carpenter: fines/fees due (\$733), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.

Javier Castro: no operators/moped license, \$100 fine and costs.

Lee Clark: fines/fees due (\$208), bw issued for fta/5 days in jail or payment in full.

James A. Cotton: failure to wear seat belts, improper registration plates, failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.
 Elizabeth G. Cunagin:

fines/fees due (\$686), bw issued for fta/15 days in jail or payment in full.

Derick Damrell: fines/fees due (\$133), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Douglas W. Holt: fines/fees due (\$650), bw issued for fta/14 days in jail or payment in full.

Amber Houston: faulty equipment, \$40 fine and costs.

Mark E. Isaacs: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Marty K. Jones: fines/fees due (\$123), bw issued for fta/3 days in jail or payment in full.

Casey L. Lewis: fines/fees due (\$458), bw issued for fta/10 days in jail or payment in full.

Joseph B. Renner: no tail lamps, \$25 fine/suspended.

Albert M. Seals: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Westley D. Singleton: fines/fees due (\$733), 16 days in jail/concurrent with state sentence.

Boyd J. Smith: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.

Cristen M. Smith: fines/fees due (\$192), bw issued for fta/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Lawrence D. Steinmetz: speeding, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta.

Ivan M. Sterenzat: speeding, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bw issued for fta.

Elmer L. Stewart: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, 90 days/probated 24 months on condition.

Justin C. Strunk: speeding and improper registration plate, license suspended for fta.

William E. Wagoner, Jr: no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, license suspended for fta.

District Civil Suits

Midland Funding LLC v. Jimmy Pheanis, \$3,498.95 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding LLC v. Jeffery Smallwood, \$529.37 plus claimed due.
 P&G Nicely Enterprises, Inc. v. Dewayne and Sherri Bolin, forcible detainer complaint.
 Midland Funding LLC v. Evelyn Tuttle, \$1,723.91 plus claimed due. C-00020

Marriage Licenses

Marci Ann Garner, 45, Russellville, TN, phlebotomist to Delbert Hawkins, 65, Russellville, TN, retired. 1/29/15

Jessi Nichole Jones, 21, Orlando, Wendy's to Andrew Willard Thomas, 25, Mt. Vernon, J&R Auto Sales. 2/3/15

Sandra Louise Caldwell, 17, Mt. Vernon, student to Zachary Dewayne Bledsoe, 17, Mt. Vernon, student. 2/4/15

Deeds Recorded

Gary and Dianna Barnett, property in Rockcastle County, to Samantha J. and Jesse Artley. Tax \$25
 Jennifer Goff and Keith Goff, property in Rockcastle County, to Keith Goff, No tax
 Jennifer Goff and Keith Goff, property on Poplar Grove Road, to Keith Goff. No tax
 Larry Goff, Ronnie Goff and Chris and Shannon Goff, property in Rockcastle County, to James Noe. Tax \$63

District Court

January 28, 2015
Hon. Kathryn G. Wood
 Randy Wayne Allen: fines/fees due (\$198), bench warrant (bw) issued for failure to appear (fta)/4 days in jail or payment in full.

Shonda L. Bradley: failure of non-owner operator to maintain req. insurance, bw issued for fta/license suspended.

Robert L. Flannery: fleeing or evading police, wanton endangerment, resisting arrest, bw issued for fta.

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Livingston City Clerk, Trish Doan

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LEADERSHIP ROCKCASTLE

Accepting Applications for Class of 2015

This year's program will kick off Saturday, March 21st. It will be a one day session at a location in Rockcastle County.

In April we will take a full day trip to Frankfort to tour the State Capitol.

Six sessions will take place once a month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at various locations around the county.

Anyone interested in this program should contact the Rockcastle County Development Board 606-308-4646 or email Lynn Tatum at kytatum@yahoo.com.

- Strengthen communication, organizational and economic development skills
- Become involved in the community
- Effectively guide development initiatives by increasing knowledge, networking and leadership skills
- Discuss important county issues
- Tackle new leadership challenges within your company and community
- Session topics include effective meeting, communications skills and conflict resolution

This program is for individuals that want to see Rockcastle County prosper, grow and have quality of life issues addressed!



BES Academic Team members are front from left: Kaitlyn Burgin, Madalyn White, Callie Creech and Riley Sherrow. Back row from left: Ezekiel Graves, Hunter Day, Ethan Carpenter, Meghan Sumner, Granville Graves and Ben Hamm. Not Pictured: Samuel Burdine.



The first grade students at Brodhead Elementary celebrated the 100th day of school on Monday, February 2nd, by dressing like they were 100 years old.

BES Academic Team competes in county tourney

Congratulations to BES Academic Team on a great weekend competition. On Saturday, February 7th students from BES competed in the first Rockcastle County Elementary Academic Team County Tournament. We had 2 Quick Recall teams and they placed 1st and 2nd in the tournament. Our Quick Recall Teams consisted of the following:

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| <p>Team A --1st Place
Hunter Day
Ethan Carpenter
Callie Creech
Ezekiel Graves
Granville Graves</p> | <p>Team B--2nd Place
Samuel Burdine
Kaitlyn Burgin
Ben Hamm
Riley Sherrow
Meghan Sumner
Madalyn White</p> |
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- Students also competed in written competition in the areas of Math, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts and Arts and Humanities. Students scored in the following areas:
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| <p>Math
3rd—Samuel Burdine
4th—Hunter Day
5th—Ezekiel Graves
Language Arts
2nd—Callie Creech
3rd—Granville Graves
4th—Madalyn White
Science
1st—Hunter Day
2nd—Granville Graves
3rd—Ben Hamm
4th—Ethan Carpenter
5th—Ezekiel Graves</p> | <p>Social Studies
2nd—Ben Hamm
4th—Meghan Sumner
5th—Ethan Carpenter
Arts and Humanities
2nd—Callie Creech
3rd—Riley Sherrow
4th—Madalyn White</p> |
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Rockcastle County residents can apply for scholarship

Rockcastle County residents have until May 1 to apply for the Kentucky Coal County College Completion Scholarship. The scholarship helps residents of the state's coal-producing counties complete a bachelor's degree.

Minds in the Middle

This week is Random Acts of Kindness week. Our Builders Club is heading up the "Wall of Kindness" and are looking for students who are doing kind acts throughout the school day. Those students' names will appear on the wall for showing that they care about others.

We are still taking yearbook orders and will be for a while. However, if you want to have your name on the front cover of your yearbook, you must order one by February 26th. The cost for a personalized yearbook is \$40.00.

It is spelling bee time again at RCMS and the teams are currently in the process of narrowing the field to one winner per team. Congratulations to the four class spelling bee winners on the Voyagers team: Delani Reynolds, Jason Puckett, Jacob Collinsworth and Seth Lykins. Those four students then competed for the title of Team Spelling Bee winner with Seth Lykins coming out on top. Seth will now represent the Voyagers in the school spelling bee. Chandler Cole, Emma Smith, Blaine Rumsey and Gracelynn Owens were spelling bee winners in Mrs. Wolfe's language arts classes. Those four competed to be the Adventurers Team Spelling Bee Winner with Gracelynn Owens coming out on top. Congratulations to all of them! The six team winners will compete on Thursday.

Remember to 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 at The Shoebox in Mt. Vernon. See an 8th grader to make a donation.

The KONA Ice trucks will be here on Wednesday, February 18th. All proceeds benefit the 8th grade trip.

ESS will resume this 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. The grading period will end on February 20th, so take advantage of this time to improve your academics.

County College Completion Scholarship. The scholarship helps residents of the state's coal-producing counties complete a bachelor's degree.

A student must:

- Be a U.S. citizen and a permanent resident of a Kentucky coal-producing county.
- Have earned at least 60 credit hours toward a bachelor's degree.
- Be enrolled at least half-time in a bachelor's degree program.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Have no past due financial obligations to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). The award amounts are:

- Up to \$6,800 per year at a nonprofit, independent college in a coal-producing county.
- Up to \$2,300 per year at a public university extension campus in a coal-producing county.
- Up to \$3,400 per year at a public or nonprofit, independent college whose main campus is in Kentucky but is not in a coal-producing county.

Transportation is provided. Art Club is available during this time as well. Ninety of our 8th graders have been randomly selected to participate in the NAEP assessment in February. 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 Ctr.

8th graders who are interested in the Rogers Explorers program must have those applications in by this Sunday, 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. See Mrs. Cromer if you have questions or need help with the application process.

A new Box Tops race began last week and will continue through February 25th. The team who collects the most box tops in this 3-week race will win a pizza party.

Congratulations to Mr. Mattingly's 7th grade Shooting Stars on winning the attendance race last week. Mr. McGuire's Shooting Stars and Mr. Gabbard's 6th grade Enterprisers tied for second.

The scholarship may be used at college not in a coal-producing county only if the student is pursuing an approved bachelor's degree program in a major not offered at any college in a coal-producing county.

To apply, students must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Kentucky Coal County College Completion Scholarship application at www.kheaa.com. To access the online application, students must sign in from the home page. Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis according to the date the FAFSA was submitted.

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

Tiger Pause

- Calendar**
- Monday, February 16 – NO SCHOOL Presidents Day
 - 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

Congratulations to Samuel Burdine, from Mrs. McClure's class, for winning the school spelling bee held at BES on Monday, February 2. Sam will represent BES at the county spelling bee on Tuesday, February 17.

Please remember that all treats sent to school for students to share must be pre-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.

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.

These tips may help students do better on the ACT

Juniors in the state's public high schools will take the ACT on March 3. These tips from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) may be helpful.

- Read, read, read. Most of the ACT is based on reading. The more you read, the better you'll do.
- Take advantage of any free ACT prep courses offered by your school or by local colleges and libraries.
- Take practice tests online or buy practice tests for use at home.
- Familiarize yourself with the sections and directions.
- Get plenty of rest the night before, and eat a good breakfast that morning.
- Remember to take No. 2 pencils and a calculator if your school doesn't provide them.

Students should remember to put their Social Security number on the ACT so KHEAA will know if they qualify for a bonus award through the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) program.

KHEAA is the state agency that promotes college awareness, provides free college planning materials and administers state student aid programs, including KEES.

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

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CHURCH NEWS

Free Bible Courses

Free Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and address to 3168 Quail Road, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456.

Let the Bible Speak

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

Benefit Singing

Cupps Chapel Holiness Church will have a Benefit Singing Sunday night, February 15th, beginning at 6 o'clock. Proceeds will go toward the medical bills for Ronnie and Kathy Welles. Ronnie had a farm accident in September.

There will be special singing and preaching. The Turner Family and others will be singing.

Pastor Dwayne Carpenter and congregation welcome you.

Revival

Livingston Pentecostal Holiness Church will be in Revival February 18-22 with Bro. Jim Suits, evangelist.

Pastor James Miller and congregation welcome everyone.

Services at Union Baptist

Union Baptist Church at Red Hill is now having services every Thursday night at 7 o'clock and Sunday morning - Sunday School at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m.

Union Baptist Church invests everyone to come out and worship with us.

Gospel Singing

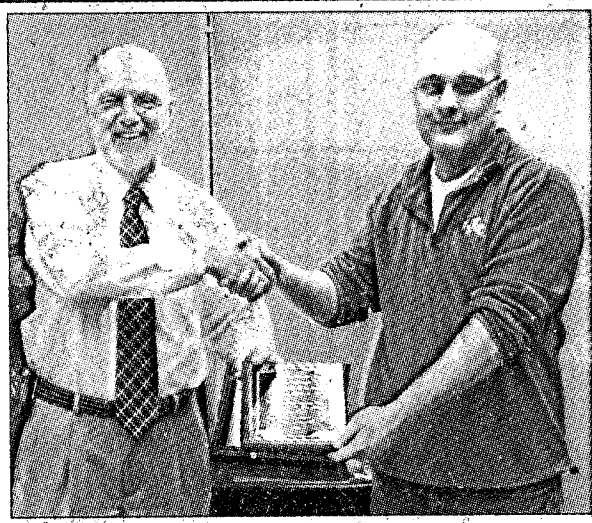
Lighthouse Baptist Church will hold a Gospel Singing on Saturday, February 14th, beginning at 6 p.m. Featured will be Salvation Rain from Paintsville. The church is located at 1391 Gabbardtown Road, Berea.

Night of Prayer and Praise

Crossroads Assembly of God will host a Night of Prayer and Praise on Saturday, February 28th at 8 p.m.

Anyone and everyone desiring the Lord's Touch in your life is encouraged to attend.

The church is located just off Hwy. 150 in Brodhead.



Mayor Mike Bryant presented Adam Bales with a plaque of appreciation for 4 years of service on the City Council.

An encouraging word:

Problems Pave The Way To Progress

By Howard Coop



"Problems, problems, problems. That's all I've got." How often have you heard someone you know throw that old expression around? Too often, some folk appear to feel that way about life, and they talk incessantly about the problems they face as if problems are all they have.

A problem has been defined as "a question, matter, situation, or person that is perplexing or difficult." From that point of view, most folk, at one time or another, have a problem, and it can be a serious one. But problems do not have to be insurmountable blocks in life's pathway, for problems, even difficult ones, come with solutions. When the solutions are found, they can be, and often are, steppingstones to real achievement. For that reason, Henry J. Kaiser called problems "opportunities in work clothes."

Problems are, most folk will agree, common realities of everyday life, but how problems are perceived and faced is vitally important. Toba Beta said, "Many people pray to be kept out of unexpected problems. Some people pray to be

able to confront and overcome them."

When faced with problems, many people don't think of it that way, but Anthony Williams said, "Every problem is a gift. Without problems, we would not grow." So, Leo Ghiradi wrote, "If mankind had not been confronted with problems in its infancy, without a doubt man would still be living in his 'Stone Age environment.'" But Ghiradi went one to say, "However, because of his advancement in numerous fields of endeavor we who inhabit the earth are rewarded because he viewed his problems with an open mind and accepted them as a challenge." Challenges that result from problems can, and often do, lead to solutions that are beneficial. For that reason, Robert Frost, the New England poet, wrote, "The best way out is always through." Therefore, Steve Maraboli said, "Happiness is not the absence of problems; it's the ability to deal with them."

Problems, properly faced, are mere inconveniences that pave the way to progress.

Mamaw's Kitchen

By Regina Poynter Hoskins

MICHIGAN BROCCOLI CASSEROLE

Will and I introduced this recipe to the family before broccoli was common in the South. The vegetable was served in the dining room at Boone Tavern Hotel in Kentucky where Will and I had both worked while we attended Berea College. Being students at the time, we couldn't afford to eat there. After Will's graduation from Berea in 1973, we moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan. Because it was always available there, we discovered the wonderful taste of broccoli.

2 packages (10 ounces each) frozen broccoli OR 2 bunches fresh broccoli
1/2 cup mayonnaise or Miracle Whip®
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1 can cream of mushroom soup

1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
1 stack Ritz® crackers, crushed
1 stick butter

Preheat oven to 350°. Cook broccoli according to package directions. If using fresh, cut into bite-sized pieces and steam or boil until fork tender. Drain. Add Miracle Whip®, eggs, soup and cheese. Mix thoroughly. Pour into buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Melt butter. Add to crushed crackers; spread evenly over casserole. Bake for 35 minutes. NOTE: I have also used the Mexican Blend of cheese in this

casserole with great results.

TUNA CASSEROLE
I especially enjoy this casserole with a crisp green salad or a cucumber salad.

6 ounces medium noodles
1 can (6 or 7 ounce) tuna, drained
1 cup sliced celery
1/4 cup diced green pepper
1/3 cup chopped onion
1 can (10 and 1/2 ounce) cream of celery soup
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup mayonnaise or Miracle Whip®
4 ounces sharp processed American cheese, shredded (1 cup)

1/2 cup toasted slivered almonds
Preheat oven to 425°. Cook noodles in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Add tuna, celery, green pepper, and onion to the noodles. Stir to mix. Add the soup, milk, Miracle Whip® and cheese to noodle mixture. Stir gently to mix all together. Turn into 2 quart greased, casserole dish. Top with almonds. Bake uncovered at 425° about 20 minutes. Serves 6.

1/2 cup sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
1 stack Ritz® crackers, crushed
1 stick butter
Preheat oven to 350°. Cook broccoli according to package directions. If using fresh, cut into bite-sized pieces and steam or boil until fork tender. Drain. Add Miracle Whip®, eggs, soup and cheese. Mix thoroughly. Pour into buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Melt butter. Add to crushed crackers; spread evenly over casserole. Bake for 35 minutes. NOTE: I have also used the Mexican Blend of cheese in this

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On March 7th we will sell Hay and Farm items at 11:00a.m followed by Poultry, Small Animals and Livestock

March 21st 9:00 a.m.
1st annual Farm Machinery, Horse, Tack, Produce Equipment, Building Material and Tool Sale!

This will replace our Annual Spring Consignment Sale but due to the large quantity of small items we will not sell household goods, quilts, antiques, Poultry and small animals and box lots. At this sale we will have lots of wagons here for misc. tools and farm items.

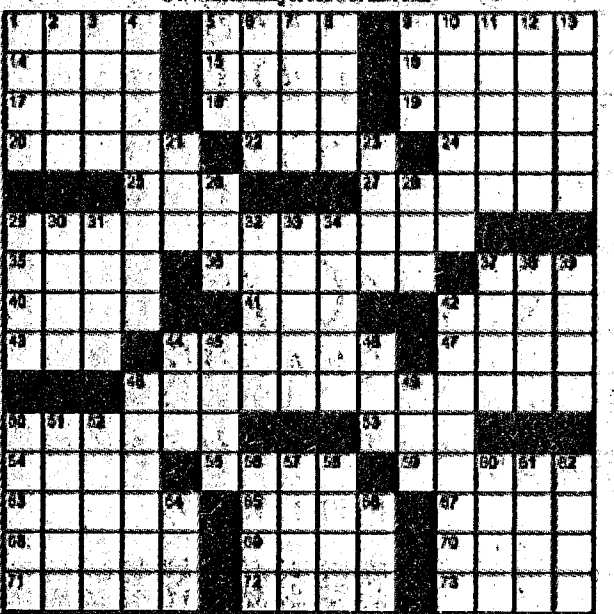
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Kentucky Crossword #669



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- ACROSS**
1. Barley beard
5. Audio effect
9. Out of place
14. Chew the fat
15. Long hike
16. Beethoven's "Choral" Symphony
17. Spit
18. Creek State Park, Spassifra, KY
19. Slacker
20. Pharaoh's land, or a Jackson Co. area
22. Famous Kentucky Master Distiller
24. Kentucky feature
25. Skip procedure
27. Signed off on
29. Kentuckian, Truman's vice president
33. Diving bird
36. Morgan Co. area, or minimalist artist Frank
37. "Gunslinger" bartender
40. 1990s British subculture
41. Crackerjack
42. Like old records
43. Wild blue yonder
44. Monopoly property
47. Choir voice
48. Home to Western Kentucky University
50. Big eat
53. ... and out
54. Genuine
55. Central part
59. Kentuckians Simms, Everly and Roof
63. No longer fresh
- DOWN**
1. Farm division
2. Harry Clay's political party
3. U of L's basketball team during WWII were all members of this military force
4. Former Kentucky Chief Justice Robert F. Abbe, after a comma
6. Lincoln Co.'s historic "Orchard" "Take one!"
8. Gumbo ingredient
9. "Wheel of Fortune" request
10. Woodford Co. town; its name means "central location"
11. Dental work
12. Inscribed pillar
13. Tiniest bit
21. Big road
23. DeLoe's Flanders
26. "Down to Earth" network
28. State teachers' org.
29. Donations
30. Facial expression
31. Fuselage
32. To any extent
33. Prefix with linear
34. Designer Calvin
37. It's under a foot
38. Some chips, maybe
39. Night fight
42. A Kentucky county named for a US Chief Justice
44. Feathery wrap
45. Haywire
46. Web content generator Abbe, Morgantown, KY is this county's seat
49. Econ. measure
50. Isn't serious
51. Follow, as advice
52. Lake Volta locale
56. Oil cartel
57. Slow, as cargo
58. Coached EKU in 314 football victories
60. Hipbones
61. House member
62. "Don't get!"
64. Before, before
68. Strong cleanser
- SOLUTION TO KY668**

55th Annual ROCKCASTLE COUNTY Farmers/Businessmen BANQUET

Monday, February 23, 2015

Rockcastle County Middle School
Doors open - 6 PM Event begins - 6:30 PM

Tickets - \$18
Purchase tickets from:
Mr. Vernon IGA
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Circuit Clerk Eliza York's Office

Dinner Catered by Limestone Grille
Chicken and rice or roast beef and mashed potatoes, corn, green beans and salad. Desserts are cheesecake and a variety of other cakes.

GUEST SPEAKER
Mike Lewis
Executive Director of Growing Warriors Project
Vice-President of Freedom Seed and Feed

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
GROWING WARRIORS PROJECT

Church Directory

Believers House of Prayer
156 Scenic View Lane
U.S. 25 N, left at 18 mile marker
Renfro Valley, Ky.
Sabbath School Sat. 10-11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Pastor: Bill Davis
bhdp@ymail.com

Berea Gospel Tabernacle
231 US 25 South
Berea, KY
Tuesday Night 7 p.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor: Ralph Chasteen

Bible Baptist Church
100 Higher Ground (off US 25)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Church Phone 606-256-5913
e-mail: www.biblebaptist.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship/Children's
Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Video services Tues., Thurs., &
Sat. at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.
Channel 3 - New Wave
Cable Channel 5 in Berea and
Richmond 1 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: Don Stayton
Associate Pastor/Youth:
Bro. Jeremy Ellis
Kids for Christ
Children's Ministry:
Bro. Jarrod Amyx
Secretary: Jo Roberts
Music Director: Dan Dull

**Blue Springs
Church of Christ**
7 miles south of Mt. Vernon on
Hwy. 1249 (Sand Springs Rd)
Services:
Sundays 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Preaching Brethren
Zade McClure, Gary Reppert,
Marcus Reppert
Contact Info:
Marcus Reppert
104 Byrda Way • Mt. Vernon, Ky.
606-308-2794
marcusreppert24@hotmail.com

Bride of Christ Church
100 High St. Mt. Vernon
Sundays 6:00 p.m.
Thursdays 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Darlisa Holder
606-416-7136
606-379-6335

Brodhead Baptist Church
Corner of Silver & Maple St.
Brodhead, Ky. 40409
606-758-8316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. &
7 p.m.
(Nursery Provided)
Sunday Youth Bible Study
5 p.m.
Wednesday Adult & Youth
Worship/Bible Study 7 p.m.
Children's Programs:
RAS & GAS
Mission Friends and
Creative Ministry
Ralph Baker, Pastor
Brodhead Christian
Church
237 W. Main St. Brodhead
606-758-8721
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Tracy Valentine, Preacher
606-758-8662
Cell 606-305-8980

Brodhead Church of God
Hwy. 3245 • Brodhead
758-8216
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Terry Orcutt, Pastor

**Brush Creek
Holiness Church**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
Lonnie R. McGuire,
Pastor

Buffalo Baptist Church
Located 15 miles south of
Mt. Vernon on Hwy. 1249
(Sand Springs Rd.)
606-256-4988
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Tim Owens, Pastor

Calloway Baptist Church
76 Calloway Branch Rd.
(Off US 25) • Calloway
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
George Renner, Pastor
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Sunday

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Terry Thornton, Minister
Climax Holiness Church
Sunday Night Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Nights 7 p.m.
3rd Sat. of every month at
7 p.m.
Conway Missionary
Baptist
116 Meadow Lark Lane
Berea, KY 40403

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service and
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Meetings:
Sunday 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bobby Turner, Pastor
606-758-4007

Crab Orchard Pentecostal
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening 7 p.m.
Pastor: Donald King
606-355-7595

**Crossroads
Assembly of God**
Hwy. 150 • Brodhead
Bro. Steven Vanhook, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.
Dixie Park Cornerstone
700 N. Powell St. Berea, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6
p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Joe Vanwinkle, Pastor
Fairview Baptist Church
520 Fairview Loop Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday Services
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Choir 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Sunday Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Creative Ministry 6 p.m.
Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry QUEST 7 p.m.
RAS and GAS 7 p.m.
Mission Friends 6 p.m.
Vaughn Rason, Pastor
606-256-3722
email: fairviewbapt@aol.com

Faith Chapel Pentecostal
S. Wilderness Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Jack Carpenter, Pastor
First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 606-256-2922
Neal Thornton, Pastor
Jesse Wright,
Assoc. Pastor/Youth
website: www.fbcmvky.org
email: fbcmtvernon@newwave.net
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Freedom Baptist Church
Freedom School Rd.
Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer
Meeting & Youth/Children
Classes 7 p.m.
www.freedomsbc.com
email:
pastor@freedomsbc.com
Pastor: David Sargent
606-256-2968
Hickory Grove
Pentecostal Church
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Brodhead, Ky.
Randal Adams, Pastor

Youth Pastor, Scott Adams
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7 p.m.

**Lighthouse Assembly of
God**
Hwy. 1004 • Orlando, Ky.
Tim Hampton, Pastor
606-256-4884 • 606308-2342
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Tues. Night Intercessory Prayer
7 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study
7 p.m.

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Turn left off Rev. Green Loop
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Jack Weaver, Pastor
Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Worship Service 11 a.m.
Bro. Steve McKinney, Pastor
606-758-4097
email: stevemc1964@gmail.com

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Arthur Hunt, Minister

**Livingston Pentecostal
Holiness Church**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jim Miller, Pastor
606-256-1709

Macedonia Baptist
Scaffold Cane Road
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Bro. Barry Hurst, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Maple Grove Baptist
Hwy. 1004 (Big Cave Road)
Orlando, Ky. • 606-256-1873
Bro. Jerry Owens, Pastor
Home Phone 606-256-3075
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
11 a.m.
WRVK Broadcast 2 p.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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

**McNew Chapel
Baptist**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Jerry Ballinger, Pastor
Mt. Vernon
Church of God
1025 W Main St.
Mount Vernon, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Bobby Owens, Pastor
859-986-1317

**Mt. Vernon Church of
the Nazarene**
40 Fair Street • Mt. Vernon
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
David Smith, Pastor
Mt. Zion Baptist Church
606-308-3293
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
New Hope Baptist Church
Jct. 1797 New Hope Tower Rd.
Orlando
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Bro. David Carpenter, Pastor

Northside Baptist Church
777 Faith Mountain Rd.
(Off 461 bypass) Mt. Vernon
606-256-5577
Sunday
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Hispanic Services 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Tuesday
Celebrate Recovery 7 to 9
Wednesday
Adult & Youth Worship 7 p.m.
Time Warner Cable
Tues., Thurs., Sun.
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Ottawa Baptist Church
1074 Ottawa Rd. • Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Children's Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship
Training/Youth Mission
Groups 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services
Youth Choir 6 p.m.
Children's & Youth Bible Study
6:45 p.m. • Service 7 p.m.
Jim Craig, Pastor • 758-8453
ottawabaptist@windstream.net

**Our Lady of Mt. Vernon
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515 Williams St (across from MVES)
Mount Vernon, Ky.
606-256-4170
Mass Times:
Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
Sabbath Mass: Sat., 5 p.m.
Holy Days 5 p.m.
Fr. Michael Flanagan, Pastor
Sister Joyce Moeller,
Pastoral Associate
Jack Lawless, Groundskeeper
Tom Darst, Maintenance

**Philadelphia United
Baptist**
834 Bryant Ridge Rd. Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Saturday Service 7 p.m.
Gordon Mink, Pastor
606-256-9724

Pine Hill Holiness
5216 S. Wilderness Rd.
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Randy Christian, Pastor
256-5955
www.pinehillholiness.com
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sun. Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Thursday Night Worship
7:00 p.m.
WRVK (1460 AM) Broadcast
Noon Sundays
Pine Hill Missionary
Baptist Church
81 Limeplant Hollow Road,
Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456
Bro. Clyde Miller, Pastor
859-986-1579
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting &
Youth Service at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Partners Ladies Meeting
monthly every 2nd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

**Pleasant Run Missionary
Church**
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5 p.m.
1st Sunday in Month Church at
2 p.m. at Rockcastle

Respiratory Care
Bro. Gary Bowling, Pastor
Poplar Grove Baptist
145 Richlands Rd. •
Brodhead
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

**Providence
church of Christ**
1 mile off Hwy. 70
on Hwy. 618
Dan McKibben, Minister
758-8524 or 758-9316
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
email:
dan.mckibben@juno.com
www.WhatSaiithTheScriptures.com

Roundstone Baptist
Jason Brown, Pastor
606-308-1272
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

**Sand Hill Baptist
Church**
Sand Hill Rd.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 5:00 p.m.
Thursday Night 6 p.m.
Pastor Tommy Miller

**Sand Springs
Baptist**
Directions: Take Hwy 1249, go
exactly 5 miles, church on right
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
Pastor:
Bro. Eugene Gentry
Scaffold Cane
Baptist
Chris Cobb, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

**Union Chapel
Pentecostal**
1505 Union Chapel Rd.
Brodhead, Ky.
Letcher Napier, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.
United Gospel of Christ
4 miles off US 25 on Wildie Rd.
Church welcomes everyone
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Valley Baptist Church
4482 Copper Creek Rd.
Berea, Ky. 40403
Organized in December, 1908
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.
Evan Eckler, Pastor
Wildie Christian
Church
1478 Wildie Rd. • Wildie
606-256-4494
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Family Fellowship 6 p.m.
Bible Study 6 p.m.
Bro. Gary Pettyjohn, Pastor

Brodhead Pharmacy
Main Street • Brodhead
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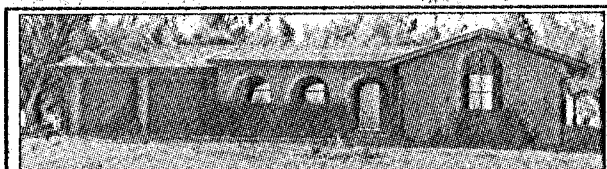
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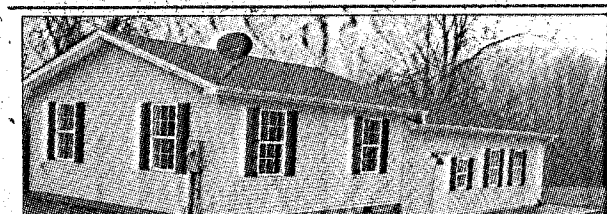


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