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Marlow gets 13 years for latest crimes

A local man, who is no stranger to criminal court proceedings in Rockcastle Circuit and District Courts, has been sentenced to 13 years in the state penitentiary for his latest crimes.

Asst. Commonwealth Attorney Jeremy Bartley, who handles Rockcastle cases for Commonwealth Attorney Eddy F. Montgomery, said this week that Charles "Chuck" Marlow, Jr., 38, of Mt. Vernon pled guilty on April 25th to two felonies spanning two counties.

Marlow was indicted in November of last year by the Rockcastle Grand Jury on charges of receiving stolen property. One week prior to his Rockcastle indictment, he was named in a two part indictment charging him with burglary and theft of a firearm in Pulaski County.

According to Bartley, at the time of those two indictments Marlow was on parole for earlier offenses of receiving stolen property, cultivation of marijuana and escape.

Last month's guilty plea by Marlow was for burglary, receiving stolen property and being a persistent felony offender.

In exchange for his plea in both counties, Bartley recommended the 13 year sentence, which must run consecutively to an eight year sentence he has remaining for a total of 21 years in jail for Marlow.

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Charles Marlow, Jr.

Eighth in a series of 12 articles

Economic Development: Occupational Tax Funding

By Jim Holton, Consultant, Rockcastle County Industrial Development Authority

It has been said that the only thing that is sure in life is death and, you guessed it, taxes. So many times in life we don't feel good about taxes because we wonder how much benefit we really see from the taxes we pay. We read about waste in how our tax dollars are used at the state and federal level and we get disgusted with the thought of paying more taxes. This is certainly a justifiable feeling when we do not actually SEE any benefit from the tax which we pay.

As we think about the desire for Rockcastle County to be a true community committed to economic development, we must understand that without a funding source for rebuilding the infrastructure and community economic development,



About 200 people attended May Fest at the Kentucky Christian Assembly Church Camp near Brodhead on Sunday evening. Those who attended were treated to a pot luck meal, before the worship service. The 2008 camp season at KCA kicks off on Wednesday, June 4th with First Chance Camp. KCA was founded in 1965, and currently serves 12 Christian Churches in Rockcastle and other counties. Some of those in attendance Sunday were left: Leahina Wolfe and Pasty Hopkins, members of First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon and right, Kendra Burke and mom, Pat Cress of Southern Heights Christian Church in Somerset.

At monthly Development Board meeting

Possible occupational tax for county is main topic

By: Richard Anderkin

Several items of business were on the agenda for last week's monthly meeting of the Rockcastle Development Board but, once again, the possible passage of a 2 percent county-wide occupational tax, by the Rockcastle Fiscal Court, was the main topic of discussion.

And, for the second straight month, several visitors, including Bob Randolph of Willailla were in attendance.

Randolph, who has been very outspoken about his opposition to the occupational tax and planning and zoning for the county, voiced his opposition again last week.

During the meeting, conver-

sation ranged from suggesting a lower tax rate, to trying to put the issue on the ballot, to forming a committee to help draft an ordinance that would require elected officials to be required to do certain things with money generated by a tax on wages and profits.

Development Board consultant Jim Holton suggested that the board form a committee from a cross-section of Rockcastle Counties.

Holton said people of different ages, occupations, eco-

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will never be a viable contender for growth and job development.

As we have evaluated dif-

ferent funding sources used by communities in our region

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Orlando man charged with cultivating "pot"

An Orlando man will be arraigned in Rockcastle District Court on Monday after being arrested and charged with cultivating marijuana over five plants last Wednesday night.

Kentucky State Trooper Tommy Cromer said he arrested William J. Brown, 52, of Brush Creek Circle around 8 p.m. last Wednesday after he found approximately 70 marijuana plants growing in five gallon buckets on his property.

Trooper Cromer said he had gone to Brown's property looking for someone else for whom

he had a warrant and, when he asked Brown if he was there,

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William Brown

State GOLD office asked for help

County faces possible financial crisis for 2008-09

At a special called meeting of the Rockcastle Fiscal Court last Wednesday, County Treasurer Joe Clontz and Judge/Executive Buzz Carlotis painted a bleak picture for the magistrates of the county's financial position for the upcoming 2008-09 fiscal year.

The court must present a balanced budget to the state by the end of June and, at this point, the preliminary working budget is far from balanced -- in fact, unbalanced to the tune of a just over \$400,000 deficit.

The general fund each year covers expenses in other accounts -- such as 911, the detention center and the road fund when those funds' revenues fall short of meeting expenses. They do this with intrafund transfers as needed. However, this year, Carlotis decided to attribute each fund's expenses to that fund so that everyone

would be aware of exactly how much the general fund contributes to other funds.

Of course, the general fund still absorbs the cost of several expenses for County Clerk Norma Houk's office and for Sheriff Mike Peters' office and those expenses are not reflected in Houk's and Peters' budget since their offices operate on a calendar year (January-December) instead of a fiscal year (June-July) and their budgets for 2008 have already been approved.

For example, the county's general fund pays something over \$97,000 for Houk's employer share of social security, retirement, health insurance, worker's compensation, audits, fees, supplies and printing, while receiving something over \$30,000 in excess fees

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Application deadline for absentee ballots is Tuesday

Rockcastle County Clerk Norma Houk said this week that applications for paper absentee ballots for the May 20th Primary Election must be received in her office by next Tuesday, May 13th at 4 p.m.

Requests for applications can be made by phone, fax, mail, or in person and can be requested by the voter or the spouse, parents or child of voter, according to Houk.

The County Clerk also said that absentee voting for voters who will be absent from the county on election day, but according to law are not allowed to vote by paper ballots, is currently being conducted in her office.

Absentee voters can take advantage of the voting machine set up in Houk's office until 4 p.m. on Monday, May 19th, the day before the election.

Houk reminds voters that

her office is open on Saturdays until noon.

There are only two races on the May Primary Ballot.

They are of course for President and U.S. Senator.

Price of first class stamps to increase

The price of a first class stamp will increase next Monday, May 12th to .42 from the current .41.

Mt. Vernon Postmaster Chris Anderson said Wednesday that postal customers could purchase the Forever Stamps at the post office for .41, which they can use indefinitely, no matter how much the price of first class stamps increase.

The Postmaster said he was

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Book signing is June 26th at local library

New book, *Three Springs and a Wilderness Station*, released

A new book by author Jeff Renner tells the story of the founding of Mt. Vernon and gives us additional insight into the character and activities of town founder Stephen Langford.

The book, entitled "Three Springs and a Wilderness Station" is available locally at Cox Hardware. It primarily covers the time period before Rockcastle County was created.

Cox Hardware is located on Main Street in Mt. Vernon and the cost of the book is \$11.95.

The book begins in 1780 with a series of fairly mundane land grants, all of which revolve around springs near town, notably three claimed in a grant to James Barbour--two of which were also claimed by pioneer Stephen Trigg. Disputes and lawsuits over the conflicting claims provide much of the newly-found information concerning the area and the first people to settle in the Mt. Vernon area.

The main characters in the book are Stephen Langford, Valentine Harmon and William Henderson, with many familiar early-Rockcastle individuals in supporting roles--among them Henry Buford, Samuel Lewis and William Smith.

"This book is not a complete history of town or county; rather, it is a look at the early settlement of the region around Langford's Station--what would later become Mt. Vernon. I would have loved to have written a complete history

of the county," Renner says, "but that task has been made virtually impossible because of the 1873 courthouse fire. Without all those lost court and deed records, we simply don't know enough to do so."

Absent those lost documents, this book may be the next best thing, at least where the earliest days of the area are concerned. Much of the information was found in Lincoln County circuit court records from the 1790s and early 1800s.

"While doing research on the Wilderness Road, I stumbled across a reference to a lawsuit between Langford

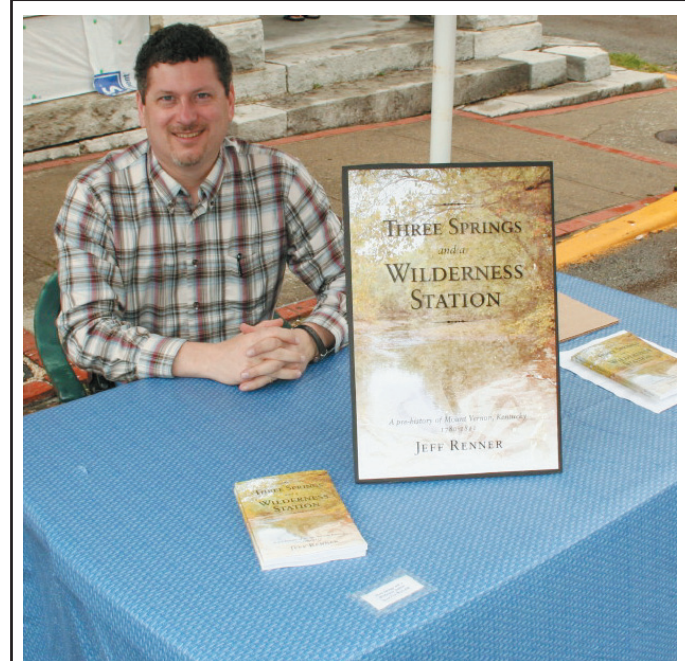
and Harmon," Renner relates. Having no idea what might be included in this action, Renner checked the circuit court books for clues. "I'm not sure what I expected to find but it sure wasn't what I found."

What he found on a single page in one of the records books straightened out years worth of Langford genealogy questions. "Stephen's heirs were listed--his two legitimate sons--and, because one son (Benjamin) was thought to be deceased, the court gave a list of Benjamin's children, too." This data pushed back

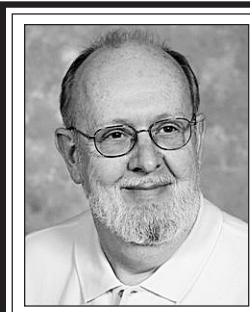
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Firefighters from Mt. Vernon, Western, Livingston and Pongo Departments responded to a structure fire on East Level Green Tuesday morning around 6 a.m. Mt. Vernon Fire Capt. Bryan Hansel said the fire apparently started in the back of the house and completely destroyed the frame home, which was unoccupied at the time. The owner of the house, Goldie Poynter, is in the nursing home at Brodhead; however, many of her belongings were lost in the fire. (Front page photos by: Richard Anderkin).



Author Jeff Renner has released a new book about the early beginnings of Mount Vernon. He was at the Tradin' Days last week to promote his book.



Rockcastle Memories

By David J. Griffin

It's More Time Again

Springtime has finally arrived, and last weekend my wife and I took our yearly journey to our woods to search for the elusive morel. Two of our closest friends, Steve and Joan Barney, joined us for the exploration. I grew up with Joan's father and mother (Hammer and Sharon Burton) in Mt. Vernon.

When we arrived and got settled in, my wife and Steve sat by the fire solving world affairs. Meanwhile, Joan and I carefully made our way into the poplar trees nearby trying to spot the tops of "dry land fish" as they are often called in these parts. Joan is a truly gourmet cook, and she loves to find and prepare morels. She was the first to exclaim, "I found one!"

My love of morels began when I was a little boy. Kenneth Hansel and I started collecting the delicate morsels in the woods behind my grandparents' home. Each spring we awaited the appropriate time to seek out the pine, poplar, and dead and dying hardwoods in our forest. We concentrated our search in areas covered with Mayapple plants.

Experience taught us that if we were careful, the morels would be found sneaking up through the dried leaves from the previous fall. My high school biology teacher, Dorothy Landrum, first taught me about the fungi. The older I get, the more I realize what an awesome teacher she actually was.

I usually schedule my morel weekends around the time when Estill County is hosting the Mountain Mushroom Festival. Because of the frequent rains, this year the morels have been a little later than usual. Joan and I had a successful enough hunt - including plenty for her to prepare for her family.

I suppose it is just my imagination but it seems that the morels of my childhood were much larger than the ones we find now. Kenneth Hansel and I were searching the woods near Big Fill Cave in Rockcastle County one spring, and we found several white morels that were as big as softballs. We were probably 10 years old at the time.

That year two or three of the fungi would make enough for a "cooking," and I have never experienced that size since that time. The ones that Joan and I found were about the size of a quarter.

Over the years, I have determined that a few locations in my woods are the best places to find morels, and I go back to the

same areas each spring. This year was no exception. The area near rotting trees and the ground next to stumps are prime locations for the morels. I once read that when a tree has been uprooted, mycelia, the main vegetative body of fungi, send up fruiting bodies - or morels.

I also read that mornings following a nighttime shower cause the delicate fungi to pop through the leaves of the forest floor. One publication that I recently read explained the best time to hunt for morels in a rather colorful way: it coincides with the time when the leaves of dogwood trees are "the size of a mouse's ear." Check your dogwoods.

As I was walking back to the campfire, I was delighted to spot an owl "pellet" on the ground next to a large oak tree. Again I was taken back to my high school biology class and Mrs. Landrum. She taught us that owls consume small rodents. Since the bones, teeth, claws, and hair are indigestible, they are formed into small pellets which the owl then regurgitates near where they roost.

During this digestive process, the parts of the owl's prey are preserved unbroken. It is even possible to re-construct the skeletons and determine what the owl consumed. Each pellet contains virtually complete skeletons of the animals which the owl ate the night before the pellet was formed. This was the first time I had found a pellet in over 20 years.

Joan and I agree on the best way to prepare morels to eat. My grandmother (Mommie Katie) always removed the stems and then soaked the morels overnight in salt water. This kills any small mites that may be in the grooves of the mushroom caps. The next morning, she rolled them in meal and then pan-fried them in an old iron skillet - being careful not to over-cook them.

Mommie Katie often served them with scrambled eggs, country ham, and homemade biscuits for breakfast. That was my favorite meal with morels.

I probably will go back one more time to search for the highly sought "shrooms" in my woods. I cannot explain the rush that I feel when I walk upon a gathering of them. I think it is the hunt that I love most.

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

T.J.'s Journal

by: Tonya J. Cook



Dear Journal:

This past weekend, our niece, Sarah carried on a proud Norton family tradition by being the most recent graduate from the University of Kentucky. The tradition began when Sarah's great-great-grandfather, Roscoe graduated from the UK College of Business in 1907. Sarah graduated from the UK College of Arts and Sciences with a major in Sociology. She has earned several awards and honors, as well. Her class was the largest in the Arts and Science department's one hundred-year history.

Before going to Rupp Arena, the site of the graduation, Stanley and I attended a gathering of friends and family at another niece and her husband's home in Lexington. They were having a big cook-out for the graduation celebration. Mark had grilled some hamburgers and hotdogs, and Karen, along with other family members had made baked beans, potato salad, and other delicious treats. The whole family had pitched in, and had a part in it. They even had a huge decorated cake, and the yard was full of banners and balloons. They had rented a tent and lots of tables and chairs, as well.

After eating a huge meal, it was time for Sarah to open her gifts. She had quite a few, and a lot of cards with monetary gifts inside. Sometimes it's hard to select just the right thing for a gift. I looked a long time the other night, and finally had decided on something. Stanley and I gave her what I call the "Big Blue" sapphire ring.

We left the gathering early so we could get a good parking space and seats. We even managed to save some seats for the rest of our little entourage that were coming later.

Rupp Arena was jam-packed full, and there was an air of excitement. There were graduations from the various departments or sections of UK that had been going on since about ten AM that morning, and Sarah's department was at five. When we arrived, one of these graduations was already in progress. We got in on the last twenty or thirty minutes of it. At its conclusion, they gave Orlando "Tubby" Smith an honorary doctorate for the outstanding humanitarian works that he did while he was in Lexington. He was on hand to receive it, and when he came forward to receive the reward he was met with a thunderous round of applause. Instead of "Coach" Smith, I guess he'll be "Doctor" Smith in the future. Former Governor Paul Patton also received an honorary doc-

torate. I don't recall his basis for receiving his award...maybe just because he was a governor.

I will have to admit one thing: I didn't know that Tubby was going to be receiving anything. When I heard over the loudspeaker that he was about to receive his doctorate, I got so excited wanting to see it firsthand, I ran all the way from the ladies' bathroom to the entrance of the arena. Luckily, I was through and washing my hands at the time.

That particular graduation ended with the singing of "My Old Kentucky Home" and an indoor fireworks display. It was quite a sight.

It finally came time for Sarah's graduation. It took almost twenty-five minutes for her group to get seated as Pomp and Circumstance was played. The graduation is usually held on Mother's Day, but not this

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Points East

By Ike Adams

When Loretta starts tapping me on the arm to wake me up in the wee hours, as in at 4:00 AM last Thursday night, I have learned, over the decades, that the first words out of her mouth when she believes me able to comprehend are going to be, "Wake up Honey. Something's bothering me."

What this usually means is that she has been lying there sleepless on her side of the bed for at least 5 hours stewing about something that needs much discussion and that the best thing for me to do is get up, make a cup of coffee, deal with it and plan on going back to sleep early the next night.

The things that keep Loretta awake most often have to do with somebody else's problems and it would take the rest of this column to just list them. Somebody's done somebody wrong, one of the kids has had a lapse in academic endeavor or is experiencing a bad romantic situation, an animal is being mistreated, somebody is getting kicked out of their home because they can't afford to pay the rent, somebody is sick and won't go to the doctor, etc., etc., etc.

My wife's genuine concern for the welfare of other people is probably the biggest reason why I love her with all my heart and soul. That and the fact that



By Don White

Harrodsburg native on a roll with unique business venture

Allen Mobley's first business venture, a rock 'n roll club in South Florida, was leveled by a hurricane. But he didn't let that setback in the late 1970s take the wind out of his sails. He just moved on to California, continuing success already enjoyed in Florida as a builder, and adding wine making to his resume.

It wasn't work, however, but recreation that brought him back to his native state and perhaps the biggest challenge of his life.

During fishing trips with friends to Mexico, he noticed some of them liked to light up expensive cigars. "They'd smoke about \$2,500 worth during a trip," said the now 62-year-old man who left Ken-

tucky soon after graduating high school in Mercer County.

Upon returning home from one of those trips, he had some shocking news for his wife.

"He said, 'We're going to learn how to roll cigars,' and I said 'you're crazy,'" said Carol.

The Mobleys had become increasingly dissatisfied with their lives in California, mainly due to the growth of gangs, and felt they wanted to raise their then five-year-old twins elsewhere.

With lots of relatives still in Kentucky, it only made sense to move back home.

"I was looking to get into something that would be a good business," he said.

Learning to roll cigars was still in the back of his mind as he began to remodel an old house at Moreland in Lincoln County.

While cleaning out a chimney, he discovered a letter post-marked 1915. Inside were advertisements for cigars made by an Ohio company. "It seemed like fate," Mobley said.

Soon thereafter, the family relocated to Lawrenceburg and Mobley was off to an Austin, Texas, school where he learned the art of cigar rolling from three Cubans. From there, he spent six months in the Dominican Republic learning the technique of cigar rolling, tipping and finishing from a master roller.

That was three years ago.

Today, the Mobleys and business associate Allen Mills are overseeing rapid growth of the Kentucky Gentlemen Cigar Company. Located in a converted horse barn behind the historic brick house the Mobleys now call home, the firm has three employees who can produce 7,000 cigars per month.

The brand can be found as nearby as Frankfort and Lexington and as far away as the state of Washington. Currently there are 44 retail outlets in 13 states.

The internet has been a major factor in gaining outlets, and the objective is to get the product in as many tobacco shops as possible. Mobley feels a goal of getting production up to over a million and half cigars by the end of next year is not overly ambitious, although this is the first year the company will realize a profit. Plans are in place to bring the master roller who taught him in the Dominican Republic and his family to

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DAR members Norma Eversole, Laura Durham, Jean Towery and Carolyn Gregory enjoyed the presentation of China.



Mrs. Wright shared treasures of her trip to China.

Doris Wright featured speaker at April's DAR

Rockcastle Chapter DAR met April 8th at First Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Following the ritual, members were honored to have Mrs. Doris Wright and granddaughter, Emily Wright McClure, presenting Mrs. Wright's "My Return to China."

Her father, Dr. William Randal, was a missionary to China and, while there, Doris was born in Tiann. Doris came to Kentucky about the time she was six years old.

Mrs. Wright returned to China to visit her birthplace

(Tiann) and see the sights of her childhood. She was accompanied by her brother, Dr. Clifford Randal and wife, Phyllis. Some places visited were Beijing, The Forbidden City, Wing Tombs and The Great Wall of China.

Mrs. Wright shared treasures of her trip as well as other interesting information about modern day China.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, Iris Young.

The next meeting will be May 13th at First Baptist Church.



Engagement Announced

Lana and Mark Isaacs, of Mt. Vernon, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Cromer, to Brian Powell, son of Ronald and Jennifer Powell, of Livingston. No wedding date has been set.

Orlando woman, based in Iraq, helps care for abandoned infant

Orba Allen of Orlando, and his wife, Barbara, got an interesting e-mail from his daughter, 1st Lieutenant Marion Elizabeth Allen Williams recently.

Lt. Williams is based in Colorado Springs, Colorado and is presently doing a 15 month tour of duty in Iraq.

According to her e-mail, "one of our tower guards noticed two Iraqis getting out of a nice car. They walked over to a bush near our gate and placed a package there. We sent our remote control robot to check it out, thinking that it must be a bomb. Wrong!!! It was a two-day-old baby boy! They picked him up and brought him inside to the aid station. The doctor checked him over and said he was healthy. They gave him a bath as he still had some after-birth on him and blood in his hair. He was probably born in a hospital because he had the belly clamp on his umbilical cord. Anyway, a couple of our

interpreters went out and bought diapers, bottles and formula and, since we didn't have any clothes, we wrapped him in one of my t-shirts and someone found a baby blanket.

Many of us offered to adopt him but the Iraqi government will not allow anyone outside of Iraq to adopt their children. One of the Iraqi contractors had a sister and brother-in-law who wanted a second child and had been unable to conceive. The mayor got involved and held a ceremony when the couple came to pick up the baby.

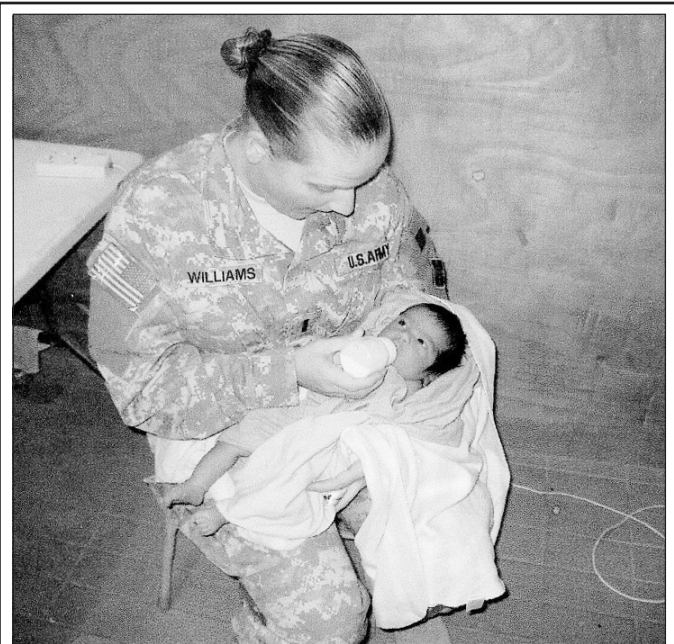
Lord know I hope that little guy went to a good home. I prayed for him and still do! he made me cry when I saw him because has a as much hair as Tyler and Caleb did when they were born and he is about the same size as they were.

I just can't imagine someone throwing a baby away."



Wedding Vows Exchanged

Mrs. April Volt of Carlisle, Ky. and Mr. Allen and Tammy Hendrickson of Mt. Vernon, would like to announce the marriage of their daughter, Carrie to Jason Alcorn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Alcorn of Brodhead. The ceremony took place March 29, 2008 at the Brodhead Baptist Church with Bro. Chad Burdette officiating. After a wonderful honeymoon in Cancun, Mexico, the couple will reside in Mt. Vernon. Jason and Carrie, along with their families, would like to thank everyone who helped to make this a memorable day.



Lt. Marion E. Williams taking care of Iraqi orphan.

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Any person interested in participating in the review of this Integrated Resource Plan should submit a motion to intervene in Case No. 2008-00148 to: Stephanie L. Stumbo, Executive Director, Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

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Ms. Carrera wishes to liquidate a portion of her properties, therefore, she has contracted our firm to auction the property for the absolute high dollar.

Tracts 1 - 5 are nice level building lots with road frontage along Mt. Zion Road. City water and utilities are available.

Tract 1 consists of 1.996 acres Tract 2 consists of 2.07 acres Tract 3 consists of 1.370 acres
Tract 4 consists of 0.923 acres Tract 5 consists of 0.954 acres

Both Tracts 6 and 7 front on Callico Road. City water and utilities are available.

Tract 6 consists of 1.170 acres
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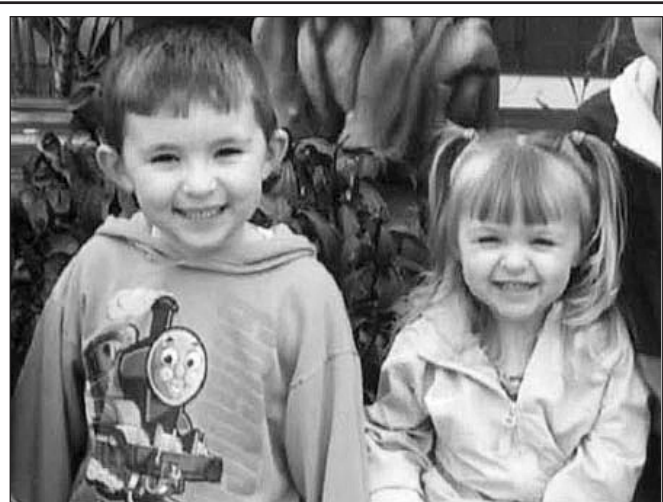
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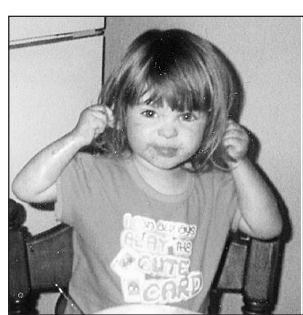
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Gentry and Emma Phillips want to wish their daddy, Robby Phillips and their cousin Noah Phillips a very happy birthday on May 9th. We love you!



Travis and Laura Anderkin, of Lexington, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Alec Rickson Anderkin, born March 4, 2008 at Central Baptist Hospital. Alec weighed 6 lbs. 7 ozs. and was 19 1/4 inches long. Grandparents are James and Perlina Anderkin of Mt. Vernon and Ricky and Jeannie Johnson of Calhoun.



Jaeliegh Shanell Lashae Hayes celebrated her second birthday April 20th at her home with family and friends. Jaeliegh received many nice gifts. She is the daughter of Amanda Jones and Josh M. Hayes. Grandparents are Gene and Nell Cromer, Benji Jones, Gary and Freda Hayes, all of Mt. Vernon.

"What Is Written"

I was reading a sermon outline by a denominational preacher on the text in Matt.28:18-20. It said, "The Church has 3 duties to perform: 1) to make disciples, win people to Christ. 2) to baptize those who are saved. 3) To teach them observe all things commanded of our Lord." I would concur with points 1&3, but would have to disagree with point #2. One is not saved first and then afterwards the person is baptized. Look at what Jesus said in Mark 16:16, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Notice Jesus said there are 2 conditions in this text, before one is saved. A person must believe the gospel and then be baptized. Jesus **did not** say, "He that believeth is saved and then is baptized." God grants salvation based on conditions he states in his word. We must believe in Jesus, Jn.8:24; we must repent at the command of the Lord, Ac.17:31; we must confess the name of Jesus, Rm.10:9-10; and then we must be baptized, Ac.2:38. This will make us a saved person if we obey this form of doctrine from the heart, Rm.6:17-18. Then we must be faithful until death, Rev.2:10c, "be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." No wonder we have so many denominations today, when errors such as this, are taught and promoted.

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Patti Halcomb



Lanta Vaught

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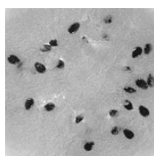
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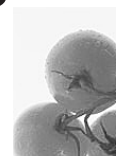
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Revival

Flat Rock Baptist Church will be in revival May 16-18 at 7 o'clock each evening. Bro. Zandell Hasty will be preaching and there will be special singing each night.

Bro. Larry Burton and congregation invite everyone to attend.

Revival

Revival at Brush Creek Holiness Church will be held May 11-18 with evangelist Fred Wynn. Pastor Lonnie McGuire and congregation welcomes everyone.

3rd Saturday Night Singing

There will be a Third Saturday Night Singing at Climax Holiness Church, Saturday, May 17th. There will be a soup bean/potluck supper at 5:30

followed by a service with Bro. Artie Alexander preaching and special singing by Clayton and Karen Robinson and The Drew Family.

Pastor Darren Slone and congregation invite everyone.

Bikers Sunday

You are invited to join the Science Hill Church of the Nazarene for their 6th annual Bikers Sunday on June 1st. Speaker will be Robert Pickle.

Registration and breakfast will be from 9:30 to 10:30 and Sunday Service will then begin and lunch and a motorcycle ride will follow the service.

The church is located at 600 Stanford St., Science Hill.

For more information, call 606-423-2227 or Ronnie and Lori Owens at 606-305-7989.

Benefit Singing

There will be a Benefit Singing for Clebie Hensley on May 9th at 7 p.m. at Pine Hill Holiness Church with pastor Allen Hensley and several different singers.



A large crowd attended May Fest at the Kentucky Christian Assembly Church Camp near Brodhead on Sunday afternoon. The event officially kicked off the 2008 season, which begins on June 4th with First Chance Camp. Above, Camp Director Arthur Hunt, talks to Lisa Price, a member of the Crab Orchard Christian Church, before Sunday's dinner on the grounds. For more information about the camp sessions at KCA call (606) 758-8811 or (606) 256-2876.

May Fest held at KCA Sunday



Jamie Bryant hands Leo Hopkins a drink at Sunday's May Fest at the Kentucky Christian Assembly Church Camp. Hopkins, who is an elder at First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon, was one of the original trustees for the camp when it was organized in 1965.



Courtney and Taylor Hennessey come to Brodhead

These true Irish twins born one year apart to the day came all the way from North Reading, Mass. to enjoy the week of their spring break with their Papa Hennessey. Highlights of the visit were a day at the Creation Museum, a day in Climax choosing flower colors at Country Flowers, pictured below, and a picnic at King Bottling Company next to the falls. Joyful times were spent learning to play latterball at Papa Hennessey's, grilled dinner on the back deck, going to church together, and feeding carrots to the neighbor's mares and watching the young folds. Papa is counting the days until the next visit! Courtney and Taylor Hennessey are the daughters of Michael and Renee Hennessey.



Rockcastle Librarian Pam Chaliff makes her way through the beautiful gates at Kentucky Christian Assembly Church Camp on Sunday afternoon. Chaliff, a member of the Wildie Christian Church, was one of the first people in the county to attend church camp, where ground was broken in 1965.

Food Drive is Saturday

The Postal Service is having a National Food Drive this Saturday. The Mount Vernon Post Office would like to encourage customers to donate food and leave it next to their mail boxes and the mail carrier will pick it

up on the 10th of May or customers can bring the food to the Post Office.

The food will be distributed to local food pantries. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

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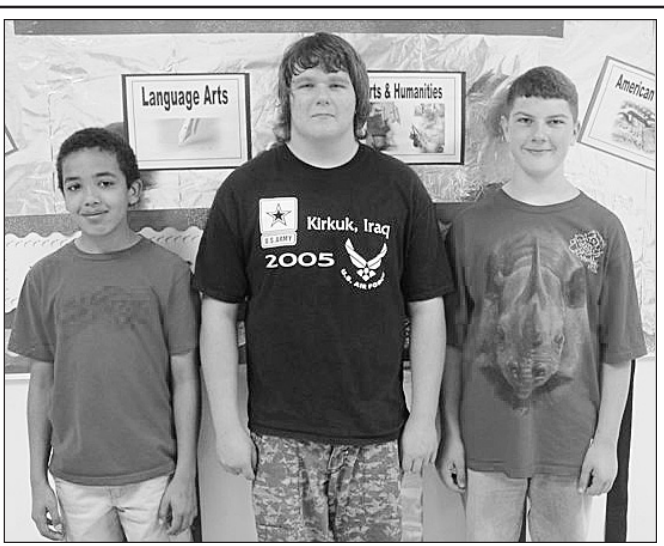
During the past month, PBK Senior Vice President Mae Renner has been honored for her work and commitment in area civic and charitable endeavors, including:

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The 2008 4-H Poetry Contest winners at Rockcastle County Middle School were: 6th grade - Brandon Jones, 7th grade - Chris Jackson and 8th grade - Justin Houk.

Hayley Davis named National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Hayley Davis, of Mount Vernon, has been recognized by the United States Achievement Academy as a student of excellence in Leadership.

This is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

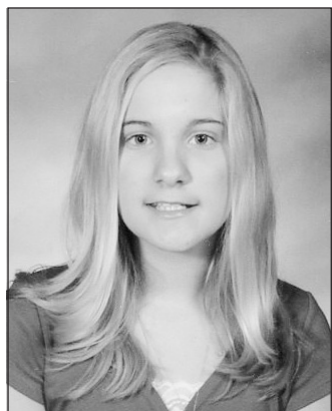
Hayley, who attends Rockcastle County Middle School, was nominated for this honor by Melissa Singleton, a teacher at the school.

Hayley will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy students should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Founder of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy recognizes students upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The standards for selection include academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability and recommendation from a qualified sponsor.

Hayley is the daughter of Steve and Paula Davis of Mt. Vernon.

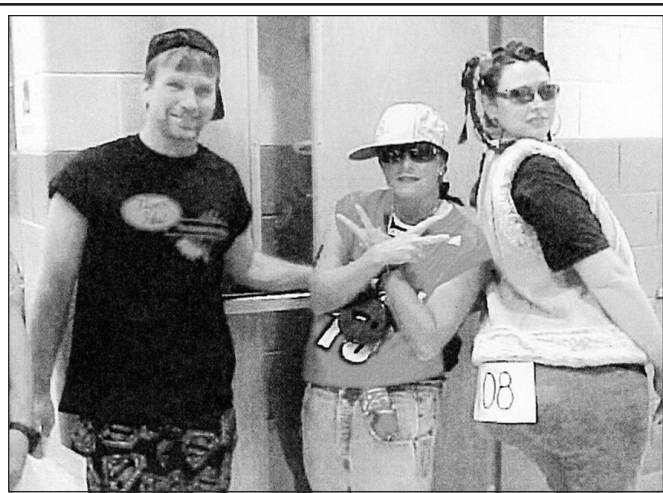


Hayley Davis



SAE Spotlight...

The Rockcastle County FFA chapter's SAE Spotlight for this month is Lewis Mink. Lewis is a senior and the son of Harvey and Wilma Mink. His SAE consists of several different projects. He raises and markets burley tobacco, as well as, assisting his dad each summer logging. Lewis also does some minor welding projects and fabrication work for his SAE project. Lewis has been an active four-year member of the FFA where he currently serves as the chapter Secretary. He has also served as the Parliamentarian, Assistant Treasurer, and Earnings & Savings Committee chair in previous years. Lewis plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University in the fall.



Charles Bullen, Chrysti Noble and Beth Jones as Rappers Chili Pepper C, Little D with Big Booty B.



The 2007-2008 Tiger Idol—The Schoolhouse Rockers a/k/a Tammy Stevens, Breanna Adams and Sherrie Creech. They were presented with the official Tiger Idol crown, sash, flowers and a recording contract!



The Hee-Haw Honeys tried to bribe the judges with fresh veggies and other treats from the farm! From left: Patsy Alcorn, Trina Bustle, Rachel Falin and Katreka Cash.

Tiger Pause

BES students finished the CATS assessment last week. This year's student motivational testing theme was "Tiger Idol" based on the popular TV show American Idol. The show had a full cast including a host, judges, and many talented performers

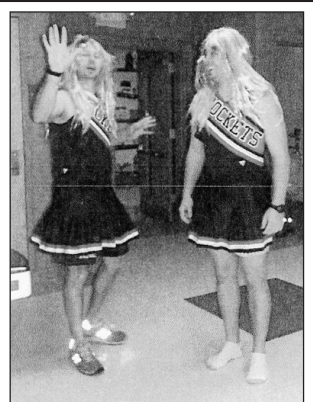
(BES staff). Each morning while eating breakfast the 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders were entertained by many acts ranging from rappers to the Hee-Haw Honeys. Students voted on their favorite act. On the last day of testing, the Schoolhouse Rockers (Breanna Adams, Sherrie Creech, and Tammy Stevens) were chosen as the winners of Tiger Idol. Great job, BES staff, for two weeks full of awesome entertainment!

Each afternoon after testing, the entertainment continued with a student talent showcase. BES students showed a wide range of talents with singing, dancing, comedy, and gymnastics. On the last day of testing, staff members dressed as school personnel and testing tools while performing "T-E-S-T" to the tune of YMCA.

Congratulations to Alex Spragens, 4th grade, blue ribbon winner in the area 4-H variety show and to Rebecca Renner, 4th grade, area champion in the 4-H poster contest.

Parent SBDM Council members will be elected on Thursday, May 15 at 6:00.

BES UNITE club is collecting pennies for the "A Mile of Pennies" program. It takes 84,480 pennies laid end to end to make a mile. That adds up to \$844.80. The average cost of drug rehab for a 90-day stay is \$5000.00. Help aid those in Rockcastle County who are addicted to drugs and need rehab. Please donate your pennies in the designated buckets at BES. Thanks.



Girls just wanna have fun! performed by Benny Blanton and Andrew Cash.



Rockcastle FFA Dominates at Annual Regional Field Day

On Friday April 18th, members of the Rockcastle County FFA Chapter attended the annual Regional FFA Day at EKU. Many members competed in speech competitions and the Varsity Parliamentary Procedure team competed.

The members that competed in impromptu speech areas were: Jeff Albright, Crop; Jackie Alexander, Fruit and Vegetable; Alexis Brown, Dairy, April Chesnut, Floral; Dustin Hale, Swine; Andrew Laswell, Small Animal; Katie McClure, Nursery and Landscape; Lewis Mink, Turf and Lawn; Dustin Reynolds, Beef; T.J. Singleton, Greenhouse; Amanda Swinney, Sheep; and Nikki Wilson, Goat.

Brittany Adams competed in the Creed speaking contest and placed first. Dustin Johnson competed in Public Speaking and placed first. Darrin McKinney competed in the Extemporaneous speech area and placed second. Dylan Bishop competed in the talent contest. The varsity parliamentary procedure team placed first. The members were: President Lewis Mink, Vice-President Dustin Johnson, Secretary Jackie Alexander, Reporter Nikki Wilson, Treasurer Andrew Laswell, Sentinel Darrin McKinney and members, T.J. Singleton, Joel Lakes, Steven Brown and Amanda Swinney, with Zack Stephens and Brittany Adams being alternates. Dylan Bishop competed in the talent show.

Minds in the Middle

Congratulations to our RCMS 8th graders who were selected for the Rogers Explorers summer program at the University of the Cumberland. Ben Lake, Tim Kirby, and Will Walker will spend three days focused on math and science activities after being selected from an excellent list of RCMS applicants. Congratulations also to 8th grader Chelsea Payne on being selected as this year's Robinson Scholar recipient. Chelsea will receive a full 4-year scholarship to the University of Kentucky upon graduating from high school.

Our attendance during testing was great. We thank our students for that excellent effort.

Congratulations to Mrs. Karen Powell's 7th grade Adventurers homeroom on being selected as having the best assessment team name and slogan. Her class was known as Team Apollo. "Frankfort. We have no problem!" We are also proud of Mr. McNabb's 8th grade Comets on winning the decoration contest. The group received a \$50 Wal-Mart gift card. We also send a special thanks to the RCMS Student Council for planning the menu for breakfast and lunch during assessment and to our Awesome Lunch Bunch for their extra efforts. The food has been great! Mrs. Kathy Bobo's 6th grade Voyager's had the best attendance with 100% attendance for all eight testing days!

Nine RCMS 8th graders competed in Frankfort at the state National History Day contest. All nine qualified for national competition. Will Walker placed first in the individual performance category with his portrayal of a Harlan County Coal Miner during the 1931 coal strike at Evarts, KY. He received straight high superior marks for his performance and placed first overall. Ben Lake, Jared Lake, BB Cameron, and Jon Paul Kidwell placed second in the group exhibit with their project on Kentucky Feuds. Bailey Lake, Sarah Woodall, Carly Asher, and Lige Graves placed second in the group performance category with their project about the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire. These students will compete at the University of Maryland in June for the national competition.

The 4-H Talk Meet Regionals were held in Laurel

County. Winners who will be going to state competition this summer were John Hughes and Laiken Coffey. Other RCMS participants who represented our school well were Kelsey Mattingly, Courtney VanWinkle, and Heather Eaton. Congratulations to them.

It is a great year for RCMS in this year's Duke University Talent Identification Program. We had 28 seventh graders to take the ACT test with the Duke program. All 28 students scored very well. Seven of those students qualified for the State recognition ceremony at Western Kentucky University. This is one of the largest groups to qualify in the history of RCMS. Those students were Hannah Bullock, Austin Jordison, Kelly Anderkin, Jessica Bentley, Rylan Cromer, Garrett Hasty, and Crystal Reddington. Hannah Bullock and Austin Jordison also qualified for the Grand recognition ceremony at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina.

We look forward to visits next week from the elementary school 5th graders. The students will be able to tour the building and also find out more about our school. Fifth grade students and their parents will also have a chance to visit RCMS next Thursday evening beginning at 6:00 for our Movin' to the Middle event.

RCMS has selected parents and teachers to serve on next year's SBDM council. Parent representatives will again be current members Mrs. Susan Jordison and Mrs. Diane Walker. Michael McNabb, Pam Martin, and Markita Mink will serve as teacher members of the council. Congratulations to them all.

If you haven't checked out our website lately, you may want to do so. On the site is the latest production by members of the staff. Rockcastle Gladiators is the title of the recent spin-off which helped get us geared up for CATS. You can also view Mr. Coguer paying up on his promise to wear a dress and ride a bicycle through Mt. Vernon after our student body reached last year's assessment goal. There are also new photos from our CATS pep rally, our visits from UK Wildcat athletes, and our administrative team taking over for the cafeteria ladies.

Johnson receives 2008 DEKALB® Agricultural Accomplishment Award

Dustin Johnson, of Rockcastle County High School, was recently presented the school's highest agricultural honor, the DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award, sponsored by Monsanto Company.

Johnson, the son of Angie and Gary Bullock, received the award for excellence in academics, leadership and agricultural work experience.

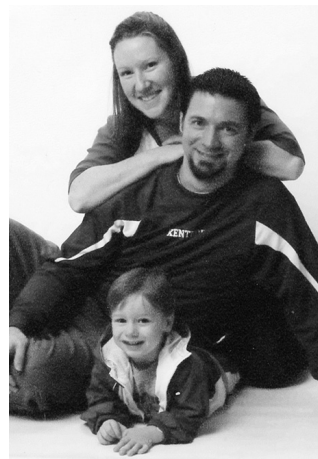
Johnson's significant experiences and accomplishments have included becoming the 2008-09 Regional FFA President, receiving the 110% award from his FFA chapter and winning the Regional FFA Public Speaking Contest the last two years.

Jeff Hayes and Roy Reynolds are Johnson's agricultural education instructor at RCHS.



Dustin Johnson

Attention High School Graduates
On May 21, 2008 at 7 p.m., Lighthouse Assembly of God will be having a graduation celebration for the class of 2008. Featured speakers will be Todd and Shonda Yates of Chi Alpha Fellowship from the University of Kentucky. All seniors, friends and family are invited to this special event. Refreshments will be served following the service and each Senior will receive a gift for attending.



Todd and Shonda Yates Biography

Todd and Shonda have been involved in campus ministry for nine years. They founded the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship at the University of Kentucky beginning in 2002. In those few years, Chi Alpha has ministered to hundreds of students and seen many lives changed. Each week, students gather on Tuesday nights at 7:14 p.m. for a worship service geared toward young adults. This service is called Encounter, and it gives students a chance to really "encounter" God. On campus, they are involved in creative outreach, small group Bible studies, and one-on-one discipleship. Off campus, they gather for fun events, trips, and retreats. There is always something going on!

The church is located on Hwy. 1004 past Jean's Restaurant. For more information call 606-308-2342

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Rockcastle County High School Academic Honor Roll



Rockcastle County High School Senior Christy Michelle Scott has a perfect 4.0 grade point average and is tied for the 11th highest ranking of the 204 seniors in the 2008 graduating class at RCHS. Scott is the daughter of Gary and Charlene Scott, of Mt. Vernon and plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University where she will pursue a teaching degree with a major in Math and minor in Computer Science. While at RCHS, Christy has been a member of the UNITE Club, FCA, Key Club and Rocket Club. Her studies at RCHS have included two college courses in Algebra and Calculus and she recently took her Algebra final for credit from the University of Kentucky. Christy has been a co-op student at RCHS in Data Measurements and her hobbies include, photography and scrap booking.



Local firefighters do much more than just fight fire and this was evident last Wednesday when they helped save four kittens, whose mother was killed last Wednesday morning when she tried to cross Williams Street in Mt. Vernon. Above, Mt. Vernon firemen Bryan Hansel and Matthew Muncy hold the ladder for Bobby Prewitt, who rescued the kittens, whose eyes had not yet opened.



Mt. Vernon fireman Steve Griffin, left, Tim McGuire and neighbor Dean Carpenter, look on as other firemen rescue four of Carpenter's kittens from a neighbor's tree on William Street in Mt. Vernon last Wednesday. Carpenter's momma cat had the kittens in the tree shortly before being run over. Local veterinarian Dr. James Chism took the kittens into his care.

“Tax”

(Cont. from front)

conomic status and backgrounds should sit on the proposed committee, which in turn would make suggestions to the court as to how the ordinance would be drafted.

Randolph pointed out that things change - that elected officials leave office for one reason or another and that he has never seen a government document concerning spending that couldn't be changed.

Holton said that during the recent informational meetings, sponsored by the Development Board, residents had shown a strong interest in making something happen, but Randolph said that wasn't the way he was hearing it.

He said every call he had received was just the opposite of support for the proposed tax.

Randolph suggested that the development board continue to try and educate the county's general public and then place the issue on the ballot.

“I'm quite sure that anything concerning county business can be put on the ballot,” Randolph said.

However, under state law, KRS .67.083, the levying of an occupational tax can only be decided by a fiscal court or city council and, in this case, the final decision would fall to the fiscal court.

“State laws do not allow for this type of issue to be put on the ballot, it is simply a matter of a vote by the fiscal court, for or against such an ordinance,” said Rockcastle County Attorney Billy Reynolds.

Reynolds also said that if an occupational tax were imposed by the county, it would not be subject to recall by voters and that only the governing body, in this case the fiscal court, could amend the tax or rescind it all together. “The law is very clear on this matter,” he added.

Development board member Jerry Pensol, who is also president of the Rockcastle Chamber of Commerce, also voiced concern that the proposed rate of 2% on wage earners in the county would be too high for people in the county who make minimum wage.

Pensol, who also owns and operates Subway and Godfathers, said most of the county's restaurant workers are minimum wage earners and currently they pay an average of \$50 to \$55 a year in occupational tax.

“The majority of the restaurant work force is in the city limits of Mt. Vernon and \$50 to \$55 is manageable for most of them, but if it were to increase to \$200 to \$250 a month it would cause a hardship on people who are already having a hard time making ends meet,” Pensol said.

Pensol said he thought a tax rate of 1 to 1 1/2% should possibly be considered instead of the 2% now on the table.

Randolph also told board members he did not think Rockcastle County could attract any industry that would pay more than minimum wage and that a 2% tax wouldn't be enough.

He also said that in his opinion the best companies can pick and choose where they want to locate and the foothills of the Cumberland probably wouldn't be their first choice.

Randolph said he was afraid large employers would use all the incentives, which would no doubt be given them and then move their operation and jobs elsewhere, possibly Mexico where Randolph said labor is \$2 a hour.

And, Randolph said there would always be a need for more money and that any tax which might be levied upon citizens would most likely be eternal.

Holton told Randolph that two very small companies, which pay close to minimum wage and which did not offer benefits, had already contacted the board and were told “we (the development board) were not interested.”

Board member Mike Blount told Randolph it was his understanding the development board was attempting to attract companies who employ 50 to 130 employees and not companies with 600 or 700 employees who might take advantage of any incentives to locate here and then move on.

Development Board Chairman Corey Craig said in his opinion it boils down to whether or not Rockcastle countians want a better quality of life.

Craig said the whole point of what the development board was trying to do is to get more people in the county involved in how to plan for the future of the county.

Craig also said if things continue to be done in a manner, in which they currently are in the county, things will only get worse. Craig basically said in his opinion the economic outlook for the county was not good and it was only going to continue to deteriorate.

Craig said that the mere fact that gas was costing more every day and would probably be \$4 a gallon by the summer was enough to cause serious problems for the county's population.

Craig said there would come a point when many of the 46% of those who work out of the county each day decide to move where they work because they can no longer afford to drive to their job.

The development board chairman said that when that happens, the school system's enrollment will drop, the need for medical services will be less and even more jobs in the county would be lost.

Craig said he didn't think that doing nothing was an option for those who care about the future of the county.

Holton said the education efforts of the development board, concerning the process dealing with a possible occupational tax and planning and zoning, will continue with meetings at fire departments, Rockcastle Hospital, homemaker's clubs, in the agricultural community and with other groups in the county.

A county-wide meeting will also be held at some point in the auditorium at Rockcastle County High School.

(Editors Note) - A short series of articles will begin this week on planning and zoning in an effort to explain the issue more clearly to Rockcastle Countians.

The articles are being written by consultant Kris Lowry, who is an expert in the field in the state of Kentucky and who made a presentation to several interested citizens at an informational meeting in January. (RFA)

Planning Our Future

By Kris Lowry
Consultant

This is the first in a series of articles that will explore planning for Kentucky cities and counties. I have found that the word “planning” means different things to different people.

When someone asks what I do for a living and I tell them that I am a professional planner and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), I often get a blank stare in response.

There are all kinds of planners such as financial planners, event planners, military planners and even party planners (I somehow got on the mailing list for party planning). So, I have to add a modifier such as “I am a land use planner,” a “community planner” or “an urban planner.” That helps some, but I usually have to explain that what I do is help cities and counties in Kentucky with planning and zoning issues such as Comprehensive Plans, Zoning Ordinances and Subdivision Regulations.

The word “zoning” is usually the one that sparks recognition and the response is often a negative one. Many people decide that they are against land use planning without really understanding how it works or that zoning is only one land use planning tool.

To me, planning means deciding what I want to accomplish at some point in the future, figuring out what steps I need to take to achieve the desired result and then taking the necessary actions to obtain the goal.

Planning for the future of our cities and counties is no different. The future will come

whether we plan for it or not. I believe our Kentucky communities are much more likely to be great places to live if we have a vision of what we want them to be in the future, a plan to achieve that vision and the tools to implement the plan. Sounds great you say, but just exactly how does all this planning and zoning stuff work in Kentucky? That is the question I hope to answer.

Building Code versus Zoning Code

Some people confuse the building code with a zoning code. This may be due to the fact that in many counties and cities, the same person or office enforces both. State law requires that most buildings, including commercial buildings, multi-family structures and places of public assembly be constructed in accordance with the Kentucky Building Code (KBC). The KBC was approved by the legislature in 1978 and adopted in 1980 in response to the deaths of 165 people in the Beverly Hills Nightclub fire in Southgate, Kentucky on May 28, 1977. Design plans for a building must be reviewed and approved by a licensed state building inspector. The building is then inspected during construction to make sure it is built to meet the KBC. These reviews and inspections are done by a state building inspector out of Frankfort if there is no local building inspection program.

Although typically 70 to 80 people in Kentucky die in house fires every year, the KBC initially exempted single family homes. Kentucky did not adopt a state building code for single family residences, (now called the Kentucky Residential Code or KRC), until 1997. Many people are still surprised to learn that all stick-built houses in Kentucky are required to be built in accordance with the KRC. This is because many homes are not inspected since a local building inspection program for single family structures is optional. Each city and/or county must adopt an ordinance to establish a local building inspection program.

Under such a program, a builder is required to obtain a building permit before starting construction. The building inspector then does a footer, framing and final inspection to make sure the house is built to code. If the house passes these inspections, the inspector issues a certificate of occupancy which means the house can now be legally occupied. The building permit fee typically pays for the inspections. All houses in Kentucky are required to have a rough-in and final plumbing and electrical inspection before they are occupied even if there is no building inspection. Manufactured homes are not inspected as they must comply with Federal manufactured home standards. Also, buildings constructed for agricultural purposes, on lots of more than ten acres and outside

of city limits, are exempted.

Building permit fees are typically based on the size of the house and may range from \$120 for a small house to several hundred dollars for a large home. This is a small percentage of the construction cost since even a modest home may cost \$100,000 to construct these days.

So, you think, why should we have a building inspection program? It sounds like it just adds cost and red tape. We have good builders in our community, that should be good enough. Well, first, I should clarify why I am familiar with the Residential Building Code. I have been managing housing redevelopment projects for Kentucky cities and counties for over twenty years. As part of these projects many old dilapidated houses are demolished and replaced with new houses. I have dealt with housing contractors all over the state in places like Muhlenberg County, Grant County and Pulaski County. I know many good contractors and some really bad ones.

Good contractors want a building inspection program. A good contractor appreciates an extra pair of eyes to find mistakes so they can be corrected before they become a costly problem. A good contractor knows that a bad contractor will cut corners and hide mistakes to keep costs down, making it hard for the good contractor to compete on price. A building inspection program levels the playing field and insures the safety and quality of a newly constructed home.

(Editors Note) - Lowry, who is an expert in this field, spoke to a group of Rockcastle countians at an informational meeting in January. She has worked with several towns and counties in the state including London-Laurel County, Harrodsburg-Mercer County and the city of Columbia in Adair County. (RFA)

“Stamps”

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sure there were plenty of Forever stamps at all of the post offices in the county, but that Saturday is the last day customers can buy the Forever Stamps for .41, after that, they will be the current rate of first class postage.

“Brown”

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Brown told him no.

Cromer said he asked and received permission to look around Brown's property for the man he had the warrant on and, while touring the property, found the marijuana plants instead.

Brown was released from the Rockcastle Detention Center on Friday after filling a \$8,000 property bond.

Recording Artist Erica Martin to perform at Brodhead Homecoming



Nashville Recording Artist Erica Martin, and her five-piece band, Kickstart, will be performing at the Brodhead Homecoming on Sat., May 24th.

Erica and Kickstart offer something for everyone with her powerful voice and an energetic stage show, along with a large variety of music, ranging from the classic country hits of Patsy Cline and Loretta Lynn to the edgy new country sounds of Miranda Lambert, Carrie Underwood and Gretchen Wilson. They also cover lots of classic rock such as Heart, Prince and Lynyrd Skynyrd, along with several of her own tunes. With a single expected to hit the radio soon and a fall tour in the works, this is an opportunity to see one of Kentucky's own country stars before they go nationwide.

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Lady Rockets beat Knox Central, lose to Somerset

This week in softball for the Lady Rockets started with a loss to Somerset 6-0 in a game played on the road.

The only bright spot for the Lady Rockets was center fielder Courtney Bussell who had the only two hits of the game, both singles, for her team.

Friday, the Lady Rockets beat Knox Central 10-0 in five innings in a tournament at North Laurel.

Timber Shelton was the winning pitcher for the Lady Rockets.

In that game, Bussell was 3-3 and scored 2 runs, Jessie Barnes, was 1-3 with a run, Mary Saylor, 2-3, with 2 runs scored and Sasha Bullock was 2-3 with 2 runs scored, Katelyn Blair, was 3-3 with 2 runs scored, Shelton was 1 for 2 and she scored a run and Christina Carasello was 1-3. All 13 of the Lady Rocket hits were singles.

In the same tournament Friday night the Lady Rockets lost

to Trimble County 2-0.

Shelton, Blair and Saylor, combined to give up three hits, one of which was an inside the park homerun which gave Trimble County a 1-0 lead which they took into the 7th inning before scoring one more.

The only Lady Rocket hit in the game again came off the bat of Courtney Bussell who was 1-3.

Monday night, The Lady Rockets lost to Southwestern, 5-1 in a home contest.

Barnes, was 1-4, which was a triple, Mary Saylor, was 1-2, Sasha Bullock, 1-3, Timber 2-3 and she scored the only run, coming in on a ground ball by Chelsie Bell.

The Lady Rockets return to action on Thursday, (tonight) at McCreary Central and their next home game is against, Madison Southern, on Monday night.

The Lady Rockets are 7-15 on the season and 3-3 in district play.



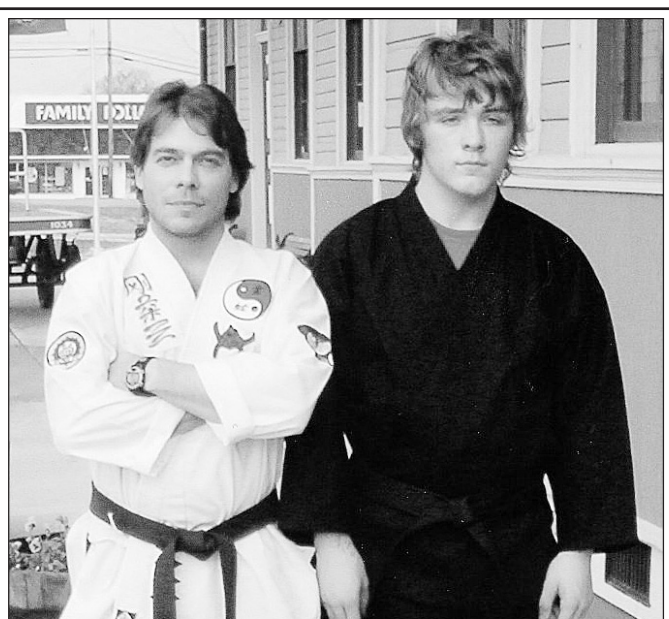
Lady Rocket Ashley Robinson attempts to bunt in Monday night's contest against Southwestern. The Lady Rockets hit the road Thursday (tonight) for a game at McCreary Central.



First baseman Christina Carasello prepares to take a throw from third baseman Sasha Bullock in Monday night's game with Southwestern. The Lady Rockets are 3-3 in district play and will play again at home next Monday when they host Madison Southern.



Rocket left fielder Matthew Lunsford makes a play on a ball in Monday night's win over Southwestern. The Rockets will return to action Thursday, (tonight) at home against Corbin. (Sports photos by: Richard Anderkin).



Brandon Sowers, right, tested April 4th before his instructor Master Eric Bullock, left, at the Stanford Shaolin Karate Club. He is shown here after passing his test for first degree brown belt to first degree black belt. Brandon is the first student from the Stanford Shaolin Karate Club to gain this honor.

Rockets win one, lose two in past week

This week in baseball at RCHS began last Thursday when the Rockets traveled to Boyle County, where they lost 9-1.

The Rockets had only five hits in the game with Jake Woodall and John L. Saylor each picking up a double. Dakota Smith had 2 hits and Tanner Perkins the other one. Saylor had the only RBI.

Junior Dustin Bullock got the loss going 5 1/3, giving up 6 hits and striking out 1.

Monday night the Rockets defeated Southwestern in a home game, 11-5.

Smith was the winning pitcher and sophomore Dustin Reynolds picked up the save.

Cleanup hitter Jake Riddle had two doubles and two RBI.

Perkins had 2 hits, one a double and he knocked in 3 of the Rockets' 11 runs.

Smith, Woodall and Saylor all had 2 singles and Bullock, Justin Bryant, Grant Burdette, Tanner Childress each had a hit.

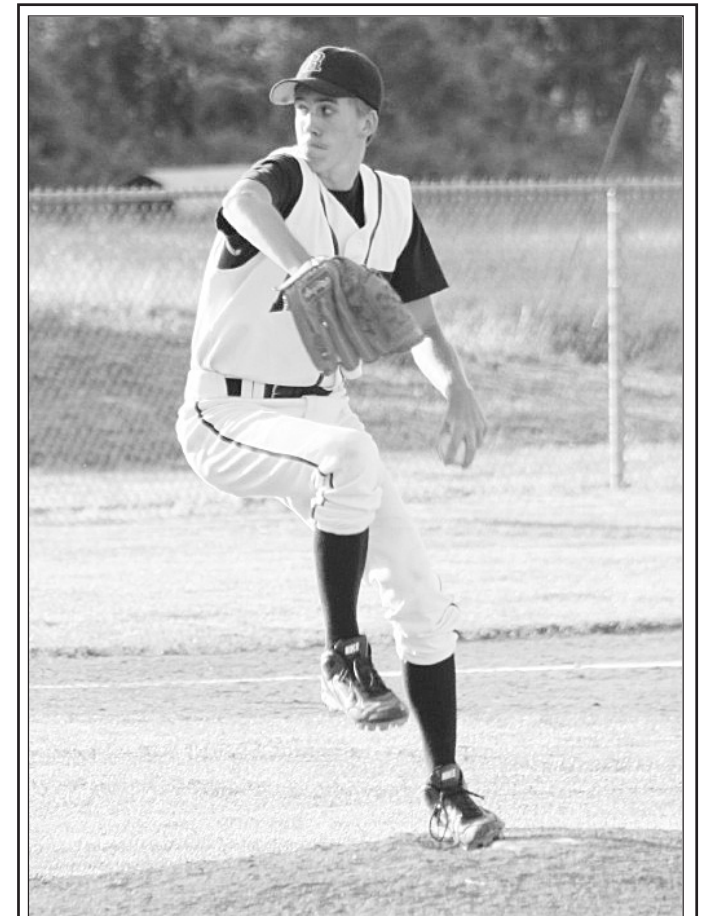
Smith stole 3 bases and Bullock 2 in the Rocket's 12th win of the season.

Tuesday night the Rockets were blanked by the highly-touted Henry Clay Blue Devil's 7-0.

Perkins went the distance for the Rockets picking up the loss. He gave up 8 hits, but struck out 11 in only his second loss of the season against 5 wins.

The Rockets had only five hits in the game, all singles.

The Rockets return to action on Thursday night (tonight), when they host Corbin. The Rockets lost to Corbin earlier in the year.



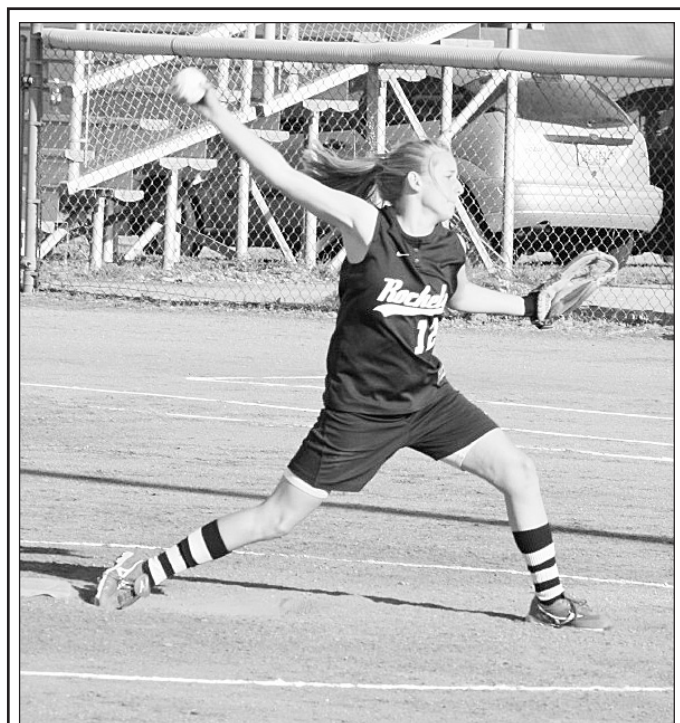
Sophomore Dustin Reynolds picked up the save against Southwestern on Monday night. The Rockets won 11-5.



Junior Dustin Bullock was 1 for 2, he walked twice and stole two bases in the Rockets 11-5 win over Southwestern on Monday night.



Freshman Rocket John L. Saylor slides back into first safely, after making a wide turn on a single, in Monday night's win over Southwestern.



Lady Rocket pitcher Timber Shelton goes to the plate in her team's game against Southwestern on Monday night. The Lady Rockets lost 5-1.

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The Class 2A # 1 state-ranked RCMS girls' track team dominated the recent Model True Team Invitational held in Richmond. Team members include front from left: Ashley Partin, Kayla Howard, Michaela Hunter, Chelsea Payne, Sara Hammond and Alyssa Allen. Back row from left: Amber Hines, Bryonna Cromer, Laura Dollins, Kelsey Bullock, Samantha Smith, Jessica Albright, Deana Gabbard, Morgan Thacker, Lacey Gastineau and Jasmin Johnson. Not pictured: Katy Mattingly, Sarah McKinney and Amy Johnson.



RCMS senior Morgan Thacker performs the very difficult hitch-kick maneuver in the long jump competition, which she won at the Model True Team Invitational. Morgan also had season's best times in both the 100 and 200-meter dashes.



RCMS sophomore Samantha Smith led the RCMS girls' track team in scoring at the Model True Team Invitational. Samantha won triple jump and ran a season's best 26.48 seconds in the 200-meter dash. Here she soars through the air in the long jump competition.



RCMS 7th grader Michaela Hunter won the 1600 and 3200-meter runs at the Model True Team Invitational. Michaela also competed in both long and triple jump. Shown here, she takes off in the long jump competition.



RCMS 8th grader Chelsea Payne ran a season's best time of 28.5 seconds in the 200-meter dash and performed well in the long jump competition to help lead the girls to a 5th place finish at the Pulaski County High School All-Comers meet.



RCMS 6th grader Kelsey Bullock led the girls' team at the Pulaski County High School All-Comers meet while winning the 200-meter dash in 28.3 seconds and placing 2nd in the 100 in 13.7 seconds - both personal record times. The girls' placed 5th in the meet, despite having only six middle school competitors.



Over the weekend the Rockcastle County Lady Rockets 15 and under AAU Basketball team traveled to Gibbs, Tennessee to compete in the HALLS HAZ HOOPS Basketball tournament. There were two pools of teams in their age division consisting of eight teams. In order to make it to the second day of play the girls had to win all three games scheduled Saturday. The girls won all three games and advanced to the championship game on Sunday where they took first place of the tournament. The Lady Rockets 15u team, along with their coaches would like to thank the following individuals for their kind contributions and donations: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Lawrence, Mr. David King (King Bottling), Mr. Leo Marler and all of the individuals that donated money or purchased something from the girls at the Tradin' Days Festival and last but not least all of the parents. With only seven members of the team it took a lot of time, energy and patience from the parents to make this possible. THANK YOU. Pictured with the championship plaque are front from left: Sydney Arvin, Angie Lawrence, Ella McQueary and Lauren Burton. Back row from left: Coach Teddy Lawrence, Katie Cowan, Cheyenne Hensley, Shanlee Burton and Coach Chrissy Cash.



Tristan Girod, a fifth grade student, was chosen by the AAU Division of Richmond to play basketball. The purpose of the AAU basketball program is to promote leadership, fitness and athletic excellence. He will be playing center position for the team. Tristan previously played for the Warriors at the YMCA in Richmond, where his team was undefeated. Tristan is the son of Anthony and Dora Ann Girod. He is the grandson of Oma Girod and the late Dewey and Maggie Gilbert of Livingston.



On April 13, 2008, Jesse Hayes, age 14, of Mt. Vernon, killed his first turkey, above, of the season weighing 22 pounds with a 9 inch beard and 1 inch spurs. Then on April 18th, before going to school, he got a 23 pound turkey, right, with an 11 inch beard and 1 1/4 inch spurs. Jesse is the son of Henry and Regina Hayes of Mt. Vernon.

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Meeting Location – Rockcastle County Board Of Education
(Rockcastle Teaching & Learning Center) / 245 Richmond Street

**AGENDA
Regular Meeting**

May 13, 2008

7:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:**
 - A. Silent Prayer
 - B. Roll Call
 - C. Reading of Board Team Commitments
- 2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION:**
- 3. COMMUNICATION:**
- 4. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS:**
 - A. Approve minutes of the April 8 regular meeting & April 15, April 24 & April 30 special meetings
 - B. Approve bills for payment
 - C. Approve Emergency Substitute Teacher Application TC-4: Jenene McKinney
 - D. Approve contract agreement with Valerie Alexander to provide services for hearing impaired students
 - E. Approve David Pensol as the District representative to the Certified Evaluation Appeals Panel for the 2008-2009 school year
 - F. Approve School Trip Forms
- 5. DISCUSSION/ACTION:**
 - A. Review/Approve 2008-2009 salary schedules
- 6. DISCUSSION/REVIEW:**
 - A. Review Month 8 Attendance Reports
 - B. Review Monthly Financial Reports
 - C. Review Superintendent's Personnel Action Report
 - D. Other:
- 7. ADJOURNMENT:**

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“County”

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from the clerk's office for 2007.

The same general fund also absorbs these expenses for the Sheriff's Department besides unemployment insurance costs, a gasoline and telephone allowance, property and casualty insurance and other miscellaneous items to the tune of just over \$133,000. These items are not mandated by the state for the county to cover but, "these offices cannot meet their expenses without the general fund's help and, even though it is not our responsibility to cover them, it is our responsibility to see that these offices are able to keep operating in a way that best serves the people of Rockcastle County," Carloftis said.

And, in all fairness to Rockcastle County Jailer James Miller, while his department does account for the biggest deficit that must be covered by the fiscal court by state mandate, his budget includes all the expenses that the county picks up for the other two offices and helps contribute to the expected \$210,000 deficit. Also, as Carloftis pointed out to the court last week, the \$210,000 is much less than other counties, with our size jail, has to contribute for operating expenses.

For the first time, Carloftis has turned to the state's Governor's Office for Local Development (GOLD) for help, sending them a copy of the preliminary budget and setting up a meeting with them for this Thursday to see what their ideas may be about the situation.

Ironically, the GOLD office has already made one contribution. In a telephone call Tuesday, a representative of the office told Carloftis that the budgeted amount of \$204,000 for food for the jail's inmates was too low and should be \$296,000 which will add even more to the operating deficit of the detention center.

This year preliminary budget also shows a \$32,000 deficit in the 911 budget and Carloftis said a lot of this could be attributed to the higher cost of Enhanced 911 which take the department's monthly phone bill from \$500 a month to \$4660 a month and, the county does not expect additional revenue, from the 911 tax on cell phones, until about September of this year which will cost them the higher operating expenses for at least three months before the additional revenue is realized.

The second biggest deficit in the budget is in the road department of \$156,065 which may not be a factor if the general fund gets any infusion of revenue before the end of the year. If the funds become available, they can repay \$175,000 which they borrowed from the road fund at the beginning of last fiscal year to meet expenses until the general fund received enough revenue to meet current expenses and which they have not been able to repay to date.

In a news release Tuesday, Judge Carloftis offered a commentary on the current budget problems:

"Rockcastle County's very preliminary budget, to operate all of the county's obligations to the state, at present shows a deficit for the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2008.

Because the numbers thus far show a deficit, especially in the general fund which is used to support other funds financially in case of a shortfall, I have asked the Department for Local Government to review our budget and help us locate any as-yet-unknown cuts that can be made across the entire budget.

I highlighted a number of possible cuts and faxed them to the state but those cuts will not come near to covering the anticipated deficits in a number of funds.

I have looked back at past actions, and lack of actions, regarding taxes in Rockcastle and, which you go back as 40 years or so, you come up with the reality that fiscal courts failed to increase, by as little as 4% per year, the rate could have helped cover the county's financial obligations. That is why, last year, the average real property taxpayer contributed just over \$2 per month to the

county to operate essential obligations of their local government.

Remember that the fiscal court, as trustees for the people, is required to house and feed prisoners, maintain roads, keep the courthouse open, etc. and keep expenses within the budget. The preliminary budget for the coming year, however, does not provide enough income to meet those basic government requirements.

Quite frankly, one of the major reasons Rockcastle County residents have not been able to enjoy so many things today's society expects (the ability of the local government to provide financial incentives for new and growing businesses, fully funded fire protection districts, better roads, top quality athletic fields for youth, etc.) is attributed to one simple fact -- lack of local government funds. While grants are available for many things to help a community, we should keep in mind that the local government is usually required to provide anywhere from 10% to as much as 60% matching funds before receiving the grants.

We have been able to just barely get by from year to year and keep essential government operations funded. We have not been able to do major work for the citizens, however. Just as all families have seen increases in prices and the operation of their households, so has your local government (while we also buy bread, pay utilities, etc., we must provide things individuals cannot, such as roads, bridges, other infrastructure).

My simple question is this: How would you like for us to more wisely use your two dollar per month to support the county? This is why I am asking assistance from the Department for Local Government."

“Funding”

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which are actively engaged in economic development and community growth, the occupational tax is the primary source of funding.

Really, it makes sense for the occupational tax to be tied to job creation for the following reasons. First, basically everyone working pays the tax. So, for those who are existing employees in the community, they are INVESTING in the creation of a more stable environment for their existing jobs so those jobs won't go away. Also, they are investing in helping to stabilize (by rebuilding the infrastructure, which is badly needed), grow and diversify our economy so we will be more capable of recruiting new industry to our community. Finally, as we recruit new business and industry to the community we have more people paying the occupational tax helping us have more resources to reinvest in rebuilding our existing infrastructure like water and sewer and community economic development in Rockcastle County.

You might be wondering how the occupational tax collected would be used and that is a great question. The elected and volunteer leadership of the community are of the opinion that the monies should be used to reinvest in the community in such a way that we will promote economic development.

Some of the ways in which we envision the money being used would be for infrastructure development countywide. Those resources to be developed would include water and sewer lines, better electric service to the industrial parks, security lights on the main roads at and through the industrial parks, low interest revolving loan programs, for existing and new industry, the evaluation/development of natural gas to Rockcastle County, speculative (available) buildings construction, additional industrial land purchase and development, high quality recreational facilities for our county and the region to use and other projects deemed necessary and appropriate to grow the economy.

There will be people who would be exempt from paying the occupational tax and it would include the elderly and those not capable of paying the tax. But, ultimately, we want to use the money collected from the tax to create opportunities for those who currently don't have a good job or have a job at all. And, for people who might think they cannot afford to pay

the tax, I would say you cannot afford NOT to pay the tax! Everyone paying the tax, no matter what your income, will benefit from the development of new resources to fund development in Rockcastle County.

But, the people who would most likely benefit the greatest from paying the occupational tax are the people who currently are making the least amount of money in Rockcastle County. Why? Because the collective use of the occupational tax in infrastructure development, land development and speculative buildin, to market to potential new business and industry, will create opportunities in our county which might not otherwise be available for these folks.

To understand how the tax might personally affect you, here is the formula. If you make \$8 per hour you gross \$320.00 per week based on a 40 hour work week. If you paid 2% of your gross pay in occupational tax, you would be paying \$6.40 out of each check. That would be a total of \$332.80 per year. Now, let's say that as a result of the occupational tax being in place, you have a new job opportunity in Rockcastle County. Let's say your hourly wage goes from \$8 per hour to \$12 per hour. With this new job opportunity you would have increased your annual income by \$8,320.00. While I am not a wizard at math, it is clear to see that your investment of \$332.80 per year has created a great deal of additional income. Plus, you also have the benefit of other resources which will help to not only improve the overall quality of life you and your family enjoy today, but also the opportunities your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other family members will have for many years to come.

If you currently live in Rockcastle County and want to have the necessities of life (like water and sewer services), be committed to do your part.

I hope you understand that it takes the contribution that everyone can make individually through the occupational tax that will collectively make our economy strong. With a strong economy, we will show existing business and industry considering Rockcastle County we are committed to growth and development for many years to come.

Mt. Vernon awards bid for Lovell Lane sidewalk project

After three tries, the Mt. Vernon City Council awarded a bid for a new sidewalk on Lovell Lane, from Richmond Street to the four way stop on Williams Street.

The city has \$53,500 with which to complete the project and thought for a while that they might have to stop at Lovell Court, because of the high bid first received for the project. However, Tuesday night, they awarded Larry Coffey of Berea the job with Coffey's low bid of \$52,000 for the entire project.

The first bid received was for \$70,000. This bid was rejected because of the high cost and the project was rebid. The second bid, for \$66,000 was negotiated down to \$53,560 by changing some of the project's specifications but Mayor Clarice Kirby said she was not comfortable with changing the specs after the bid was received and not giving other companies the chance to bid with the revised specifications, so the project was put out for bids for the third time.

This time the city received two bids, one from Frank Sparks and Asso. who were the only bidder in the second round

and Larry Coffey. Coffey was earlier the successful bidder on the Richmond Street to Rite Aid sidewalk project which is scheduled to begin this week.

Sparks's bid was the same as his second, \$53,560, but Coffey's bid came in just below at \$52,000.

Scholarships available

The Kentucky Chapter of Women in Rural Electrification (WIRE) is taking applications from Kentucky college students to offer at least three \$1,000 scholarships.

The scholarships are open to any applicant who meets the following criteria:

- he or she must be a junior or senior in a Kentucky college or university;
- he or she must have at least 60 hours of credits by the beginning of the fall semester; and
- his or her immediate family must be served by one of the state's 24 rural electric distribution cooperatives.

The scholarship application deadline is June 16, 2008. Scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievements, extracurricular activities, career goals, recommendations from professors and community leaders, and financial need.

To receive an application for the Kentucky WIRE scholarship, contact Jackson Energy, 1 800-262-7480, ext. 9223, or visit the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives web site, www.kaec.org.

“Marlow”

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"Marlow is a career criminal who has no place among law abiding citizens and he has shown that he is not going to follow the law no matter what. Hopefully the parole board will not make the same mistake again and parole this man. The only place for him is the penitentiary," Eddy Montgomery said.

After Bartley's recommendation, Circuit Judge David Tapp imposed the recommended sentence.

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Second Section

Thursday, May 8, 2008



Bro. Vaughn Raser, Pastor of the Fairview Baptist Church, left, welcomed the crowd and said the opening prayer at Thursday's National Day of Prayer, which was held at noon on the Rockcastle County Courthouse steps. In the center of the photo is Bro. Jack Bruce, longtime Director of Missions for the Rockcastle Baptist Association and Bro. Don Stayton, Pastor of the Bible Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, who had the benediction.



About 100 people turned out to help Celebrate the National Day of Prayer in Rockcastle County last Thursday. Some of those in attendance on Thursday are shown above, from left: Kivanis member Libby Hammons, standing, Juanita Davis, Pauline Tackett, Patsy Hopkins and Lisa Ross.



Bryan Phelps, Youth Pastor at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, led the singing at Thursday's National Day of Prayer program, which was held on the Rockcastle County Courthouse steps. Behind Phelps, from left are: Bro. Jim Craig, Pastor of the Ottawa Baptist Church, featured speaker Don Pinson and Bro. Luther Allen. About 100 attended the annual prayer service.



Bro. Wayne Harding, left, Pastor of the Mareburg Baptist Church, looks on as Don Pinson from Heritage Ministries of Kentucky and a Policy Analyst in Eastern Kentucky, delivers Thursday's message at the National Day of Prayer in Rockcastle County. Pinson reminded all of the power and necessity of the saints' prayers. (Photos by: Bro. Bruce Ross)

100 attend National Day of Prayer

Last Thursday in Rockcastle County was cool and pleasant at noon when the National Day of Prayer events kicked off outside the Courthouse.

The National Day of Prayer's official website (www.ndptf.org) says "The National Day of Prayer Task

Force's mission is to communicate with every individual the need for personal repentance and prayer, mobilizing the Christian community to intercede for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power: Government, Military, Media, Business, Education,

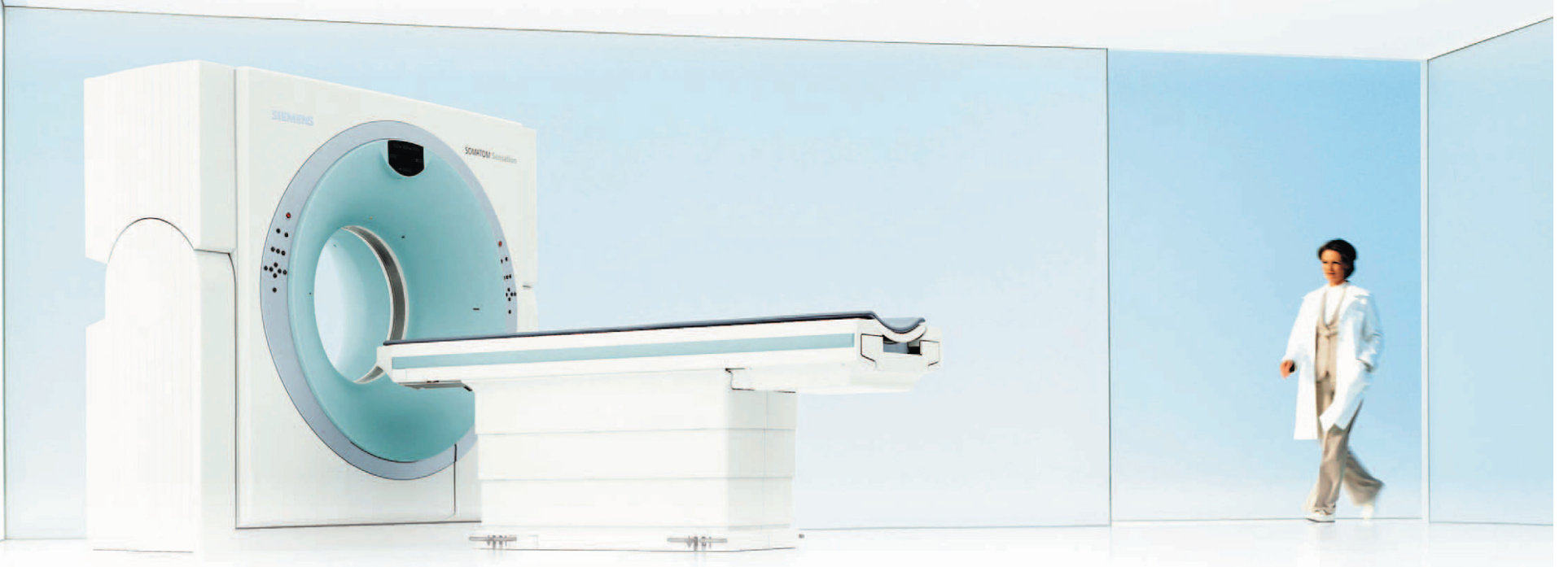
Church and Family."

This annual event is celebrated nationally, and here in the county about 100 people turned out to continue the event.

Pastor Vaughn Raser of the

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News from the Rockcastle Courthouse

Circuit Civil Suits

Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Reuben A. Hammond, \$5,395.83 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Sheila M. Collins, \$4,970.84 plus claimed due.
 Charles Feltner vs. Katherine Feltner, petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Bonnie McCracken vs. Traxx Mgmt. Co., complaint.
 Robert Earl Northern vs. Mary Northern, declaration of invalidity.
 Park Community Federal Credit Union vs. Robin Renner, \$8,936.15 plus claimed due.
 Beneficial Ky. Inc. vs. Gloria Smith, \$89,433.46 plus claimed due.
 The Bank of New York Trust Co. vs. Robert Leo Hayes, Sr., et al, \$64,164.44 plus claimed due.

CIT Group/Consumer Finance, Inc. vs. Nannie Elizabeth Webb, et al, \$70,098.62 plus claimed due.
 Jeff Howard vs. Billy Rice, complaint.
 Ford Motor Co. LLC vs. Sandra Allen, et al, \$6,659.66 plus claimed due.
 Vanderbilt Mtg. Co. & Finance, Inc. vs. Paul Robinson, Jr., \$66,062.93 plus claimed due.
 Cabinet for Health and Family Services ex rel Pamela Evans vs. Joshua Lee Evans, complaint for child support and medical support. CI-00121.

District Civil Suits

Midland Funding LLC vs. James Hughes, \$569.66 plus claimed due.
 Portfolio Recovery Asso. LLC vs. Sharon M. Sturgill,

\$2,560.55 plus claimed due.
 Capital One Bank vs. Sharon Potter, \$2,643.75 plus claimed due.
 Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Jared J. Taulbee, \$814.03 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Alice F. Cromer, \$931.03 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Billy Milburn, \$768.53 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Robert Velasquez III, \$923.34 plus claimed due.
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Jeanette Rose, \$873.06 plus claimed due. C-00112.

Deeds Recorded

Bonnie Cole, property on Poplar Gap Road, to Russell Cole. No tax.
 Amanda Beaudin Leger, property in Rockcastle County, to Verna Lou Hurley Lay. Tax \$2.50
 Federal National Mtg. Assn., property in Evergreen Estates, to Jeremiah D. and Jennie D. Ellis. No tax.
 Betty Lou Hodge, property on Tyree St., Brodhead, to Harold L. and Carol A. Harris. Tax 50c.
 Alpha McClure, property on Dixie Hwy., to Eldon F. Boehnke. Tax \$1.50.
 Lewis and Effie Linville, property in Rockcastle County, to David B. and Judy A. Taylor. Tax \$24.50.
 Kathleen Powell, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael Roy and Gail Broyles.

Tax \$68.50.
 Lisa Ann and Bill Barrett, property in Rainbow Valley Subdv., to Norman W. and Judith A. Cromer. Tax \$10.50.
 Country Homes, Inc., property in Rockcastle County, to Lloyd and Donna Dees. No tax.
 Mildred Jean Harding, property in Rockcastle County, to Brent Harding. No tax.
 Felix and Luvenia Wilson, property in Hunters Ridge Subdv., to Olive Whitaker. \$122.50.
 Reavis D. and Dianne H. Gibb, property in Rockcastle County, to Michael Wayne and Marsha Whitehouse. Tax \$10.50.

Marriage Licenses

Angela Adams, 36, Brodhead, clinic manager to Randall Duane McClure, 45, Brodhead, Tokico. 4/25/08.
 Amanda Re Adams, 21, Mt. Vernon, Tokico, to Kristopher Keith Linville, 24, Mt. Vernon, Ky. Steele Center. 4/30/08.

District Court

April 28-30, 2008
Hon. Jeffrey S. Lawless
 Speeding: Karen P. Alex, paid \$30 fine plus \$120.50 costs; James Allen, Adam F. McCombs, paid \$32 fine plus \$128 costs; Michael D. Congleton, Bertha D. La, paid \$30 fine plus \$128 costs; Paul A. Fletner, Jr., paid \$19 fine plus \$128 costs; Benjamin C. Hoe, paid \$34 fine plus \$125.50 costs; Misty R. Lakes, paid \$12 fine plus \$128 costs; Bradley E Petrey, paid \$20 fine plus \$128 costs; John W. Miller, paid: Ricardo A. William, license suspended for failure to appear;
 Sean M. Combs: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 Teresa L. Cunagin: failure to produce insurance card, \$50 fine plus costs.
 Teresa R. Daniel: no/expired registration plates, \$25 fine plus costs.
 Jamie L. Grubb: fines/fees due (\$153), bench warrant issued for fta/4 days or payment.
 Jessica L. Hager: fines/fees due (\$139.50), bench warrant issued for fta/4 days or payment.
 Larry C. Hubbard: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine and costs.
 Jeffery D. Johnson: no/expired registration plates and failure to maintain insurance, bench warrant issued fta.

William L. Mason, Jr.: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine and costs.
 Amie J. Masters: leaving scene of accident, possession of marijuana and use/possession drug paraphernalia, sentencing orders entered.
 Alejandro Alcalá Obregon: no/expired registration receipt or plates, \$25 fine and costs/no/expired other state registration receipt or plates, \$25 fine; no operators/moped license, \$100 fine; failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine/suspend \$450 on condition.
 Robert O'Neal: fines/fees due (\$128), bench warrant issued fta/4 days in jail or payment.
 Richard L. Pendery: fines/fees due (\$228), bench warrant issued for fta/6 days or payment.
 Kenneth J. Poynter: fines/fees due (\$253), bench warrant issued for fta/6 days in jail or payment.
 James E. Renner: fines/fees due (\$793), bench warrant issued for fta/13 days or payment.
 James E. Richards: operating on suspended/revoked operators license and leaving scene of accident, sentencing orders entered.
 Crystal Spoonamore: fines/fees due (\$258), bench warrant issued for fta/6 days or payment.
 Jeffrey Lee Spoonamore: fines/fees due (\$462), bench warrant issued for fta/10 days or payment.
 Virginia J. Webb: theft by unlawful taking, 6 days in jail in lieu of fine and costs.
 Mark A. Barrett: alcohol intoxication, bench warrant issued for fta.
 Anthony D. Hale: unlawful transaction w/minor, sentencing order entered.
 Bentley D. Carpenter: no operators license in possession, \$100 fine and costs.
 Joshua Morgan: disorderly conduct, 30 days in jail
 Bobby L. Douglas: possession of marijuana, 8 days in

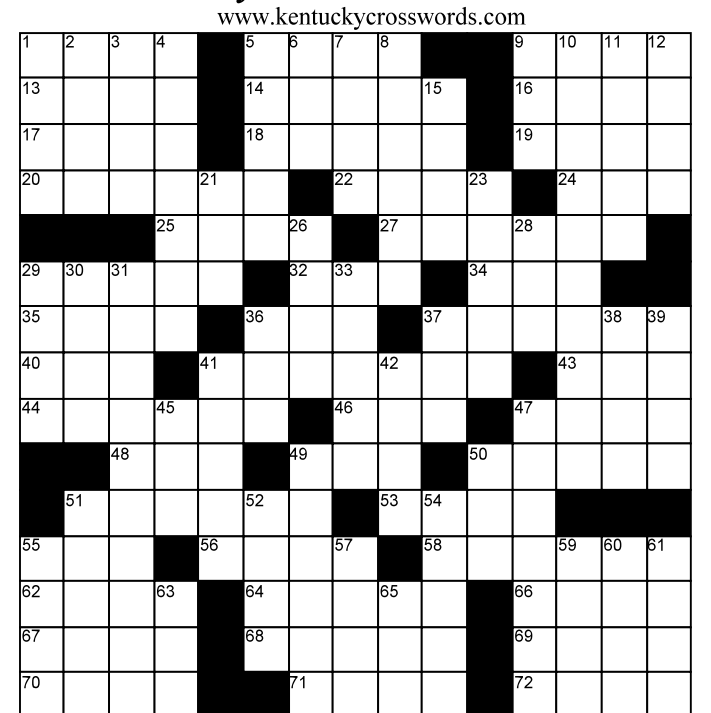
jail.
 Jonathan W. Taylor: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 David K. Thacker: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.
 Brent A. Powell: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 James E. Quick: no/expired registration receipt/plates, and other charges, bench warrant issued for fta.
 Syreeta L. Rayford: speeding and failure to produce insurance card, license suspended for fta.
 Michael W. Smith: possession of marijuana, \$100 fine and costs; use/possession drug paraphernalia, \$100 fine and costs and 30 days/probated two years on condition.
 Ronald K. Taylor: failure to wear seat belts, \$25 fine.
 James E. Adams: alcohol intoxication, \$50 fine and costs.
 Christopher A. Banker: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for fta.
 James L. Bradley: speeding and failure to wear seat belts, paid.
 Wade M. Darr: speeding, and other charges, license suspended for fta.
 Tripp D. Harris: alcohol intoxication, bench warrant issued for fta.
 Jordan M. Mink: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.
 Nicole Mull: improper lane change, paid \$20 fine plus \$128 costs.
 Wesley I. Muse: speeding, \$30 fine and costs; improper registration, \$25 fine
 Alejandro P. Navarro: no operators/moped license, and other charges, bench warrant issued for fta.
 Jake T. Lambert: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered; no operators license in possession, \$25 fine; failure to wear seat belts, \$25

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ACROSS

1 Close off
 5 Chooses
 9 Kind of mark
 13 Old 45 player
 14 Moonshine
 16 Bingo relative
 17 Persia, today
 18 Even if, briefly
 19 Martin Co.'s seat
 20 Home county of KY's oldest permanent settlement
 22 Drones
 24 Sample
 25 Racetrack
 27 Goober
 29 Bill Monroe/Ricky Skaggs tune, "___ Pen"
 32 Rascal
 34 Rocker Ocasek
 35 Horse color
 36 Witness
 37 Early KY explorer
 40 Masterpiece
 41 KY county formed while still part of VA; named for French royal family
 43 Provoke
 44 Spotted
 46 KY's 115th county, formed in 1870
 47 Track for the L&N
 48 "___ so fast!"
 49 KY teachers' org.
 50 Bright
 51 KY college that upset Harvard in football
 53 Flying saucers?
 55 Neighbor of Mo.

56 Done for
 58 Barren Co. area, or Texas capital
 62 An Olympic gold medalist from KY
 64 1995 KY Poet Laureate
 66 White-tailed eagle
 67 Aware of
 68 Traveler's lodging
 69 Telescope part
 70 Dispatch
 71 Earns
 72 In case

DOWN

1 Level
 2 Dublin's home
 3 Out there
 4 KY county, home to Cedar Creek Lake
 5 Kentuckian, author of the famous "Bivouac of the Dead"
 6 Campaign pro
 7 Creator of Paducah's "Wacinton"
 8 Louisville native, MLB pitcher
 9 Hit the slopes
 10 "A ___ Kneels to None But God"
 11 Not moving
 12 Nodding
 15 "Where the heart is"
 21 Night before
 23 Kitchen wrap
 26 Place
 28 Zilch

29 Prod
 30 Some votes
 31 National Cemetery in Jessamine Co.
 33 KY native and Grammy-winning guitarist Travis
 36 Lawn base
 37 Trouble
 38 "___ Brockovich"
 39 Count (on)
 41 Author of 10 Down
 42 Steady
 45 Tiny particle
 47 A KY county with land on both sides of Cumberland R.
 49 A KY county with two seats
 50 Trifle
 51 Duplicate
 52 Boyd Co. spot, or hurry
 54 Cumberland ___ State Park
 55 Spring flower
 57 Knott Co. area, or flying toy
 59 Squirrel's home
 60 Taverns
 61 Cozy retreat
 63 Objective
 65 Permit

ANSWERS TO KY 360

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Mrs. Renee Burdett's 4-H Club from Roundstone Elementary School, was first place in the 4-H Communications Day at North Laurel High School. Pictured from front from left are: Deanna Alexander, Cheyenne Morgan and Marcus Scaif. Second row from left: Cassidy Ramsey, Amelia Eversole, Brook Isaacs, Addison Atkin, Cassidy Adkins. Not pictured: Tanika Chasteen. Special note: Ameila Eversole wrote the play for her 4-H Club.



Pictured are the participants at 4H Communications Day held at North Laurel High School on April 19th. Front from left: Ethan Mattingly (First Place), David Gabbard (Blue Ribbon), John Hughes (First Place) and Emily Childress (Blue Ribbon). Back row from left: Kelsey Mattingly (Blue Ribbon), Kayla Reynolds (Second Place Blue), Courtney Vanwinkle (Red Ribbon) and Laiken Coffey (First Place). Not pictured: Micheala Hurt (Blue Ribbon) and Heather Eaton (Blue Ribbon).

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Rockcastle Circuit Court • Division I
Civil Action No. 07-CI-00254**

Southstar Funding, LLC Plaintiff
Patricia Phelps Albright and Southstar Funding, LLC and Christopher Albright Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on March 19, 2008 for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendant in the amount of NINETY SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 98/100 (\$97,677.98) plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

**At the Courthouse on East Main Street
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on Friday, May 23, 2008
Beginning at the Hour of 10:30 a.m.**

Said real property being more particularly bounded & described as follows:

1767 Chestnut Grove Road, Brodhead, KY 40409
Beginning at a stake on the west side of Chestnut Grove Road and running with road S 1 W 192 feet to a stake; thence S 112 feet to a stake; thence S 112 feet to a stake; thence leaving said road N 63 W 199 feet to a stake; thence N 45 E 300 feet to the point of beginning, containing .7 acre more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Patricia Phelps Albright, married, by deed dated February 2, 2007 and recorded in Deed Book 214, page 526 in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

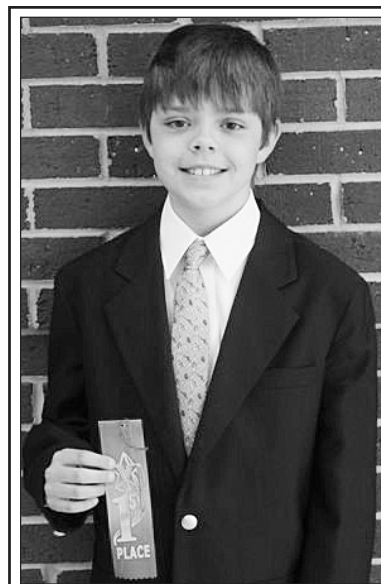
The property shall be sold on the following terms & conditions:

- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of twenty five percent (25%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
- The bond shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid in full. The bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment and shall be and remain a lien upon the property sold as additional surety for the payment of the purchase price.
- Unpaid taxes of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2008 local, county and state property taxes.
- Full satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale.
- The purchaser shall have possession of the real property upon compliance with the terms of the sale.
- In the event that the plaintiff is the successful bidder and the sale price does not exceed the amount of the plaintiff's judgment, no deposit or bond shall be required.
- The sale shall be made subject to all easements, set back lines, restrictions or covenants of record or otherwise and shall be sold "as is".

**Willis G. Coffey
Master Commissioner
Rockcastle Circuit Court**



Winners at 4H Communications Day in the Jr. Speech Contest were: 10 yrs old - Ethan Mattingly, 12 yrs old - John Hughes and 13 yrs old - Laiken Coffey. These 4H'ers will compete in the State Speech Contest on Saturday, July 12, 2008 at the University of Kentucky.



Alex Spragens from Brodhead Elementary School competed in the 4H Communications Day, April 19th at North Laurel High School.

Alex won a Blue Ribbon in the Jr. Specialty Act.



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Brodhead Water Department Water Quality Report for year 2007

KY-1020889

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Phone: 606-758-8635
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This report is designed to inform the public about the quality of water and services provided on a daily basis. Our commitment is to provide our customers with a safe, clean, and reliable supply of drinking water. We want to assure that we will continue to monitor, improve, and protect the water system and deliver a high quality product. Water is the most indispensable product in every home and we ask everyone to be conservative and help us in our efforts to protect the water source and the water system.

Our water is purchase from Mt. Vernon Water Works, that is located at Renfro Valley, Kentucky. Our spplier treats surface water from Lake Linville. The source water assessment has been performed to indenify land uses which may impact the water supply. This assessment indicates that the susceptibility of the Mt. Vernon water supply to contamination is generally moderate. Contaminants present in source water may include microbial contamination, pesticides, and herbicides, organic chemical contaminants, and radioactive contaminants. The primary source of contamination are agriculture, onsite septic systems, and roadways. Activities and land uses upstream of this water can pose potential ricks to your drinking water. The complete source water assessment can be reviewed at Mt. Vernon Water Works. The Brodhead Water Works routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State Laws. The table enclosed is results of our Monitoring for the period of January 1 throught December 31, 2007, it can be obtained at Brodhead City Hall, 7 West Main Street, Brodhead, Kentucky.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities).

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some or all of these definitions may be found in this report:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Not Applicable (N/A) - does not apply.

Parts per million (ppm) - or milligrams per liter, (mg/l). One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) - or micrograms per liter, (µg/L). One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.

Variances & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The data presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with administrative regulations in 401 KAR Chapter 8. As authorized and approved by EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data in this table, though representative, may be more than one year old. Unless otherwise noted, the report level is the highest level detected.

	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source
Turbidity (NTU) TT	No more than 1 NTU*				
* Representative samples of filtered water	Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	0.28	100	No	Soil runoff

Regulated Contaminant Test Results

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.02	0.02 to 0.02	Jan-07	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium [1020] (ppb)	100	100	7	7 to 7	Jan-07	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Copper [1022] (ppm)	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.0705 (90 th percentile)	0.0019 to 0.0713	Sep-05	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Cyanide [1024] (ppb)	200	200	18	18 to 18	Jan-07	No	Discharge from steel/metal factories; plastic and fertilizer factories
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	1.14	0.75 to 1.6	Jun-07	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Lead [1030] (ppb)	AL = 15	0	5.1 (90 th percentile)	0.1 to 8.8	Sep-05	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Nitrate [1040] (ppm)	10	10	0.55	0.55 to 0.55	Jan-07	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.15 (lowest average)	-0.28 to 1.78 (monthly ratios)	N/A	NO	Naturally present in environment.
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC removal achieved to the % TOC removal required. Annual average of the monthly ratios must be 1.00 or greater for compliance.							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.45 (highest average)	0.46 to 2.28	N/A	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (all sites) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	56 (system average)	23 to 90 (range of system sites)	N/A	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (all sites) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	36 (system average)	12 to 83 (range of system sites)	N/A	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

EPA has not established drinking water standards for unregulated contaminants. There are no MCL's and therefore no violations if found.

“Court News”
(Cont. from B2)

fine.
David W. Mahaffey: no operators license in possession, \$25 fine plus costs.
Zachary T. Lainhart: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs.
James W Jennings: no exterior ID/improper display,

\$200 fine and costs.
Randy L. Goins: speeding, \$32 fine; operating on suspended/revoked operators license, \$100 fine.
James E. Hensley: no operators license in possession, \$50 fine plus costs; failure to maintain insurance, \$500 fine/suspended \$450 on condition.
Elliott J. Dooley: failure to issue insurance card and operating on suspended/revoked operators license, bench war-

rant issued for fta.
Justin L. Eaton: public intoxication, \$100 fine and costs.
Allison A. Angel: no/expired Kentucky registration receipt/plates, and other charges, bench warrant issued for failure to appear (fta).
Joseph A. Borel: operating on suspended/revoked operators license, and other charges, bench warrant issued for fta.
Jesse A. Campbell: theft by deception, \$20 fine and costs

plus restitution.
Rebecca M. Baker: fines/fees due (\$224), bench warrant issued for fta/6 days or payment.
Michael Blair: theft by deception, \$20 fine and costs and 20 days in jail/probated two years on condition.
Cameron Catron: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, sentencing order entered.

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Water Quality
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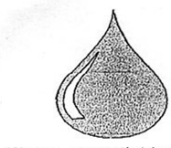
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Source Water Assessment Summary
for
Rockcastle County
MT VERNON WATER WORKS
(PWSID 1020299, WW 0356)

Activities and land uses upstream of Mt. Vernon Water Works' source of water can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to water treatment, or even get into your drinking water. These activities, and how they are conducted, are of interest to the entire community because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. Activities immediately upstream of your water supply intake are of special concern because they provide little response time to the water system operators. An analysis of the susceptibility of the Mt. Vernon water supply to contamination indicates that this susceptibility is generally moderate. Below are the Management Recommendations for land and coverage: (1) Monitor to ensure compliance with Forestry Conservation Act; and (2) Require BMP (Best Management Practices) implementation per the Forest Landowners Handbook. Agriculture: (1) Monitor annually to ensure compliance with Agriculture Water Quality Act (AWQA); (2) Encourage implementation of voluntary Best Management Practices (BMPs) above the minimum required by the AWQA. BMP manuals for specific types of operations are available; (3) Monitor annually to ensure implementation of Nutrient Management Plans (NMPs); (4) Encourage development and implementation of Resource Management Systems (RMS) on agricultural operations per USDS-Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) specifications and (5) No storage or use of pesticides. Highway maintenance and runoff/Railroads: (1) Require the adoption and application of highway maintenance and runoff BMPs (Best Management Practices); (2) Limit highway construction or avoid waterways. Modify designs to limit runoff, especially drain-spouts on bridges to minimize salt de-icing runoff to waterways; and (3) Encourage posting of signs indicating presence of source water protection area on major roads. Onsite/Decentralized/Septic Systems, Straight Pipes: (1) Eliminate and prevent new straight pipes and failing septic systems; (2) Prepare and implement Groundwater Protection Plan; conduct monitoring activities to assess effectiveness; (3) Connect properties with failing onsite systems to sanitary sewers where feasible; (4) Ensure proper maintenance of systems; (5) Replace failing onsite systems with systems that are most appropriate/protective of the environment; (6) Reduce generation of wastewater; (7) Conduct education and training for local officials, contractors and/or the general public regarding onsite wastewater issues; and (8) Adopt region or county-wide sanitation district for planning and management wastewater.

This report will be published in local newspaper, but will not be mailed out, unless requested. This report can be picked up at City Hall.

Secondary Contaminant	Maximum Allowable Level	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample
Aluminum	0.05 to 0.2 mg/l	0.0466	0.0466 to 0.0466	Jan-07
Chloride	250 mg/l	17	17 to 17	Jan-07
Color	15 color units		to	
Copper	1.0 mg/l		to	
Corrosivity	Noncorrosive	-0.24	N/A	Jan-08
Fluoride	2.0 mg/l	0.85	0.85 to 0.85	Jan-07
Foaming Agents	0.5 mg/l		to	
Iron	0.3 mg/l	0.1	0.1 to 0.1	Jan-07
Manganese	0.05 mg/l		to	
Odor	3 threshold odor number	7.3	7.3 to 7.3	Jan-07
pH	6.5 to 8.5	7.5	7.5 to 7.5	Jan-07
Sodium	optimum level <20 mg/L	6	4.7 to 6	Apr-07



Water - essential for life

We are pleased to present this Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform the public about the quality of water and services provided on a daily basis. Our commitment is to provide our customers with a safe, clean, and reliable supply of drinking water. We would like the public to be assured that we will continue to monitor, improve, and protect the water system and deliver a high quality water direct from the tap. We know that water is the most indispensable product in every home and we ask everyone to be conservative and help us in our efforts to protect the water source and the water system. Please report any activity that might jeopardize the water supply.

Your source of drinking water is surface water withdrawn from Lake Linville. A source water assessment has been performed to identify land uses which may impact the water supply. This assessment indicates that the susceptibility of the Mt. Vernon water supply to contamination is moderate. Contaminants present in source water may include microbial contaminants, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, and herbicides, organic chemical contaminants, and radioactive contaminants. The primary sources of contamination are agriculture, onsite septic systems, and roadways. Activities and land uses upstream of Mt. Vernon Water Works' source of water can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances, contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to our water treatment, or even get into your drinking water. These activities, and how they are conducted, are of interest to the entire community because they provided little response time to the water system operators. A copy of the complete source water assessment can be viewed at City Hall.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some or all of these definitions may be found in this report:

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** - the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** - the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** - the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** - the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Below Detection Levels (BDL)** - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.
- Not Applicable (N/A)** - does not apply.
- Parts per million (ppm)** - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- Parts per billion (ppb) - or micrograms per liter, (µg/L).** One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- Parts per trillion (ppt)** - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.
- Parts per quadrillion (ppq)** - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.
- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)** - a measure of the radioactivity in water.
- Millirems per year (mrem/yr)** - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.
- Million Fibers per Liter (MFL)** - a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.
- Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.
- Variances & Exemptions (V&E)** - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.
- Action Level (AL)** - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.
- Treatment Technique (TT)** - a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Questions?	System Manager DENNIS McCLURE 606-256-4441 125 Richmond Street P.O. Box 1465 Mt. Vernon Ky 40456	CCR Contact FRANK BAKER 606-256-4441 125 RICHMOND ST MT. VERNON KY 40456	Wish to attend our meetings? Regular meetings are held: 3RD MONDAY EACH MONTH 7:00 PM 125 RICHMOND ST MT. VERNON KY 40456
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Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The data presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with administrative regulations in 401 KAR Chapter 8. As authorized and approved by EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data in this table, though representative, may be more than one year old. Unless otherwise noted, the report level is the highest level detected.

	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source
Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples of filtered water	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	0.28	100	No	Soil runoff

Regulated Contaminant Test Results

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria # or % positive samples	1	0	2	N/A	May	Yes	Naturally present in the environment
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.02	0.02 to 0.02	Jan-07	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium [1020] (ppb)	100	100	7	7 to 7	Jan-07	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Copper [1022] (ppm) sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.150 (90 th percentile)	0.01 to 0.85	Aug-07	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Cyanide [1024] (ppb)	200	200	18	18 to 18	Jan-07	No	Discharge from steel/metal factories; plastic and fertilizer factories
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	1.6	0.75 to 1.6	Jun	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Lead [1030] (ppb) sites exceeding action level 1	AL = 15	0	8 (90 th percentile)	0 to 17	Aug-07	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Nitrate [1040] (ppm)	10	10	0.55	0.55 to 0.55	Jan-07	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.15 (lowest average)	-0.28 to 1.78 (monthly ratios)	N/A	No	Naturally present in environment.
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC removal achieved to the % TOC removal required. Annual average of the monthly ratios must be 1.00 or greater for compliance.							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.64 (highest average)	0.60 to 2.80	N/A	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	56 (highest average)	23 to 90 (range of individual sites)	N/A	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
TTHM (ppb) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	36 (highest average)	12 to 83 (range of individual sites)	N/A	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Total Coliform. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

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For Rent: 3 bedroom home conveniently located on Hwy. 150 between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead. \$450 month. Call 606-453-3999 for more info. 25x2p

For Rent: Large apartment on West Main Street. Convenient location. Call 256-3819 or 256-4740. 18xntf

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For Rent: Accepting applications at Mt. Vernon Housing Authority on Mondays 9 a.m. til 12 noon. Rent based on income. 256-4185. 14xntf



For Sale: Beautiful ranch home. 3BR/2BA, cathedral ceilings in LR and kitchen, 1 car garage, central heat and air. Located on Hwy. 2549 in Mt. Vernon. 606-682-4481.

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For Sale: Two-year-old doublewide on a permanent foundation. 3BR/2BA. Master bedroom has walk-in closet. Jacuzzi tub, fireplace, deck, sidewalks, 4 1/2 acres, large barn. \$135,000 obo. On Level Green Road. Can occupy upon closing. 606-682-2953. 21x3p

For Sale: House and trailer,

good rental investment. 3BR/2BA new home. 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath trailer. Approx. 2 acres. Permanent foundation. Trailer rents for \$395 month. \$159,000 for both. 606-256-4240 or 859-625-2487. 24x1p

For Sale: Remodeled 3/1 house, 1.1 acres. Central H/A, new room. \$69,900. Red Hill Livingston. 606-453-3683. 23xntf

House For Sale: 2 bedroom, 1 bath w/living room, kitchen/dining room combo. On .39 acres +/- with storage building. In city limits of Livingston. \$29,500. Call 606-308-2262 between 9 p.m. and midnight. 23x2p

Very Motivated Seller: 27 wooded acres on White Rock Road (Old 461). 300 ft. of road frontage. \$45,000 firm. Serious inquiries only. 606-308-4990. 9xntf

For Sale: (1) Lot - Nice 1.40 acres on Breezy Hollow Lane off Freedom School Road. Cleared. \$11,900. (2) Lot - 5 1/2 acres wooded on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$24,500. (3) 8 acres cleared on Breezy Hollow Lane, \$29,900. Larry Clouse, Sr., 256-3213 or 308-2953. 16xntf

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1234 LAMBERT RD - 13+ acre tract has a 3 acre pond fully stocked with fish, currently being used for sale pending a renovated single wide trailer with new covered front porch, new water pump. \$118,000. MLS28629

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Stewardship Week held at Conservation District

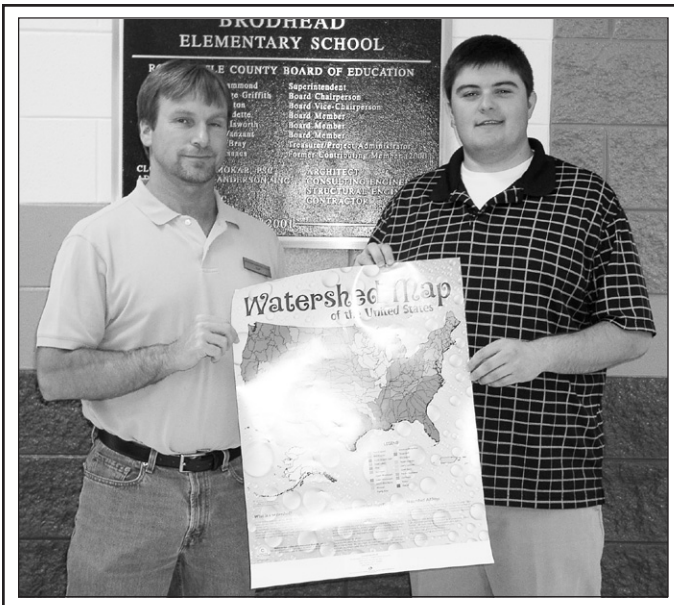
Conservation District Celebrates Stewardship Week
 The Rockcastle County Conservation District recognized last week, April 27th thru May 3rd, as Stewardship Week in Rockcastle County. This year's theme was Water is Life, reminding us all how

important water is and what we can do to conserve and protect it. The District and its staff took part in various activities to commemorate the occasion.
 Although this year's theme was water, the District kicked off the celebration a week

early by giving away free tree seedlings on Thursday, April 24, and Friday, April 25. For over 20 years, the District has been giving away free tree seedlings. This year, species of trees given away were; Redbud, Yellow Poplar, White Pine, Pecan, and Wild Plum. Approximately 200 people came by the District office in the two days of the give away. The District also gave away over 1000 white pine seedlings to local elementary schools for students to receive on Arbor Day. The Conservation District looks forward to giving out trees every year because trees are an extremely important natural resource. Trees provide many benefits like increasing the value of your home by up to 15%, removing CO2 from the air to help prevent global warming, producing oxygen, providing food and habitat for wildlife, and help reduce heating/cooling costs in the home by serving as shade in the summer and windbreaks in the winter.

watersheds are vital for a healthy environment and economy because watersheds are the places we call home. Managing the water and other natural resources is an effective and efficient way to sustain the local economy and environmental health. Stewardship Week is a time when that idea is re-focused. The Rockcastle County Conservation District's goal is to be a partner in this community. A partner for clean air, clean water, and a more desirable community. For more information about the Rockcastle County Conservation District, its programs, and the services it provides, please call 256-2525 Ext. 3, or stop by the local office inside the USDA Service Center on Hwy 150.

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Conservation District Technician Zach Gentry presents Charles Bullen, Practical Living Coordinator at Brodhead Elementary, with a United States Watershed poster. Each fourth and fifth grade class at every elementary school in the county received the posters for their classroom.



Over 200 people stopped by the Rockcastle County Conservation District Office to receive free tree seedlings. The District has been giving away tree seedlings for over 20 years.



Conservation District Secretary Sandy Whitaker gives John Thomas Kelley a white pine seedling during the tree give away.

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“Prayer”

(Cont. from B1)

Fairview Baptist Church welcomed the crowd and opened with prayer. Youth Pastor Bryan Phelps from First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, took over and led the singing. Following this was a pledge to the flag of the United States.

Then Don Pinson from Heritage Ministries of Kentucky, and a Policy Analyst in Eastern Kentucky, was introduced and spoke.

Giving examples of answered prayers from this country's history, brother Pinson reminded all of the power and necessity of the saints' prayers. In the footsteps of Presidents Washington and Lincoln, he called for repentance and renewed commitment to bringing this country, her leaders, and other public servants before the Lord in prayer.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Bro. Don Stayton had the benediction. A meal provided by the Kiwanis Club of Rockcastle County was enjoyed by the crowd as music played in the background.

Amongst those in attendance were Mt. Vernon Mayor Clarice Kirby, County Judge Buzz Carloftis, Jailer James Miller, Sherriff's Deputy and Chaplain Mike Bryant, many of the pastors of local congregations, Donna Baker McClure, Field Representative of U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell and Regina Crawford, Field Representative of U.S. Senator Jim Bunning.

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