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Two employees from Miami of Ohio University escaped serious injury on Friday morning, when the female driver lost control of the above Ford F-350 she was driving at the interstate bridge that crosses Lake Linville Road, around 8:30 a.m. Mt. Vernon City Police Chief Terry Jackson said the two were hauling five Kayaks to a competition in Chattanooga when the accident occurred. One lane of northbound I-75 was completely closed for approximately three hours while employees with David's Tire Center cleaned up the mess. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin)



A Mt. Vernon woman and her three passengers were taken to the Rockcastle Hospital Sunday evening, after she lost control of her Toyota Camry on New Brodhead Road, about a mile west of Mt. Vernon around 7:45 p.m. The Camry, shown above, was kept from going all the way down a deep embankment by trees on the bank, which held the car up in mid-air. Miranda Louise McClure, 25, Amber Allen, 21 and a 5-year-old female and 18month-old male exited the wrecked vehicle through the passenger's side, according to a report filed by Deputy Sheriff Shannon Franklin.

<u>On new fire department building</u> **County and Mt.Vernon Mayor** hammer out final lease agreement

Last day of school for students set for Friday, May 30th

After missing five days of school because of slick roads and one day because of flooding, the final day for this school year has been set.

At Tuesday night's regular monthly meeting, the School Board approved the amended school calendar, which has students getting out of school on Friday, May 30th.

The last day for teachers will be Monday, June 2nd.

Rockcastle County students will return to class next school year on Thursday, August 7th.

Case against Griffin closed

A case concerning a shooting incident in 2006 at Copper Creek will not be reopened.

Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds said this week that he had received no-

Five local people are sentenced in federal court

Jerry Levi Muncy, 52, with plants and Muncy distributed

the plants to others with the aid

of his wife and son, Kathy Diane Baker and 28-year-old

Christopher Matthew Muncy.

est sentence of 12 years and

three months and ordered to

pay a fine of \$7,500 for distribution of marijuana and posses-

sion of firearms by a prohibited

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tence of seven and half years,

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Under federal law, the de-

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trafficking offense.

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Gabbard received the stiff-

Five Rockcastle County lease, Gabbard was supplying residents were sentenced to a total of 366 months in prison on Monday, March 31st, by United States District Judge Danny C. Reeves, for conspiring to manufacture 100 or more marijuana plants.

According to a news release from the United States Attorney's office, the defendants pled guilty to the charges and admitted their involvement in the conspiracy to manufacture and distribute marijuana earlier in March.

In court proceedings, 47year-old Michael Shane Gabbard, of Hurricane School Road, and Ingrid Dekauwe, 43, acknowledged that they had a "marijuana grow" in their basement. Gabbard was held responsible for approximately 914 marijuana plants.

According to the news re-

State's new budget includes \$428,987 in coal severance projects for county

Under the new Kentucky state budget approved in the final hours of the legislative session last week, \$428,987 will flow into Rockcastle County, according to Republican State Representative Danny Ford and State Senator Ed Worley.

"Representative Ford and I work extremely well together. His knowledge of Rockcastle County as a lifelong resident is very significant to establishing funding priorities," said Sena-

Richmond.

'We tried to help as many people in Rockcastle County as possible by focusing on projects and funding that will impact our district. These projects represent funding from single county coal severance. There will be additional projects determined by April 15 -- the final day of the session," Worley said.

Coal severance monies are

If Tuesday's regular meeting of the Rockcastle County Fiscal Court accomplished nothing else, it might have finally accomplished a lease agreement between the county and the city of Mt. Vernon for the new fire department building on Old U.S. 25 Loop.

The agreement has always been for Hal Holbrook's employer, the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program, to pay \$85,000 toward the cost of the building, giving them the right to house their emergency vehicles there.

The original lease agreement was drawn up several months ago by the city but was changed somewhat by the fiscal court when it was presented to them for signing.

They inserted the changes they wanted and sent it back to the city, who then refused to approve it and inserted some changes of their own, and this routine went on until yesterday.

Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby was at the court meeting with the sixth draft of the lease and it was to the court's liking with the exception of two clauses, one saying the city

Military to be part of Old **Fashion Days**

If you have a son, daughter or any family member serving, or has served in Iraq or any branch of the military, and you are interested in honoring them during the upcoming Old Fashion Days on Saturday, April 26th, in Mt. Vernon please contact Bonnie Roark at 256-4121. If no answer, please leave name and number and your call will be returned.

could break the lease with the county "for cause" and the other that, if the building were destroyed by fire the city would have the option of rebuilding.

After discussion between the mayor and the court, Kirby agreed that the "for cause" part would be eliminated and that the city would, of course, rebuild the building and she agreed to change that part of the lease.

The lease will now have to be approved by the city council at their regular meeting

April 21st at which time the county will turn over a check for \$85,000 to them. Kirby told the court that, to date, the city has put almost \$300,000 into the building and still has to complete the bathroom on their side by July 1st.

CSEPP will also have to complete the bathroom on their side by the same date.

Besides the \$85,000, the city council also used \$30,000

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Senior Center will get funds for new sewer system

The Rockcastle County Senior Citizens and Day Health Care Center, which was in danger of closing because of a failing septic system, will remain open.

Residents along Log Mountain had complained about a strong sewer smell, which was found to be coming from the building, located above their homes.

After complaints, local Health Inspector Clara Patton, inspected the site recently and gave officials at the center 30 days to either fix the problem or close.

The building, which is located on South Wilderness Road in Mt. Vernon, is owned by the state's Cabinet for Human Resources. Officials there first told local officials the \$14,000 needed for a new septic system was not available, because of frozen state funds.

However, Leisa Vanhook,

who has been the Administrator at the center for five years, said state officials came back on Friday and said the money would be available.

The center serves 88 seniors and adults with health problems every day and ad additional 10 to 15 people two to three times a week.

The center is headed by the Office of Aging in Frankfort and operates on funds received from Medicaid and Medicare.

The Rockcastle Fiscal Court also kicks in \$250 a month for a share of the utilities.

The center has been located on South Wilderness Road/ U.S. 25 since 1995 and before that was located at the Rockcastle Public Library.

Besides providing 50 baths a week to patients, the center offers numerous other services including: therapeutic exercise,

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tice, a few weeks ago, that a case involving Derel Griffin, 41, formerly of Copper Creek and now residing in Pulaski County, was officially closed.

In a letter from State Police Capt. Lisa Rudzinski, the captain said other interviews in the case had been conducted and, after completion of the interviews by State Trooper Scottie Pennington, the Commonwealth Attorney's office was contacted.

In her letter, Rudzinski said the Commonwealth Attorney's office, which would be respon-

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Economic Development: What is Infrastructure?

By Jim Holton, Consultant Rockcastle County Industrial **Development Authority**

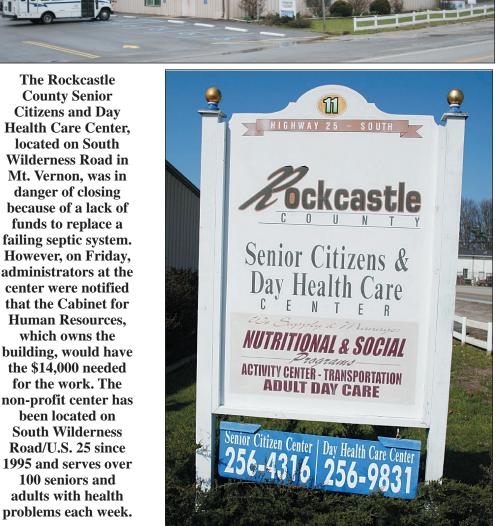
There are certainly lots of things we take for granted in life, such as your car starting when you turn the key. How many of us really know what it takes to start the engine other than turning the key? Really, most people don't care what it

takes they just care that the car starts!

Infrastructure is one of those things in a community that we also take for granted. We drive down the road, we walk on the sidewalks, we drink a glass of water, we flush the commode and we watch TV. All of these

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Bv: Don White Bill Keightley: From Farm To Fame Becoming a legend probably wasn't on Bill Keightley's mind in 1936.

The Anderson County farm boy was only 10 when his father died, leaving the chore of milking the family's 24 cows and tending the crops to him and an older brother.

His only break from work came in the fall when he would scamper across the fields to his one-room school house. That's also where he was introduced to basketball, playing pickup games during recess.

'We worked hard and we played hard," the University of Kentucky equipment manager told a reporter several years

By the time he was ready for high school, the muscular sixfooter was seen as a player whose skills might transfer nicely from the dirt courts to the hardwood.

But there was one problem. The county high school was in Lawrenceburg, six miles away, and no bus service was available in 1941.

A neighbor came to his rescue.

"Bill told me more than once that if Roy Robinson hadn't had a morning milk route, he would never have made it through high school," said his friend and former Kavanaugh High teammate Paul Hanks. "Bill would ride into town with him every morning, sitting in the back of the truck on the milk cans."

The future "Mr. Wildcat" was following in the giant footsteps of three UK greats at the tiny high school.

Forrest "Aggie" Sale had starred at Kavanaugh before leading Kentucky to the school's first national title in 1933; Paul McBrayer was an All-American captain of the Cats in 1929-30 and later an assistant coach under Adolph Rupp; and Ralph Carlisle was named All SEC before returncoaches, sought him out often for advice and counseling.

Back in his home county, those who knew him best were rehashing old stories and sharing new ones upon learning of his untimely death, allowing tears from sorrow and laughter to intermingle.

"He had more friends than anyone I have ever known," said Hanks. "Even in high school, he was a leader who drew people to him by being so genuine. He was even friends with all the opposing coaches. I was happy just to know him...to be his friend."

Former Lawrenceburg postmaster W. J. Smith was a starter for the UK freshman squad in 1941 and saw limited varsity action the next year as a practice player. He recalls visiting a UK practice session when

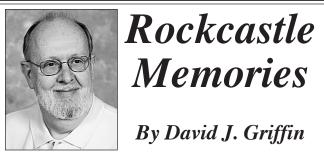
Keightley called the players over to meet him. "He said, 'Boys, this was one of Rupp's favorite players'; Rupp didn't much more than know my name, but Bill had those boys looking on in wide-eyed amazement," said Smith.

Another story making the rounds came out of an interview conducted with Keightley several years ago.

Rick Pitino was already at UK, but his family was still living in New York City. "He needed a ride to the airport," Keightley said. "I have always driven a pickup truck, and I had this old truck that needed a muffler.

We were bouncing around New Circle Road and Rick said 'I wish Joanne could see me now. She says I always have to

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Small Town Southern Man Anyone who has followed

my column understands just how much my grandfather, Eugene Stokes (Pop as we called him), meant to me. Another recent music purchase (I just can't help myself) again reminded me of him and his influence on my life.

A few days ago, I bought Alan Jackson's most recent CD entitled Good Times. Apparently the most popular song on it is Small Town Southern Man, because it is getting a lot of play time on local country radio stations. The song describes Pop in vast detail. The first time I carefully listed to my new CD, tears filled my eyes as the memory of Pop came flooding back.

Born the middle son of a farmer And a small town Southern man Like his daddy's daddy before him

Brought up workin' on the land Fell in love with a small town woman

And they married up and settled down

Natural way of life if you're luckv

For a small town Southern man Pop was definitely a small town southern man. He and his family before him spent all their lives working small farms producing vegetables and meat for their families. Pop originally lived in the small community called Hopewell in Rockcastle County. When he took me to see the specific site For this small town Southern

man He gave it all to keep it all to-



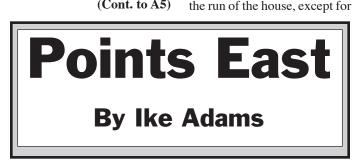
And keep his family on his land Like his daddy, years wore out his body

Made it hard just to walk and stand *You can break the back*

But you can't break the spirit Of a small town Southern man

Even during the Great Depression, Pop worked hard and maintained his small farm in Rockcastle County. I never witnessed anyone who worked as hard or knew as much about

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It's been five years since the three peach trees in my little orchard have had more than a dozen or so fruits to actually ripen. Last year we didn't get a single one, nor, for that matter, did we get a single apple or pear. The late April freeze saw to that. In fact, the freeze, combined with the drought, killed one of the peach trees altogether. I only have two in full bloom and one waiting for me to pull the chainsaw back out. One of my apple trees has also succumbed to the elements.

I'm not expecting much of any of the survivors because they all suffered greatly in 2007. And I'll be very surprised if we don't get at least a couple more cold snaps accompanied by killing frosts. The pears can usually take it and, to be honest, I don't much care whether the apples do much or not. Having discovered Brummet's Orchard in Crab Orchard a few years back where 1,600 trees produce any variety of apple one cares to name, sold at prices so low I feel guilty that I might buy too many, I've since stopped worrying about my pitiful little dwarf winesaps and golden de-

But I literally dream about

licious.

and that the work of these little boogers either improves the taste or causes it to deteriorate.

Thankfully, Stanley and I

are both animal lovers, or any-

one else couldn't stand either

of us and we'd be divorced.

There aren't too many people

that would keep three cats and

a dog in the house. I know there

are a lot of people who would

think that this was just about the

nastiest thing possible, and let

me tell you, it can be if you

don't stay on your toes clean-

ing after them. It sure is a lot of

work, but I suppose it is worth

The cats have pretty much

Of course most anything we buy out of the produce stores these days has been sprayed or otherwise treated with chemicals that cause the enzymes to die or become inactive. They do something in the industry to keep peaches looking fresh for weeks, but a real peach, perfectly ripe and properly harvested should be rotten in three days. And it will never taste any better than in that instant when it was plucked from the branch.

So this evening as I rode my mower around the two trees that are lavender with honeysmelling blossoms, I said a silent prayer that this will be another year when I'll have to get out the big step ladder and commence thinning out immature fruit before it breaks the branches. That actually happened five years ago. One tree was so heavily laden that it split apart. I've doctored it with stuff that looks like road tar but it's still an amputee and as soon as the blossoms fall, I'm going to have to cut off a few more dead limbs and patch up some new scars.

I need a roll of plastic about

the kitchen. Being in there gives too easy of an access to jumping on the counters exploring for food so we try to keep them out of there as much as possible. We learned this the hard way. One night, one of the cats went exploring on the kitchen counter. He found the real butter we usually leave out so it will be soft for spreading. He licked the paper clean, and left a big greasy mess behind. In case you're wondering, we now have to hide the butter on top of the refrigerator.

On occasion, one or more of them will come and sneak into bed with us. They like to sleep down at the foot. On cold, wintery nights they make dandy foot-warmers. Sometimes, there will be a feeling of a cat jumping up on the bed and we'll look to see who's there, but there will be no cat to be found. We call this our "phantom cat."

I'm sure it all began when we were just kids. We both had a lot of pets. I always had a dog or cat around somewhere. I even had a goat. There were always the usual things such as goldfish and gerbils, too. Then, there were the mice. Once I had bought about four or five white mice from a girlfriend of mine in the seventh grade for fifty cents. She brought them to school in a little plastic box the next day. They stayed in the box all day, and I carried them from class to class, until about an hour before time to go home. The box tipped over, and the lid flew open. The mice made their escape. The escape proved to be quite exciting. There were a lot of laughs as well as shrieks. They "treed" some of the other girls, and our teacher. I would have never dreamed that little old woman could have jumped into a chair that quickly. Eventually, after all of the excitement, all of the rodents were corralled and put back into the box.

Stanley was raised on a farm. He always had a lot of animals around. He enjoyed riding horses with the neighbor kids, and milking the cows with his dad. He always had a dog or two around, and a few cats here and there. Pets bring a lot of joy to peoples' lives. They often are companions to those who otherwise would be very lonely. Each of our pets means something uniquely special to all of us, and each blends with our personalities to make a special friendship. I'm so glad we have each of ours.

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Thank you...

Dear Editor, The Rockcastle County FFA Alumni Chapter would like to thank the following business and people for their generous donations for our auction held March 13, 2008. Without your help and generous support our auction would not be possible. Stephanie Harmon, Adams Feed, Adams Plumbing & Electric, Celena's Hair Design, Paradise Tan, Sabrina's Hair Design, Tobacco Barn, Touch of Class Hair Design, Brooms by Chris, Advanced Auto Parts, George and Jan Cloud, Appliance Service Center, B & M Liquidators, Benge's Farm Supply, Bishop's Sportmen's Store, The Boot Store, Main Street Pharmacy, Southern States – Somerset, The Coffee House, Brodhead Farm Equipment, Burkman Feeds - Mt. Vernon, Miller's Photography, Design & Service Computers, Aunt Polly House, Complete Home Comfort, Donnie Doan, Don Marshall Chrysler, Dyehouse Farms, Exit 62 RV, Jamie Fain, Farm Credit, Hensley's Used Cars, Heritage Crafts, Cox Hardware, LA Beads & Needs, Jeff & Debra Laswell, London Tack, Long's Automotive, Bishop's Tire, Bullock's Muffler, Mahaffey's Quick Lube, Aletha's Florist, Cynthia Chestnut, Country Sam, Heavenly Hope Books & Gifts, Jake's Furniture, John's Cellular One, Kentucky Outdoorsman, Contours Ex-

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where he had lived, we had to traverse a small creek in order to get to his old home place. Callous hands told the story

ing home to coach at his alma mater in the 1940's. He went on to win state titles at Lexington Lafayette in 1950, 53, and 57.

Keightley once scored 21 points for the Tigers in a 25-23 victory over Frankfort, then the state's top-ranked team. He usually was leading scorer and was very crafty with his moves, being able to shoot a hook with either hand, according to teammates.

Carlisle was at the helm during Keightley's first two seasons, giving him his first taste of the demands of UK-style basketball.

"He could really get after you big time," said Keightley.

Graduation from high school was followed by a stint in the Marine Corps.

"All the guys (in the Marines) talked about how tough Parris Island was, but to me it was like a vacation after farming and playing under Carlisle," Keightley once remarked with his trademark bellowing laughter.

Combining firmness with fairness and a hefty dose of humor, the ex-farmer cultivated a crop of excellent student managers over his 50-year tenure. He often referred to the group collectively as "my boys," and they, along with players and

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peaches that have ripened on the tree because nothing tastes as fine as a plump and mellow peach when it's eaten within seconds of leaving the limb that held it. I'm told that certain enzymes kick in the minute any fruit is picked----the same enzymes that cause it to ultimately rot after some time---

40 feet wide and say 100 feet long. I figure that I can use the step ladder to get it started up over the trees and that I can tie some rope to the corners and that, between the three of us, Loretta, Chris and I can get the trees covered enough to protect

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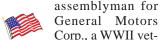
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Obituaries



Willis Richardson

Willis Richardson, 88, of Livingston died Sunday April 6. 2008 at his home. He was born on October 20, 1919 in Pinetop, KY the son of the late Clinton and Nona Thomas Richardson. He was a retired



General Motors Corp., a WWII veteran, enjoyed fish-

ing and hunting, and was a member of the Hazel Patch Baptist Church where he served as deacon for 27 years.

Survivors are: one daughter, Barbara (Billy) Fain of Livingston; two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Stroles of Dayton, OH and Mrs. Theresa Stamper of FL; two grandchildren, Rebecca (Roger) Isaacs of Mt.Vernon, and Jerry (Ashelyn) Fain of Frisco, TX; four great grandchildren, Grant and Will Isaacs, and Isaac and Karlie Fain. He was preceded in death by: his wife, Jessie Ponder Richardson; five sisters; and three brothers.

Funeral services were held Wednesday April 9, 2008 at the Hazel Patch Baptist Church with Bros. Randy Bingham and Clyde Eversole officiating. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Cox Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Billy Wayne Bryant, Bill Durham, Paul Ponder, Danny Richardson, Larry Richardson and Hardin Waddle.

Honorary pallbearers were: Deacons of Hazel Patch Baptist Church.

Send condolences to the family online at www.coxfuneralhomeky.com



Denise Patsy Barnes

Miss Denise Patsy Barnes, 31, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, March 31, 2008. She was born in Rockcastle County on May 27, 1976 the daughter of Donavon "Rex" and Patsy Barnes. She was a nurse with North Point Health Care and was of the Baptist Faith.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by: her brother, Mickey Barnes of Mt. Vernon; her aunts and uncles, Kaye and Gene Howard, Sharon and Teddy Mink, Donna Marsh, Jerry and Debra Laughing, Harold and Pat Robinson, Keith and Barbara Barnes, Paula and Jamie, Carl Mink, Dwight and Vickie Mink, Doug and Loretta Mink, Larry Mink, Virginia and Wallace Hayes, Sadie Mink, and Junior and Glenna Overbay; three nieces, Jaiden Barnes, Hailee Alexis Barnes and Chelsea Barnes, all of Mt. Vernon; and a host of cousins.

She was preceded in death by: her grandparents, Richard and Dorothy Barnes and Ted and Evelyn Mink; and one uncle, Eugene Barnes.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 4, 2008 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Tommy Miller. Burial was in the Ted Mink Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Wallace Hayes, Jonathan P. Kirby, Anthony Mink, Doug Mink, Dwight Mink, and Larry Mink. Please visit www.DowellMartin.com to view Miss Barnes' online obituary.

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Curtis Eversole

Curtis Eversole, 83, of London and formerly of Livingston, died Monday, April 7, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

Funeral services will be conducted (today) Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 1 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Bustle Cemetery.

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



Herman **Powell**

Herman Powell, 68, of Richmond, IN died Sunday, April 6, 2008, at his residence with his family and friends at his side. He was born August 30, 1939, in Rockcastle County to Matt and America "Merkie" Owens Powell and had resided in Richmond since 1959. Herman worked for the Richmond Casket Co. over 10 years and retired as a boiler repairman at the Richmond State Hospital after 20 years. He was an active member of Full Gospel Chapel where he served as trustee. Herman enjoyed his church, raising, caring for and training horses and spending time with family.

Survivors include: his wife of 48 years, Kathleen Scott Powell; son, Michael H. Powell of Richmond; granddaughter, Becky Powell of Richmond; brothers, Matt (Ruby) Powell Jr. and Ray (Barbara) Powell, both of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Ethel (Bill) Day of Liberty, IN, Mildred (Roscoe) Himes of Orlando; six nieces, Linda Neal, Kim Sexton, Mona Powell, Carla Gully, Carolyn Holt and Sandra Himes; five nephews, Melvin Powell, Zandel Powell, Ricky Day, Roy Lee Day and Alvin Day; special brother-in-law, David (Erma) Scott of Cincinnati, OH; and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services for Herman Powell were conducted at Wednesday, April 9, 2008, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road W., Richmond, IN with Pastor Darrel J. Hurst officiating. Burial will be at 1 p.m. (today) Thursday, April 10 in Corinth Cemetery, Orlando, KY. Memorial contributions may be made to the Full Gospel Chapel, 915 Mendleson Drive, Richmond, IN 47374, or the American Cancer Society, Wayne County Unit, P.O. Box 689, Columbus, IN 47202. Condolences may be sent to the family via the guest book at www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com This obituary courtesy of Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Franklin **Tyrone** Johnson

Franklin Tyrone Johnson, 69, of Mt. Vernon and husband of Barbara Sue Abney Johnson, died Thursday, January 10, 2008 at the Rockcastle Hospital. He was born in Blossburg,



Singing at **Church of God**

Humble Hearts from Nicholasville will be the featured singers at the 11 a.m. service Sunday, April 13th at Mt. Vernon Church of God. Everyone welcome.

3rd Sat. Night Service

Third Saturday Night Service will be held at Climax Holiness Church April 9th with preaching by Bro. Jack Carpenter and special singing by the Glory Bound Inspirations. The service will begin at 7 p.m. Weather permitting, there will be a hot dog potluck supper at 6 p.m.Please bring a lawn chair. Pastor Darrin Slone and congregation invite all. Luke14:23. **Revival at Union Chapel**

Union Chapel Pentecostal Church will be in revival April 13-19 with evangelist Tommy Hogue. the church is located on Hwy. 1505, about three miles east of Brodhead. Services are at 7 o'clock each night. Pastor Ralph Reynolds and congregation invite everyone to attend.

PA on October 27, 1938 the son of James Walter and Beulah Ayers Johnson. He was retired from the United States

Army. Memorial services will be conducted Friday, April 11 at p.m. in the Maretburg Cem-

etery. Dowell & Martin Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Benefit Singing

There will be a benefit singing for Delbert and Brooke Slusher on Sat., April 12, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Livingston Fire Department. The family lost everything to fire on March 5, 2008. Several local groups will be singing and all singing groups are welcome. Concession stand will be available.

Revival at Skaggs Creek

Revival services at Skaggs Creek Baptist Church will be held April 10, 11 and 12 at 7 o'clock each night. Evangelist is Tess Lipps. Bro. Bill Wagers and congregation invite everyone to attend.

Gospel Meeting

We're inviting you to attend our gospel meeting April 13th - 18th at Providence church of Christ at Brodhead. Phil Morgan will be the speaker. Sunday Services at 10:00 and 10:40 a.m., Sunday singing at 2:30, evening service at 4 p.m. Weeknight services at 7:30 p.m.

Cemetery Notices

McKinney Cemetery

The McKinney Cemetery annual potluck dinner will be held Sunday, May 25, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. at the cemetery shelter. Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish and visit with family and friends.

Preceding the dinner, there will be a meeting to elect a vice president and one alternate. Everyone with an interest in the cemetery is eligible to vote.

The cemetery committee is asking for donations for the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery. Since this is the only way we have to provide for maintenance, we are hoping friends and family will be generous and help support our endeavor to keep the cemetery well maintained.

If you are unable to attend decoration or potluck, you can still make a donation to the: McKinney Cemetery Committee, P.O. Box 1691, Mt. Vernon, Ky. 40456. Please indicate how you would like your donation to be used.

Pine Hill Cemetery

Send donations for upkeep of the Pine Hill Cemetery to Lorene Mink Ponder, 314 Jessica Circle, Richmond, Ky. 40475.





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2003 Ford F150 XLT Crew Cab	\$13,979
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2003 Dodge Ram 1500 Crew Cab	\$14,979
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1999 Toyota Tacoma 4x4, Auto with Topper.....



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- \$25 gift card from Wendy's
- \$25 gift card from Chevron
- 16-piece Family Meal from KFC

Drawing will be April 23, 2008. (Mt. Vernon Locations Only)

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Cancer can change your appearance, but it can't take away your spirit. Look Good...Feel Better is a free program that helps women look their best during cancer treatment. It's like a makeover for the spirit. And that's a beautiful thing.

The Look Good...Feel Better session is scheduled for: Monday, April 14, 2008 4:00 PM-5:30 PM at **Rockcastle Hospital's Outpatient Services Center** Conference Room with American Cancer Society trained Cosmetologist Bootsie Shepherd.

In order to provide complimentary cosmetics, advance reservations are required. For more information or to make a reservation (before April 11), call Arielle Reese at (606) 256-7880.





Look Good...Feel Better is a partnership between the American Cancer Society and the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association, and the National Cosmetology Association.

"Letters" (Cont. from A2)

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RCHS FFA Alumni

Thank you... Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the over 400 walkers, from Rockcastle and seven other counties, who came out and participated in the Red Bud Health Walk on April 1. While the weather forecast called for an 80% chance of thunderstorms, it turned out to be a beautiful spring day and

health, and encourage them to keep walking throughout the year.

We would especially like to thank Congressman Rogers and his staff at TOURSEKY for hosting the event here in Renfro Valley in partnership with the Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission and Rockcastle Hospital. Also special thanks to: Jerry Pensol and the Subway team for going the extra mile in trying to feed 400 when we originally thought we were going to be rained out; WRVK radio for giving constant updates on the weather and status of the walk; Robert Lawson and his staff at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame for pitching in wherever they were needed; and the support of city and county government officials and their staff members who participated in great numbers.

Other sponsors included King Bottling Inc., the BitterSweet Cabin Village, Renfro Valley Entertainment Center, UK Health Care, Sparks Florist, Mt. Vernon Signal, Southern Kentucky Area Health Education Center and America's Byways. Last but not least, thank you so much to following volunteers: Miachel and Andrew Robbins, Susan Brown, Amy Basham, Don and Carlene Burkhead, Mary McNew, Iris Parker, Ed and Kay Fielder and Lynn Tatum. Without your tireless efforts the walk would not have been a success

Arielle Reese Community Relations, Rockcastle Hospital Susan Laws and Janine Norman Mt. Vernon-Rockcastle County Tourist Commission

Reynolds is true public servant... Dear Editor,

Rockcastle County has many dedicated elected officials who hold their offices for more than a paycheck but, as true public servants. Our county is never in the news for political scandal, as many nearby counties are. One such public servant is our County Attorney, William "Billy" Reynolds.

We became acquainted with Billy only after a hotly-contested District Judge race in 2006 where we were on opposing sides. After the candidate we endorsed won, we began to wonder what position we had put ourselves in by opposing

gal matter, and found that we all had mutual respect for one another and that we never wanted to be on opposite sides again - a good sign that our County Attorney did not hold grudges.

Billy has been a tireless warrior in our county on many fronts, especially battling our substance abuse problems. Just ask our school officials and administrators about his on-site involvement in our county schools with our great children -- the future of our county.

He never escapes his job. On a recent trip with Billy and his wife, we threatened leaving him if he didn't get off the phone dealing with legal matters back in Rockcastle County. It is a 24/7 job for him - weekends and all.

We need someone who is willing to work hard to keep Rockcastle County a place we can be proud of. Does Billy make mistakes? Do we make mistakes? Do you make mistakes? Sure! Everyone who accomplishes great feats will make mistakes but let's concentrate on the positives that are happening here in Rockcastle County.

Take time to stop by your county attorney's office and visit. You will find someone willing to help and you will also find a friend.

Warm Regards, Cecil E. King Judy B. King

Project Graduation Donors... Dear Editor,

The Project Graduation 2008 Committee would like to thank everyone for all your donations.

So many businesses and individuals donate faithfully year after year in order for seniors to have a safe alcohol-free environment to celebrate reaching an important milestone in their lives.

Thus far, the following businesses and individuals have donated:

Livingston Baptist Church, windsweptstables.net, First Pine Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Arvin Family Practice, Rockcastle Veterinary Clinic, Gregory's Music Barn, Quality Cleaners, Thorough Truck Shop, Snyder Market, Sturm Trucking, Car Quest - Berea, Singleton and Associates Insurance, Edwards Chiropractic, D&C Automotive, Richmond Street Eye Care, Reppert Funeral Home, Davis & Powell Funeral Home, MotorWheel.

Sheriff Mike Peters, WRVK, County Clerk Norma Houk,

Morning View Holiness Church,

Lovell's Gun Repair, J&D Cabi-

nets, KI USA Corp., Berea,

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Bookmobile Schedule

Mon., April 14th: No service. Tues., April 15th: Spiro, Level Green, Willailla, Grandma Rainbow's and Country Care. Wed., April 16th: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Brodhead Lodge New Meeting Date

Brodhead Lodge #566 will no longer meet on the third Saturday of each month. The new meeting date will be the fourth Tuesday of each month, beginning April 22, 2008.

WRFD Fish Fry This Saturday

Western Rockcastle Fire Department will hold their monthly fish fry Sat., April 12th at the Quail Fire Station on Hwy. 70. We will be selling dinners for \$7 per meal for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. All carryouts are \$7. Carryouts start at 3 p.m. and consist of three pieces of fish, three hushpuppies, cole slaw, baked potato or fries and a dessert and drink. All proceeds to WRVFD to help defray costs of utilities, gas and equipment.

DBCAA Directors Meeting

Daniel Boone Community Action Agency, Inc. will have a board of directors meeting April 22 at 6 p.m. in Clay County at the central office, 1535 Shamrock Road, Manchester. the public is invited to attend. DBCAA is an equal housing opportunity provider.

Brodhead City Hall Closed

Brodhead City Hall will be closed Wednesday, April 16th and Thursday, April 17th.

Vendor Info for Brodhead Homecoming

Vendors interested in setting up at the annual Brodhead Homecoming May 23rd and 24th should contact Becky at City Hall 606-758-8635 or Bryan at 606-308-3999.

Diabetes Education

Free Diabetes Self Management Education Classes, sponsored by the Rockcastle County Health Department, and conducted by Lynnett Renner, MS, RD, LD, will be held April 14th and 15th, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Northside Baptist Fellowship Hall. If you have ever had questions about what you should eat, about blood glucose monitoring, what to do on sick days or how to prevent complications of diabetes, please participate! Register by calling the health department at 256-2242. Participants should plan to attend both days.

for that we are very thankful to the County Attorney. Not havthe Good Lord. We're so proud of everyone for taking that first step in working towards better

ing to ponder long, we approached Mr. Reynolds in his office, needing help with a le-



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Open House at PVFD

Open House will be held at the new Pongo Volunteer Fire Department Saturday, April 12th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Everyone invited.

Bingo at VFW

Bingo is being held at the VFW Club near the boat dock on Lake Linville on Saturday nights at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m.

Hot Rod Sign-ups

Hot Rod Sign-ups will again be held the 2nd Saturday of April, the 12th, at Godfather's Pizza from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$25 per child - no checks please. Parent shirts will be available during sign-ups only. Do not call Godfather's Pizza. They do not have any information.

Basketball Banquet

The RCHS Boys Basketball Banquet (freshmen, JV and varsity) on Sunday, April 13 at 2 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. Please bring one appetizer and one dessert.

Job Help Available for Youth

Are you age 16-21? Education and Training Resources offers services to you in Rockcastle County: job placement assistance, work readiness skills, job application and resume preparation, interviewing skills, free GED testing and vocational training. Services are free of charge to those who qualify. Call Collect: 606-451-8621.

NA Women's Meeting

The Women's NA Serenity Group of Mt. Vernon meets each Monday at 8 p.m. at the Christian Appalachian Project Community Center, 64 Beiting Lane, Mt. Vernon. Open meeting non-smoking.

Women's Narcotics Meeting

There will be a Women's Narcotics Anonymous Meeting every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, sponsored by Christian Appalachian Center. For more information, contact the Healing Rain Center at 256-5810.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous meets Thursday nights at 8 o'clock behind Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams St. in Mt. Vernon.

SWAT Team Meetings

SWAT (Servants with a testimony) group support meeting for anyone dealing with addiction or alcoholism on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon. Meetings are also held Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays at noon at the church.

H.O.P.E. Meetings

H.O.P.E. Support Group Meetings are held Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church. HOPE is a support group for anyone who has a friend or family member dealing with addiction or alcoholism. Please come join others who are or have gone through the agony and frustration you are experiencing. Do not suffer alone. It helps to talk with others who understand. Any discussion is kept confidential. Call 256-5577 for more information.

"Memories" (Cont. from A2)

farm life as Pop. I cannot remember him taking a day off from his chores. There was something that had to be done every day.

Pop developed a hernia from the lifting and digging on the farm. It was never discussed whether or not he should slow down or have surgery for his problem. His answer was to purchase a truss and keep on

working. Arthritis also became a significant physical problem, but he refused to take medications for the pain.

And he bowed his head to Jesus And he stood for Uncle Sam And he only loved one woman *He was always proud of what* he had

He said his greatest contribution

Is the ones you leave behind *Raised on the ways and gentle* kindness

Of a small town Southern man Pop was a Christian man

CAP offers workshops through month of April

Project (CAP) Adult Learning Center and Somerset Community College PACE Program will be hosting workshops for students and community members in April. The workshops will be held at the CAP Learning Center at 4192 N. Wilderness Road. (on top of the hill above Renfro Valley). The workshops are FREE and available to all adults in Rockcastle and surrounding counties.

You do not need to be a current student to attend. Each workshop requires about an hour of your time and is packed with valuable tips and useful information, provided by Kim Toby of Somerset Community College.

Monday 4/14, 2-3 pm

Tick Tock Taming the Clock: Time Management -Learn how to manage your time more efficiently and set realistic short term and long-term goals. Understanding what your goals are can play a huge role in how you spend your time each day to achieve that goal. Come join us to learn tips on how to make each day more productive and one day closer prior to the workshop.

The Christian Appalachian to your personal and financial goals. Monday 4/21, 10-11 am

(Repeated Class from 4/14) Tick Tock Taming the

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Monday 4/28, 2-3 pm (Repeated Class from 4/7)

Balancing and Stretching a Budget: Healthy Tips for Your Wallet - Come learn some helpful financial tips to make ends meet. With increasing prices in gas, healthcare, and just about everything else, you need to know how to stretch your dollar for all its worth!

Call the Adult Learning Center at 606-256-5307 for more information and to register for these FREE workshops. You can register up to the day

For this small town Southern who served in the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. He was the man church treasurer and was ada-He said it's alright 'cause I see

mant that every penny was ac-

counted for in this position. He

was also a man of honor when

it came to his country. His po-

litical affiliation was Republi-

can, and he never budged from

his dedication. He considered

it an honor to vote in every

Katie, who was definitely a

small town woman, he fell in

love with her and they were

married until he died. It was

nothing but natural for him to

live with his first love for over

side was a very gentle and lov-

ing person. He instilled in his

family this gentle nature.

Finally death came callin

Pop could be gruff, but in-

When he met Mommie

election.

50 years.

angels And they got me by the hand Don't you cry, and don't you worry

I'm blessed, and I know I am 'Cause God has a place in Heaven

For a small town Southern man Pop influenced my life in ways that I still find remarkable. Integrity, truthfulness, and a love of God were considered

"Points East" (Cont. from A2)

them from frost bite. I ran the idea by them earlier and Christopher, who is a produce man at E.W. James & Sons Grocers,

allowed that it could be done. "But why on earth would you shell out that much money for plastic and go to all that trouble for two peach trees when I can let you know the instant the ripe ones arrive at the store and get all you want for a lot less money than you're getting ready to blow here," he wondered.

"I want you to pick out the best peach on your rack and bring it out here if I can manage to get some to ripen on these trees," I told him, "and I will make you embarrassed that you ever brought a fruit into that store and let on like it was a peach."

He just grinned and shook his head. But I'm betting, if we pull the harvest off, that my son will concede that the old man is right about his peaches.

"Ken & Tucky" (Cont. from A2)

ride to the airport in a limousine."

"I said, 'Coach, you are in Kentucky now. This IS a limousine."

Later, Pitino presented Keightley with a new pickup.

In recent days the gifts have continued to pour forth, mostly in the form of thoughts, prayers, and tributes, both spoken and written.

He leaves to mourn his passing a wife, one daughter, and at least a thousand sons. Don White is former editor of newspapers in Kentucky and now a columnist published throughout the state.

You can reach him at don.kenandtucky@yahoo.com



of the late Mr. Lloyd Shutts' Approx. 60 Acre Farm in Tracts - Two Houses **Vehicles - Farm Machinery - Personal Property**

Saturday, April 19, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

Intersection of Hwy. 70 and Ottawa School Road, Ottawa/Quail Section of Rockcastle County, Brodbead, Ky.



LOCATION: From Brodhead or Mt. Vernon, turn off Highway 150 at Adams Feed Mill onto Highway 70. Proceed 3 1/2 miles to the property. From Somerset and Crab Orchard, turn off Highway 39 onto Highway 70 at Bandy. Watch for the posted auction signs

This farm has been in the Shutts family since 1919. The late Mr. and Mrs. Shutts took great pride in keeping the real estate, vehicles, and machinery in immaculate condition

Tract 1: Improved with a ranch style custom-built brick house which has a floor plan of three bedrooms, large living room with fireplace, eat-in kitchen, dining room, 1 1/2 baths, and full basement with shower. Other amenities include hardwood floors through (except the kitchen and bathroom), electric baseboard heat, central air, washer/drver hookup in the basement, and city water. There is also a fruit cellar.

This lovely home is surrounded by a white plank fence with lots of mature shade trees. Besides the house, there is also a 36 x 48 barn. This tract contains 15.08 acres and fronts on both Hwy 70 and the Ottawa School Road.

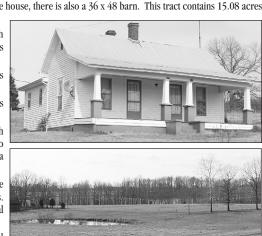
Tract 2: Contains 10.63 acres of almost all tillable land and is located directly behind Tract 1 with frontage on the Ottawa School Road. City water is available. Since there are no buildings on this tract, you can build to suit yourself.

Tract 3: Lies directly across from the House Tract on Highway 70 and contains 7.88 acres. This tract is improved with a stock barn. City water is available. This is a nice mini farm within itself. Tract 4: Containing 22.37 acres of mostly cleared land – this is a gentleman's farm. City water is available

Tract 5: Contains 3.93 acres with frontage on the Ottawa School Road and has a frame house with weatherboard exterior and offers living room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bath and utility room. It also has storm doors and windows, electric heat and oak cabinets. Besides the house, there is also a barn, smokehouse and storage building. Enjoy country living.

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

VEHICLES: 2004 Chevrolet Impala (Blue with Grav Leather interior) fully loaded 11 059 actua miles, 6 cyl, 3800 engine ~ 2001 Chevrolet Silverado Truck (Blue with LS Package), 25,903 miles, V-8, 2wd



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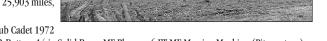


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LAWN AND GARDEN: Massey 1975 Ferguson 12 HP. looks new ~ Craftsman 22.5 HP Hydro-matic Riding Mower -50 in cut ~ 4 Ton Come A Long ~ Troy-Bilt Rear Till 8 HP Rotary Tiller ~ Trailblazer Sickle Bar Self – Propelled Mowing Machine ~ Dynamo Push Mower – 8 in cut ~ Stihl Weedeater

~ Spool Reel ~ Homelite Chain Saw ~ Hedge Trimmer ~ Weedeater Blower ~ Weedeater Edger ~ Electric Weedeater ~ Yard Roller ~ Garden Sprays ~ Lawn Utility Trailer ~ Reel-type lawn mower ~ Push-type non-motorized Lawn Mower ~ Wooden Rubber Tired Utility Trailer

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KNIVES AND GUNS: 18 Pocket Knives ~ .357Magnum Pistol ~ .38 Special Pistols ~ One single shot .22 carbine Rifle ~ Two old 12 ga Single Shot Shotguns

FURNITURE: Two - 5 pc Bedroom Suite with Two Matching Nightstands, Dresser, and Chest ~ Hardrock Maple Hutch ~ Drop-leaf Hardrock Maple Table ~ Breakfast Set ~ Several odd chairs ~ Platform Rocker ~ What-not Shelf ~ Tea Cart ~ Old fashioned Metal Breakfast Set ~ Maple Spindleback Rockers ~ Child's Rocker ~ Drop-leaf Cherry Table ~ Old Walnut Corner Cupboard ~ Old and Unusual Corner Cupboard - Early 1800s - Glass Front ~ Coffee and Matching End Tables ~ Old Pie Safe with Tin Doors ~ Oak Dresser ~ Small Camel Back Trunk ~ Oak Washstand with Towel Bar ~ Half Bed ~ Oak Full Size Bed ~ Ky Stand Table ~ Rocking Chairs ~ Sewing Machines ~ Ladder Back Chair ~ Old Wooden Desk ~ Sofa ~ Cloth Electric Lift Chair ~ Naughahyde Recliner ~ Small Desk

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In addition, we will be selling the following items for the estate of the late Ms. Fanny Albright: Modern Maple Hutch ~ Miniature Hutch ~ Cane Bottom- spindle back oak chair ~ Quilt rack ~ Glass front book case ~ Drop-leaf kitchen table ~ Brass bed ~ Maple love seat bench ~ Wicker rockers ~ Breakfast set with 4 chairs ~ Two Cane bottom and backed rockers ~ Oak stand table ~ Table and 3 chairs (settee) ~ Singer treadle type sewing machine ~ Floor lamp ~ Needle work ~ Crochet pieces ~ Quilts ~ Wrought iron lawn set ~ Lamp ~ Copper tea pot ~ Crock churn ~ Pitcher and bowl set ~ Old crock jugs ~ Cookware ~ Lots of old bottles and jars ~ 1 gallon glass churn ~ Wooden dough bowl ~ Crock bowls ~ Sod irons ~ Shoe lasp ~ Misc baskets ~ Flower stand. This is only a partial list because many of the items were already packed.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: There is no one who has ever taken better care of his property or machinery than Mr. Shutts. The vehicles, along with the tractors, have been garage-kept all during his ownership.

So if you're looking for good tract of land in the country or a nice country home, or some great farm equipment or nice personal property, then you don't want to miss this auction. Truly, there is something here for everyone. There will be two auction rings running simultaneously plus concessions and restrooms on the premises. Come and spend the day with us.

ORDER OF SALE: The real estate will sell first, followed by the vehicles and then farm machinery.

TERMS: Real estate: 20% down day of sale, balance in 30 days. Vehicles, Farm Machinery and Personal Property: Cash or check in full day of sale. NOTE: The purchaser of a single-family residence built before 1978 has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property for the presence of lead base paint. The period for inspection begins April 10th through April 18th. The successful bidder must sign a waiver of the 10-day post sale inspection period.

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For additional information, contact the selling agents.

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50th Wedding Anniversary

Ronald and Betty Dowell Niceley celebrated their 50th

wedding anniversary this past November, 2007. They were married November 19, 1957 and have two daughters: Rhonda Cromer and Chrisy (Jasen) Bartlett and four granddaughters: Heather, Kayla, Kendra, Cassidy and one step granddaughter, Taylor. Ronald's brother Phill and wife June (Taylor) Niceley stood up with the couple at their marriage.



CAP offers workshops through month of April

The Christian Appalachian useful information, provided Project (CAP) Adult Learning Center and Somerset Community College PACE Program will be hosting workshops for students and community members in April. The workshops will be held at the CAP Learning Center at 4192 N. Wilderness Road. (on top of the hill above Renfro Valley). The workshops are FREE and available to all adults in Rockcastle and surrounding counties.

You do not need to be a current student to attend. Each workshop requires about an hour of your time and is packed with valuable tips and

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by Kim Toby of Somerset Community College.

Monday 4/14, 2-3 pm Tick Tock Taming the Clock: Time Management -Learn how to manage your time more efficiently and set realistic short term and longterm goals. Understanding what your goals are can play a huge role in how you spend your time each day to achieve that goal. Come join us to learn tips on how to make each day more productive and one day closer to your personal and financial goals.

Monday 4/21, 10-11 am (Repeated Class from 4/14)

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The latest weapon in the to eliminating cancer as a fight against cancer? For women participating in the American Cancer Society's Look Good Feel Better program, the weapon of choice is a makeup brush.

Hoskins - Wilder

Anita Shackleford and Kennith Wilder along with Kelley

and Donna Hoskins and James and Kathy Bond Tyree are

proud to announce the marriage of their children, Matthew

Ray Vincent Wilder to Tamara Rochelle Hoskins. This joy-

ous celebration will take place on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at

5:00 p.m. The wedding will be held at Brodhead Baptist

Women battling cancer

Church. All family and friends are invited to attend.

with a makeup brush

Look Good.Feel Better helps women cope with the appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment by teaching them beauty tips that can help them enhance their looks and boost their self-image. The program is facilitated by licensed cosmetologists who volunteer their time.

Registration is currently underway for the next Look Good.Feel Better session in Rockcastle County, which will take place April 14th, 2008 at 4:00pm to 5:30pm. The session will be held at Rockcastle County Hospital in the Outpatient Services Center. There is no cost to attend.

Contact Arielle Reese at 256-7880 if you would like to attend.

In addition to changes in a patient's physical condition, chemotherapy and radiation can cause an increased susceptibility to infection. Look Good.Feel Better volunteers are trained to help patients deal with the physical side effects of cancer treatment and promote good hygiene. Look Good.Feel Better is a non-medical program offered free of charge by the American Cancer Society, the Cosmetic, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association Foundation and the National Cosmetology Association. No product endorsements are given, and participants are never asked to buy anything from volunteers or participating organizations. For more information about Look Good.Feel Better or cancer, contact the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org. The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated

major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service.

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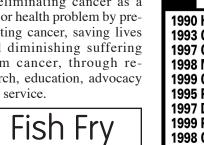
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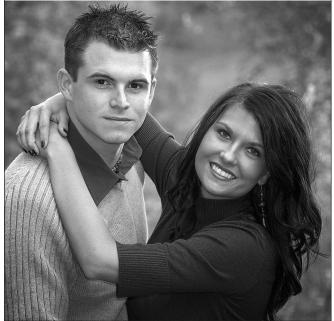
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Saturday, April 12th

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Everyone Welcome





Childress - Burnell

Mr. Benny and Judy Childress of Mt Vernon are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Vanessa Brook to Christopher Burnell, son of Debbie Mullins and Kevin Burnell of Berea. Vanessa is a cosmetologist at Salon 116 in Richmond and Christopher is employed at Precision Resource in Mt Sterling. The ceremony will take place at Acres of Land Winery in Richmond on June 21st, 2008 at 5:30 in the afternoon with the reception immediately following.

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Tuesday: Recognition of Armed Forces Rev. Darren Cupp, Pastor Mt. Zion Baptist Worship Service 7pm

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Local PRIDE Coordinators recently met at The Center For Rural Development to prepare for the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, which will be held April 5th - 19th. Pictured above from left: Tammie Wilson, PRIDE; Jill Medlley: Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby: and Karen Engle, PRIDE. Not pictured: Wayne Bullock.

Medley and Bullock are PRIDE Co-Coordinators

Mayor Clarice Kirby reminds everyone that Jill Medley and Wayne Bullock are now serving as the City of Mt. Vernon PRIDE Co-Coordinators. In this voluntary position, they will plan local cleanup efforts and help the community take advantage of PRIDE programs. Spring Cleanup is April 5 - 19

Ms. Medley and Mr. Bullock will lead the local PRIDE Spring Cleanup, April 5 through April 19. They is looking for volunteers for cleanup events across the community. PRIDE will supply T-shirts, trash bags, and safety vests for the volunteers.

Mr. Bullock works at Mt. Vernon School Grounds as Litter Coordinator. He has lived in City of Mt. Vernon County for 51 years and currently resides in the Mt. Vernon community with his family.

"I look forward to serving as PRIDE Coordinator because I like to keep the community clean," he said. "PRIDE is making a difference in City of Mt. Vernon by keeping the city litter free."

PRIDE Coordinators are volunteers who play a vital role in building PRIDE in their communities. The coordinators organize cleanup activities, recruit volunteers and track cleanup results. They assist local officials with the PRIDE programs, including applications for grants. They also serve on the PRIDE Board of Directors.

PRIDE promotes "Personal Responsibility in a Desirable Environment" in 38 counties of southern and eastern Kentucky. PRIDE links citizens with the resources of local, state and federal agencies to clean up the region's waterways, end illegal trash dumps and promote environmental education. PRIDE was started in 1997 by Congressman Hal Rogers and the late James Bickford, former Secretary of the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet.

For more information about PRIDE in your community or volunteering during the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, call Jill Medley today at 606/256-0344,



Local PRIDE Coordinators recently met at The Center For Rural Development to prepare for the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, which will be held April 5th – 19th. Pictured above from left: Tammie Wilson, PRIDE: James Renner, Rockcastle County Coordinator; and Karen Engle, PRIDE.

Renner to lead county's PRIDE Spring Cleanup

Carlofits reminds everyone that James Renner is serving as the Rockcastle County PRIDE Coordinator. In this voluntary position, he will plan local cleanup efforts and helps the community take advantage of PRIDE programs.

Mr. Renner works at the Rockcastle County Courthouse as the Solid Waste Coordinator and Recycling Coordinator. He has lived in Rockcastle County for 37 years and currently resides in the Pongo community with his wife, Edna.

"I look forward to serving as PRIDE Coordinator because it gives me the opportunity to bring together local volunteers and community leaders to bring about positive changes to our environment," he said. "PRIDE is making a difference in Rockcastle County by providing us with the means to bring about these positive changes."

Mr. Renner added, "PRIDE has been helping Rockcastle County for several years and I look forward to a long lasting releationship down the road." **Spring Cleanup April 5-19** Mr. Renner will lead the lo-

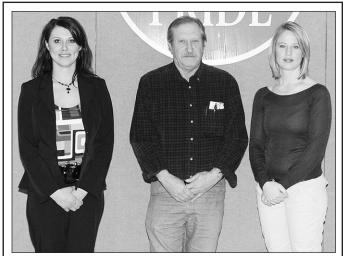
Judge-Executive Buzz cal PRIDE Spring Cleanup, April 5 through April 19. He is looking for volunteers for cleanup events across the community. PRIDE will supply Tshirts, trash bags, and safety vests for the volunteers for cleanup events across the community.

"I invite you to lend a hand during the Spring Cleanup because you will be amazed at the difference you can make by donating just a small amount of your time and energy. Together we CAN make a difference," he said.

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For more information about PRIDE in your community or volunteering during the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, call James Renner today at 606/256-1902.



Local PRIDE Coordinators recently met at The Center For Rural Development to prepare for the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, which will be held April 5th - 19th. Pictured above from left: Tammie Wilson, PRIDE; Mayor J.C. Giffin, City of Livingston Coordinator; and Karen Engle, PRIDE.

Griffin leads PRIDE Spring Cleanup in Livingston

J.C. Griffin is serving as the City of Livingston's PRIDE Coordinator. In this voluntary position, he will plan local cleanup efforts and helps the community take advantage of PRIDE programs.

Mayor Griffin works at the City of Livingston as Mayor. He has lived in Rockcastle County for 60 years and currently resides in the Livingston community with his family.

"I look forward to serving as PRIDE Coordinator because so much cleaning is needed in the surrounding area," he said. "PRIDE is making a difference in Livingston. "I invite you to lend a hand during the Spring Cleanup because this is your neighborhood and a clean area is very impressive to tourism." Mayor Griffin will lead the

local PRIDE Spring Cleanup, April 5 through April 19. He is looking for volunteers for cleanup events across the community. PRIDE will supply Tshirts, trash bags, and safety vests for the volunteers.

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For more information about PRIDE in your community or volunteering during the PRIDE Spring Cleanup, call J.C. Griffin today at 606-453-2061.







If you are age 50 or higher, keep an eye out for a special celebration on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 in Renfro Valley.

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Happy 20th Birthday Mommy! **From Brayden** I love you!



Dana on April 9th! From your family and friends

Gil Myers to speak at Berea **Rotary Club**

Gil Myers, Vice -President of Bluegrass Lamb and Goat will be the featured speaker at the Berea Rotary Clubs weekly meeting Tuesday April 15th. Bluegrass Lamb and Goat is located in Cartersville on Hwy 954 between Berea and Lancaster. He will be speaking on the rapidily expanding market for Lambs and Goats in the eastern United States. If you have small acreage and would be interested in learning more please attend this meeting. The club meets for lunch at noon in Berea at The Dinner Bell Resturant. If you have questions call Doyle Keith at 859-986-3941

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Tuesday, April 15 story hour will be at Rockcastle Co. High school to watch a play. The students from the Child Development class will be performing "The True Story of the Three Little Pigs" for the children at 1:00pm-2:00pm. Please use the parking area in the rear of the building; check in with Ms. Linda Taylor, the parking attendant for specific spots. There will be students giving directions to where the play will take

in at the Youth Services Center and then go to room 146 for the play. Related Activities are planned and refreshments will be served. If you have any questions concerning the play please call 256-4816 ext. 140. April 13-19 is National Library Week. Come to the li-

brary this week to check out our book display of new books in the main library in celebration of National Library Week.

What's so wrong with tobacco?

Nearly 90 percent of adult smokers took up the habit before they turned 19 - in other words, before they were old enough to realize they might not live forever. By middle age, they've learned otherwise, often in the hardest way possible. One out of every three smokers can expect to die of a disease caused by cigarettes.

If you can help your teenager resist taking that first puff, you will dramatically improve his or her odds for a longer and healthier life.

What's the attraction? Adolescents turn to tobacco for a variety of reasons. Perhaps it's a form of rebellion, or maybe they just want to fit in with a particular group of friends. They may believe cigarettes will improve their concentration or help them lose weight.

Some teenagers see smoking as part of their identity or persona. They may feel more macho, sexy, independent or grown-up when they smoke.

Be a good example

If you smoke, quitting is one of the best things you can do to help keep your children off cigarettes. Only 2 percent of adolescent smokers have nonsmoking parents. By contrast, 15 percent of adolescent smokers have both a mother and a father who smoke.

If you can't stop smoking, do the next best thing: Don't smoke in your

place. All caregivers must sign

percent of adolescents have

smoked an entire cigarette before age 13. You may want to role-play with your gradeschooler, helping him or her practice what to say if offered a cigarette.

In a 2003 survey of more than 4,000 adolescents, 30 percent of current or former smokers had used nicotine replacement products while continuing to smoke — a medically dangerous practice. Among adolescents who had never smoked. 18 percent also reported using nicotine patches or gum.

Helping them quit Nearly 23 percent of highschool students and more than 10 percent of the middle-school students in the United States smoke cigarettes.

A good approach to helping

(Cont. to A10)

"What Is Written"

We have been studying the past few weeks, the importance taking the scriptures in context. Let's look at another example. In Matt.7:1we read, "Judge not, that ve be not judged." Now this verse is misapplied many times in our world today. People will seek to say that it means we should never judge what another person is doing as wrong. I have heard it said to me when I may be pointing out the error in someone's doctrine or teaching, 'Judge not, that ye be not judged." The problem with this is 3fold. First, they have violated their own rule, for they are judged me for judging. Second, the context is teaching that we should not be making a hypocritical and a hypercritical judgment about another. How can I ask about getting a speck of dirt out of my brother's eye, when there is a beam or log sticking in mine? When I have clean up my own act, then I can see clearly to help my brother with the speck of dust in his own eye, vs.3-5. Thirdly, Jn.7:24 teaches us also, "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment." So in the greater context of the scriptures, you see how Matt.7:1 is distorted, for we are to judge a righteous judgment.

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Auction #1: 11 Building Lots at Lake Linville, Renfro Valley Auction #2: 6.7 Acres m/l in Tracts - Barnett Rd., Mt. Vernon Auction #3: 7.4 Acres more or less in Tracts (Old Mt. Vernon Waterworks Property) Intersection of Hwy. 461 Bypass & the Old Brodhead Rd., Mt. Vernon

Saturday, April 12, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.



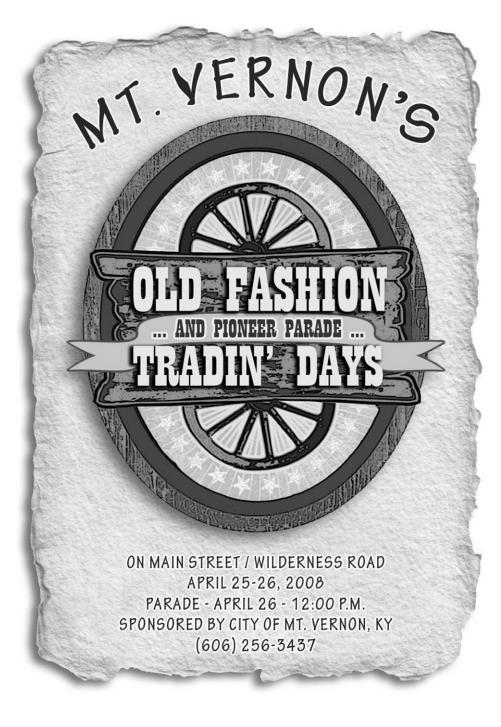
children's presence.

Avoid smoking in the house or car.

Don't offer cigarettes to your children.

Don't leave cigarettes where your children can get to them.

Parental disapproval of smoking, even from smoking parents, can help prevent adolescent smoking. Counseling children not to smoke must begin in grade school, since 25



Sale will be conducted near the VFW Club at Lake Linville

Our firm has been authorized to sell these well-located properties for the absolute high dollar. The auction of all three properties will be conducted near the VFW Club at Lake Linville.

Absolute Auction #1: 11 Building Lots at Lake Linville, Renfro Valley

LOCATION: Turn off US 25 at Renfro Valley onto the Lake Linville Road. The property is located across from the VFW Club. Auction signs are posted.

Each of these ideal building lots are located within walking distance of Lake Linville and some even have a view of

the lake. All of them have city water available and city sewer is nearby. Lot 1: 0.660 acres with 168.86 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 2: 0.486 acres with 101.2 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 3: 0.596 acres with 126.50 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 4: 0.506 acres with 101.20 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 5: 0.525 acres with 96.14 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 6: 0.557 acres with 96.14 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 7: 0.580 acres with 96.14 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 8: 0.608 acres with 96.14 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 9: 0.638 acres with 96.14 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 10: 0.849 acres with 96.27 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road. Lot 11: 0.459 acres with 101.26 feet of frontage along Renfro Creek Road.



Absolute Auction #2: 6.7 Acres m/l in Tracts – Barnett Road, Mt. Vernon

LOCATION: Turn off US 25 at Renfro Valley onto the Lake Linville Road. Proceed approx. 2 1/2 miles around the lake. Auction signs are posted.

Tract 1: This tract contains 0.519 acres with 291.27 feet of blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road. City water is available.

Tract 2: Contains 0.533 acres with 109.79 feet of blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road. City water available.

Tract 3: This tract contains 1.199 acres with 199.82 feet of blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road. This tract is also improved with a barn. City water available.



Tract 4: Contains 0.721 acres with 117.24 feet of blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road and has 112.69 feet of frontage along Lake Linville. City water is available.

Tract 5: This tract contains 0.527 acres with 157.51 feet of blacktop road frontage along Barnett Road and 105.29 feet of frontage along Lake Linville. City water available.

Tract 6: This wooded tract contains 0.477 acres with an access road running through the property. Tract 7: This wooded tract contains 2.729 acres.

Auction # 3: 7.4 acres – Old Mt. Vernon Waterworks Property

Intersection of Hwy 461 Bypass & Hwy 1326 (Old Brodhead Road), Mt. Vernon, KY

Tract 1: This tract contains 2.607 acres with 261.57 feet of road frontage along Hwy 1326.

Tract 2: Contains 1.857 acres with frontage along Hwy 1326 and access through a 30' easement through Tract 1.

Tract 3: This tract contains 2.936 acres with frontage along Hwy 461 Bypass and Hwy 1326. There is an 30' easement from Hwy 1326 through Tract 1 and Tract 2 for ingress and egress

NOTE: These tract sizes were taken from an old survey. If the property sells in tracts, the property will be restaked. However, if the property is sold as a whole, no new survey will be done.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: If you're in the market for a nice building lot within walking distance of Lake Linville or a tract for a future investment, then be sure to check out these properties. Don't forget to mark your calendar for

April 12th at 10:00 a.m. Remember, all of the properties will sell from one location near the VFW club. MULTI-PARCEL AUCTION: This will be a multi-parcel absolute auction. The properties will be offered in tracts and combinations selling in the manner that reflects the best returns for the sellers. This concept gives each and every prospective buyer the ability to purchase his or her individual tract or combination.

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

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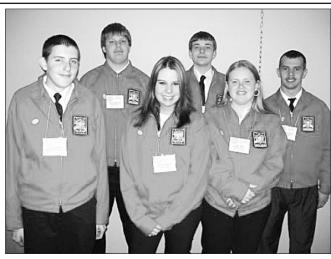
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Six students from Rockcastle ATC were in Louisville, Kentucky, April 1-4 as competitors at the SkillsUSA Kentucky Leadership and Skills Conference sponsored by the Office of Career and technical Education and SkillsUSA Kentucky. Students attending were: Cody DeBoard, Dakota Mahaffey, Ashlee Douglas, Mitchell Weaver, Angel Smith, and Dakota McFerron.

Local students attend **SkillsUSA Conference**

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During their stay, the students participated as voting delegates for their schools, elected state officers, conducted business of the SkillsUSA Kentucky organization, met with business and industry representatives and hear from government officials. And they had fun. too.

The students participated in the Leadership and Skills Championships, held on Wednesday, April 2 and Thursday, April 2. More than 1,000 students competed in more than 87 occupational and leadership skill areas. Winners from RATC were as follows: Mitchell Weaver placed 3rd in Action Skills and Dakota McFerron and Dakota Mahaffey placed 3rd in Chapter Display. SkillsUSA Kentucky programs also help to establish industry standards for job skill training in the class-

SkillsUSA Kentucky is a chapter of the national organization, SkillsUSA that serves trade, industrial and technical students in area technology centers, public high schools, career and technical centers, and community and technical colleges state wide. SkillsUSA Kentucky has more than 5,600 student members annually, organized into more than 125 sections and all of the counties in the Commonwealth. SkillsUSA Kentucky has served more that 1.5 million members.

SkillsUSA Kentucky is a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives; working together to ensure Kentucky has a skilled work force. It helps each student to excel. SkillsUSA Kentucky is an applied method for preparing Kentucky's high performance workers in public career and technical programs. It provided quality education experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development. It builds and reinforces self-confidence, work attitudes, high ethical standards, superior work skills, life-long education, and pride in the dignity of work. SkillsUSA Kentucky also promotes understanding of the free enterprise system and involvement in community service.

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to purchase library books and

curriculum materials for our

Sincerely,

Sharon Lovell

Library Media Specialist

Janice Dooley

Library Media Assistant

Mt. Vernon Elementary

School

dies" is truly appreciated!

students.

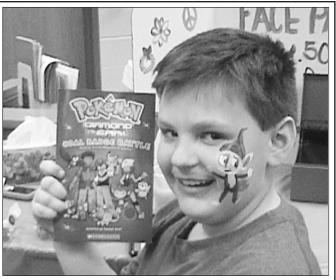
The MVES Library Media Center would like to say thank you to all the grandparents and family members who participated in our recent Scholastic Book Fair Reading Road Trip. It is a joy for us to see the excitement on our student's faces when their grannies and papa's come to visit.

We would also like to thank the following friends of the library for donating food or time to help us with our book fair: Pat Allen, Marcia Cain, Charles Carter, Traci Collins, Julie Copenhaver, Leon Davidson, Bridgette Lear, Kami Lovell, April Martin, Darlene Mink, Ira Napier, Peggy Patterson, Billie Tankersley, and Mary Woodall.

A special thank you is sent out to all of our great MVES Cafeteria staff for the excellent



Mrs. Lovell helps Logan and his granny select a book.



Tanner selected a book and had his face painted.

Mt. Vernon Message



Ray McElroy a former NFL Safety for the Indianoplois Colts, the Chicago Bears and finally the Detroit Lions treated the Rockcastle County High School and staff to a very enthiusiatic talk. His motto, "Your not born a winner, You're not born a loser, You're born a chooser" set a tone that entire student body was listening to. Pictured above with McElroy, is Loren Reynolds, President of FCA and a member of the UNITE Club. The program was organized by RCHS UNITE and FCA.

Local educator participates in EKU Sabbatical Program

cates that many teachers face a

mid-career crisis that may lead

to burnout or in their leaving

the profession. Our hope is that

this Teacher Sabbatical Pro-

gram will provide that renewal

that educators need at this time

families were housed at a local

hotel for the week, with the par-

ticipants spending each day on

campus as an adviser or con-

sultant to address a College

curriculum issue or need. Each

participating educator will also

host a two-day school site visit

by participating EKU faculty to

their classroom or school dur-

educators must submit a letter

of application, with an endorse-

ment by an immediate superior.

Each applicant must have at

least 10 years of experience, a

master's degree or Rank One

certification, and be recognized

as a committed leader in the

school or district, with signifi-

cant experience and interest in

To be selected for the TSP,

ing EKU's fall break.

TSP participants and their

in their careers."

Johnnie Coffey, principal at Rockcastle Academy, was one of 18 local educators from 13 schools in 10 districts participated this spring in a week-long Teacher Sabbatical Program (TSP) hosted by Eastern Kentucky University's College of Education.

The TSP, now in its second year, is "an effort to get meaningful input from our constituents into our programs in the College of Education and in the discipline fields taught across the campus." Participants "are asked to assist us in the redesign of courses and programs to ensure that they address the issues and realities that exist in the Commonwealth's schools."

The group included teachers from the elementary, middle and high school levels, as well as principals, counselors, librarians, central office administrators, and others.

The 18 educators spent five days on the EKU campus during their Spring Break and will return to campus for two days during the summer term for follow-up activities with participating EKU faculty.

Thames termed the program a "renewal opportunity" for the participants. "Evidence indi-

"Smoking" lem, please contact us: Jessie Mahaffey, RC

assessment and/or differentiated instruction. For more information about TSP, contact Thames at 859-622-2581 or at William.Thames@eku.edu.

Jessie Mahaffey, RCHS

Project Graduation News

•Krispy Kreme Doughnuts are now on sale. Glazed \$5 dozen - filled \$7 dozen. Last day of sales is April 28th and delivery will be May 2nd. Delivery/pick-up will be announced later.

•You can still get flat panel HDTV tickets for \$5.

•RCHS students can purchase \$2 tickets for a Wii. This is a drawing for students at RCHS only.

•Our Project Graduation basketball game on April 11th and 12th now has full brackets. Games on Friday, April 11th begin at 6:30 p.m.



Steven Scalf, son of James and Elizabeth Scalf, received the Outstanding Youth Advocate Award at the regional HOT conference in Somerset. Steven is highly creative and energetic senior at RCHS. He has done an excellent job working with the RCHS UNITE club as well as the Coalition to help keep Rockcastle **County Drug Free!** Thanks Steven for all you do!

Games on Sat., April 12th begin at 9 a.m. Admission is \$2 for 12 yars and up. Under 12 years is free.

Come on out and enjoy basketball games and support your team and Project Graduation.

•Project Graduation 2008 Car Show will be April 19th at 9 a.m. at RCMS. Call John at 859-582-8505.

•Country/Western Concert for Project Graduation at RCMS Saturday, May 3, 2008 at 7 p.m. Admission \$3. Wild River Band featured.

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School News

Welcome Back! We hope you had a restful spring break. Testing is just around the corner so get prepared by getting at least eight hours of sleep each night!

Our Spring Book Fair was a huge success. Thank you to each parent and grandparent who attended the book fair and lunch with your child/grandchild. Proceeds from the book fair will go toward purchasing new library books!

UNITE Club/Coalition Annual Meeting and Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, April 10th at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon.

MVES PTG monthly meet-

ing is scheduled for Monday, April 14th at 3:30 p.m.

FRC News

FRC 100% Club meets on Thursday, April 10th. K, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades will meet at 8:30. K, 1st and 2nd will meet at 12:30.

FRC Spring Enrichment Classes begin Monday, April 14th from 3:10 until 4:30.

FRC/CAP GED Classes will be held each Tuesday from 1 to 2:15 p.m.

FRC Adult Computer Classes are each Monday at 6 p.m.

Project Wisdom

Our quote for this week is "The highest result of education is tolerance."

(Cont. from A8)

your teen quit smoking is by focusing on problems that cigarettes may be causing them now:

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Youth Service Center, 256-4821 x142 Angie Payne, RCMS/RCHS, 256-5118 x250 Jill Ponder, RCMS/RCHS, 256-4821 x209 Becky McNabb, RCHS UNITE Club, 256-4821 x137 RCHS UNITE **Positive Parenting** Preventions Making a Difference;: Every Family, Every Time

We need your new 911 address!!!



Senate Week In Review

By Senator Ed Worley After a long week of tough negotiations between House and Senate leaders over how to best use limited resources to provide essential state services, where to tighten our belts, and what our priorities should be, we passed a budget this week that will see our Commonwealth through the next two years.

Like any household facing tough times, we had to do without in some areas. In fact, for the first time in recent memory, the new budget actually spends less money than the one before it. There are very few construction projects, and most of these budget items reflect a safety, health, or emergency need.

Still, this budget has the potential to keep our state competitive and growing. The governor proposed 12 percent cuts to higher education, but we have replaced most of that money. We are providing critical infrastructure at Fort Knox, which will see an overwhelming influx of new troops in the next few years. We are also supporting two events that will focus the world's attention on Kentucky — the 2008 Ryder Cup in Louisville and the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington.

We have funded \$150 million for water and sewer projects across the state through coal severance and tobacco settlement agreement money. We also added specific economic development projects in coal counties across the state. Finally, we found ways to continue the Louisville Bridges project without sacrificing road projects across the state.

We have made sure that a new Eastern State Hospital can be built to take care of those in need of mental health care. We are funding drug courts and anti-drug programs to address the meth, OxyContin and other scourges in our state. We will save money on prison costs by letting non-violent offenders enter community programs rather than sit wastefully in jail cells.

(Cont. to A12)

RCMS **SBDM Parent-Member Elections**

There will be a called meeting to elect SBDM Parent Members, Thursday, April 24, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

All parents of students who will attend Rockcastle County Middle School during the 2008-2009 school year are encouraged to attend and vote.

Nominations for Parent Members of the 2008-2009 SBDM Council will be accepted April 10th - April 23rd.

Submit your nomination in writing, signed, to the principal by 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 23rd.

to serve as a Parent I nominate Member of the Rockcastle County Middle School SBDM Council for the 2008-2009 School Year. Signed:

Anyone who is the parent/guardian of a child who will be enrolled in Rockcastle County Middle School for the 2008-2009 school year is eligible to serve on the council or to nominate some one to serve on the council.

Parent members of the council cannot be relatives of Rockcastle County Middle School staff members.



Julie Sumner, American Cancer Society Representative accepts a check for \$1000 for PBK Bank's major sponsorship for Rockcastle County Relay for Life from David Woodall, President, Rockcastle Market and Maria Hensley, CSR and team captain for the PBK Bank Team. Relay for Life will be held June 20th.

Yards to Paradise

By Max Phelps

"Planting a Tree Can Make Such a Difference"

Nothing affects the pleasantness of a yard and home for the size of the investment anymore than does the careful selection and planting of even one tree.

One evergreen - like a magnolia or deodar cedar or an Alaska cedar, perhaps a Hemlock or a spruce – can be the glory of the neighborhood when most yard trees are bare.

One red maple or sugar maple, one gum or sourwood, can set your yard apart in such a splendid way in October or November as it shows it glorious colors off among neighborhoods of Bradford pears.

One flowering cherry or saucer magnolia or crabapple or flowering plum can look rich among greening maples, bare oaks, and daffodils and crocus, in early spring.

Just one majestic oak or ginkgo can make a grand statement, (and just one may be enough to fully cover some yards). And green lawn grass will even grow under the ginkgo!

So many of you folks now live in developments created by large building contractors, called subdivisions. You know, the ones with the flat rows of houses, no topsoil much, and fifty dollars worth of shrubbery

that supposedly passes for "new home with landscaping for sale".

A specimen tree that gets attention can make your house stand out from the crowd because of size, texture, color, etc. And putting a row of trees like our grandparents might have done is not so stylish anyhow. One well-placed tree can make a big difference, it really can.

And, if planting one special tree on a smaller lot, you probably should be willing to go ahead and spend some money and get a good one. For those with large lots, planting can still be done on the cheap by putting in \$15 and \$30 dollar potted trees and shrubs all over

Groupings of trees, with smaller plants underneath and then mulch, not only cut yardmowing time, but look terrific, too. At least it will in a few years if you have planned carefully and allowed for the space mature plants will want and need.

Fall or spring are ideal times for tree planting, though container grown trees can be planted anytime the ground is not frozen. Fall is actually best in areas without sub-zero winter temperatures.

Send feedback to max@rockcastles.com or visit www.rockcastles.com



A Blazing Star quilt block now adorns the barn of Eddie and Virginia Wilson on Flat Gap Road. The block was hung on March 25th by Jackson Energy Cooperative. The quilt block is part of the Rockcastle County Quilt Trails Project. For more information on the project, please contact the Rockcastle County Extension Office at 256-2403.



On Tuesday, March 25th, a Grandmother's Flower Garden quilt block was hung at the barn of Pauline Eaton on Hwy 25 at Conway. The quilt block is a copy of a block from a quilt made by Pauline's mother. Shown in the photo are Pauline Eaton and family members; Lori, Johnny IV, Lorena, Jessie, Thomas and Timothy Eaton.

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RCHS baseball team 4-2 after trip to Florida

By: Richard Anderkin

The RCHS baseball team is 4-2 after their annual trip to Cocoa Beach, Florida over Spring Break.

During their trip last week, the Rockets defeated Pulaski County, Greenup County, Rose Hill Academy and Walton-Verona.

Their two losses were to Boyle County and West Jessamine.

Boyle County 6 - Rockets 2 In their first game at the Cocoa Expo Center, which was also their first game of the season on March 30th, the Rockets fell 6-2.

Senior Dakota Smith picked up the loss in the game, although four Rocket pitchers went to the mound.

At the plate, Smith was 1 for 2 with a walk, senior Jake Woodall was 1 for 3 with a RBI, junior Dustin Bullock was 2 for 3 and scored one of the Rockets' two runs, freshman John Saylor had one hit - a triple and a RBI, senior J.J. Barnett was 1 for 3 and freshman Josh McKinney had one hit-a double and scored the other Rocket run.

Rockets 8 - Pulaski Co. 6

In game two in Florida, the Rockets evened their season record at 1-1 with an 8-6 win over the Pulaski County Maroons.

Sophomore Dustin Reynolds picked up the win and junior Justin Bryant got the save.

At the plate, Smith was 2 for 4 and scored 3 runs, Woodall was 2 for 3 and scored one run, junior Tanner Perkins had 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 3 RBI, Saylor had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and knocked in a run, junior Logan Kincer was 2 for 3, Barnett was 1 for 1, a double and he had 1 RBI.

Reynolds, Bullock and junior Jake Riddle all had a RBI in the win.

Rockets 5 - Greenup Co. 4 In game three in Florida, the Rockets defeated Greenup County, 5-4.

Perkins was the winning pitcher and Bryant picked up another save. was 1 for 4, and Riddle and Barnett were 1 for 3. Woodall, Perkins and Saylor each had doubles and Perkins and Saylor had the two Rocket RBI.

Rockets 12 - Rose Hill 0

In game five in Florida, the Rockets easily defeated Rose Hill Academy 12-0 in five innings.

The Rockets had 13 hits, which included 6 doubles and a triple.

The winning pitcher was Dustin Bullock, who went the distance, striking out 12 and walking only one in the two hit shut-out.

At the plate, Smith was 1 for 2, a double, he walked, stole a base and scored once.

Perkins was 1 for 2, a double, he scored 2 runs, knocked in 2, walked once and stole one base.

Riddle was 1 for 3-a double. He had 3 RBI and scored a run.

Bullock was 2 for 2, one hit a triple, and he knocked in 2 runs, scored 2 and walked once.

Saylor was 2 for 3, one for a double, he knocked in one run, scored 2 and walked once.

Kincer was 2 for 4, one a double, he knocked in one run and scored one.

Justin Bryant was 1 for 2, scored a run and had 1 RBI.

Sophomore Grant Burdette was 1 for 1, a double, he knocked in two runs, scored once and walked once.

Junior Pat Kirby was 1 for 1 and freshman Luke Allen was also 1 for 1.

Rockets 5 - Greenup Co. 4 In the final game in Florida on Friday, the Rockets defeated Walton-Verona 9-0, also in five

innings. Perkins and Justin Bryant combined for a shut-out with Perkins facing 10 batters and Bryant 6.

At the plate, the Rockets had 13 hits, 4 doubles and 2 triples.

Smith had 2 hits, one a double and he knocked in 3 runs scored 2 and had a stolen base.

Riddle was 2 for 3-one a triple and he had 2 RBI. Perkins was 2 for 3, one a

"Senate"

(Cont. from A11)

We were also able to give teachers and state workers a 1 percent pay raise each year. If we exceed revenue forecast, we have allowed for a two additional 1 percent pay increases. If our revenue exceeds forecast, we have also allowed for new construction projects at our universities. The flurry of activity this

week also saw passage of a critical bill that will help give struggling homeowners more options in the future. House Bill 552 would lower the fees borrowers have to pay to refinance their mortgage, making it more feasible for many to get a better fixed rate on their house payment rather than pay the hundreds of extra dollars when their adjustable rate resets. The pre-payment penalty on these refinance deals, currently a maximum of 5 percent, would be capped at 3 percent of the loan in the first year, dropping to 2 percent and 1 percent each year after that.

To help many home seekers avoid payments they cannot afford, HB 552 also sets new affordability requirements for home loans that charge at least \$3000 or 6 percent of the loan cost in fees. This would make sure that anyone approved for a mortgage has the income to pay not only the initial monthly payment, but the maximum potential monthly payment when the adjustable rate resets. We believe this could prevent many of the current problems from happening in the future. Many homeowners now facing foreclosure are losing their homes because the new rates they are paying far exceed what they expected to pay.

The bill also allows the Kentucky Housing Corporation to create a Homeownership Protection Center to counsel and



RCMS eighth grader Ben Lake is all smiles after getting his first turkey on the opening day of youth weekend in Garrard County. advise those who are facing foreclosure. By taking early steps, homeowners can find a way to keep their home instead of losing their investment.

Finally, we set clear caps on how much mortgage brokers can charge, the ethical guidelines they must abide by, and set harsh penalties — up to 10 years in prison, in some cases — for tricking and deceiving borrowers into mortgages that are not in their best interest.

A plan to protect our children at school also was sent to the Governor this week. House Bill 91, as our joint committee finalized it, will require the state Department of Education and local school districts to have policies in place to address harassment and intimidation in our classrooms and school premises. If the harassment is serious enough, local law enforcement would be contacted to investigate, and annual reports would be made to Frankfort and to legislators so we could track school violence and find ways to prevent it in the future.

We will return to Frankfort on April 14 for two final days of legislative action. There are several bills we hope to act on then, as well as any vetoed bills the governor may send back to us. We still have major issues looming before us, from the escalating cost of state employee pensions to ethics legislation to offering our students a challenging curriculum. Between now and April 14, I hope you will take the opportunity to visit our website at www.lrc.ky.gov and follow our work. If you have an opinion on any bill, call our Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 or e-mail me at ed.worley@lrc.ky.gov.

Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



Rockcastle County High School Senior Zac Miller has a 4.0 GPA and is ranked 11th of the 204 seniors in the 2008 graduating class. Miller is the son of Kenny and Janice Miller of Bee Lick and plans to attend Western Kentucky University in the fall. Miller is undecided on his major field of study. Miller is a four year member of the RCHS Marching Band, where he plays the trombone. He has received several awards for his play with the band, including being named to the Eastern Kentucky University All-Regional Band for two years and the Western Kentucky University All-Regional Band for one year. Miller is a member of the Beta Club, Technology Students Association (TSA), Chess Club and Young Democrats. He serves as Sgt. of Arms for TSA. While at RCHS, Miller has earned college credit in history and is working on more college credit in English, this school year.

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At the plate, Perkins had 3 RBI, going 2 for 3 and also scoring 2 runs, Smith was 2 for 3 and he also scored 2 runs, Riddle was 1 for 3 with a RBI, Bullock was 1 for 2, a triple, and he also had a RBI, Bryant was 1 for 2 and Barnett walked and scored a run.

W. Jessamine 7 - Rockets 2 In game four in Florida, the Rockets lost to West Jessamine, 7-2.

Smith went the distance for the Rockets, picking up the loss, although he struck out six batters.

Smith did not give up any earned runs, but the Rockets made five errors in the field.

At the plate, Kincer and Perkins were both 2 for 3, Saylor was 2 for 4, Woodall



double, he knocked in a run, scored twice and stole 2 bases.

Bullock was 2 for 2, 1 a triple. He had a RBI, scored once and was hit by a pitch. Kincer was 2 for 3, one a

double and he had a RBI. Barnett was 2 for 3, one a

double and he scored a run. Justin Bryant was 1 for 3

with a RBI and he scored once. Junior Andrew Bryant walked and scored a run and freshman Josh McKinney also scored a run.

Rocket head coach J.D. Bussell will lead his team into action for the first time this season on Kentucky soil when they host Pulaski County on Thursday (tonight) at 5:30 p.m.

In his eight years as head of the Rocket program, Bussell has led his teams to eight straight district titles and three regional titles.

Last season, the Rockets finished with a record of 25-10, losing to West Jessamine in the semi-finals of the 12th region tournament.

The RCHS Lady Rocket softball team will also return to their home field when they host Garrard County on Thursday. Varsity softball action will also begin at 5:30 p.m.



Jacob Vanover, 13, of Calloway, killed his first turkey on April 5th, 22lb. 10 inch beard, also killed his second turkey on Sunday, same size. Thanks again to Phillip Doan for accompanying Jacob on his first turkey hunt. *Congratulations Jacob*!



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The Downtown Branch Lobby & Drive Thru will be CLOSED Saturday, April 26th

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Hwy 461 Drive Thru will be open until 6:00 PM Friday, April 25th

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- To establish a greater sense of independence, responsibility and self-confidence
- To learn more about relationship building with peers and adults (other than family) To gain a better understanding and appreciation of our environment To be supervised by trained volunteers and camp staff To have qualified emergency health care available, if needed, through a Camp EMT

- To have many happy memories of their time at 4-H Camp

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to a pulse and blood pressure

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The next opportunity for Rockcastle Countians to donate blood will be Wednesday, April 16 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Rockcastle Hospital blood drive at 145 Newcomb Street in Mt. Vernon on the KBC Bloodmobile.

Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-775-2522.

The Kentucky Blood Center is encouraging eligible donors to give at the upcoming blood drive and to bring a new blood donor along. Not only will blood donors help save the lives of Kentucky patients, they will also receive a free miniphysical.

"Donating blood is a

"Economic Development"

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conveniences represent the development, maintenance and growth of infrastructure which makes our lives better and creates opportunities for community economic development.

Right now, I want to discuss two infrastructure issues which are very relevant and important to the future growth and stability of the infastructure in Rockcastle County.

At the present time, the city of Mt. Vernon's sewer treatment plant operates on most days at full capacity (or in excess) of its ability to treat the water it takes in from our use. What does that mean? It means the system is basically overloaded and is working constantly to just keep up with what has to be done to sustain us as we are today. It also means that if a prospective industry was looking at Rockcastle County, and they have some process which requires treatment of water they use in their manufacturing, then most likely we would be eliminated before we were seriously considered. That is the way it works with companies looking for locations to build new factories. The fact that our sewer treatment plant is operating at, or in excess of capacity, would get us "marked off" their list of potential communities for consideration.

As this article is being read, the city of Mt. Vernon is working on this project. They have already hired an engineering firm which is developing plans for the construction of a new four million gallon per day sewer treatment plant. The engineers have identified the best spot for the proposed plant and everything is ready to go, with the exception of having the money needed to build the plant. If an industry were looking at our community and they could even know that we have plans to build a new sewer plant, their next question might be, "why have they not started construction, do they not have money?" This would be an appropriate question because it might say something about our commitment to growth and development in our community if necessary funding is not available to develop infrastructure as needed for growth and development. Other issues which need to be thought about is the continued improvement of our other infrastructure resources, including water, electricity and roads. We also need to look at

the possibility of getting natural gas into Rockcastle County, for both residential, commercial and industrial use. We must constantly be looking at the long-term needs of the residents and businesses already here in Rockcastle County. We

Infrastructure development is another important piece of the puzzle in putting together the necessary resources to create the environment for economic development to occur in Rockcastle County.

As our local leadership begins to take the actions necessary to have the funds needed to stabilize and grow the infrastructure of Rockcastle County, make sure you show them your support to help build a stronger economy for today and for the future of our community. And if you wonder whether or not we need to move forward, with doing what is necessary to make some much needed changes in Rockcastle County, just look at the face of the young people in Rockcastle County, maybe a grandchild, or niece or nephew or the young person working at the local restaurant and remember we are doing it to make a better future for them and their families.

that donating blood may reduce the risk of heart disease for men.

Those wanting to donate blood can call 1-800-775-2522 or visit kybloodcenter.org for blood drive and donor center details. The Kentucky Blood Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring a safe, adequate blood supply for 67 Kentucky hospitals and clinics thanks to generous blood donors in 62 counties.

Old Fashioned Tradin' Days & Pioneer Parade April 25th & 26th



This year there will be a Pioneer Parade on Saturday from 12 to 1 p.m. Come by to see real Cherokee Indians from North Carolina and Civil War re-enactors from all over. Dress in the Old Fashioned Apparel and join in the fun. If you would like to participate in the parade call 606-256-3437.

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I would also like to thank the only people who has showed so much love and kindness so far, Mr. Jim Jones, his sister Brenda and the greatest lady I have ever known, Mrs. Mary Ida Jones. God bless you all and my deepest thanks always.

Elizabeth Weakley

Sign-ups

Sign-ups for Rockcastle County Boy Scouts 10 and up with be Thursday, 6 p.m. at the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame.

NAMI Meeting

NAMI meeting will be held Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at the Comp Care Building. Yoando Kelsor will sing and speak.



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Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Buzz Carlfotis, center, proclaimed April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Rockcastle County on Tuesday. On hand for the proclamation signing were front row, from left: Mt. Vernon Asst. Police Chief Eddie Delaney, KSP Post 11 Commander Capt. Lisa Rudzinski, Carloftis, County Attorney Billy Reynolds and Court Appointed Special Advocate Jerry Bailey. Back row, from left: employees from the state's local office of Protection and Permanency: Supervisor Cheryl Franklin, Joyce Cummins, Terri Pushell, Jennifer White, Amy Yates, Kayce Storm and David Townsend. Not pictured was Rockcastle Sheriff Mike Peters. Last year, 428 cases of child abuse or neglect were reported in Rockcastle County. Anyone with information about possible child abuse, neglect or dependancy, you should call 1-800-752-6200.

"Budget"

(Cont. from front)

being allocated to such projects as the renowned Kentucky Music Museum Hall of Fame.

"The center attracts thousands of people from across the state each year," said Rep. Ford, R-Mt. Vernon. "Tourism is a great source of revenue because every new dollar that is spent by a tourist turns over in the community seven times. These dollars are spent in our local restaurants, gas stations and retail stores and help to provide not only additional tax revenue, but more jobs and opportunities."

The budget appropriates funds, which target economic development, infrastructure and public safety. These include:

•Kentucky Music Museum Hall of Fame, \$195,363;

•Courthouse renovations, \$57,624;

•Mt. Vernon City Park, \$50,000;

•Brodhead Fire Department, \$18,000;

•Livingston Fire Department, \$18,000;

•Mt. Vernon Fire Department, \$18,000;

•Brindle Ridge Fire Department, \$18,000;

•Pongo Fire Department, \$18,000, •Western Fire Department, \$18,000, and

•Rockcastle Fire Department, \$18,000. The Rockcastle Fire Department is the county department manned by volunteers of the Mt. Vernon Fire Department.

"These volunteer fire departments provide much needed services in the rural areas of Rockcastle County," said Rep. Ford.

"In the event of an emergency, having these fire and rescue squads ready to respond can mean saving a house or even a life," he added.

The \$195,000 + to the Hall of Fame will be used to replace old equipment and for operating expenses, according to board chairman Roy Martin.

The \$57,600 for the courthouse will be used to renovate the front of the old courthouse, where steps are broken and where at least one person has fallen, according to Judge-Executive Buzz Carloftis.

Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby said the city will use their \$50,000 for improvements to the city park on William Street, including a roof over the amphitheater.

The coal severance tax is 4.5 percent levied on every ton of coal mined in Kentucky. Legislators in both the Senate and House work hand-in-hand with local county officials in targeting projects for the coal severance dollars.

"We are fortunate to have the coal severance monies to assist our city and county governments," said Rep. Ford. "These funds are important for improving services to our citizens. I am glad that Senator Worley and I were able to obtain this money for Rockcastle County."

Ford went onto the say that the projects Worley mentioned that the two men were working on before the April 15th deadline, were for funds for water and sewer projects in all three cities in the county and a bond issue for road funds.

"Griffin"

(Cont. from front)

sible for prosecution, declined to reopen the case.

Griffin claimed he was acting in self-defense when he shot Danny Simpson, 60, also of Copper Creek, on October 29th of 2006.

Reynolds, who had asked that the case be reopened mainly at the request of family members, said he was disappointed but that his office did not have jurisdiction over the matter at this point.

Public invited to budget meeting April 11th; 9 a.m.

The public is invited to attend a meeting Friday, April 11th at 9 a.m. at the courthouse.

Everyone interested in the way their local government uses taxpayers' money for public purposes should attend the meeting. All proposed budgets supervised by the county's fiscal court for the coming fiscal year (effective July 1, 2008) will be open for consideration, regarding both expenditures and revenues,

"Although such meetings have also been open to the public for scrutiny, please consider this a special invitation to better understand how your local government works. Your suggestions will be welcomed. After all, yur local governing bodies are the closest government you have to home," said County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis.

The meeting will be held on the third floor of the courthouse.

"Center"

(Cont. from front)

activity labs, transportation through a partnership with RTEC, nursing care, wound care, gastric feedings and care for Alzheimer's patients.

The center also has a Meals on Wheels program and other in-home services, which includes minor home repair.

Vanhook said staff members at the center are committed to providing excellent care to their clients and muchneeded relief to caretakers, who have the awesome responsibility of their daily needs and their healthcare.

"We really work hard to keep the family unit together," Vanhook said.

There are 11 full-time and three part-time employees at the non-profit center. For more information call 256-4316.

"County" (Cont. from front)

of coal severance funds given them by the county and the county has paid \$7,000 for gravel used on the premises.

In other action, the court heard a proposal from Bonnie and Letha Hall of Pike County to establish a Bingo parlor in the county to operate two nights a week. Bonnie Hall told the court that they must have two charities to share the proceeds of the parlor and she asked that the animal shelter be allowed to be one of the charities benefiting.

Ms. Hall said that the average payout for the charities would be \$700 a session for the charities. Of course, pay outs are determined by attendance, Hall told the magistrates.

The court decided to think over the proposal and make a decision at a later date.

The court did approve a resolution for an interlocal agreement with Laurel County for Laurel to pick up recyclable material. The approval is conditional on the county receiving a grant to purchase four sub-compactors for the materials.

The court also approved a no smoking policy for the Rockcastle Detention Center, effective May 1st. The ban was put into law by the state legislature so the court was required to go along with the new policy.

Several claims and requests for donations were approved by the court, including \$695.20 for the four telephone lines used by the Kiwanis Club in their recent radio auction; a \$200 donation to the City of Brodhead for their upcoming Homecoming Celebration, a like amount to the City of Mt. Vernon for their Old Fashioned Tradin' Days event, scheduled for the last week end in April and \$130 to sponsor an athlete in the state's Special Olympics.

The court also approved the appointment of Rockcastle County School Board member and phmarcist Tina Hasty to the Rockcastle County Board of Health.

The court also heard a report from County Clerk Norma Houk, explaining some items in her 2006 audit.

Mrs. Houk told the court that there were no discrepancies in

the money part of the audit but the state did write her up for not having an employee open the mail and then not having anything to do with handling financial transactions the rest of the day. Then, of course, Ms. Houk said the state wanted her to have an employee to check out the office's receipts at the end of the day who did not have anything to do with handling money during the work day. "This would require two additional employees to be hired in my office," Houk told the court. She also said that this had been noted on county clerk's audits across the state in offices with less than 10 employees. "I was told by the man who did the audit not to change anything," Houk told the court, "but I just wanted to explain these items to you."

The court also received the Recapitulation of the Real Property Tax Roll from Property Valuation Administrator Margaret Offutt's office.

The report shows the total taxable value of residents lots in the county, including land and improvements, to be \$205,922,562. Farmland is valued at \$74,767,600; commercial, industrial, telecommunication and leasehold interests at \$58.173.605 for a total real estate value of \$338,863,827. \$43,433,900 is exempted under the Homestead Exemption Act for property owners disabled or 65 years and older; \$13,759,100 in exemptions for farmland and \$103,200 in exemptions for commercial property.

"Sentenced"

(Cont. from front)

of their prison sentence. Upon release, they will be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office. Probations will range from three to eight years, according to the release.

The five defendants were indicted in October of last year, after the "Up in Smoke Campaign" conducted by authorities in late summer and fall revealed the indoor growing operation at Gabbard's residence.

All five defendants are already in federal custody.

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Second Section

Thursday, April 10, 2008

A history of slavery and African Americans in Rockcastle County Remembering Rockcastle's invisible people

By David W. Owens

The following account is a history of slavery and how it affected African Americans in Rockcastle County, Kentucky. Throughout the ages, slavery has been an essential part of countless societies. From Ancient Greece to America of a century ago, slavery has been a major phenomenon of human history. The intent is not to embarrass or lay blame, or place today's moral standards upon that time. Right or wrong, the events that happened here regarding African Americans mirrored events everywhere in America during the same time frame. The intent is simply to rediscover some of the history of a people that were once a vital part of our community. A close examination of records- from cemeteries, memoirs, contemporary writings, and government recordsreveals the strength, courage, and endurance of the people who suffered so much at the hands of our ancestors.

Situated on a hill side in a grove of pine trees just at the northern edge of Mt. Vernon, along the old Richmond road route (along side US 25 North), near present day locations of Rite Aid and Kirby's Variety Store (the old Ernie Tolle Grocery) stands as a lone sentinel, the foundation of the old Christian Church for the Colored, which was a meeting house for African Slaves prior to the Civil War and later African-American freedmen. A cemetery is close by, with several graves, but with only two cut tombstones which reveal the names of the souls that sleep there. This site stands testimony of a people, long forgotten, who once lived and toiled here as slaves.

Following the Civil War. Rockcastle had a somewhat significant black population (1.), but over the years the number dwindled smaller till none remained. Since few blacks had any significant land holdings with only menial job opportunities available, they soon migrated from the county. Also, education for the African American in Rockcastle County was limited. Records at the Rockcastle County Central Education Office reveal there was a segregated school for blacks on Niggertown Hill, (now Sally J. Lane and Rainbow Ridge-the area was split in two by the 461 By-Pass), but the school was provided with limited resources. The student enrollment records black children with surnames of former Rockcastle slave owners.

where.

2. The last known Colored School Teacher's report recorded at the Central Education Office recorded 9 black students-5 girls and 4 boys in the 1934-35 school year. Lena Marshall, graduate of Kentucky State College-now EKU-was the teacher whose annual pay was \$613.90. Her report stated that she did not have a desk but had a chair. Rockcastle Education records of the Colored School researched by Mrs. Rose Brown.

According to county tax records there were 163 slaves here at the county's formation in 1810. The largest slave owners were John Burdett with 22, Mathew Orander 14, and Hezakiah Faris with 11. In 1860, the year before the Civil War (1861-1865) began, tax records record 358 slaves were owned by 92 whites in Rockcastle County. The largest Rockcastle slave owners in 1860 were Moses Newcomb with 16, brothers William Peasley & Bennett Hiatt with 13 each, and Thomas Smith with

Some of our older citizens may remember that there was a Black Church on Niggertown Hill near the Jarber Colored Cemetery on Rainbow Ridge where former slaves and descendants worshipped, and where at least two former slaves Gus Jabber (22 May 1842-23 May 1907) and his wife Mary (20 August 1852-12 Aug 1912) are buried and the last of those slave descendants of Rockcastle, Sally J. Newcomb was laid to rest in 1972.

An investigation of county records reveal that the Niggertown Hill Church property (now located on Rainbow Ridge) was deeded by a black man named Samuel Owens to the Mt. Vernon Christian Church for the Colored on 24 August, 1929 then sold 22 October, 1955 by John Jarber, the last surviving member of the colored church to Dewey and Frances Alcorn who were white. This marked the end of the last African American institution in Rockcastle County.

According to the <u>Rockcastle</u> <u>Cemetery Book</u> by Jeanne Snodgrass Bonham and Patricia Heylmann Hiatt, at an unknown date, the older Richmond Road church site had burned down. Consequently it was replaced by the newer site in 1929 on Rainbow Ridge.

a Northern Star at the top, which was a symbol of freedom for former slaves, have the names of George Adams (11 May 1858 with no death date) and Jalie Adams (2 April 1851 to 25 January 1910.) Their birth dates reveal that both were born into slavery and that George was freed by the 13th amendment (1865) when he was 7 years old and Jalie when she was 14 years old. This may account for their having the only cut stones. Being freed at a young age, they could have worked and earned money to buy tomb stones, while many of the others buried there probably died while in bondage and consequently had no money to purchase tombstones.

3. The <u>Rockcastle Cemetery</u> <u>Book</u> quotes the late local historian Clayton B. Ponder, that known to be buried there are: Saunders & Hattie Fish Smith, Henry Gasket, and a adopted daughter of George & Jalie Adams.

Some official records, such as census and tax records, and slave schedules, provide limited information about the black people of Rockcastle County. Limited marriage records also exist. These records lend support to oral history (interviews and recollections) about the black's in our community.

Rockcastle County, as did all counties, did not keep records of marriages and vital statistics of slaves. (4.) The only record of them is tax records and slave schedules which listed their white owners. The Adamses however were married after emancipation and their wedding date was recorded as 30 December 1879.

4. Slaves were property and not legal citizens of the state. They were listed under the white owner's names in slave schedules and taxable property. Vital statistics of black citizens were not recorded in county records until after they received freedom.

The marriage record also records that George was a junior and Jalie's maiden name was Fish. The 1870 Rockcastle Census lists George Junior living at home with his father George senior a farmer, his mother Martha and a sister named Elizabeth. The only record of their existence is found in a 14 March, 1974 article of late local

historian, John Lair, in the Mt. Vernon Signal.

In my boyhood, Uncle George Adams was my favorite of all the ex-slaves still around. He worked for my father during crop season and came to work each morning riding a limber-legged thin sorrel horse that would weave from side to side as he walked. Uncle George called him Lil' Dit' (Little Dick) and felt a great affection for him although always free to admit, "Dev wuzn't much hoss to him." When, boy like, I would sometimes dash up beside him on a frisky colt and banter him for a race, he would take it as a huge joke and laugh loudly and immoderately.

Uncle George had a philosophy in life I would have done well to listen to and remember. As was the custom of the day, when we had work hands for dinner my mother set a separate table out on the back porch for Uncle George or any other colored help. One day, feeling the boyish urge, to stir up something. I went out on the porch and started telling him about the imaginary feast of good things we had on the dinning room table and asking him if he didn't wish he was in there eating with us. His reply was something I never forgot. He said, "Hit make no differ what yo eat, Honey. Atter yo git full, yo do'n no but what it wuz chicken and pie.'

There is a third former slave burying ground (5.) in Mt. Vernon located on Richmond Street (behind the Car Wash beside Chadwell Dental Office) called the Newcomb Cemetery. Noted local historian, the late Ralph Griffin, related this heart warming story of Walker Newcomb in a series of articles titled, Facts and Stories, dated 5 through 20 October, 1939 that appeared in the Mt. Vernon Signal from oral information passed to him from Mr. and Mrs. M. Gentry.

5. According to the *Rockcastle Cemetery Book* there is also a slave burying ground just south of Mt. Vernon at Cove Branch, near the Langford cemetery who were a slave holding family. There is no doubt several slaves and freed people of color are buried in Rockcastle County in unmarked/ unrecorded graves.

Among the early settlers of Rockcastle County was a man by the name of William Newcomb. Mr. Newcomb was fairly well-off financially and listed numerous Negro slaves among his other possessions, as was customary among prosperous people of that day. In marked contrast to many slave owners, however this gentleman was most humane and dealt with his slaves according to his idea of the Golden Rule.

After his negroes had completed what he considered a reasonable day's work, Mr. Newcomb gave them the opportunity of spending their spare time as they pleased, within limits. To most of these folks this leniency meant blissful hours of rest, a chance to putter about the garden patch, or a chance to go fishing. To one of them, however, it meant a Godgiven opportunity for freedom.

Life had dealt harshly with Walker. That was all the name he could lay claim to, just Walker, although according to custom he took the family name of his white

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The well at the old Mt. Vernon Christian Church for the Colored. *Photo by Bruce Ross*.



Painting by Rockcastle County artist Troy Hansel that depicts how the Mt. Vernon Christian Church for the Colored may have appeared. Painting based on land terrain features, foundation footprint, and period building techniques.

1. 414 blacks and mulattoes are listed in the 1880 Rockcastle Census.

The records show that there where not enough desks for students, few text books, and no school library. Interestingly, at one time the school was taught by former Confederate Soldier Richard Martin (who was wounded in the knee at Gettysburg.) The May 25, 1900 edition of the Mt. Vernon Signal recorded Mt. Vernon School Superintendent W.A.B. Davis, who stated there were 45 students at the colored school. The student body (2.) number dropped so low in the 1940's that blacks of school age where sent to Berea for their education. The majority of the last few blacks that were left vacated the county during the Second World War (1941-45) when job opportunities came open elseThe old Christian Church for the Colored was as were many community churches the hub of social events for its members and friends. The August 11, 1899 Mt. Vernon Signal recorded the following event that occurred there.

W.P. Chasteen, colored of Berea gave an interesting lecture at the colored church, on the subject of the negro. The colored folks picnic here Tuesday was a success. The cake walk at night was immense. Walker Dulany, Will Mack, and Will Faris of Crab Orchard were winners. The best of order prevailed the day and night.

It is believed that all those buried at the Richmond Road site were slaves who had tasted the bitter life of bondage, or the freed children of those slaves. While we do not know the names of the others who sleep (3.) there, the two cut tombstones reveal a wealth of information. The stones themselves, beautifully engraved with



The engraved Northern Star on the Jalie Adams' tombstone. *Photo by Bruce Ross*.



The African American Cemetery at the old Mt. Vernon Christian Church for the Colored. *Photo by Bruce Ross.*

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

District Court

Central Financial Services, Inc. vs. Gary Chasteen, \$1161.56 plus claimed due.

Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Joshua Engle, \$1638.59 plus claimed due.

Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Brian K. Lovell, \$2294.53 plus claimed due.

Livingston Manor vs. John K. York, forcible detainer complaint.

Professional Investment Finance vs. Sandra Bullock, \$2024.35 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Judy C. Smith, \$1259.49 plus claimed due.

Capital One Bank vs. Anna K. Ray, \$677.14 plus claimed due. C-00081

Circuit Civil Suits

Velocity Investments LLC vs. Mitchell Durham, \$9516.92 plus claimed due.

Discover Card vs. Andrew Bron Carrera, \$6889.62 plus claimed due.

Pallisades Collection LLC vs. Matthew Blevins, \$9667.39 plus claimed due.

Frankie Dale Woodall vs. Jessica Woodall, petition for dissolution of marriage. Linda Nezi vs. Jack Wayne

Nezi, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Elizabeth A. Renner vs. Ronald Dale Renner, petition

for dissolution of marriage. North Star Capital Acquisitions LLC vs. Brandon Wynn, \$5079.16 plus claimed due. Paul F. Witt vs. Edith Reffitt

Witt, petition for dissolution of marriage. CI-00096.



Beth Ann Moore vs. Floyd & Lorene Suffridge, \$122.09 plus claimed due.



Manuchehr and Anna Shirmohammad, property on waters of Valley Spring Branch, to Russell Parsons. Tax \$5.

Bobby Cummins, property in Countryside Estates Subdv., to Hanners R. and Deborah A. Gevedon. Tax \$14.50.

Andreas E.T. and Francesca C. Thomsen, property in Countryside Estates Subdv., to Hanners R. and Deborah A. Gevedon.Tax \$128.

David Elvis Mason, property in Rockcastle County, to Angela Turner. No tax.

Judy Scalf, property in Rockcastle County, to D.F. and Lucy Cottengim. Tax \$1.

Green Tree Servicing LLC, property in Rockcastle County,

Mark Blanton and Donna Blanton, property in Rockcastle County, to Mark Blanton.

Rita Lackey, property in Rockcastle County, to Gary Lackey. No tax.

Dana and Tony Shelton, property on north side of U.S 150, to Transportation Cabinet. Tax \$18.

and Denise Randy Anderkin, property in Rockcastle County, to Jeffrey and Amanda Shaver. Tax \$11.

James and Lois Noe, property on Possum Kingdom Road, to Estil and Marie Kirby. Tax \$50.

Wade Leo and Patsy Hopkins, property on east side of Freedom School Road, to Transportation Cabinet. Tax \$20.

Wade Leo and Patsy Hopkins, property on east side of Freedom School Road, to Transportation Cabinet. Tax 50c.

Lena A. and Jack Bussell, property in Brodhead, to David and Jennifer D. Whitt. Tax \$3.50.

Darrell Collinsworth, property in Rockcastle County, to Paul Griffin. Tax \$70.

Nina Mayhew, property in Rockcastle County, to Nina Faye Hopkins, and others. No tax.

Phyllis J. Bullock, property in Countryside Estates Subdv., to James L. Bullock. No tax.

Phillips M. Payne, property in Rockcastle County, to Kathy L. Payne. No tax.



Angela Carin Hendrickson, 26, Mt. Vernon, administrative assistant, to Jason Lee Alcorn, 31, Mt. Vernon, factory. 3/28/ 08.

Shirley Ann Kennedy, 50, Mt. Vernon, disabled to Rich-

"Invisible"

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master and was known as Walker Newcomb. Born a slave and apparently predestined to live and die a slave, his future stretched hopelessly before him. To make it doubly hard, Walker had recently married a slave girl, who lived on another plantation and was owned by another family. Yearning for each other constantly, they only met occasionally for short periods. It was entirely possible that one of them might at any time be sold, which could mean final separation and the end of the world so far as both were concerned. (6.)

6. It was a tradition of slave marriages to, "Jump the Broom into the land of matrimony," to the vows of, "To death or distance do you part."

Final separation was unthinkable and unendurable. In the agony of his lonely days and nights, Walker conceived an idea. At the first opportunity he rushed over to impart it to his wife, Lizzie. He would work out their freedom in the spare hours, which his master so generously allowed him.

With that hope to inspire him and to goad him on, Walker became a man possessed. A fine figure of a man, a splendid blacksmith, and of marvelous strength and endurance, he toiled incessantly. His master permitted him the use of needed tools for his hours of extra work, and the sparks flew and the forge glowed in the little shop, until far into every night. On the next farm a young wife yearned and prayed that her husband's strength might be sufficient for their need, and it was.

Walker Newcomb worked enough to buy his own freedom and a set of blacksmith tools, but his task was but half over. Feverishly he toiled, day and night, hardly taking time off for a bite to eat or an hour of rest. After months of backbreaking labor and selfdenial, the dream came true. He had saved enough to buy Lizzie's freedom.

Blissfully happy in their new *life together and in this wonderful* taste of freedom, no task seemed to have been too much for this black man and his faithful wife. They next aspired to have a home of their own and they got it. A piece of Mt. Vernon property was to be put up at a commissioner's sale. Walker and Lizzie had managed to work out and save enough

ard Allen Woolard, 44, Mt. Vernon, self-employed. 4/1/08. Jody Louise Alexander, 19, Brodhead, factory, toJoshua Monroe Hayes, 22, Mt.

came to the rescue. Mr. Jim Myers and Mr. Milt Cook bid the property in for this deserving young couple, and the couple became the proud owners of all the land, which extends from what is now the Dixie Boone Hotel corner, out Richmond Street to the Aunt Mal McKenzie property, and extending the depth from Richmond Street west to the top of Hysinger Hill. (8.)

8. The original deed recorded that a J.P. Myers purchased the property for \$670.00 from the heirs of Colonel William Smith (commanded the 79th Kentucky Militia during the war of 1812) to wit; Elisha Smith, Thomas J. Smith, Alfred Smith, William M. Smith, George W. Smith, Glattia Maret, Eliza Maret, Polly Hazelwood, & Ann Terrill and transferred the property to Walker and Elizabeth Newcomb on the sixth day of March, 1867.

Walker built a blacksmith shop upon the present site of Dixie Boone Hotel (now Richmond Street Eye Care.) Next he built for his residence the house which is now occupied by Mr. Cleny Sigmon. There he and Lizzie lived, had children, and spent many happy years of highly-deserved happiness and contentment.

Now, for the climax of this story. Lizzie Newcomb's old mistress came upon changed days. Left a widow, she became destitute, and it seemed that her last days must be spent among the miserable surroundings of a poor house. Then Walker and Lizzie opened their own comfortable home to their old mistress, took her in, and gave her a room of her own, where Lizzie faithfully waited on her as long as she lived.

There is a little Negro graveyard upon what we now know as the old graded school lot. This little plot was served by Walker Newcomb, in a deed, as a last resting place for his family and their families, and for his wife's old mistress, who was the first and only white person to be buried there.

The next morning after I heard this story, I visited this little grave yard at early dawn. Pushing my way through a dense, tangled growth of dew-soaked saw briars and honey-suckle, I at last found what I sought, a simple headstone. weather beaten but with lettering entirely legible, "Walker Newcomb, born 1824, died 1893." As I read I uncovered my head, for I knew that I stood at the grave of a man.

A very interesting note of the

Vernon, factory. 4/2/08.

Lou Ann Masters, 19, Mt. Vernon, student, to Travis Blake Smith, 20, Mt. Vernon, Tokico. 4/4/08.

and provides details on what life must have been like as a slave in the county.

Interview with Ex-slave John Hiatt, original transcriber not listed. Volume IV pg 73, Scribed from the original transcript by David W. Owens, information added appears in parenthesis.

We came to Indiana from Kentucky. Uncle Moses Fish told me he was born April 5th, 1833 at the Abe Wheeler place near Spoonville, now know as Nina, about nine miles due east from Lancaster. Mammy, whose name was Dilsy, belonged to the Hiatt family at Renfro Valley in Rockcastle County, Kentucky. My Pappy, Lewis Hiatt was a slave of John Adams and I was named for him. Pappy was done gived to the Hiatt's when he was a young boy. My mammy's people were born in Rockcastle County as far as I know. I had three sisters; Hannah, Vira, and Mary who are now dead and buried at the old Colored Folks burying ground near Mount Vernon in Kentucky. Marse (Master) Peasley (Hiatt) owned about 1,000 acres of land in the northern section of the county and as far as I can remember had about 13 slaves on the place. We had two slave shacks. We lived in a one room cabin, with a loft above, and this cabin was an old fashioned one with a dirt floor about 100 yards from the house. We lived in one room, with one bed in the cabin. The one bed was an old fashioned, high post corded bed where my pappy and mammy slept which were covered with straw ticks. Our covers were made in big patches from old cast-off clothes. My sisters and me slept in a trundle bed, made like the big bed except the posts were made smaller and was on rollers, so it could be rolled under the big bed. When we got up in the morning we shoved the trundle bed back under the big bed. There was also a cradle, made of a wooden box. with rockers nailed on, and my mammy told me that she rocked me when I was a baby in that cradle.

She used to sit and sing in the evening. She carded the wool and spun yarn on the old spinning wheel. My grandpappy was a slave of Marse Jack Fish, whose farm joined the Hiatt farm. He made shingles with a steel drawing knife, that had a wooden handle. He made these shingles in Mr. (James) McCall's Tanyard yard. I do not remember my grandmammy, and I didn't have to work much in slave days, just pulling weeds and feeding the chickens and hogs, because my mammy and pappy did all the work except heavy farm work. Marse Hiatt had a very bad male hog and had to keep him in a pen about ten feet high. Sometimes he would break out and it would take all the bulldogs in the county to get him back. My Misus Polly (Hiatt) used to give me my winter clothes. My shoes were called brogans. My old master (William Peasley Hiatt) had shoes made on Christmas. He would put my foot on the floor and mark around it for the measure of mv shoes. Most of the cooking was in an oven in the yard, over beds of coals. Baked possum and ground hog in the oven, stewed rabbits, fried fish and fired bacon called "streaked meat" all kinds of vegetables, boiled cabbage, pone corn bread, and sorghum molasses. Old folks would drink coffee, but chillum (children) would drink milk, especially butter milk. Old master would ring a great big bell and call us about 4 o'clock, and everybody had to get up and go to starring. Old Marse had about 30 sugar trees which were tapped, in February. Elder spiles were stuck in the taps for the water to drop out in the wooden troughs, under the spiles. These troughs were hewed out of buckeye. The maple water was gathered up and put in a big kettle, hung on racks, with a big fire under it. It was then taken to the house and finished upon the stove. The skimmings after it got to the svrup was boiled down and made into maple sugar for the children. We wore tow linen cloths in summer and jeans in the winter. My sisters wore linsey in winter of different colors, dyed from herbs, especially poke berries; and wore unbleached cotton in summer, dyed with yellow mustard seed. My grandpappy mended shoes and made fairly good ones. There were 13 slaves on old Marse's place. My mammy and a slave named America and a slave named Aint (Aunt) Mary did the cooking and the men did the work. We didn't have no overseer but Marse Peasley and his brother (Bennett Hiatt) were our masters. Both were good and kind to us and his brother's slaves. I never saw a



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money to make it extremely likely that they could buy the land, but prejudice blocked their way. Negroes were not permitted to buy real estate in this section. (7.)

7. African-Americans were restricted to the Niggertown Hill community and not permitted to purchase property within Mt. Vernon city limits.

At this point two white friends

Newcomb cemetery is that three black soldiers of the 119th United States Colored Infantry that was raised at Camp Nelson during the Civil War are buried there. The enlistment papers of Sergeant Samuel Smith state that he was the property of Elisha Smith, who was an attorney in Mt. Vernon, the son of Colonel William Smith and half-brother of Alfred Smith. Alfred Smith, who was married to Nancy Middleton, operated a grocery store in Mt. Vernon and served as a Major in the 14th Kentucky Cavalry during the Civil War. The only known ministers of the Christian Colored Church were James Nelson and John Middleton, who may have been a slave of Nancy's family. There are several blacks buried there with the surname of Smith so there is every likely hood that Walker's Elizabeth and the others were former slaves of Colonel William Smith's family. This may explain why the souls buried there have cut tombstones. Colonel William Smith's family was a very wealthy and influential family in the early history of Rockcastle County.

Buried along side Samuel in the Newcomb cemetery is his wife Mollie. The 1880 Rockcastle Census lists Samuel as a 43 year old black farmer and Mollie as a 38 vear old Mulatto (half white-half black) housewife. It also lists a 16 year old mulatto boy living with them named Scott Fish. The Lair article mentioned earlier also mentions Samuel and Mollie.

An ex-slave couple I used to often stop by and visit on my way to and from school were Uncle Sam and Aunt Molly Smith. Uncle Sam had evidently been a coachman in the Smith family and was the proud possessor of what had once been a black coachman's coat, but which had long since turned green. He was a big tall man, somewhat on the lighter side complexion wise. Aunt Molly was of a still lighter shade and her mother, who had belonged to a wealthy family, had been known to boast that Aunt Molly was the daughter of one of the most important men in Kentucky.

A series of first hand slave narratives was recorded in 1941 by the Library of Congress Manuscript Division. One of the interviews was with an elder man in Indiana who had been a slave in Rockcastle County as a young boy

(Cont. to B8)

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Have Your Own Ponderosa... on this 175 acre farm with custom brick home. This home offers 4 BR, 1 BA, large Kit-Dining area, LR and FR. Home has a full walk-out basemen with a large bath. It also has city water and there's access to a spring for livestock, it is serviced by a heat pump with central heat and air. Outbuildings include a milk parlor loafing shed and barns. Owner will consider dividing. Call today for your appointment M2352



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Opportunity! Brick house and 14 acres located on Old Brodhead - Mt. Vernon Road. Home features 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, new windows, new carpet and a gas fireplace. Acreage could be subdivided or used as farmland. Small barn also on property. M2320



Beautifully Decorated! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath beauty is sitting on 1.7 acres and is convenient to schools and the interstate. Home has a security system and storage shed. Home and property have been meticulously maintained - too many extras to mention. Call for details today! M2306



FRESH! Fresh paint, hardwood floors and beautiful crown molding give this house new life! This home offers 3 BR, 2BA, LR, Kit/Dining room combo, a Full walk-out Basement w/ Tool room, mature trees for shade and a carport. Call today for your appointment to view... this won't last long! M2326





A Buyer's Paradise! When feeling stressed from a long days work ... come home to relieve stress on your very own putting green... or hang out on your spacious patio and enjoy the beautiful scenic view. This will be relaxing for you. This 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath home is situated on secluded, convenient 1/2 acre +/- lot on the outskirts of the Mt. Vernon city limits. Home has a full unfinished basement and a large 3-car detached garage. Other amenities include: central heat/air, city water/sewer, hardwood floors, security system, fireplaces, and beautiful landscaping. Start relieving some of that stress...today! Call for an appointment! M2363



Hey Folks! In the market for a nice home with a great garage/workshop? Don't pas this beauty by. All brick equals low maintenance in this 3 BR, 1 BA home. Stainles steel appliances complete the BIG KITCHEN and a bonus room is there for you to use a you please. Super location and nice views complete this lovely home. Don't let this one

Rental property or a nice place for your home! Mobile home selling as-is. Nice lot. This 2 BR, 1 BA singlewide has had updates. Currently being used as rental prop erty. Owners will consider land contract. Call for your appointment today! M2339

Acreage For Sale

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get away! M2356





Immaculate~Move in Ready~Sharp~Affordable! If these words describe the home you've been looking for...look no further.This all brick 3 (could be 4) bedroom, 2 bath home has been maintained. Above ground pool with gorgeous deck and the landscaping is to die for. Nothing to do but move in and enjoy! Security system already in place and all of this for only \$119,500. M2354



Secluded... yet Convenient! This charming 1 1/2 story vinyl home is situated on 4.5 acres +/-. Features include: 4-5 BR, 2.5 BA, Kit, Utility room, and Office. Amenities include: Laminate and hardwood flooring, tile, carpet, beautiful oak cabinets, fireplace, attached garage, and a great view! Asking \$147,500. M2297



Fully Fenced Lot with a great view! Could be rental property or would make a great lot for your new doublewide. Needs TLC. Can be bought separately or with an additional mobile home on lot. Motivated Sellers... make an offer. M2342



What a Deal!! That's the first thought that will come to mind when you step foot inside this 3 Bedroom, 1_Bath Brick home. This home has been well maintained and is situated on a huge lot in the Brodhead city limits. Amenities include central heat/air, KU Utilities, 12 x 22 detached Garage, Carport, Patio, and all appliances stay. Priced at only \$79,900.M2358



Affordable... Whether you're looking for an investment or a place to live, be sure to take a look at this affordable property. The mobile home offers 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath, Living room and Kitchen and it is situated on a 2 acre lot. Priced at only \$19,900. Don't miss out... call today for an appointment. M2365

porch, heat pump, central air, city water and septic system. Reduced to \$119,500. M2309



Immaculate! This could be considered an understatement for this beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA home situated on a nice lot in Chestnut Heights Subdivision. This well maintained home has extraordinary laminate hardwood and carpet flooring and a huge living room which would be great for family gatherings. Amenities include central heat/air, 2-car attached garage, sky lights, above ground pool with deck, nicely landscaped, security lights and a fenced yard. Asking only \$127,900. M2361



Great Business Opportunity! Approximately 5.5 commercial acres located in the Conway section of Rockcastle County. Property is visible from 1-75 and is accessible from US 25. Property includes flea market, music barn, optional small engine repair shop, 2 BR Apartment, Doublewide, and several other storage buildings. Come and see this property's income potential today! \$182,000.M2338



Beautiful Brick Home! This beauty features 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, kitchen, living room and a utility room. Home includes gas fireplace, oak cabinetry, crown molding, builtin microwave and a detached garage. Home is situated on 2 1/2 acres with a beautiful yard. Home has been freshly painted and you get all of this for only \$139,900. M2349



Don't Miss Out! If you're looking for an extraordinary, immaculate home then look no further. This 3 BR, 2 BA home is situated on a beautiful lot in Hunters Ridge Subdivision. This property will make your family a great, new spacious home. Amenities include central heat/air, large back deck and landscaping. Priced to sell. M2343.



Don't Miss Out! This country home is definitely worth looking at. The home has an open living area with a living room. Kitchen and dining room combined on the main level. There's also a master bedroom suite and an extra bath on the main level. The second story has two bedrooms, a bath and a loft that overlooks the living room. The walk-out basement has approximately 1000 sq. ft. and with a restroom that has been plumbed and a wood stove for back-up heat. M2348 Home Sweet Home! Nice 16x80 singlewide with vinyl siding and shingle roof. Only 7.5 miles off of I-75 this home offers 3 BR, 2 BA and is situated on 3.93 country acres. Other amenities include city water, septic system, huge front porch and a 14x20 storage bldg./work shed with electric. Priced at \$52,000 under appraisal value. M2327.



Two for the Price of One... in the country on 4.7 acres. Either of these homes could be a retreat or a permanent residence. Newly renovated with two new septic systems, tin roofs and vinyl siding. Also, there are four camper hook-ups. First home has LR, DR-Kit combo, 3 BR, Utility-Bathroom combo, beautiful oak cabinets. Second home has 3 BR, Kit-Dining room combo, Bath-Utility combo. Fenced field, two new 12x16 bldgs and a shed on the property make for good country living. M2282



You Can't Find It! 324 Acres nestled in the heart of the Daniel Boone National Forest. Like new 2-story Brick home with 5 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 3-car Garage, a 30 x 65 metal building, and a 2 acre lake. Only 10 miles from I-75 and is mostly wooded. Call for an appointment today! M2364



Expecting More for your Money? This move-in ready, brick charmer is a must see! Updates galore in this 3 (could be 4) BR, 2 BA home. Beautiful hardwood and one-year old appliances complete this package. Don't delay–make your appointment today! \$126,900. M2335 Very desirable 6.3 acre tract located on the corner of Cedar Ridge Road and US 150. Approximatel SALE PENDING lent potential for a home, business or

70 Acres +/-...This property inludes 70 acres of pasture land to enjoy however you

please. The property is fenced, has a barn and a spring. City water available. The prop-

erty would be great for building or developing. Priced at \$299,000... Call today for

mercial or residential. Restricted to 1,200 sq.ft. home. M2340

76 Acre Farm in the Wabd Section of Rockcastle Co...Road frontage on Hwy 1250 and Doc Adams Road. Barn-silo-city water-creek. Good cattle farm or develop ment possibilities. Owner would consider dividing. Priced at \$289,000. M2333

Private... Close to Town...Close to 1-75...This 23 acres +/- is mostly woodland and is close to 1-75 and only 2 miles from Mt. Vernon. City water is available.M2313 You've got to see this...11.432 acres mostly cleared with a pond, shed and a barn. Property needs TLC. Located at the corner of Preachersville Road and Swope Road in Stanford.M2311

Park like setting...Build your dream home on this beautiful 12.25 acres +/- with gorgeous views and several building sites. This is an opportunity you don't want to miss. M2324

Need a few acres? Approximately 5 acres near the Lincoln County Fairgrounds with city water. Gently rolling. Just \$22,900.M2362

Needing Land? This 3 acre +/- piece of land is located in the Cove Branch section of Mt. Vernon. Property has an old home and a septic tank and needs TLC. This could be a great spot for a mobile home. Asking \$11,500. M2367

FUTURE AUCTIONS

Absolute Auction of Ms. Beverly Dudderar's Personal Property Friday, April 11, 2008 – 1:30 p.m. 408 Logan Avenue, Stanford, Ky Tripleheader Absolute Auction Saturday, April 12, 2008 - 10:00 a.m. Auction #1:11 Building Lots at Lake Linville, Renfro Valley Auction #2:4 Acres m/Lin Tracts located on Barnett Road, Mt. Vernon Auction #3: 7.4 Acres located at Intersection of Hwy 461 bypass and State Road 1326 (Old Brodhead Road), Mt. Vernon Sale will be conducted from Auction #1's Location

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House & Lot - Extra Lot and Personal Property Saturday, April 12th at 1:30 p.m. McKee Road in Burnside

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Apt. (101 Odgen St. at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 26th, 2008 • Somerset, Ky

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1 Acre - Commercially zoned. Excellent location for any type of business M2366

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1/2 Mile from 1-75 - Tracts ranging from 3/4 acre to 4 acres - good visibility - high traffic count - city water and sewer available. M1772 Great Location! 1.3 acres commercial property, all utilities. Property is located on the 461 bypass across from RCHS. Great visibility and traffic count. M2163

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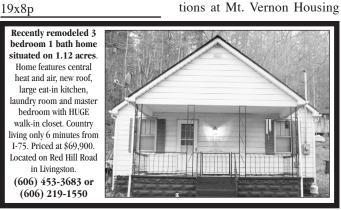
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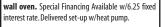
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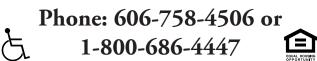
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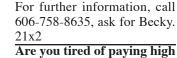
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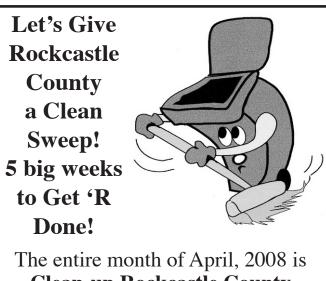
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NOTICE OF SALE

DAPHNE RENEE DURHAM administratrix of the estate of Myrtle Smith a/k/a Myrtle F. Smith a/k/a Myrtle Fish Smith, et al

Pursuant to a Final in Rem Judgment and Order of Sale entered in this action on January 28, 2008, I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property and personal property located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky:

AT THE COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON EAST MAIN STREET ON FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2008, BEGINNING AT THE HOUR OF 1:00 P.M. OR THEREABOUTS, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, TO WIT:

A certain tract of land located in Wildie, on Roundstone Creek, Rockcastle

County, Kentucky, to-wit: Beginning at the Northeast corner of A.T. Fish's Lot, corner of M.L. Lum Lot; thence running with Lum Lot Line S 35 1/2E 100 Feet to a stone, Lum Corner, also corner to H.H. Wood; thence N 54 E 250 Feet to a beech tree in the J.F. Butner line, now L.T. Stewart's line; thence with his line N 9 W 115 Feet to a stone near where a large white oak once stood in J.F. Butner's line; thence S 54 1/2 W 305 Feet to the beginning, containing three-fourths of an acre, more or less, and known as the Frank Richmond Lot, but out of this boundary is excepted a road belonging to L.T. Stewart's heirs.

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Also sold with the real estate is the 1970 Fleet manufactured home, having a Vehicle Identification Number of S0289, which said mobile home has been legally affixed to the lot as real property.

Being the same property conveyed to William I. Smith and his wife, Myrtle F. Smith, from William I Smith and wife, Myrtle F. Smith, by Deed dated 10/04/1993, recorded 10/14/1993 in Deed Book 151, page 631, Rockcastle County Clerk's Records. William I Smith died on June 31, 2001, and the property passed to the survivor Myrtle Smith a/k/a Myrtle F. Smith a/k/a Myrtle Fish Smith, thus became the sole vested title-holder in fee simple by right of survivorship of the property in question. Myrtle Smith a/k/a Myrtle F. Smith a/k/a Myrtle Fish Smith died on February 3, 2006, as evidenced by Probate Case No. 06-P-00024, wherefore appointing Daphne Renee Durham, Administratrix of the Estate of Myrtle Smith a/k/a/ Myrtle F. Smith a/k/a Myrtle Fish Smith Being the same property known as Route 6 Box 264, Mount Vernon, KY 40456.

The foregoing property shall be sold by the Special Master Commissioner of the Rockcastle Circuit Court upon the following terms and conditions:

The purchaser shall take the sale real estate free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except:

1) easements, restrictions and stipulations of record;

2) assessments for public improvements levied against the property; and

3) any facts which an inspection and accurate survey of the property may disclose.

At the time of sale, the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days and a sale bond bearing interest at twelve percent (12%) per annum. In the event that the Plaintiff is the successful purchaser, any deposit or sale bond shall be waived, and Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit of its judgment against the purchase price and shall only be obligated to pay the court costs, fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes payable pursuant to this order. Any other party who is the successful purchaser of the property may take credit against any judgment in that party's favor against the Defendant(s) property owner for the required deposit and purchase price to the extent that the sale price is sufficient to pay such judgment considering the priorities and amounts previously adjudicated in the action.

The Special Master Commissioner has served notice on the Attorney for Plaintiff and on all other parties, of the date of sale in compliance with the court's judgment. This the 12th day of March, 2008.

William D. Gregory Special Master Commissioner **Rockcastle Circuit Court**



"Invisible" (Cont. from B2)

slave shipped (sold down river) or whupped bad for acting bad, for my master did not believe in that kind of punishment. I played with the white folks children. When we acted bad old Marse always licked the white children three or four times harder then he did me because they were older.

White folks did not teach us to read and write. I learned that after I left my white folks. There was a church for slaves at Mount Vernon, but we went to the white folks church and sat in the back. The first colored preacher I ever heard was old man John Middleton. He preached in the colored (Christian) meeting house. I stood on the banks of Renfro Creek and saw my mother baptized, but do not remember the preachers name or any of the songs they sung.

We did not work on Saturday afternoons and Sundays. The men would go fishing, and the women would go to the neighbors and help each other piece quilts. We used to have big times at the corn shuckings. The neighbors would come and help. We would have camp fires and sing songs, and usually a big dance at the barn when the corn was shucked. Some of the slaves from other farms would pick the banjo, then the dance. They had good things to eat.

I can remember when my mammy's brother died. They took him to be buried at the colored meeting house, but the mules got scared and turned the spring wagon over and the corpse fell out. The mourners sure had a time getting things straightened out, but they finally got him buried. I do not recall any of the songs, and they did not have a preacher. My mammy took his death so hard.

I never did earn any money when I got older, but worked for my food and clothes. My pappy used to hunt rabbits, groundhogs, and possums. I went with him when I was young and would ride on his back with my feet in his pockets. He had a dog named Brutus which was a watch dog. My pappy would lay down his hat anywhere in the woods and Brutus would stay by that hat until he come back. We ate all kinds of wild food, possum and rabbits in the big oven. Minnows were fished from Renfro and Roundstone creeks and fried in hot grease.

I remember one slave named Adams who ran away and when he comed back my old master picked up a log from the fire and hit him over the head. We always washed up and cleaned up for Sunday. Some time the older ones would get drunk.

On Christmas and New Years we would go up to the house and we were freed every body was glad. The slaves cleared up the ground and cut down trees. I have seen old covered wagons pulled by oxen traveling on the road going to Indiana and we was whipped to keep us from the road for fear they would steal us. Old master (William Peasley Hiatt) was found dead in the barn after that. We stayed on with Miss Polly the first year after the war. Have heard the Klu Klux Klan ride down the road, wearing masks. None ever bothered me or any of Miss Polly's slaves. (9.)

gave it to us. When the news came

9. Slave Narratives: A Folk History of Slavery in the United States from Interviews of Former Slaves of Indiana, Works Projects Administration, Assembled By the Library of Congress, Manuscript Division, 1941, Courtesy the Indiana Historical Society

It is interesting that former slave John Hiatt mentioned the death of his former master William Peasley Hiatt (26 June 1794-19 April 1865.) Hiatt died just 10 days after Confederate Commanding General Robert E. Lee surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia to Union General U.S. Grant, Commander of the Army of the Potomac on 9 April, 1865 that ended the Civil War and slavery. The John Lair article cited previously recorded the following regarding Mr. Hiatt's death:

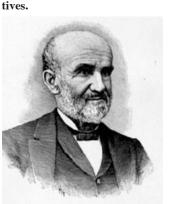
Another hanging which raised a lot of speculation was that of William Peasley Hiatt. Soon after the freeing of the slaves he was found dead in his log barn, his head between two logs and his body suspended from it. It was reported that he had hanged himself on account of the financial loss in freeing of his many slaves, but few people believed it. He was one of the wealthiest and most substantial citizens, and it seemed unreasonable that he would take his own *life. especially in such a barbarous* manner. It was largely assumed that he had been murdered by a vindictive ex-slave or one of the bands of outlaws that roamed the countryside after the close of the war.

Prior to the Civil War, there is evidence of abolitionist (those who wanted to abolish slavery) actives in Rockcastle County. A research study on slavery conducted by the Works Project Administration in 1941 recorded by Robert Mullins, penned the following regarding slavery in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

The years 1843 to 1845 worked the development of systematic enticing away, or stealing of slaves from Kentucky slave owners, and passing them to Canada by a cordon of posts, or relays, which came to be known as the "Underground Railroad." A number were stolen and carried away on horses. The old McFerron house (formerly the Stephen Langford House) in Mount Vernon, Kentucky was used as a relay post to hide slaves enroute to Ohio. Michigan and Canada. The slaves in these parts were locked in the old McFerron cellar which was situated under the ground, and they were concealed under the cover of night, when they would travel again. There were never at any time any slaves sold from auction blocks in this county. It is reported that the

life of the slave in Rockcastle *County was a happy lot. (10.)*

10. Slave Narratives: A folk History of Slavery in the United States from Interviews with Former Slaves Kentucky Narra-



JOHN 6, FEE.



Cassius M. Clay

Famed Abolitionists John G. Fee and Cassius M. Clay (founders of Berea College) had begun to establish at least three collaborator churches in Rockcastle County- at Scaffold Cane, Boones Fork (Brodhead), and Maretburgto build an interracial church and school on the property of Stephen Cummins near where the Cedar Rapids Country Club now sets. Fee urged Rockcastle Christians to come out of slave holding churches and that members were responsible for the position that their church took. If a church did not rebuke iniquity, members should, "Wash their hands of the sin." Fee believed in the biblical, "Thou shalt love thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thy self" and as a practical manifestation of this, "Do unto men as ye would they should do unto you." His personal motto was, "God hath made of one blood all nations of men." This was met with much opposition in Rockcastle County. On 11 July, 1855, a mass meet-

ing was held in Mount. Vernon, the county seat of Rockcastle County. Proslavery advocates had been to Cassius Clay's speaking engagements on 29 and 30 June and had taken notes on Clay's speeches. Judge W.H. Kirley reported that Clay's speech was one of the most inflammatory he had ever heard. Resolutions were adopted by the Mount Vernon meeting that Clay and Fee could not speak or preach in Rockcastle County, "under penalty of being dealt with as the law requires." A committee of four informed Clay that the speaking must desist; Fee and Clay would not be permitted "under the mantle of freedom of speech, to scatter amongst them firebrands and death." Clay denied that his speeches in Rockcastle County were "revolutionary...and a call

upon the slaves to insurrection to obtain their freedom" as Kirtley had charged. Clay concluded his letter to the Mount Vernon committee by asserting, "If you propose a legal remedy...we will submit to the law of the land...but if you threaten violence, we will defend ourselves and our whole liberties or die." (11.)

11. The Evangelical War against Slavery and Caste, The Life & Times of John G. Fee, Victor B. Howard, Suequehanna University Press, 1996.

Fee and Clay, despite the threats, proceeded to build the interracial church and school. The proslavery men grew bolder and threatened if Fee proceeded with his plans they would hang him. Fee did return and was mobbed by a gang led by slave holders Jack Fish and Pearander Hiatt (son of William Peasley Hiatt); at gun point he was put on his horse and sent to Crab Orchard. The church/ school house on the Cummins property was then burned to the ground. Locals who had been supportive of Fee, then out of fear abandoned him and the project dropped.

One can only imagine the speeches voiced from the pulpit of old Colored Christian Church at Mt. Vernon. One such speech may have been like the one recorded shortly after the Civil War by an unknown official of the Freedman's Bureau of a former slave at a colored church. The words-so pure and simple caused the one who voiced them to be hanged by the KKK.

'I ain't by no means-no kind of talker-but-I had been doin me some thinking lot bout bein a freedman. Some-em I never knowd as a child. Now I'm a married man and been thinking lot bout dyin too. Well-I reckon this proclamation ott to show some of them white folks that we are just like them. We love like them, we bares babies like them. Lord knows lot of their daddies done give some of us their blood. Lot of our mommas done fed lot of them their milk. And I been figuring sum body ott to tell sum of them white folks that when they dies and when we die-we all gets put in the same dirt. And hows when we all git to Heaven-we all gonna share the same good Lord. I reckon enough been said about all them differences." (12.)

12. My Life & Experiences as a Freedman's Bureau Officer in the Deep South, Author unknown, Mississippi State University at Jackson Library.

Thus ends this sad epistle, but history has a way of intruding upon the present and perhaps those who read it will have a better understanding of the African American in Rockcastle County. The limited resources of records leave little to reflect upon during this time period of our ancestors both white and black-of master and slave. In that time as now, there are good and bad people of all races that react accordingly to the circumstances they are presented with. Some white slave holders treated blacks as property to be bought and traded like livestock while others cherished and loved them as members of their family. Although some may find it offensive, the following quote from Ken Burn's film, The Civil War, provides a clear view of the worth of persons of color during this troublesome time in Rockcastle County. "No day ever dawns for the slave," a freedman wrote, "nor is it looked for." "For the slave it is all night-all night forever." One white man was more blunt, "I rather be dead than be a nigger." A slave usually entered the world in a one roomed dirt floored shack, drafty in winter and reeking in summer. Slave cabins bred typhoid, cholera, pneumonia, lockjaw, and T.B. The child that survived to be twelve years old was likely to have rotten teeth, worms, and dysentery. Fewer than 4 out of 100 lived to be 60. (13.) 13. Ken Burns, The Civil War, PBS Film, 1990.

Frank Fitch 50, James Francis 45, Abraham Freels 63, Patsy Freels 42, George Gatliff 23, James Gatliff 38, Mariah Gatliff 59, Mary J. Gatliff 22, Lucy Gatliff 22, Susan Gattiff 45, Reuben Gillis 45, Irvin Gilmore 35, Liza Gilmore 29, Sidney Gilmore 30, Susan Gilmore 33, Henry Gresham 45, Nancy Griffin 35, Solomon Griffin 35, Albert Guest 45, Chloe Guest 58, Savannah Guest 17, Walker Hackney 24, Amanda Haggard 24, Candace Haggard 16, Harrison Haggard 40, Sophrona Haggard 47, Laura Hale 30, Lavender Hale 43, Adam Haley 80, America Haley 37, Edney Haley 77, Isaac Haley 39, James Hayes 22. Levina Hayes 33, Maggie Haves 19. Peter Haves 24. Bettie Hiatt 22, Elizabeth Hiatt 26, Hannah Hiatt 56, Jack Hiatt 55, James Hiatt 18, Lewis Hiatt 50, Mariah A. Hiatt 38, Mary Hiatt 20, Moses Hiatt 16, Silvey Hiatt 50, Viny Hiatt 18, Patsy Higgs 34, Spencer Higgs 36, Pete Holman 40, Sina Huff 68, Jennie Ingraham 26, Sidney Ingraham 27, John Larue 42, Margaret Larue 24, Daniel Lawrence 38, Mahulda Lawrence 35, Issabella Lear 20, Edward Livingston 26, Martha Livingston 26, Sallie McFarland 45, Cynthia Middleton 22, George Middleton 31, John Middleton 31, Salley Middleton 27, Alexander Moss 40, Mary Moss 25, Amanda Motrel 27, Fontain Motrel 40, Peter Mullins 33, Violet Mullins 37, David Nealy 19, Emanda M. Nealy 19, Henry Nealy 38, Elizabeth Newcomb 55. Walker Newcomb 55, James Newcum 40, Ellen Osby 22, Amanda Owens 58, Austin Owens 65. George Ann Owens 26, Samuel Owens 27, Sarah Owens 18, Polley Patterson

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Close up view of stone retaining walls. Photo by Bruce Ross.

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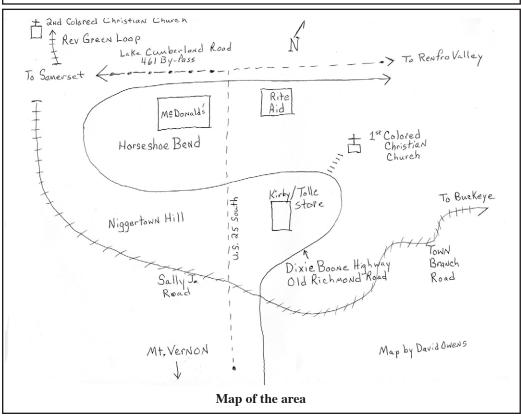


they would give us candy and fruit and fire-crackers. We were given some of all the food that the white folks had, even turkey. Would have heaps of corn-shuckings and old Marse would always have a jug of licker.

The white folks looked after us when we were sick. Used Doc (Dr. Josiah) Joplin's (who owned 11 slaves) slippery elm for poultices. They put polk root in whiskey and



The foundation ruins of the Old Mt. Vernon Christian Church for the Colored. Note you can observe two stone retaining walls, one in the foreground and one in the background. Photo by Bruce Ross.



The following is a list of blacks (ages included) known to have been ex-slaves who were living in Rockcastle County in 1880.

Former Slaves of **Rockcastle County in 1880**

This list contains 234 names from the 1880 Census which is not comprehensive.

George Adams Sr. 56, George Adams Jr. 22, Jalie F. Adams 29, Lizzie Adams 24, Martha Adams 40, Susan Adams 31, William Adams 35, Ann Baker 30, Eliza Baker 25, Henry Baker 42, Alice Beasley 27, Alex Beasley 27, Taylor Birch 23, Harriet Bledsoe 22, Lewis Bledsoe 21, Millie Bledsoe 50, Jesse Bogle 35, Susan Bogle 30, Jefferson Bursh 54, Margret Bursh 44, Fanny Carr 46, Martha Carr 30, Richard Carr 20, Mish Chestnut 25, Thomas Clontz 35, Anna M. Coffee 28, Henry Coffee 35, Mary Cruise 27, Stephen Cruise 44, Robert Crumbaker 36, Sarah Crumbaker 36, Susan Davis 28, Sally Dean 45, William Dean 19, Mary Duke 16, Andrew Edwards 53, Anna Elliott 22, Jefferson Elliott 27, Henry Evans 68, John Evans 19, Ellen Farris 21, Squire Farris 24, Bettie Fish 35, Isaac Fish 39, Mariah Fish 58, Miram Fish 33, Robert Fish 36, Scott Fish 16, Warren Fish 63,

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