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Grand Jury issues one indictment

The only indictment returned by the Rockcastle County Grand Jury on Friday was against a Mt. Vernon man, who had recently been released on parole.

Danny Ray "Bird" Bustle, 34, of Mt. Vernon was named in a four count indictment in connection with a September 28th incident involving his estranged wife.

Count one accuses Bustle of unlawful imprisonment, first degree by knowingly and unlawfully restraining the liberty of Lisa Ann Bustle and under circumstances which exposed her to a risk of serious physical injury.

Count two accuses Bustle of four degree assault by hitting his estranged wife causing physical injury.

Count three accuses Bustle of custodial interference, by knowingly without legal right taking the couples juvenile son from the custody of his estranged wife without permission.

Count four accuses Bustle of being a persistent felony offender because he had been convicted in 1999 of Arson.

Bustle's bond was set at \$15,000 cash, ten percent, or \$1,500. He has not been arrested.

Fall has been wet

The months of September and October have been very wet and unseasonably warm.

According to statistics from the Cox Funeral Home weather station, during September the mercury climbed above the 80 degree mark 21 of the 30 days with the high for the month being 95 on the ninth and tenth. The low for the month was 43 on the 24th.

During the month of September a total of 4.42 inches of rain fell. Already in October 4.29 inches of rain has been recorded with the most falling on October tenth when 1.77 inches fell.

Rain has been recorded eight of the sixteen days in October and the temperature has been 80 or better four of the 16 days in the month, with the high of 85 being recorded on the third. The low for the month was 38, which was recorded on the fourth.

Rehab Center gets good report card

Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (RHRC) recently earned accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO). The status was awarded following a comprehensive on-site review of the facility and its operations in September.

Only about six percent of the state's 304 nursing facilities have achieved JCAHO accreditation. Most of these are within acute care facilities, while freestanding facilities such as RHRC rarely are accredited. The standards required by the JCAHO are even more demanding than federal and state regulations.

"We're extremely pleased that Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center was its first attempt," said Steve Easter, President and CEO of Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Center, Inc. "It is important to us that all of the facilities and programs operated by our organization achieve and maintain the highest level of quality, and this accreditation is evidence that Rockcastle Health does just that."

Joseph E. Lambert, Chairman of the Board for RHRC, said that the achievement demonstrates that the county's only nursing facility is community-centered.

"Local ownership and management is at the heart of what this organization is all about. We are solely focused on providing exceptional care by highly trained healthcare professionals who are part of this community," Lambert said. "We want everyone in the area to join with us as we celebrate this accomplishment."

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A large crowd attended the annual Bittersweet Festival in Mt. Vernon over the weekend. The annual parade was quite a show for the spectators on hand. In the top photo is Mt. Vernon's new fire truck which was purchased from a firm in New York. In the second photo is the RCHS Marching Band. In the third photo is the RCMS Dance Team and at left is Ms. Crystie Hughes with her daughter, Sydney. See more photos from the festival inside this week's Signal. Photos of the Baby Contest and entertainers will appear in next week's Signal.

Photos By: Richard Anderkin

Three receive sentences in federal prison

Three Rockcastle County residents were sentenced October 3rd in federal court on drug related charges.

According to a news release from the U.S. Attorney's office in London, Wally "Junior" Kirby, 45, Juanita McCormick Watkins, 33, and Billy Jack Rayburn, 24, of Rockcastle County pled guilty on June 17th.

Kirby and Watkins pled guilty to manufacturing methamphetamine, (meth).

According to authorities, the two were manufacturing meth in the woods behind Castle Village on September 3rd when then Brocksley City Police officer William Harris received a tip that the production lab was there.

Kirby received ten years and one month of jail time and Watkins received a sentence of ten years incarceration.

Both were also sentenced to three years of supervised probation, after

they serve their time.

Rayburn pled guilty to possessing equipment to make meth. He received a sentence of three years in federal prison, also followed by three years of supervised probation.

According to Gregory F. Van Tatanhove, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, the guilty pleas also involved other cases and several agencies participated in the case.

Some of the others involved were members of the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Mt. Vernon City Police Department and the Rockcastle County Sheriff's office.

Kirby is certainly no stranger to jail time. In 1995, he shot and killed his pregnant girlfriend.

McKinney remains CEO of powerful burley co-op

The party line held last Wednesday at the Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative, but the opposition made itself heard.

By a three-vote margin, Henry West of Paint Lick held off a challenge from Roger Quarles of Georgetown to retain the presidency and control of the organization.

Quarles said he was disappointed. "But I think we've done some good here," he said. "I think the 13 votes (for Quarles) indicated they'd like some changes made."

West pledged to work with all 30 members of the board of directors, including his detractors. Seven directors - two new and five incumbents - were sworn in last Wednesday, along with four at-large incumbents.

West, who has been president for a year, has been criticized for the way several contentious issues were handled by the board, including purchasing a \$1.2 million tobacco warehouse to turn it into a co-op receiving station.

"I'm aware that I've made some

decisions that haven't been popular," West said afterward. "I'll certainly listen to my critics more. It was never my intent to exclude anybody... Maybe it was a lack of communication."

Criticism has also swirled around the co-op's CEO, Danny McKinney, of Brodhead. McKinney was also re-elected to his office, but after an unusual vote.

McKinney was the sole nominee, but out of the 39 directors who voted, nine voted against him.

West said he saw the vote as a "statement of support of Danny... I think two-thirds is a pretty supportive vote." West also defended McKinney's \$135,000-plus salary and benefits package, which critics have called exorbitant.

"Danny is paid well, but I think he deserves it," West said. As to comments that McKinney really controls West, West said, "I do depend on Danny. I trust his judgment. We don't always agree." West said in those

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Gospel music celebration

Renfro Valley Entertainment Center is the place you will want to include as part of your travel plans if you enjoy gospel music. An outstanding variety of gospel shows will be part of the annual Gospel Music Celebration on October 17, 18 and 19.

Gospel favorite, The Primitive will perform in the New Barn on

Thursday, October 17 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$13.00 and \$15.00 each plus tax and handling. On Friday, October 18, The Gospel Department, along with River in the Old Barn Theater for two performances at 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Tickets are \$14.00 each plus tax and handling.

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Bittersweet Festival 2002 deemed a great success

Special to the Signal

The 2002 Bittersweet Festival was alive and well. The attendance was definitely increased and planning participation was also. Mount Vernop Renaissance Director and Bittersweet Coordinator Carol Bryant solicited the help of the local Kiwanis Club to help plan and produce this year's event. Several additional community leaders came on board to help and the festival was off and running.

The advertising there for the city is "Main Street Mount Vernon, Welcome Home!" The Bittersweet Festival is taking on a grass roots, back to basics atmosphere. This is in keeping with the historic preservation efforts of the Mount Vernon Renaissance KY Committee. In addition to the Bittersweet Festival, this committee is planning more events to draw people to our beautiful downtown area. Restoration and rehabilitation of some downtown buildings is already in progress and new businesses will economically revitalize the town.

The festival included the second annual baby pageant, a variety of music from gospel and contemporary

Christian to bluegrass and country. The sound equipment was provided by Bentley Cromer and the country house steps served as a stage. The entertainment committee from Kiwanis did an outstanding job with the line up of entertainers. Volunteers for the entertainment committee were Conna Graham, Joannie Robbins, Bernice Vanzant and James Miller.

The baby pageant and parade were coordinated by Dana Mason, who did an excellent job with both events. The vendors and decorations committee volunteers were Kathy McCauley, Debbie Brown, Rebekah Hammond and Shelly Bradley.

The City of Mount Vernon also donated the time of employees: Chris Robinson, Dale Cotton, Herb Johnson and Eddie Stewart to help with general maintenance and decorations. James Miller provided four volunteers that helped with decorations and keeping the streets clean. It really does "take a village" to produce a good festival.

No Southern festival would be complete without cloggers and a parade and this year both were outstanding. The Bittersweet Cloggers

solicited audience participation and provided that same people rather than their left foot from their right foot. The parade was an excellent blend of area organization and political candidates with the RCHS Flag Team and Band leading. The Mount Vernon Fire Department, along with Brodhead, Livingston and Brindle Ridge were on hand with sirens and bells. R-Teo transportation vehicles, go-carts and horses, antique cars and hot-rods all were on hand to display community involvement and interest.

The vendors were very happy with the flow of people and several commented about how wonderful it was to see so many children having a good time. They also noticed how clean our town is and how caring the festival committee was to check on them and take care of any needs that might arise. The food, crafts, services, churches, and fund-raising booths, all seemed to do well. The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum booth provided information and items for sale. They also provided live WRVK radio coverage during the festival.

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Points East

By
Ike Adams

It's not as expensive as you might think to save them from an early frost.

Especially if you have two big hoops of late goose bean vines about seven feet in diameter and about tall that seem finally ready to go to bearing in mid-October.

On Saturday, October 11, I picked over a gallon of fallen bean pods from the lush green vines trellised in my garden and observed that the vines were hanging full of clusters of pods as dense as kitchen match stems.

A full-grown goose bean is bigger around than a man's thumb and 8 or 10 inches long. It doesn't that many to make a gallon. The strings come off like shoe laces and they snap and break at every joint between the seeds with only a tweak between thumb and forefinger if you know what you're doing and it's far less complicated than playing the fiddle or picking a tune on an old banjo. In other words you can have a mess of goose beans cooking in about a fourth the time it takes to get half runners from garden to pot.

But the amazing thing is that they taste so wonderful. Normally the smaller and more difficult to harvest a green bean is; the better it tastes when you finally get it to the table. I

speak of greasy beans and half runners and Bufford Caudill Fall Beans which are the mainstays of my garden.

Goose bean pods are nearly the size of a corn cob and even longer and it only stands to reason that anything that large can't be much good to eat. There are all kinds of mellons and cucumbers and peppers and pumpkins, and so forth that grow to huge proportions but when you put them on the table, they are full of fiber best used for making floor mats. And, for that matter, an old rug tastes better and is much easier to chew than most "big" vegetables.

But not goose beans. The story goes that goose beans were brought into Kentucky by migrating geese. Somewhere along the line these geese got into a gourmet gardener's secret bean field and gorged themselves on dried beans. These same geese decided to roost or squat or whatever it is that a goose does when it decides to take a break from flying, and as they passed over central and eastern Kentucky and they lit right here, though nobody has ever figured out why. It's just one of those mysteries that they can't even explain on television.

Anyway, the geese or maybe it was a single goose got tired as it was

migrating and decided to stop and take the proverbial dump. And they (or it) shat-shat being the past tense of "poopy" for you editors who refuse to let me say shit in your paper...they shat that wonderful bean seed into the soil and then flew away into the sky on their way to wherever geese are bound to go.

The following spring, (Some folks say 1927 and some say 1931) goose or geese bean sprouts popped up voluntarily where the migrating, bean-pooping, geese had relieved themselves and any number of families claim it happened on their land and they wondered what on earth they could do with a bean that a goose couldn't digest. At least that's the way the tale goes and perhaps there is some truth in it.

All I know for sure is that my neighbor, just up the road and barely out of hollering distance, Bertha McQuerry, is the best and most productive vegetable gardener I've ever known. And she says the seed she has is pure and true. All I can tell you for sure is that I've eaten about every tender-hull bean, ever grown, in the northern hemisphere and, with exception to the Bufford Caudill White Fall Bean, these goose beans are as close to perfection as I've ever encountered. I wouldn't swap a peck of them for a bushel of half-runners unless you had a good knife of shotgun to throw into the bargain.

Bertha doesn't care to talk about her age but she has voted in more

What high blood pressure does to you

Presented by Dr. Karen Saylor
For something that you can not feel, hear, smell or see, your blood pressure is a pretty important thing. It is needed to keep your blood circulating.

But this is a case where more of a good thing is not always better. Up to a point, the opposite is true—the lower the blood pressure the better.

Why should you be concerned about your blood pressure? When the pressure is too high, it does unnecessary damage to a number of organs and the blood vessels.

The heart is the first organ damaged by high blood pressure. Not only does the heart have to do the extra work of pumping the blood against increased resistance, but the arteries feeding the heart suffer damage and become obstructed. After years of being overworked, the heart

begins to fail and fluid builds up in the lungs and legs from the heart failure.

The brain suffers in the form of strokes. Hypertension is the single most important cause of strokes. Also, damage to the carotid arteries in the neck cuts off circulation to the brain.

The kidneys are also damaged by high blood pressure. Then, as the kidneys begin to fail, the blood pressure worsens and fluid retention increases causing a vicious cycle.

Hypertension will damage the eyes and contribute to loss of vision. Nothing is easier than having your blood pressure checked. It is done free at many places. Remember, the first step in treating her hypertension is to find out if you have it.



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First Christian calls new minister



First Christian Church in Mt. Vernon recently called Bro. Bruce Ross and his family as their new pastor. Bro. Ross comes from Glen Este Church of Christ in Cincinnati, Ohio where he ministered for 7 years. A graduate of Florida Christian College in Kissimmee, Fla., Bro. Ross has also done graduate work at Cincinnati Bible College. In his 22 year ministry, Bro. Ross has also pastored in Indiana and Florida. Shown above with his wife, Lisa Ann and twin daughters, Kara Beth and Rebekah Lynn, 17, the Rosses also have one son, Stephen Mark, 19, a college student.

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- The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum
- Increased funding for our Volunteer Fire Departments
- Livingston Community Center/Preston Parrett Gymnasium
- Upgrades to city sewer system
- Rockcastle County Courthouse annex
- Funding for the Rockcastle County Tourism Commission

Some people talk about getting things done and no individual can do it all by themselves. **Danny Ford** knows how to work with others to make the 80th District a better place for all.

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- ☑ Vote for laws to protect unborn children.
- ☑ Defend our 2nd Amendment right to bear arms.
- ☑ Promote alternative agricultural industries for Kentucky.

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BARRY METCALF
YOUR STATE SENATOR

Obituaries



Ruby Griffin

Ruby S. Griffin, 91, of West Main St., Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, October 13, 2002 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehab Center in Broadhead after a long illness. She was born on May 17, 1911 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Eugene and Katie Harmon Stokes. She enjoyed reading, writing, quilting, crocheting and gardening and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Albert E. Griffin and wife, Eva of Mt. Vernon and David Joe Griffin and wife, Kathy of Stanton; three grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and three great, great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Ina Stokes and Ruth Stokes Brown and a grandson, Todd Franklin Griffin.

Services were Tuesday, October 15, at Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Nantz officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were John Scott Jones, Billy Haddix, Evan Neal, David and Andrew Griffin, Harry Harmon and Nathan McConathy.



Glenn Elder

Glenn E. Elder, 77, of Rt. 1, Broadhead, died Wednesday, October 9, 2002 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County, the son of Casper Steven and Florence Cottrell Elder. He was a retired farmer and was a member of the Fairview Church of Christ.

Survivors are his wife of 54 years, Geneva Stevens Elder; a daughter, Arlena Poynter and husband, Bennie of Lexington; a sister, Sylvia Brach of Ohio; two grandchildren, Michael Lee Poynter and Stephen Edward Poynter, both of Lexington; a nephew and two nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, Casper and Florence Elder.

Services were Saturday, October 12, at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel (www.dowellmartin.com) with Bro. Curt Harrington officiating. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery at Broadhead.

Pallbearers were Carl Lewis, Anthony Lewis, Kenneth Elder, David Elder, Larry Goff and Eddie Smith.



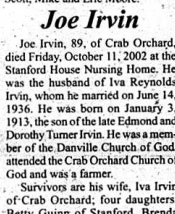
Ronald Moore

Ronald Eugene Moore, 62, of Mt. Vernon, died Monday, October 14, 2002. He was born in Rockcastle County on December 1, 1939, the son of Ernest Eugene and Alma Cromer Moore. He was a retired construction worker for Baxter's Concrete and attended the Northside Baptist Church.

Survivors are his four sons, Morgan Moore and wife, Ann, Scott Moore and Mike Moore and wife, Debbie, all of Cincinnati, Ohio and Eric Moore of Mt. Vernon; a daughter, Karen Johnson and husband, Scott, of Mt. Vernon; three half sisters, Una Roberts, Ruby Mink and Phyllis Adams, all of Mt. Vernon and seven grandchildren, Jeremy Moore, Daniel Moore, Cory Johnson, Chey Ann Moore, Jason King, Matt King and Josh King. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Alma Moore and an uncle, Marion Moore.

Services will be Thursday, October 17, at 11:00 a.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel (www.dowellmartin.com) with Bro. Chad Bundick officiating. Burial will follow in the Phelps Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Scott Johnson, Daniel Moore and his sons, Morgan, Scott, Mike and Eric Moore.



Joe Irvin

Joe Irvin, 89, of Crab Orchard, died Friday, October 11, 2002 at the Stanford House Nursing Home. He was the husband of Iva Reynolds Irvin, whom he married on June 14, 1936. He was born on January 3, 1913, the son of the late Edmond and Dorothy Turner Irvin. He was a member of the Danville Church of God, attended the Crab Orchard Church of God and was a farmer.

Survivors are his wife, Iva Irvin of Crab Orchard; four daughters, Betty Guinn of Stanford, Brenda Thompson and husband, Bobby of Stanford, Joyce Record and husband, Marion of Danville and Glenda Moore and husband, Clyde of Junction City; two sons, Billy Irvin and wife, Vickie of Crab Orchard; a brother, Elza Bud Irvin of Ohio; three sisters, Elsie Hendrickson and Doris Acton, both of Crab Orchard and Vernice Yantz of Waynesburg; 18 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edmond and Dorothy Turner Irvin; two sons, Terry and Tommy Irvin; three brothers, Leonard, Homer and Bill Irvin; a sister, Velma Reynolds; four grandchildren and a great grandchild.

Services were Monday, October 14, at McKnight Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Dan Carr and Bro. Cecil Roundtree officiating. Burial was in the Friendship Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Randy Logsdon, Alvin Guinn, Dale Irvin, Michael Irvin, Eddie Irvin, Billy Joe Irvin, Bobby Record and Byron Record.



Marie Williams

Marie Williams, 80, of Livingston, died Saturday, October 12, 2002 at Rockcastle Hospital. She was born March 6, 1922 in Livingston, the daughter of John and Maggie E. Heggard Williams. She had been a homemaker and was a member of the Pentecostal Church.

Survivors are three sisters, Haley Williams of Livingston, Rosetta Bryant and husband, Glendon of Fountain City, Indiana and Louise Farthing of Richmond, Indiana. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Lawrence, Clarence and Cecil Williams and a sister, Hazel Stallworth.

Services were Tuesday, October 15 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bros. Billy Medley and Jim Miller officiating. Burial was in the Bales Cemetery at Livingston.

Pallbearers were - Bradley Andrews, Kenny Bush, Kevin Miller, Doug Sowers, Gordon Sowers and Michael Williams.

Marguerite Sowler

Marguerite Sowler, 84, of Crawfordville, Indiana and formerly of Mt. Vernon died Friday, October 11, 2002 at the St. Clare Medical Center in Crawfordville. She was born March 21, 1918 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late John Wm. and Rebecca Bray Renner. She was a homemaker and a member of the Grace Ave. Church of God in Crawfordville.

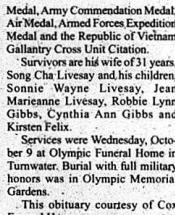
Survivors are five sons, Steve Sowler of Crawfordville, Phil Sowler of Rockcastle, Indiana, Jim Sowler of New Market, Indiana, Tim Sowler of Indianapolis, Indiana and Ken Sowler of Lebanon, Indiana; two daughters, Velma Peterson of Indiana and Eunice Oliver of Pittsboro, Indiana; a step daughter, Dorothy Blair of Tennessee; 15 grandchildren, four step grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and a step great grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband, Foster J. Sowler; two sons, Jim and Keith; an infant son; a daughter, Rebecca; two brothers; a sister and a grandson.

Services were Tuesday, October 15, at the Powers-Priebe Funeral Home in Crawfordville, Indiana with Rev. Frank Rose officiating. Burial was in the Indian Creek Hill Cemetery in New Market, Indiana.

This obituary courtesy of Cox Funeral Home.

"Bob" Livesay

Robert Wayne "Bob" Livesay, died Monday, October 7, 2002 from heart complications. He was born August 6, 1942. He was a mold repair team leader at Lasco Bath Company. He served in the United States Army for 28 years and retired in 1989 as Sergeant Major while serving at Fort Lewis, Washington. His military service included three tours in Vietnam and Korea, where he provided wartime service as a medic. He also served as an advisor in Saudi Arabia. His military honors include three bronze stars, Meritorious Service



Michael Whitt

Michael Lawson Whitt, 36, of Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, October 1, 2002 in La Crescenta, California. He was born in California on April 1, 1966, the son of Pat and Lorraine Swaine Whitt. He was a truck driver for North American Van Lines and attended the Big Hill Holiness Church.

In addition to his parents, Pat and Lorraine Whitt of La Crescenta, California; his wife, Mary Burkhardt Whitt of Mt. Vernon; three sons, Michael Lee Whitt, Bryan Taylor Whitt and Christopher Ryan Whitt, all of Mt. Vernon; his paternal grandmother, Sylvia Whitt of Broadhead and a sister, Mary Kimberly Whitt of San Jose, California.

Services were Friday, October 11, at the Brush Creek Holiness Church with Bros. Bill Rose and David Rose. Burial was in the Saylor Cemetery in Cartersville.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home (www.dowellmartin.com) was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Burley Burkhardt, Justin Burkhardt, Norman Childress, Johnny Harris, Claude Tuttle and David Whitt.

Clyde Waddle

Clyde Waddle, 68, of Frankfort and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Wednesday, September 18, 2002 at his home. He was born in Rockcastle County, the son of the late Bert and Rebecca Mae Spivey Waddle. He was a retired employee of the Mathews Construction Company.

Survivors are two daughters, Jennifer Waddle of Frankfort and Stephanie Jeffries of Lawrenceburg; three brothers, Farmer Waddle and Harlan Waddle, both of Livingston and Sam Waddle of Frankfort; three sisters, Louise Linton and Ann Jennings, both of Frankfort and Maxine Smith of Lexington; six grandchildren; a great granddaughter and his companion, Mary Chapman of Louisville. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Dean Waddle and Paul Kenneth Waddle.

Services were Saturday, September 28, at the Harrod Brothers Memorial Chapel with Rev. Albert Parker officiating.

Local arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home (www.dowellmartin.com).

Harvey Thomas

Harvey C. Thomas, 89, of Scalford Cane Road, Berea, died Friday, October 11, 2002 at the Berea Hospital. He was a World War II US Army Veteran and retired from the Blue Grass Army Depot. He was also a farmer and a member of the Macedonia Baptist Church and the Berea Masonic Lodge # 617 F&AM.

Survivors are his 17 children, Edith Pate of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, James L. Thomas of Lewisburg, Tennessee, Ira Thomas and wife, Marie of Berea, Mary A. Gulkofsky of Hampton, Georgia, Charles P. Thomas Southworth of Georgetown, Ronnie Thomas and wife, Joyce of Berea, Lonnie Thomas and wife, Bernice of Mt. Vernon, Tommy McHone and wife, Waveline of Berea, Dudley Thomas and wife, Sandy of Berea, Shirley McGuire and husband, Tony of Berea, Kathy Reynolds and husband, Don of East Bernstadt, Joyce McGuire and husband, Doug of Berea, Gerald Thomas

and wife, Sandra of Paint Lick, Connie Riley and husband, Mike of Catersville, Bonnie Cole and husband, Russell of Crab Orchard, Rachel Thomas of Richmond and Betty Gail Laihath of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Dewey Thomas of Somerset and Joe Thomas of Berea; three sisters, Mossie Mullins of Berea, Mary Harding of Mt. Vernon and Edna Southworth of Georgetown; 46 grandchildren, 67 great grandchildren and a great great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents, James Henry and Flerrie Jane Robinson Thomas; two wives, Fairy Marie Thomas and Ruby Thomas; two sons, William Flier and Harvey Clinton Thomas, Sr., and two brothers, Ernest and Virgil Thomas.

Services were Monday, October 14, at the Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Bro. Lester Alexander and Bro. Mark McGuire officiating. Burial was in the Davis Witt Cemetery on Scalford Cane Road.

Pallbearers were Jimmy Thomas, Chris Thomas, Lonnie Brock, Jr., Gerald Thomas, Jr., Rick Thomas, Joshua Thomas and David Yeary.

Cards of Thanks

Rachel Pittman
The family of Rachel Pittman would like to thank everyone for the kindness shown to our families in the loss of our mom. Thanks for the prayers, thoughts, food, flowers, cards and memories you shared with us. A special thanks to our "Mama Sitters", to Bro. Al Wentzel, Ted, Johnny, Sheila, Theresa and Jennie for the nurses. Thanks to Dr. Hamilton and nurses at the hospital and Cox Funeral Home.

From Children,
Sally, Emma, George, Jim, Ina,
Barbara, Linda & all the grandchildren
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ORIGIN OF THE WAKE OR VISITATION
Do you know what the origin of the wake is? Well, it originally began as a 24-hour vigil or watch at the side of the newly deceased. Family and friends would rotate the duty of watching over the body to be certain that if there were movement, someone would be "awake" to notice and summon the doctor. It was a way of insuring that no one was buried alive. It was similar in purpose to attaching a cord from the hand of the deceased to a bell above ground - should he or she happen to waken.

Social customs and diagnosis of death have changed a great deal since then. No one is concerned that a body prepared for burial will suddenly leap to life. Today's wakes or visitations are more an opportunity for friends of the family to share their sympathy, and extend condolences. The "laying out" of the body is intended to facilitate the grief process, giving people a last opportunity to see this individual and pay their respects.

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The last ten years have been challenging as a public servant. The six years that I spent on the City Council was a valuable experience but those six years were not the most valuable contribution in my role as Mayor.

I have owned and operated several successful businesses in Mt. Vernon. I understand about budgets, taxes, employee/employer responsibilities, insurance, cost effectiveness measures and the maintenance of a professional manner in the office. I was a partner in a water and sewer construction company, so I am familiar with a lot of the terminology in the industry, of which is an asset for the city.

I know how I want to be treated as a person and I strive to show the employees that same respect. By listening to the employees' concerns we have saved money and given the employees raises. The city has always had a huge problem in the police and water departments with employee turnovers—the raises help to alleviate this problem.

The City of Mt. Vernon is close to a three million business per year. The registered voter in the city limits of Mt. Vernon will choose who will be the caretaker of the funds. Experience leads a community to "Point A". Leadership takes us all the way to "Point Z". An experienced leader is prepared to walk the distance in between.

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Vote For
Matt Bryant
Mt. Vernon City Council

Communities consist of families. Each household has hopes and dreams for a quality life in their own hometown. Family values such as integrity, Christian virtues and fair and consistent principles produce leaders whose most important desire is to serve others first, themselves last.

Servant leadership is not a new phrase. It is the substance of what makes a city progress and grow. Leaders who look forward to the future of the City of Mount Vernon must lead by serving. The good will and respect of every citizen represented is reflected by what is unselfishly accomplished for those citizens and their community.

There is a lot of hard work to do. There are many goals achievable, within reach of the next tenure of the City of Mount Vernon City Council. Please allow me to serve as your city council member to progressively lead our city for the next two years.

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New Girl Scout Troop in Brodhead

Sandy Tyler has formed a new Brownie Girl Scout Troop, Troop 606. There are 16 members, grades 1-3. The troop meets twice a month to enjoy games, songs, crafts, stories, refreshments and activities to earn badges. Special thanks to the following for their support: Shoprite of Brodhead; Community Trust Bank, Kiwanis Club, Shirley Martin and Kristi Reynolds. Picture are front from left: Mackenzie Craig, Kayla Reynolds, Ariel Scheffer, Mary Bishop, Jasmine Robinson and Britany Lear. 2nd row from left: Troop Leader Sandy Tyler, Charity Adams, Kimberly Brock, Keeley Goff, Elizabeth Lawrence and Jessica Bentley. 3rd row from left: Asst. Leader Marsha Caudill, Olivia Caudill, Christian Lanham, Hannah Burdine, Crystal Reddington, Samantha Thompson and Asst. Leader Angela Adams.

Minds in the Middle

We appreciate all of those parents who showed support by attending our Open House on Tuesday. A special thanks also to those community members who, along with Mr. Coguer, worked so hard to help make our Health Fair a success.

RCMS yearbooks are on sale now through October 25th. The cost of a yearbook is \$20.00. Order forms were mailed home on Thursday.

The last day to turn in picture money is this Friday, October 18th. We have not yet received retake proofs.

Eighth graders who are interested in the Robinson Scholar program but have not yet picked up an application need to do so this week. Applications are available in Ms. Cromer's office and need to be returned to her by October 31.

The 8th graders will be measured for graduation caps and gowns on Monday, October 21.

The Lady Rockets will compete Thursday at home against Lexington Catholic. The football teams will be playing at Wayne County.

Christy Marchant will be here next Thursday, October 24, to meet with students in the Berea Talent Search program.

GEAR-UP is recruiting parents to participate in the RCMS Grassroots leadership development program. The program is designed to help parents be more prepared to support their child's education. The program consists of eight sessions over a six-month period. For more information call 1-800-977-0696.

YSC Update

Do your children have health insurance? KCHIP (Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program) is available to all children

birth through 18 years of age. Qualifying for KCHIP is simple: Go to DCBS (Department for Community Based Services) located at Jct 25 & Hwy 150 and take verification of income and household members social security numbers. If additional information is needed DCBS will request it. If you are approved a new

KCHIP card will come in the mail near the beginning of each month. KCHIP covers health checkups and screening, prescription medicines, immunizations, doctor visits, vision exams and eyeglasses, hearing services, dental care, hospital care and mental health. Don't let your children go without insurance. Apply today! For additional information call DCBS at 256-2481 or YSC at 256-5484.

Alsip inducted into sorority

Jennifer Lynn Alsip was inducted into the Omicron Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Somerset Community College on September 15th.

Alsip, majoring in pre-pharmacy, is the daughter of Shelia McFerron and the late Walter Alsip of Mt. Vernon.

Established in 1918 by two-year college presidents, Phi Theta Kappa is the oldest and most prestigious honor society serving two-year colleges around the world. The Society serves to recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programming. Students must rank in the top 20% of the class to be invited to membership in Phi Theta Kappa and must maintain high academic standing during their enrollment in the two-year college. Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 1.5 million members and 1100 chapters located in 50 United States, United States territories, Canada, Germany and Japan. In 1929, the American Association of Community College, recognized Phi Theta Kappa as the official honor society for two-year

colleges. The Society holds membership in the prestigious Association of College Honor Societies as the general scholarship honor society representing two-year colleges.

Mt. Vernon Message

Mark your calendars for our first Parent/Teacher Conferences for our fourth and fifth graders from 3:30 to 6:30 on Thursday, October 17.

Smockey Bear is going to be visiting our school on Thursday and Friday, October 17 & 18.

Tune in to WRVK on Saturday, October 19 at 8:45 for the Know Your Schools program featuring Mt. Vernon Elementary School.

Project Wisdom readers for last week are as follows: Chasity Loudmilk, student; Jessica Mahaffey, student; Abby McClure, student; Allyson Washburn, student; Chris Cornelius, physical education teacher, was our mystery reader.

Thanks to all who have participated in this project. Our quote for this week is "Kindness begets kindness."

School Menu

October 21-25, 2002
Breakfast
Monday: Pastry or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Tuesday: French toast stick with syrup or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Wednesday: Sausage biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Thursday: Egg biscuit or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Friday: Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast/jelly, juice and milk.
Lunch
Monday: Pizza or sandwich, corn, garden salad, cake and milk.
Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, corn, Italian bread, fruit and milk.
Wednesday: Ham, potatoes, broccoli and cheese, bread, dessert and milk.
Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, dessert and milk.
Friday: Manager's choice.



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- Established local business in 1987
- Served on local Tourism Board
- Charter member and past president of Rockcastle Kiwanis Club
- Participant in Brushy Fork Leadership Training Program for Rockcastle County
- Member of the Rockcastle County Development Board Task Force for leadership training
- Organized and participated in many civic activities for our community during the last fifteen years
- Member of the Central Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon

I am asking for your support by voting

#5

on the ballot for Mayor

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Preserving The Life We Love



Kentucky is a wonderful place to live and raise kids; a place where decency, community and families still matter. I will always be grateful to my parents, teachers and friends for the values I learned growing up.

I have lived in this district for 28 years. This is wife, Jamie Mullins Worley who has lived here all her life and our two children, Preston (18) and Lauren (15). For almost 14 years I was Richmond City Manager. Jamie has worked in the school system for 33 years. She is currently a guidance counselor at Madison Central High School.

Preserving and protecting this wonderful life for our families and our children is very important for all of us here in the 34th Senate District. As your Senator, I take this responsibility very seriously.

My goal in Frankfort has always been to ensure that our district and this commonwealth will remain a special place to live, work and raise children.

That's why last session I sponsored and co-sponsored legislation that:

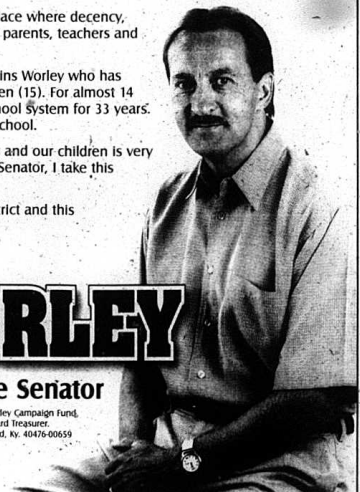
- Protects Kentuckians from predatory telemarketers
- Makes health insurance companies pay claims to doctors and patients within 30 days
- Promotes and protects our small Kentucky businesses
- Preserves our agricultural heritage by designating 50% of all phase one tobacco settlement money to be used for agriculture

It is my job to be your voice in Frankfort. Your opinions are very important to me and I would like to hear from you regarding the legislative matters before us. If you have questions or if I can be of assistance, please contact me at 1-502-564-8100 ext. 651 in Frankfort or at my office, 1-859-623-6524.

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For State Senator

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JROTC Raider Team competes at Mountain Raider Rendezvous

By: SGM Keith Taylor
 Rockcastle County High School's JROTC Raider Team traveled to McCreary County for their Annual Mountain Raider Rendezvous on Friday, October 4th through Sunday, October 6th. Those competing were A-Team's: Adam Stallworth, Justin Cornelius, Joe Husband, Ross McClure, Cory Canterbury, Josh Hayes, Andy Coffey and Jesse McCollum. B-Team consisted of Sarah Steele, Jessica Toothman, Jeffrey Parker, Erika Toothman, Larry Mink, Michael Taylor, Chris Miller, Sam Isaacs, David French, Shane Foster and Josh Bell. Also competing were: Crystal Valerio, James Adams, Jason Daniels and Dustin Emerson. Also attending were: Mrs. Jenny Taylor, Major Jim McGuire and Sergeant Major Keith Taylor.

We left out of school Friday, the 4th after a morning of practice and the threat of strong winds and soaking rain for the weekend. The Raider team seemed excited about the bad weather. Although Friday's weather was terrible, the rest of the weekend was beautiful. We considered taking

the big cook tent, but decided to rough it in the open with only a tarp. The cadets managed to gather plenty of firewood even though it was raining. We had a big pot of chili and hotdogs for supper.

The next morning began at 5:30 a.m., with a quick breakfast in the dark. The team was out in the woods till after midnight last night, waiting to compete in the night compass course, an event that was delayed and rescheduled for later tonight. Most of the team is wet, from the sudden downpour that caught everyone by surprise at around two this morning. Right after chow the team leaders check all their members to ensure everyone has the required gear, to include a full canteen. The team then marches off at 7 a.m. to the first event of the day, the Expert Ranger Course.

The course calls for an eight-man team to carry a 120-pound log over a two-mile course, half down hill and half up hill. Halfway through the course, the team must slow crawl through a deep and long mud hole. Most end up completely covered from head to feet in a thick coat of

nasty, stagnant mud. The team has put everything they have into the run and are exhausted. There's no time to rest though, they're already late for the next event. Their time was 22 minutes and 55 seconds, which placed them fourth out of 33 teams.

The next event is the One-Rope Bridge. Most of the teams' training time have gone into perfecting the knots and teamwork necessary to be competitive in this event. There's a new wrinkle added this year to the event. The team must first negotiate a one-rope bridge that is already in place prior to moving to the location where they emplace, cross, then dismantle their own bridge. The first crossing goes well, with six members crossing the bridge in well under a minute. The team moves to the next location and quickly lays out the equipment for their own bridge. On the signal from the judge, the team bursts into frantic activity. Everyone has a job to do. One member ties an end-of-line bowline in less than ten seconds then slams it into the waiting snap link of the far-side man, who immediately takes off in a wild sprint across a steep draw to the large tree that will be used for the far-side anchor. Meanwhile, two team members quickly tie a wiremans knot, inserting two snaplinks into the knot which will make it easier to untie later. Another team member attaches a third snaplink into the rope and runs around the nearside anchor, snapping into the loop of the wiremans knot. As soon as this is done (about 15 seconds), the knot is fed out over the draw as the far-side man pulls the rope tight. Once the team commander determines the knot is the proper distance from the near-side tree he shouts "WRAP" to the far-side man, who again bursts into frantic activity, wrapping the rope twice around the tree and securing it with two half hitches and a quick release. Even before the rope is completely secure he yells "PULL" as loud as he can, signaling the other seven members to

tighten the rope. They scramble up the other side, pulling the rope as tight as they can. The team commander yells, "PULL" three times before giving the command "WRAP." Again, everyone has a task to perform. One man runs forward and clamps both hands as hard as he can on the two sections of rope running back from the snap link, two others belay the rope against the tree as they man the rope twice around it. As soon as they have been made, one of the men forms a large bight in the rope and throws it over the tight portion of the rope then scrambles out of the way, as the near-side man secures the rope with two half hitches and a quick release. The other team members are lining up in order that they will cross. Again, before the knot is quite finished the near-side man yells "GO," as he pulls the quick release tight. The first man to cross is standing on the thigh of another team member with the rope ready to enter the snaplink gate. As soon as he hears GO, he slams the rope into the gate and immediately rotates under the rope, wraps his feet over the rope and pulls with everything he's got towards the far side. Before he's halfway across, another man is fastened on the rope and pulling hard to catch him. They're both dangling upside down, 20 feet over a rocky streambed. On reaching the other side, the first man is helped off the rope by the far-side man. When his feet hit the ground, he yells "OFF" signaling that another man can be attached to the rope on the other side. There are never more than two men on the bridge at any time. When the last man is across and his feet hit the ground, the far-side man yells "POP" signaling both himself and the near-side man to pull their quick release and untie their half hitches. The near-side man releases the snaplink on the wiremans knot and secures it to his quick cast, which is wrapped around his waist, and sprints to the far-side. As soon as he gets there, another team member attaches a snaplink onto the rope and scrambles straight up hill. Pulling the rope with him out of the stream bed. Two other team members snap into the two snaplinks which were tied into the wiremans knot and shove each other straight back, causing the wiremans knot to fall completely apart. The team commander has been monitoring every-thing. When he sees the rope is out of the "deadzone" and all knots have been untied he calls "TIME," signaling the judges to stop the time clock. After the judges have checked the rope and decided there are no penalties the time of two minutes and 21 seconds is announced. This is good enough for sixth place out of 33 teams.

We grab lunch back at camp before moving on to the next event "Cross Country Rescue." There is a line backed up at the next event, so we get a little bit of a break. The next event is a real winner. Across a steep up and down hill course, the eight-man team must carry the following items: A litter, with a 130-pound log

two five-gallon water cans (40 pounds a piece), two 50-pound rucksacks and two 30-pound sand bags. At no time can any item touch the ground, except while the team negotiates a 30-foot low crawl under wire. The team must also negotiate a five-foot log wall. This event really pushes the teams' endurance. The final time for the event after a thirty-second penalty is added, for touching the wire during the low crawl is 10 minutes and 12 seconds. This places the team eighth out of 33 teams.

Next event is the Army Physical Fitness Test. We hurry to the tents to change into shorts and running shoes before moving across the road.

The Army Physical Fitness Test measures strength, endurance and speed. Members perform the maximum amount of push-ups they possibly can in two minutes, followed by the maximum number of sit-ups in two minutes. These are followed by a two-mile run. The team puts everything they have into the event, but the days pace is starting to wear

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The "B" Team in action during the Rope Bridge Competition.



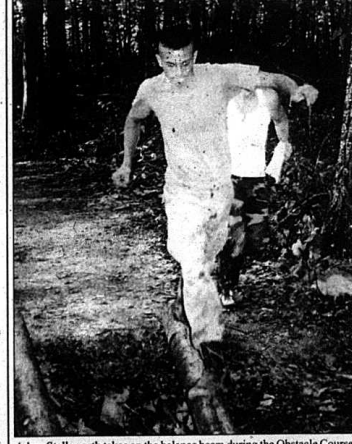
The RCHS JROTC Raider Team at Mountain Rendezvous.



Members of the "A" Team navigate the rope bridge.



The "A" Team during the Cross Country Rescue.



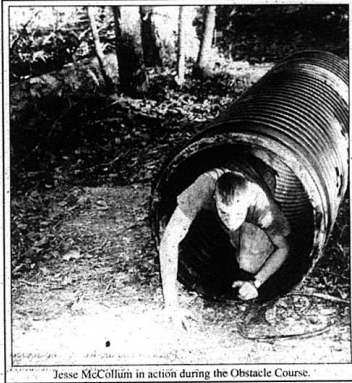
Adam Stallworth takes on the balance beam during the Obstacle Course.



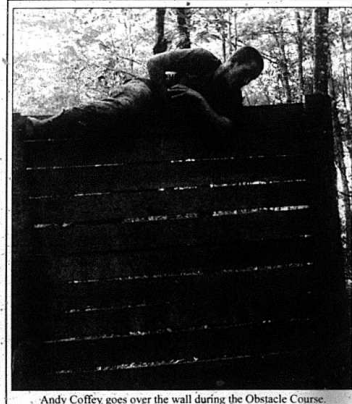
Sarah Steele, Jessica Toothman and James Adams participate in the Cross Country Rescue.



Cory Canterbury, Josh Hayes, Jesse McCollum and Andy Coffey participated in the Expert Ranger Course for the "A" Team.



Jesse McCollum in action during the Obstacle Course.



Andy Coffey goes over the wall during the Obstacle Course.



Joe Husband on the log roll during the Obstacle Course.

Rockets send hopeful Central to house 54-0

The Rockcastle County Rockets continued their dominance of their 3A district with a 54-0 win over visiting Perry County Central on Friday night.

Central had been averaging 44 points a game this season and had a record of 6-1 going into the contest.

Many observers thought it would be a close game, but when the Rockets took the field they were ready to play.

"I think our team knew the importance of this game and they were certainly prepared," head coach Tom Larkey said.

Central was able to hold the Rockets on their first possession, but after that it was all down hill for them.

Rockcastle scored twice in the first period and three times in the second to take a 36-0 lead into the dressing room at half-time.

They would add two more scores in the third period and one in the fourth to round out the 54-0 thrashing of Central.

Senior Marty Reagan rushed for four touchdowns and broke the single game rushing record at the ROCK with 277 total yards.

Quarterback Aaron Anderkin

only misfired twice, going 14 for 16 through the air for 172 yards and three touchdowns. He has thrown a touchdown pass in the last 22 games he has played and has 14 TD passes on the season. He also had 11 yards on three carries.

Clell Swinney had 42 yards on six carries. Devin Taylor had two yards on one carry, but he had a season high nine catches for 109 yards and he caught two touchdown passes.

Senior Stephen Boreing caught four balls for 64 yards and a touchdown pass. He also caught a pass for a two point conversion.

Caleb Blair rushed five times for 14 yards and a touchdown. Brandon Reams had 13 yards on two carries and Chris Croucher had five yards on one carry.

Taylor was four for four in extra point kicks.

All total the Rockets had 364 yards of total offense, rushing the ball 40 times and throwing it 16.

Larkey credited his offensive line, Tanner Abney, Michael Brummett, Nick Thomas, Jarrod Rice, Benny Northern and Stephen Boreing with giving Reagan running room and Anderkin time to throw.

"They did an outstanding job," he said.

Junior Jason Leger, one of the best linemen in the state saw more action on Friday night and played every play on defense.

He has been recovering from a broken foot, and on Friday night he had three tackles and assists, but he also recovered two fumbles.

"He is still not one hundred percent, but he is getting there, we are a much better team with him on the field," head assistant and defensive coordinator Tony Saylor said.

Other defensive stats went as follows:

Northern, five tackles and assists and an interception. Abney, one

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The Rocket offensive unit gets instructions during a second half timeout on Friday night. The offense put up 54 points. Shown from left: #64 Michael Brummett, Stephen Boreing, #10 Caleb Blair, #38 Chris Croucher, #31 J.T. Lovell, #14 Aaron Anderkin and #55 Jarrod Rice.

RCHS Girls Volleyball

Rockets beat OBI in district; lose to Clay County

The Rockcastle Rockets beat Onida Baptist 15-13 and 15-4 in the first game of the 27th District Tournament at South Laurel Monday night.

The Rockets jumped out to an early 5-0 lead only to see the Mountaineers come back and go ahead 7-5. The Rockets were behind 10-7 when Jenna Owens served five straight points to put her team up 12-

10 but OBI came back to tie the score at 12 all and go ahead 13-12. Britanna Bussell then served her team to the win with three straight aces.

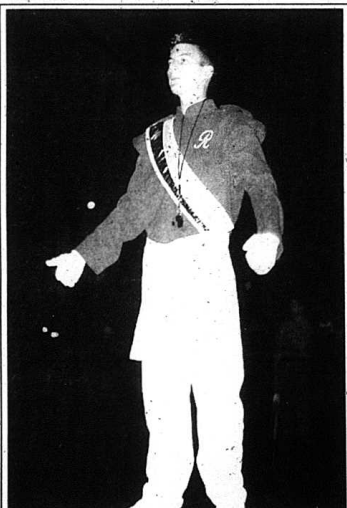
In the second game, Allison Anderkin's four serves, including two aces, got the Rockets started on a 9-0 run before Onieda could get on the board. With the score 11-4, (Cont. to A7)



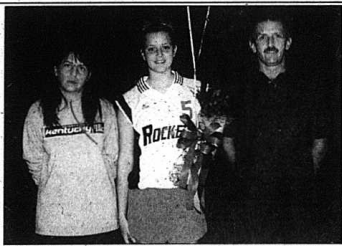
Senior Marty Reagan #24 is brought down by a Perry Central player. Reagan set a single game rushing record, picking up 277 yards in the 54-0 victory.



Senior James Michael Bussell brings down a Perry Central player in Friday night's contest. Bussell also had an interception in the 54-0 win. The Rockets are ranked second in 3A by the Associated Press and 17th in the state overall.



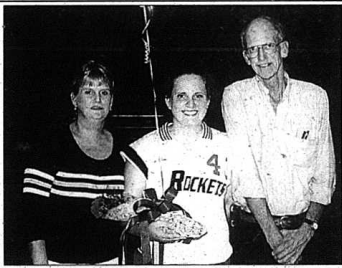
Field commander Jonathan Baldwin led the RCHS Marching Band during halftime Friday night.



The Lady Rocket Volleyball squad honored their seniors and parents during the last home match Tuesday night. Shown above are Jessie Hayes with her parents, Mike and Sheila.



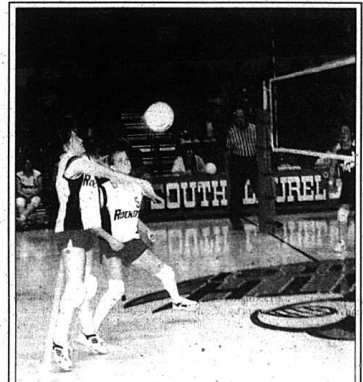
Janelle Jones with her parents, Eddie Jones and Jane Jones.



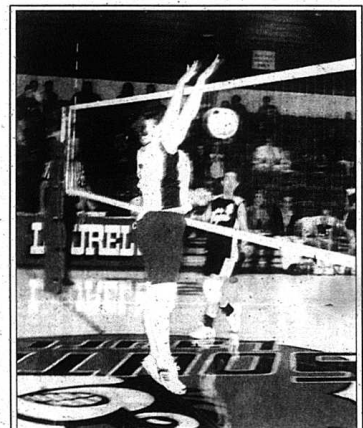
Brianna Bussell and her parents, Becky Bussell and Brian Bussell.



Color guard member Allison Hedrick performed along with the RCHS Marching Band during halftime of the Rockets game with Perry Central.



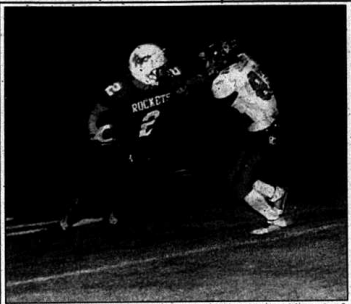
Junior Jenna Owens set the ball. The Rockets lost 14-16, 16-14 and 13-15 to Clay County in the second round of the 27th District Tournament at South Laurel.



Junior Jessica Riddle blocks the volleyball against Clay County Tuesday night.



Senior Jessie Hayes digs out a serve.



Devin Taylor fights off a Perry Central player after catching one of his nine passes on Friday night. The Rockets won 54-0.

"Rockets"

(Cont. from A6)

tackle and a fumble recovery. Brunnett, one, Swinney, four tackles and assists and a sack.

Middle linebacker Chris Croucher, seven and a sack. Boring, two tackles and assists, James Michael Busell, four and an interception, Reagan, three, Taylor, two and Blair, four.

The Rocket defense held the highest scoring team in the district to 96 total yards, 138 yards in the air and -42 on the ground.

"I felt like this was one of the

better games that the team has played. They worked very hard the past two weeks preparing for this game. Central has a very good offensive team and were the leading scoring team in the fourth region until this game," Larkey said.

"Congratulations to Marty Reagan who broke the school single game rushing record with 277 yards, which had been held by Jason Brown since a 1996 game against Whitesburg," Larkey said.

Reagan has rushed for 1018 yards and scored 124 points this season. The Rockets are now 6-1, after the season opening loss to Mason County and will travel to Knox Central on Friday night.

It should be no contest, since the Panthers haven't won a game all season long. Game time at Barbourville is 7:30 p.m.

"Volleyball"

(Cont. from A6)

Anderkin again put across three service points and Mullins finished the game off with a service ace for the 15-4 win.

Anderkin took service honors in the game with 10 points and 6 aces; Owens was 7 and 1; Mullins and Busell had 4 aces on 4 serves each; Rachel Childress was 2 for 2; Jeni Durham put across one ace in two service winners and Jessie Hayes was credit with one point on serve.

Clay County, a much improved team since the Rockets took a regular season match in straight games, demolished Southwestern Pulaski in their opening game of the tournament was the Rockets second opponent and it couldn't have been any closer with Clay taking the first game 16-14; the Rockets getting the second game 16-14 and losing the third 15-13.

The Rockets jumped out to an early 5-2 lead and were ahead 9-2 before Clay came back with 6 straight service points. Childress's three service points put the Rockets up 14-10 but Clay came back with 6 straight

service winners to take the first game. The Rockets were down 13-6 in the second game before Busell put across and Mullins each put across four service winners to put their team ahead 15-14. Clay's server then put the ball into the net and Owens finished off the game with a serve that came back out-of-bounds for the

Rockets' 16-14 win. The Rockets were also down 13-6 in the third game before Anderkin's 7 straight service points, including four aces, tied the score at 13 all but Clay scored the next two points for the final game and match. In the Clay-Co. match, Anderkin

again took service honors with 14 and 4 aces; Mullins was 9 and 1; Busell 6 and 1; Hayes had 5; Childress 4; Owens 3 and Durham 2. The Rockets were scheduled to play Pulaski County Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the second round of the double-elimination tournament.



The Broadhead Bengals cheerleaders would like to thank the following businesses for sponsoring them this season: Broadhead Dari DeLite, Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals, Betty's Used Clothing, B&M Liquidators, David's Tire Center and Adams Feed and Supply. We sincerely appreciate the support you have given us. Thanks a bunch!

Little League Update

By: David Brock

Wildcats 28 Vikings 6
Wildcats: Joseph Baker, 1 TD; Dakota McFerrin, 3 TD and 2 . 2 pt. FG.
Vikings: Levi Wynn; 1 TD.

Bengals 30 Redskins 14
Bengals: John L. Saylor, 3 TD; Dylan Hughes, 1 TD; Brandon Burkhardt, 3

2 pt. FG.
Redskins: Matthew Lunsford, 1 TD; Robbie Miller, 1 TD; Matthew Bullens, 2 pt. FG.

Standings
Bengals 6-0
Redskins 4-2
Wildcats 2-4
Vikings 0-6

RCMS 6th Grade Girls take third in Lexington Christian Tourney

The Rockcastle County Middle School, under the direction of Coach Darla Reams, brought home the third place trophy in the Lexington Christian Academy tournament by defeating Lexington Catholic 38-12 and South Laurel 50-25. Their one loss came to McNabb 30-27.

Hilitta Lay was the leading rebounder for the Rockets with 11; Mary Saylor had 5; Sarah Barnett 4 and Sasha Bullock 3.

Leading scorer was Saylor with 16. Lay had 8; Ashley Robinson 6; Bullock 4; Barnett 2 and Brittany Calhoun 1.

Saturday morning scoring was led by Saylor with 10; Barnett 7; Nicole Locklear 4; Bullock 4; Robinson 2; Lay 1. Saturday afternoon, Saylor had 18; Katie Mattingly 6; Robinson 6; Locklear 6; Calhoun 2; Tamara Blanton 2; Morgan Collins 2; Megan Mazurek 2 and Sarah McKinney and Pamela Johnson, 2 each.

Prior to the tournament, the 6th

graders played Garrard Co. and won 29-3 and Saylor was high point scorer for her team with 7; Rachel Cash had 5; Blanton, Kayla Cameron and Lay 4 each; Bullock and Collins 2 each and Mazurek 1.

The Rockets extended their record to 4 and 1 with a 62-6 win over Mercer County. 11 Rockets got in the scoring column with Bullock leading the way with 14 points. Saylor got 10; Collins 8; Mattingly, Robinson and Cameron, 6 each; Johnson had 4 and Barnett, Calhoun, Lay, and Blanton, 2 each.

In the B-Team game against N. Laurel, the Rockets lost 28-12. Bullock and Locklear each scored 5 points and Johnson scored 2. The Rockets defeated South Laurel 37-10 in their last game. Robinson had 10 points; Saylor 7; Bullock 6; Calhoun 4 and Barnett, Mattingly, Lay, Cameron and Mazurek, 2 each.

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Cross-country teams compete in two invitationals

The RCMS cross-country teams competed recently in the E.G. Plummer Invitational held in Danville. Some of the state's best teams and runners were on hand for what proved to be some very exciting competition.

The elementary girls had a great race, led by 5th grader Laura Dollins. Laura covered the 1.1-mile course in an amazing 8:11.4. 2nd grader Michaela Hunter continued to run well and finished 4th in 9:02.76. 5th grader Cora Collinsworth ran a great race and finished 14th in 9:51.00. 4th grader Kristen Bullock continues to improve and finished 16th in 11:20.03.

5th grader Bethany Clontz participated in the middle school race with spectacular results. Bethany placed 12th overall with an exceptional time of 16:21.95 for the 1.8-mile course. 5th grader Blake Parsons led the elementary boys' team. Blake ran an awesome race and finished 1st overall with an exceptional effort of 7:34.11. 5th grader Andrew Pensol also ran a superb race. Andrew covered the course in an impressive 8:35.14 and finished 6th overall. 5th grader Devon Davidson ran very well and finished 20th in 10:38.77. 4th grader Elliot Jackson also ran well and finished close with a 21st place finish in 10:48.26.

The varsity girls faced some tough competition, but ran well both individually and as a team. The girls finished 5th overall, just four points behind regional rival Lexington Catholic. Freshman Kayla Hayes led RCHS with an awesome race. She ran 5th overall with a time of 21:41.19. Freshman Jessi Asher also ran very well and finished 6th overall in 22:12.66. 3rd grader Laura Dollins finished 3rd among RCHS runners with a spectacular performance in her first-ever varsity contest. She placed an amazing 19th overall and covered the 1.1-mile course in 24:51.09. Freshman Elizabeth Busell ran a great race and placed 34th in 26:19.75. Sophomore Heather Hammond was not her usual self, but still ran well and finished 37th in 26:44.65. Freshman Ashley Bullock also ran well and finished 45th in 34:35.93.

The varsity boys' team had an awesome meet and finished in 5th place overall, only nine points away from Boyle County, the number three ranked team in Class 2A. The boys' team effort was highlighted by many outstanding individual performances. Junior Andrew Nelson ran an exceptional race and finished 10th overall with an impressive time of 18:33 over the difficult Danville course. Sophomore

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Our Readers Write

Dear Editor,
My husband and I need help from anyone who would be interested. We are hoping to get furniture and household items to donate to families in need in case of fire or if someone is just in need.

We will accept any items, old or new. We are not affiliated with any organization, we are Christians who just want to make a difference. If anyone would like to donate anything or if they would like more information please call.

Records will be kept of every item we receive and of who we gave them to. Please call any time. If no answer please leave a message and we will return your call.

Any item or items will be picked up.
Thank you and God Bless,
Evangelist, James and Kathy Bretz
758-8546 or 758-4203

Dear Editor,
I want to take this opportunity to thank Carol Bryant, our Bittersweet Festival Chairperson, for the wonderful job of coordinating the event. Carol is our Renaissance Main Street director and it was coming down to the last minute with no one stepping up to take charge and Carol stepped up. Thank you.

A big thank you for helping Carol Bryant, goes to the Kiwanis Club. Kiwanis has always been an ambitious group and tireless in their efforts for Rockcastle County and the City of Mt. Vernon. The group responsible for entertainment was Connie Graham, Joannice Isaacs, James Miller and Teresa Vanzant; the parade and baby concert by Dana Mason; decorations and vendors by Kathy McCauley, Debbie Brown and Rebekah Hammond; Tammy Cox for

the bows.
The city employees did a wonderful job of helping vendors with any of their needs and along with James Miller's volunteers the clean-up job was spotless.

Also, a big thank you goes out to Sigmon Farms for their pumpkin donation, Troy Hensel for taking photographs of the event and Shelley Bradley for helping Carol during the festival.

We also want to thank all vendors for their participation and for all entertainers who donated their time and talent to the event: Heather Adams, Britany Adams, Amber Thacker, Holly Brown, 7th Time Down, push, SoulReal and Pure Country.

We look forward to our festival activities next year.

Sincerely,
Mayor Karen King
and Mt. Vernon City Council

Dear Editor,
I'm writing to you about our son, Kevin Fletcher, who is a candidate for Mayor of Mt. Vernon.

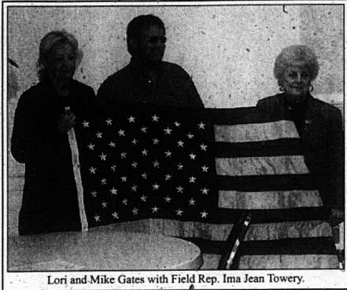
Kevin has never given us any problems and has good morals. He has always been a person who would help those in need and been a good neighbor. He is a hard worker, living his own business, Fletcher Signing. He is a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University. He has not been able to get out and campaign, because he has been tied up by the serious illness of his father.

If he is elected Mayor of Mt. Vernon, he would do the right things for the people of Mt. Vernon.

I will not say anything bad about the other candidates, because I do not know any of them.

Your support on Nov. 5th would be greatly appreciated.

Charles and Patsy Fletcher
Brookhead, Ky.



Lori and Mike Gates with Field Rep. Ima Jean Towery.

Mother and son reunited after 30 years

George Kirby, son of Hazle Bullock and the late George Kirby, visited his mother after being away for 30 years.

He also saw his daughter Georgett and met his granddaughter Melissa Cromer, 18, of Mt. Vernon.

Mr. Kirby left home when he was a young boy to live in Bridge Port, Conn. and only came back once to visit 30 years ago.

His mother Hazle enjoyed the two week visit. She has two children, Francis Kirby Prickett and James Bullock, within the past four months.

Hazle will celebrate her 86th birthday November 6.

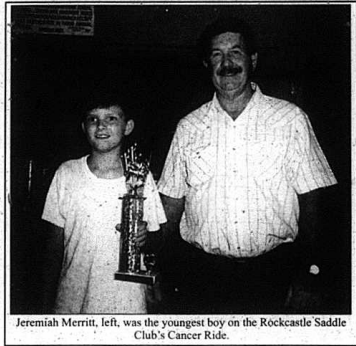
Her son George has promised to visit again next year. He also met his six sisters, Vivian and Betty Sowder and Molly Nease, all of Mt. Vernon.

Gates speak at DAR meeting

Mike and Lori Gates of Christ's Outreach for the Blind were guest speakers at the October meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Their presentation included biographical information about how Mike was blinded in a hunting accident and how they came to establish their mission in Rockcastle County.

Through pictures and stories they demonstrated their current construction projects as well as the aid they have received from various volunteer work groups. They also shared their future plans to meet the educational, social, and recreational needs of special children.

After the presentation Mike and Lori were presented with an American Flag by Jean Towery, Daughters of the American Revolution Treasurer, and representative of Woodmen of the World.



Jeremiah Merritt, left, was the youngest boy on the Rockcastle Saddle Club's Cancer Ride.

Library News

By: Kathy McKibben
Children's and YA Librarian

We are prepared and ready for Thursday night, October 17th. In celebration of "Teen Read Week 2002" the *Storybook Chautauqua* will be here at the library presenting at 6:30. Door prizes will be given away, and a good time is anticipated. Travis Burton will kick-off with his rendition of Henry David Thoreau, and then Jessica Denny as Pochontas; and last but not least, Aaron Anderkin as Paul Revere.

Our new books from the Libri Foundation Grant and Rockcastle County Kiwanis will be on display Thursday evening and ready for check-out on Friday. We have sixty new book titles, twenty-three juveniles nonfiction, five juvenile biographies, fifteen juvenile fiction, a couple of which would be young adult books, and seventeen easy readers. Fact, fantasy, adventure, mystery whatever your reading enjoyment we aim to target your interests in the children's and young adult area of the library.

The adult area of the library seems to stay busy throughout the day. Computer use is always major. Genealogy research is consistent, and adult book circulation keeps Jennifer and Stacy, our library assistants happy! Brady is on loan to us from Job Quest and he is doing a great job wherever he is needed in the library.

Ms. Pam Chaliff continues to drive the bookmobile and serve out in the county area. She also wears another hat trying to keep your library in good shape and giving experienced direction to all of us on staff. We appreciate all of Ms. Pam's efforts. She is always busy serving and giving oversight where it is needed.

We look forward to seeing you. Take advantage of the free resources. It doesn't cost a thing, but your time. Connect @ your library.

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Saturday, November 2nd

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\$10 Registry fee for each 4-wheeler
Registry fee will register you to win a cash prize at the end of the ride. (Donations are accepted, you may register and not participate in the ride. You don't have to be present in order to win!)

3 Drawings to win \$50 and two for \$25

For information, call 256-9135 or 256-0078

Re-Elect

Bill McKinney

Magistrate District 3

While serving as your Magistrate, we have seen many road improvements, culverts, bridges and lots of blacktop. I have been committed to mowing of right-of-ways and snow removal. Through the efforts of firemen, the public and the Fiscal Court we have improvements in fire protection.

These improvements can continue with your help and your vote for me on November 5th.

Thanks,
Bill McKinney

Paid for by Bill McKinney



For the future of Mount Vernon...

The best way to make our community a better place to live and work is to elect a mayor who is a leader. Our community enjoys the existence of major transportation routes, an adequate water supply, an excellent school system and superb health care. In addition, we have the ability to expand our tourism efforts and make it a useful workforce in our town. The next mayor should utilize these abundant qualities and expand upon their existence for the good of the community. The future of Mount Vernon depends on looking close at city expenditures and making wise decisions on how future monies are spent. Our next mayor will need to make decisions that will positively affect the lifestyles of our present citizens and our future citizens. These decisions will require diligent study and consideration, and not be politically motivated.

The future of Mount Vernon should be placed in the hands of an individual who solely has the best interest of our community in mind. A person who will establish contacts with state and federal officials and diligently keep abreast on available assistance and aid. And the next mayor should always keep in mind that all citizens deserve equal representation and service.

The next mayor should be Kevin G. Fletcher. Distinguished public service and the desire to make Mount Vernon a better place to live are his passions. Mount Vernon is a great place to live and work. And it can be even better.

On November 5th elect the best choice for our future...

Elect Kevin G. Fletcher for Mount Vernon Mayor

Photo by Kevin G. Fletcher Campaign for Mayor, Lorraine T. Fletcher Treasurer



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Mount Vernon Mayor

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Auction

of Mrs. Betty Chestnut Dowell's
Mobile Home and Lot

Saturday, October 26, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.

Maple Grove section, Rockcastle Co.

LOCATION: From Mt. Vernon follow US 25 South to Hwy. 1004 near the I-75 interchange at exit 59. Turn left onto Hwy. 1004. Proceed approximately 2.5 miles to Maple Grove Road. Turn right onto Maple Grove Road. Go approximately 1 mile to the auction.

Mrs. Dowell has recently married and moved. Therefore she has authorized our firm to sell her property for the absolute high dollar.

The above pictured vinyl sided home with an addition is a 1965 model with a single roof an stone underpinning. It has a floor plan consisting of a large living room/dining/kitchen combination, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, utility room. The home has city water and a furnace with an air unit added.

The house is situated on a lot measuring approximately 1 acre and will be sold by the boundary.

NOTE: The purchaser of a single family residence, built before 1978, has a maximum of 10 days to inspect the property for the presence of lead base paint. The period for inspection begins October 16th through October 25th. All bidders must sign a waiver of the 10 day post sale inspection period.

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

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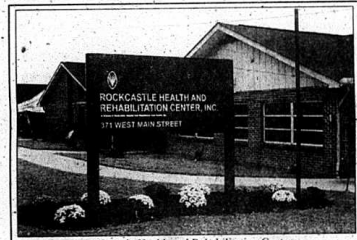
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The Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center held a luncheon Friday in honor of their recent successes. In the top photo is the center's director Mike Deborde with his wife Gail at left and Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash at right. Photos by Doug Brock.



The Morning View Gospel Singers backing up patient Robert Kirby.



Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center

"Center"
(Cont. from front)

cause it has been a community effort."

The nursing facility, which cares for about 105 residents, was acquired by Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center at the beginning of the year. Mike Deborde, RN, BSN, was appointed administrator following Linda Whitt's retirement. He commended his staff for their hard work.

"Accreditation requires a team effort for any organization. However, that is especially true for a facility that is under new management," said Deborde.

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"Festival"
(Cont. from front)

All in all, it was a great two days. Even the weather held off until late Saturday evening. The festival committee is already in process of planning next year's festival.

"Renfro"
(Cont. from front)

The Gospel Music Celebration continues on Saturday, October 19 with the Florida Boys performing traditional gospel favorites at 12:30 p.m. in the New Barn. Tickets are \$13.00 and \$15.00 plus tax and handling.

The Renfro Valley Mountain Gospel Jubilee takes place at 3-30 p.m. in the New Barn. The festival will also include two performances by Heriteline on Saturday, October 19 at 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. in the Old Barn Theater. Tickets are \$14.00 plus tax and handling.

"McKinney"
(Cont. from front)

cases the board's decisions hold sway. "He works for the board."

McKinney is past president of the Bank of Mt. Vernon, now Community Trust, and also, past manager of PICA, which is now Farm Credit Services.

McKinney, who is also a farmer is the owner of Brodhead Farm Equipment.

Reprinted from the Thursday, October 10th issue of the Lexington Herald-Leader.

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"Cross-Country"
(Cont. from A-7)

more Brandon Cole was close behind and finished 11th overall with a sensational effort of 18:43.08. Sophomore Bill Burdett ran very well and placed 33rd overall in 2034.25. Junior Florian Trummer had an excellent race and finished 43rd in 21:40.25. 5th grader Blake Parsons ran the varsity race after easily winning the elementary one. He finished in 53rd place with an exceptional effort of 23:29.67. 5th grader Andrew Perso also ran a spectacular race and finished 61st overall in 26:57.73, a new personal best for 5,000 meters.

The RCHS cross-country teams also competed at the Lexington Catholic Invitational this past Saturday at the Ky. Horse Park. Over thirty teams and a thousand athletes were present for the annual competition.

The girls' team had an exceptional meet and placed 8th overall while defeating some of the top-ranked teams in the state including eighth-ranked Mercy Academy of Louisville. They also defeated regional rival Lexington Catholic which finished 14th. Over thirty schools were represented. Freshman Kayla Hayes led RCHS with an amazing 9th place finish out of 149 runners. Her exceptional time of 20:22 was a personal best for the Horse Park, the sight of the region and state this year. Freshman Jessi Asher ran an awesome race and finished 19th in 21:12, a new personal best. 5th grader Laura Dollins was the third finisher for RCHS, placing 67th in 23:51, a new RCHS 5,000-meter record for an elementary female competitor. Equally as amazing was the performance of 2nd grader Michaela Hunter. Running only her third varsity race ever, Michaela finished 71st overall with an incredible time of 24:06. Freshman Elizabeth Bussell ran very well and placed 76th in 24:25, one of her best efforts of the season. Freshman Ashley Bullock ran her best race of the season with a 136th place finish in 30:21.

The boys' team also ran very well and placed 20th overall out of a field of outstanding teams and individual talent. Sophomore Brandon Cole ran an awesome race and paced RCHS with a 41st place finish in 18:00. Sophomore Bill Burdett ran very well and placed 115th in 19:55, one of his best efforts at the Horse Park. Junior Andrew Nelson, coming off of a varsity win earlier in the week at Pulaski County, couldn't shake off the effects of a difficult week of practice, but still managed to finish 119th in 19:58. Junior Florian Trummer ran extremely well and placed 131st in 20:27, a new personal best. 5th grader Blake Parsons completed the scoring with a new personal best and elementary 5,000-meter record effort of 22:05. He finished 183rd overall.

The teams will next compete this Saturday in the Pulaski Co. Invitational.

"RCMS"
(Cont. from A-7)

RCMS 7th Grade

Melissa Singleton, Coach

RCMS 18 - Clay Co. 32
Jessi Barnes, 10; Mary Saylor 4; Ashley Robinson and Morgan Thacker, 2 each.

RCMS 39 - Garrard Co. 16
Sarah Rowe 12; Courtney Hayes 6; Sonya Lunsford 5; Saylor and Barnes, 4 each; Tonya Lunsford, LouAnn Masters, Stephanie Barnett and Melinda Thompson, 2 each.

RCMS 40 - Mercer 34
Rowe 16; T. Lunsford 13; Barnes 5; Hayes, Jenny King and Robinson, 2 each.

RCMS 23 - Bourbon Co. 24
Rowe 9 and T. Lunsford and Barnes, 7 each.

RCMS 39 - Harrodsburg 4
Thacker 12; T. Lunsford 9; Robinson and Katie Burdette 3 each and Barnes, Rowe, King, Barnett, Thomson, Nicole Shepherd, 2 each.

RCMS 23 - Casey Co. 27
Barnes 13; Rowe 6 and Hayes and Robinson, 2 each.

RCMS 8th Grade
David Owens, Coach
RCMS 41 - Garrard Co. 19
Lara Cash 10; Sarah Rowe 8;

Meredith Robinson 5; Ashley Stewart, Ainsley Bussell, Megan Griffin, Jill Owens, 4 each and Holly Barnett, 2.

RCMS 26 - Clay Co. 27
Griffin 12; A. Stewart 8; Owens 4 and Bussell 2.

RCMS 41 - Mercer Co. 14
A. Stewart 13; Bussell 10; Griffin 9; Cash 5; Barnett 4; Owens 2.

RCMS 39 - Lincoln Co. 36
A. Stewart 15; Bussell and Rowe, 6 each; Griffin and Owens, 4 each; Cash and Robinson, 2 each.

Extension Office News

Sewing Class

On Oct. 25, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Sewing-With-Knits will be taught at the Extension Office. Fabric will be furnished. Call 256-2403 for details and to register.

Scrapbooking Class

On Oct. 17, a Scrapbooking and Greeting Card Class will be taught at 6 p.m. at the Extension Office. Class is free. For list of supplies and to register call 256-2403.

Loosing Weight

Loosing Weight the Food Pyramid

Way will be taught at the Extension Office on Oct. 22, 10 to 12. Class is free. Call 256-2403 for details.

Quilt Class

Learn to make a "Scrappy String Quilt" beginning at 12 noon on Oct. 31st at the Extension Office. Call 256-2403 to register.

Dessert Class

At 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 31 come learn "Easy As Pie Desserts." Free class will be taught at the Extension Office. Call 256-2403 for more info.

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Elect

Jackie R. Renner
Mayor of Mt. Vernon



To The Citizens of Mt. Vernon,

Friends, I am taking this to ask each one of you for your vote and support in my race to be your next Mayor. I have met with a number of you on the street, as you mowed your lawn or washed your car, you have invited me into your homes to talk about the issues facing our city. This has been a wonderful experience for me. I hope you have found in me one who will unite our city and work for the common good, so that together we will move forward.

I have enjoyed my terms of service on the city council and as your vice-mayor. I bring to this election the same sense of fair play, and honesty, as when you first elected me to city government back in 1983.

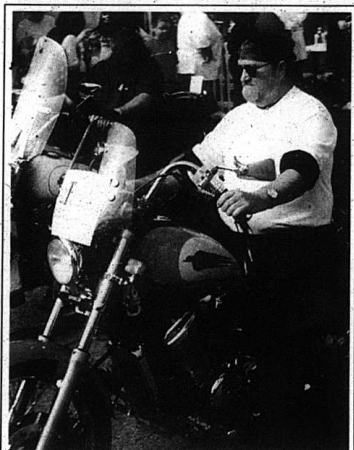
This is my pledge to you, that if elected as your Mayor, I will dedicate myself to being your Mayor with my whole heart and ability.

Thank You, Jackie

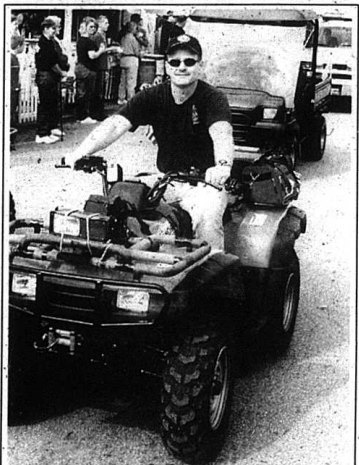
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Scenes from 2002 Bittersweet Festival



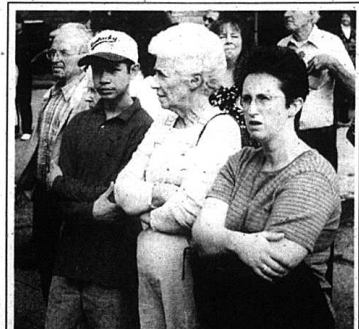
Alvin Hamm and Donnie Scheffler rode their motorcycles in the parade.



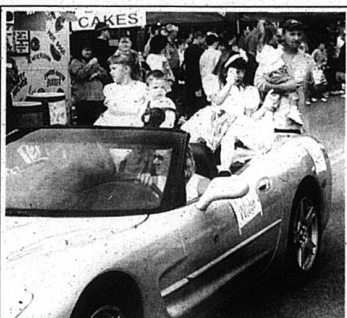
Mt. Vernon firefighter Steve Griffin and his ATV.



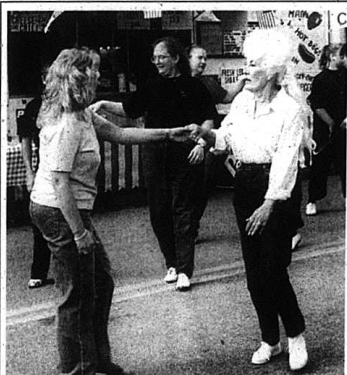
Marcia Cain, Tina Hasty, Jerry Hasty, Aidan Cain, Rachel Cain and Garrett Hasty at Saturday's parade.



Lisa Hopkins, Lorene Lawrence and Kyle Lawrence attended Saturday's parade.



Some of the contestants in the Pretty Baby Contest also participated in the parade. More baby contest photos will appear in next week's Signal.



Jannie Baldwin and Wanda Anderkin performed with the Bittersweet Cloggers.



Five of the candidates for Mt. Vernon Mayor were on hand Saturday at the Bittersweet Festival. The five that participated in the parade were shown top to bottom, Clarice Kirby, Jackie Renner, Mayor Karen King, Jody Adams and Rebekah Hammond.

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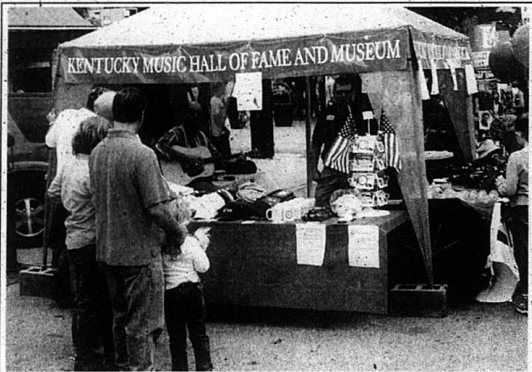
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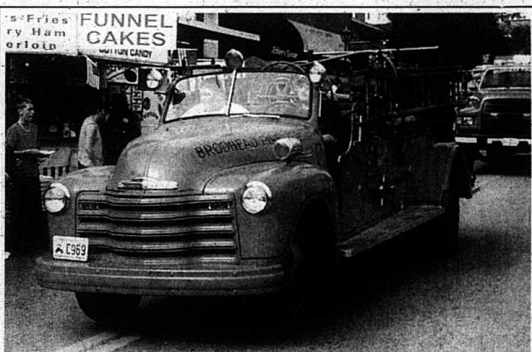
Members of the Brodhead Bengals cheerleaders.



The Davidson family helped man the RCHS Marching Band booth.



The Kentucky Music Hall of Fame and Museum had a booth at the festival.



Brodhead's antique fire truck was on hand as usual.

Rock vs. Commodores

By: Preston Parrett

The Commodores came in With a record of five and one, But when you play the Rock You really don't have much fun.

For the Rock is hard hitting And they'll put stars in your crown, As their offense and defense Will really take you down.

In the very first quarter Marty Reagan went over from the four, Aaron Anderkin hit Stephen Boreing With a four-yard pass to add to the score.

In the second quarter of the game Marty scored two on a one and a fifteen-yard run, Then Aaron hit Devin Taylor with a 21-yard pass And the Commodores were about done.

The Rock Marching Band Put on a great halftime show, Then the Wildcats, Vikings, Bengals, Redskins and the Middle School teams were introduced And got to bask in the glow.

After the halftime ceremonies The fog rolled in and on rolled the Rock, And by this time the Commodores Were in a state of shock.

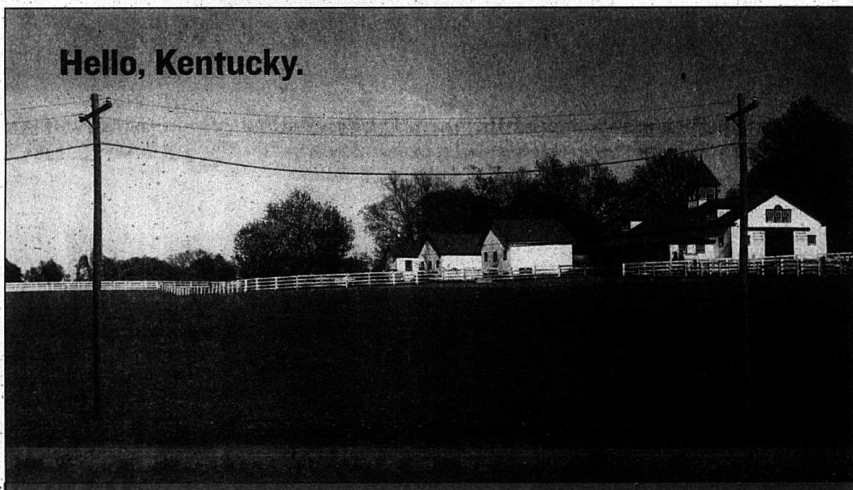
Marty had a twenty-one yard run And added to his fame, While Aaron hit Taylor with a four-yard pass To completely sew up the game.

The fog got thicker on the field But the Rock had a four-yard run by Caleb Blair, And the Commodores from Perry Were vanquished out there.

To all the Rock players in the trenches You are a gritty crew.

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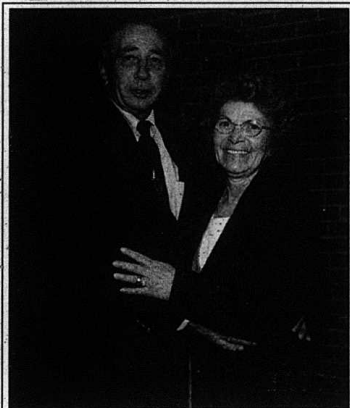
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Anniversary Celebrated

Happy anniversary to Barry and Lavada Galiff. They are shown here with their 1957 Chevy BelAir.



40th Wedding Anniversary

Doug and Billie Sue Lear celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary October 19. They were married October 19, 1962. They have four children: Bill Lear, Jeff Lear, Jenny Lear and Celena Bullock. They have six grandchildren: Bridgette, Kayla, Kyle, Brady, Sasha and Alivia. We love you Papaw and Mamaw Doc.



70th Wedding Anniversary

Rev. Willis (Bud) and Elizabeth Hunt will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary October 19 at 2PM with an open house and card shower at the Wesleyan Christian Church Fellowship Hall at 4th and Jefferson Streets, Lawrenceville, IL. No gifts please. Cards may be sent to: 1611 13th St., Lawrenceville, IL 62439. Family and friends are invited and will be welcomed.



50th Wedding Anniversary

Happy 50th anniversary to Clebert and Oneida Robinson. They were married on October 18, 1952. We all love you both very much. Love - your babies - Mike and Roger, daughters-in-law, Barb and Rhonda and grandbabies - Kyle and Kassie.



Cook - Conner

Lary and Lana Adams of Mt. Vernon wish to announce the forthcoming marriage of their son, Thomas J. Conner II to Alisha Dawn Cook, daughter of Ricky and Cathy Adams of Nashville, Tennessee.

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Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Power of Attorney Forms

If you currently have a Power of Attorney on file with FSA, it is not valid for the new programs or transactions authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Farm Bill). If you wish to retain an agent to act on your behalf for the new Direct and Counter-Cyclical programs, a new Power of Attorney form is required.

The FSA Power of Attorney, form FSA-211, has been revised to cover programs in the Act (referred to as the Farm Bill). Non-FSA power of attorney forms currently on file are not valid for any new programs authorized by the Act. Farmers are cautioned that the authorizing signature on the FSA-211, must be witnessed by either an FSA employee or a Notary Public.

Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP)

Direct and Counter-cyclical payments for 2002 through 2007 will be based on each producer's individual production history. Sign up for the program scheduled to begin October 1, 2002 and end July 2, 2003.

Program participation is voluntary, and producers are responsible for meeting deadlines and complying with rules and regulations.

Producers who have questions should contact their local USDA Service Center or county FSA office. More information about the 2002 Farm Bill issues is available at <http://www.usda.gov/farmbill/>.

Designation By Landowner Method

The designation by landowner method of dividing a farm is the division of contract acres, allotments, or quotas in the manner AGREED to by all parent farm owner(s) and farm purchasers or transferees. Sellers must have owned the farm for three years prior to the date of designation by landowner method. The County Committee may waive the 3-year ownership requirement of either of the following apply:

- COC determines the sale was not primarily to keep or sell allotments or contract acres.
- Land sold will be devoted to nonagricultural, recreational, residential or industrial use.

The designation by landowner method may be used when any of the following apply:

- Part of a farm or tract is sold or ownership is transferred.
- An entire farm or tract is sold 2 or more persons.
- Farm or tract ownership is transferred to 2 or more persons.

With the designation by landowner method the 1,000 pound rule also applies when there is a change in ownership. Thus, if a resulting farm has less than 1,000 pounds of tobacco quota the owner shall either:

- Purchase additional quota to make 1,000 pounds.
- Sell the quota.
- Combine the quota with another farm to make 1,000 pounds. An FSA-155, Request for Farm Reconstitution shall be signed by ALL sellers, buyers and if applicable, the holder or the deed of trust, lien holder or mortgage holder, state or county.

County Committee Election Coming Soon

As of August 1st the local FSA office began accepting nominations for the upcoming election to begin December 2, 2002. Committee members are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA. The COC members help run FSA farm programs at the local level. Farmers who serve on committees help decide the kind of programs counties will have and how they will run. They make FSA agricultural programs fit the needs of local producers.

Nomination forms must be received in the local FSA office by October 28, 2002.

Farm Changes

Producers who have purchased or sold land should inform the FSA office of the change. A copy of the deed or land contract sales is required to update FSA records with correct

ownership. Producers are also reminded to inform the FSA office of any change of address.

Livestock Compensation Program (LCP)

On September 29, Secretary Veneman announced the 2002 Livestock Compensation Program. This program will provide assistance to certain livestock producers experiencing severe 2002 crop year feed and pasture losses due to drought. The program is available only in counties named as primary counties under a Secretarial disaster designation by a Governor. At this time Rockcastle County is NOT one of those counties.

Important Program Dates
October 1, 2002 - Signup for DCP crop year 2002 and 2003 begins. Farm Storage Facility Loan Program signup continues.

Conservation Reserve Program signup continues.

April 1, 2003 - Ending date for owners to select base and yield options.

June 2, 2003 - Signup for the 2002 and 2003 DCP ends.

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November 5th General Election - Non-Partisan

My message is clear, simple and to the point. I have enjoyed these 14 years working for the people in Mt. Vernon and Rockcastle County. If I could help anyone, I have always tried. Now it's time to get down to the business of looking ahead to the next four years. I'm now asking you to help me. If you feel like I'm trustworthy, able to meet the challenges that the next Mayor will face, experienced and knowledgeable of what city law is and how it works according to law, that I will continue working diligently and provide the needed services all over Mt. Vernon and believe that I will allow our Industrial Development Board to work with me to bring more and better jobs to our county, make improvements and expansions to our sewer plant, and, install equipment and add personnel to our water treatment plant to secure safe drinking water, that I will bring our city audits that haven't been done since 1992 up to date and will go from there to see what has to be done—then you should go to work to see that I'm your next Mayor!

I won't take your tax dollars, spend it without anything to show for it and turn around and tell you they have to be raised. No! No!

I encourage everyone who hasn't decided who they're for yet to ask yourself: Do I want Mt. Vernon to be a brighter place, to live, work, or raise my family? The future can be bitter or sweet.

All votes add up. Can you afford not to vote on November 5, 2002 Non-Partisan City Election?

All your support and encouragement is genuinely appreciated. If you can vote - please do November 5th.

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Mt. Zion Church joins the operation Clean the Rock

Members of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church spent several hours Saturday cleaning the country road that leads to their church. In joining the Economic Task Force for clean-up and beautification, the church has shown their interest in cleaning up the litter that has been carelessly tossed in their area. They have also demonstrated the true COMMUNITY SPIRIT that is needed at this time if we are to make our community a better place to live and work.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church is one of our oldest community churches located on the hillside, past the Renfro

Valley Lake. It was built in 1867 and at present has an average attendance of about 40 members. They have recently finished new landscaping and blacktopping of their parking lot. Although the church has experienced several breaking-in and vandalism problems, it has not diminished their spirit or their desire to continue to do the work that is before them.

The beautification task force commends this small congregation for their contribution in making Rockcastle County a more attractive community and also for being able to let their light shine brightly for the past 135 years.



Mt. Zion Church pastor Arthur Bengel and members Terry Osborne, John E. Holbrook, Damon McGuire and son Devon McGuire made a difference in their cleanup of the roadside that was trashed with litter.

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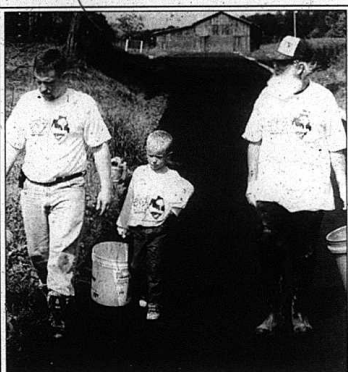
WHEN: Saturday, October 19, 10:00 AM

WHERE: Brodhead, IGA

Come and support the Lady Rockets!



Devon McGuire, who is only five years old, is learning a wonderful lesson in what it means to care for the things we have all been blessed with. The beautiful hillsides and roadways that we take for granted cannot continue to be a dumping ground for our cans, bottles and fast food wrappers. Tossing out your litter is just not the "in" thing to do. Good job Devon. Now if we can just start educating all your little friends and peers, maybe they can influence the adults.



Damon and Devon McGuire and magistrate John Holbrook ending a successful and rewarding cleanup project. They challenge everyone in our community to grab a bucket and to Clean the Rock and Keep It Clean.

Pick a Pumpkin

By: Hazel Jackson
County Extension Agent for
Family and Consumer Sciences



If you enjoy the fall season, this is a great time of year to pick a pumpkin. The sight of all those orange ovals out in a field can really put you in a fall frame of mind. Several Rockcastle County farmers grow pumpkins. Take your family to a farm to select one or look for Kentucky-grown pumpkins at farmer's markets and groceries. For an easy dinner side dish, cut a medium sized pumpkin in half, discard seeds and cut into wedges. Peel the wedges and place them in a baking dish with small amounts of brown sugar, cinnamon, and butter. Bake at 400 degrees for about an hour for a delicious, nutritious fall

taste. Here is a tasty and easy pumpkin dip that's perfect for fall get-togethers:

Pumpkin Dip

2 8-oz pkgs cream cheese, softened
1 can (15 oz) pumpkin or 1 1/4 cups of cooked pumpkin
2 cups sifted powdered sugar
1 tsp ground cinnamon
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Beat cream cheese and pumpkin in large mixer bowl until smooth. Add powdered sugar, cinnamon and ginger; mix thoroughly. Cover; refrigerate for 1 hour. Serve as a dip or spread with fresh fruit, ginger snaps, or vanilla wafers.

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Berea, KY - Les Hefler, General Manager for Berea Ford has just announced plans to hold a used car and truck event with used cars and trucks starting at seventy-seven dollars and up this Saturday, October 19, 2002. According to General Manager, Les Hefler, sales from the last few months have resulted in a surplus of used cars, trucks and lease returns. "In the last few months we have taken in trades at a tremendous rate. Now we need to reduce the number of cars and trucks in our used car inventory. During this seventy-seven dollar sale every used car and truck will be sold for hundreds to thousands below the original price and were even going to sell a pre-owned vehicle for \$77.00." Les Hefler said, "Our customers should find these prices as low as auction prices in many cases."

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Retreat center gets help for new log cabin

By: Shirley Cox
Framing a log cabin in Rockcastle County wilderness may seem an unusual way to promote cooperation and teamwork within a Cincinnati-based construction company, but that is precisely what happened during a two-day retreat at clefRock Retreat Center in Mt. Vernon, September 7-8.

When two construction companies, JFP and Epic, merged on June 15, Jeff Jacobs, Director of Business Development and a partner in the new company, recognized a merging of two different work crews. While attending his church's family retreat at clefRock this summer, Jacobs heard Bob Fields talking about building a log cabin and decided that this would be a perfect chance to unite the construction crew.

"This is a team building project, a way to give back to clefRock Retreat Center and spend time together," Jacobs said. "Half of us work in the office. This is also a way to find the guys' leadership abilities and get to know each other," he said.

The crew spent the first morning of the retreat in a "Low Ropes" course, led by Lee Bivins, a retired missionary and board member at clefRock. The course uses non-competitive games to encourage unity, problem solving and working together, the kinds of issues one encounters in the work place on a daily basis. Bivins has been teaching Ropes classes for five years, the same

course that Toyota uses as a training tool. The crew's goal was to frame the cabin, located 1 1/2 mi. from the main retreat center, within two days. The cabin is being built of pine logs, 10 in. wide and 6 in. thick, salvaged from trees killed by the Southern Pine Beetle. The logs were milled by Bob Fields and hauled to the top of a mountain that Fields calls a "near little knoll." The 20 x 36 ft. cabin will have a living room, two bedrooms, two baths, a front porch and a back one that overlooks the Rockcastle River.

"This will be a place for people to come to meditate and pray, a place for the second half of prayer," Fields said. "All communication is stimulus and response. Prayer is communication with God. We do a lot of stimulus, begging or telling God, but this is not completed until we stop and listen for His response. This will be a place of rest, for being quiet and listening," he said.

The second day of cabin building, Giuseppe Bellavuto, a Project Manager who normally divides his time between office work and on-site management, said, "It has been a wonderful experience. I think we have found that everybody can be a leader. Everyone can work inside or outside. Everyone can take someone else's place. It's nice to get away from the other distractions and concentrate on one thing instead of five jobs at once," he said.

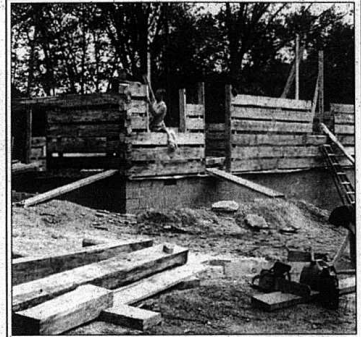
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ates a private counseling practice, "Roots and Wings Counseling" with offices at clefRock and London, Ky. But for a man of vision, it seemed the completion of a log cabin away from all activity offered a fresh new joy. As he watched the men lifting the logs into place, he grinned and lifting a hammer, said, "My grandpa's hammer."

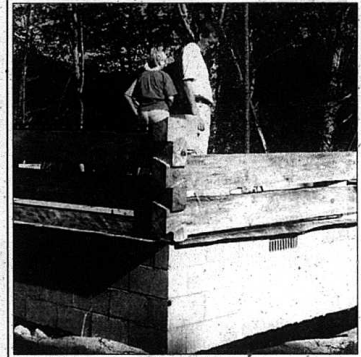
The construction crew plans to complete the building project by ensuring by lending a hand in the future. "Hopefully, this is a project that we can come back and see to the finish," Jacobs said. In a short time, I feel like I know these guys better."



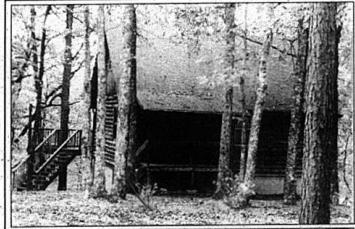
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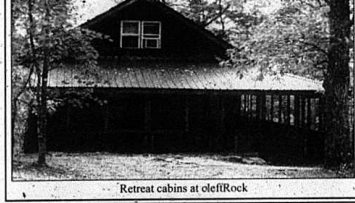
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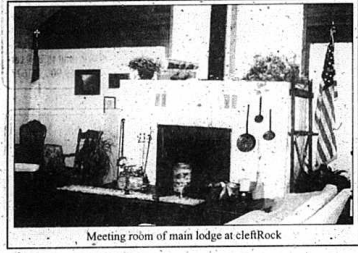
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Bob Fields hauling logs for log cabin



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In and Around Mt. Vernon

By Vallie Burdon

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Renner of Ohio visited her mother, Ora York recently.

Those helping Ora York celebrate her 82nd birthday at the home of William and Mary Taylor were Steve, Lisa and son, Christopher Hoffman of Fairfield, Ohio. Eliza York and daughter, Rachel, Albert York, Shannon and Jennifer York, all of Mt. Vernon, Kevin and Carly York, Mark and Vickie McClure and daughter, Nicole of Broadhead, Harold and Viola Robinson of Sycamore Township, Ohio.

Mr. Floyd Stokes is on the sick list. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Dale Pretry of Somerset visited their mother, Vallie Burton on Sunday.

Roger Hasty of Elizabethton spent the weekend with his grandmother, Dorothy Hasty.

Michael Holland and friend, Kris, of Washington State visited his grandmother, Patricia Holland last week.

Michael Holland and Kris and Patricia Holland visited the horse park at Lexington last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Eaton and sons, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby White in Harlan.

David Holland of Colorado spent a few days with his mother, Patricia Holland and sister, Linda Eaton and family.

David Holland and mother, Patricia Holland were at London last Thursday.

Julie Coulter and son, Benny, spent Wednesday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Eaton, II.

Michael Holland and Kris, Mark and Elizabeth Eaton and David Eaton were at the Mammoth Cave last Friday.

Michael Holland and Kris and Patricia Holland had dinner with John and Lora Eaton on Thursday night.

Sunday's dinner guests of Mr. and

Mrs. Johnny Eaton, II were Ruthetta Mink and son, Greg and Patty and Darrell and Karen Mink. Patricia Holland, David Holland, Michael Holland and Kris.

Mt. Vernon Personals

By Marie McKinney

Recent visitors of C.S. and Marie McKinney were their daughter, Mrs. Sharon Lovins; their grandson, Jack Lovins; great granddaughter, Samarah Lovins; also Jack's girlfriend, Ann Jackson and girls, Alexis and Marissa; their grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovins, Jr.; great grandson, Dalton Blake of Eubank and Mrs. Eunice Craft and granddaughters, April, Courtney and Alicia.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kirby visited his mother, Mrs. Bessie Kirby on Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C.S. McKinney visited Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Brown in Broadhead while Wednesday morning.

Floyd and Myrtle Kirby and C.S.

and Marie McKinney had breakfast at Hardee's together Friday morning. Our deepest sympathy is extended to all who have lost loved ones recently. May God bless each and everyone.

Mrs. Marie McKinney and daughter, Sharon Lovins visited Marie's son, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKinney and family, also her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Renner and family in Reading, Ohio last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. C.S. McKinney visited their grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovins, Jr. and great grandson, Dalton Blake of Eubank also C.S.'s niece, Mrs. Oma Vaughn of Woodstock recently.

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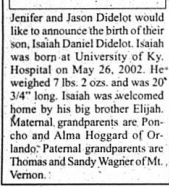
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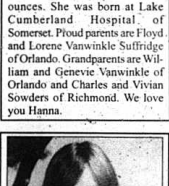
Janifer and Jason Didelot would like to announce the birth of their son, Isaiah Daniel Didelot. Isaiah was born at University of Ky. Hospital on May 26, 2002. He weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs. and was 20 3/4" long. Isaiah was welcomed home by his big brother Elijah. Maternal grandparents are Ponso and Alma Hogard of Orlando; Paternal grandparents are Thomas and Sandy Wagner of Mt. Vernon.



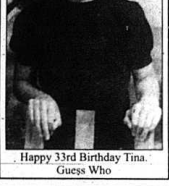
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Robyn and Casey Suffridge welcomed their baby sister, Hanna Grace Suffridge on July 2, 2002. She weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces. She was born at Lake Cumberland Hospital, of Somerset. Proud parents are Floyd and Lorene Vanwinkle Suffridge of Orlando. Grandparents are William and Genevieve Vanwinkle of Orlando and Charles and Vivian Sowers of Richmond. We love you Hanna.



Happy 33rd Birthday Tina. Guess Who



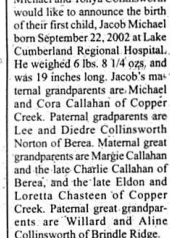
Late but not forgotten, Happy 36th Birthday Tam. Guess Who



Sasha Elaine Bullock celebrated her 12th birthday in Berea, Sunday, Oct. 13 with her friends. Love, Granny Doc



Jacob Michael Collinsworth Sept. 22, 2002 6 Lbs. 8.25 Oz.



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Pastor Appreciation

In appreciation of our pastor and his wife, Bro. Joe and Sister Sandy Vanwinkle, we would like to extend our love and appreciation. They are two very special people in the lives of everyone at New Hope. He has been our pastor for the past few years and it is our prayer that he will be our pastor for years to come. We all love them so much and appreciate everything they do to help.

Our church has grown so much since God sent Bro. Joe our way, we have seen souls saved, people rededicated their lives. You can feel the good spirit and joy in the good messages that God sends through Bro. Joe.

Bro. Joe and Sandy are always there when someone need them. They make many trips to the hospital to have prayer and spend time with the family. He always has a kind and comforting word for a family who has lost a loved one.

It is easier knowing you have a pastor and wife that feels your pain and loss. We here at New Hope are so thankful that God sent Bro. Joe and Sandy to be our pastor.

Our prayer is that Bro. Joe will be our pastor for years to come, but if God should send him some where else our love and prayers will be with them.

We all still miss Bro. William at church. He passed away a year ago.

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made by anyone other than ourselves. 51x3pd

Notice: Bruce W. Shemakler, will not be responsible for any debts other than my own. 51x6

Notice: It is given that Bobby Sigmund has filed a Final Settlement of his accounts as Executor of the Estate of Lorene Sigmund, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held on October 28, 2002. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 52x3

Notice: It is hereby given that Owen Dillingham, 220 Lovell Lane, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456 has been appointed executor of the Estate of Merica Dillingham on the 18th day of September, 2002. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Owen Dillingham or to John Clontz, Attorney-at-Law, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456. 1x3pd

Notice: It is hereby given that Marvin E. Owens, P.O. Box 658, Brodhead, KY 40409 has been appointed executor of the Estate of Margaret McClure on the 30 day of Sept. 2002. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Marvin E. Owens or to Jeffrey T. Burdette, PO Box 1250, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456, on or before March 30, 2003. 1x3

Notice: It is given that Alecia Ann Mason has filed a Final Settlement of her accounts as Administratrix of the Estate of Alecia Bond, deceased. A hearing on said settlement will be held on November 4, 2002. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed before said date. 1x2

Notice: It is hereby given that Melinda Isaacs, 169 Oscar Isaacs Road, Berea, KY 40403 has been appointed executrix of the Estate of Marshall Whittemore on the 14th day of October, 2002. Any person having claims against said estate shall present them according to law, to the said Melinda Isaacs or to Steven Commelino, PO Box 1077, Berea, KY 40403 on or before April 14, 2003. 2x3

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**Chase Manhattan Bank
USA, N.A.** Plaintiff

v.

**Shonda Nicole Singleton,
Randy Lee Singleton and
Commonwealth of Kentucky
County of Rockcastle** Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to a judgment and order of sale entered in this action on September 27, 2002, for the purpose of satisfying the judgment against the defendants in the amount of SIXTY ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 01/100 (\$61,344.01), plus interest, costs and attorney fees. I will offer at public auction the hereinafter described real property in Rockcastle County, Kentucky.

At the Courthouse on East Main Street
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky
on Thursday, October 24, 2002
Beginning at the Hour of 2:00 p.m.

Said property being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on an 18' x 1/2" rebar with a yellow plastic survey cap denoted "B.L. Price, L.S. 2469," said rebar being set within the center Southeast right of way of Hwy. 1016, 1249, a new corner with the aforesaid grantor herein, Nona McCarron, DB 145, Pg. 390-394; thence leaving said Hwy. R/W and running the next three (3) miles being new lines with said grantor (1) S67°45'38"E 379.33' to an L.P. (2) S 132°28'30" W 179.98' to an L.P. (3) N 81°30'23" W 130.28' to an L.P. set within aforesaid R/W of Ky. 1249; thence leaving said McCarron lines and with said last said Hwy. R/W N 23°00'22" E 208.85' to the point of beginning, containing 0.499 acre, as surveyed by Bradley L. Price, L.S. No. 2449, Kentucky.

Also, a 2001 Fleetwood Stoneridge manufactured home, VIN: 1N12F27A855559-5R13

Being the same real property which Randy Lee Singleton and Shonda Nicole Singleton obtained by deed dated May 4, 2000, and recorded in Deed Book 179, page 435 and by Deed of Correction dated May 18, 2000 and recorded in Deed Book 179, page 579 both in the Office of the Rockcastle County Clerk.

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

- The property and mobile home shall be sold together.
- The real property shall be sold for cash or upon a credit of thirty (30) days with the purchaser required to pay a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in cash on the date of sale and to secure the balance with a bond approved by the Master Commissioner.
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- Unpaid taxes or liens of record at the time of entry of judgment shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale.
- The purchaser shall pay the 2002 local, county and state property taxes.
- 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.
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RCHS remembers 9/11

BY KYLA FRENCH

September 11 is remembered as one of the worst days in American history. It affected everyone from Mt. Vernon to San Francisco, and schools everywhere, including Rockcastle County High School, commemorated 9/11 with special presentations and moments of silence. The pledge was read, the National Anthem was performed, and even Rockcastle Representative Danny Ford visited RCHS.

"When I think of 9/11, I think of the greatest tragedy our country has ever encountered," said Rep. Ford. "I do think that America had a strong response, and has a stronger spirit of patriotism and unity."

RCHS teachers involved in the program felt the impact of 9/11 strongly during the presentation.

"People are bonding together like they haven't in years," said Keith Taylor, JROTC instructor. "If Osama bin Laden tried to change our country, he did. But I don't think he likes what he did and he never realized just how strong Americans are and can be."



Audrey Burke
JROTC color guard members Adam Stallworth and Ross McClure presented the nation's colors at the 9-11 remembrance ceremony. In addition to the presentation of colors, the program included guest speaker Representative Danny Ford.

The RCHS chorus also sang several patriotic songs during the program.

"It [9/11] woke America up," said choir instructor Letha Hembry. "We were very happy to perform, and our thoughts and prayers are with the families."

Students are also feeling the impact of 9/11 throughout their lives.

"It was tragic," said Courtney Hale, who sang her rendition of "God Bless the USA" at the program. "I'm glad the school took time to think about it and I realize we shouldn't take anything for granted."

Students are also thankful that the program was held in honor of 9/11.

"I think it was great that the whole school got together to remember September 11," said sophomore Surprise Stallworth.

Sophomore Ben Graves added, "It was very informative and appropriate for the time."

Nametags intended as help, not a hindrance

BY KYLA FRENCH

Everyone has been left behind with the introduction of new teacher nametags at RCHS. Since they arrived in early September, teachers have been bombarded with questions about why they have them, why they wear them, and what purpose they serve. Most teachers can't even answer their students' questions.

Principal John Hale says the nametags were brought in to identify staff to visitors and freshmen, but the main reason they were distributed was for visitors to the building at after-school activities.

"They need to know who's trustworthy in the building," says RCHS staff member Myrna Childress. "It's a good security precaution."

Hale also says there are no guidelines for wearing the nametags.

"It's completely voluntary," he said. "I do encourage it, though."

However, there are some problems with the new nametags. Most teachers say they are uncomfortable and can get in the way of their classroom routine. Teacher Polly Abney and Library Media Specialist Janet Wells say they can't wear them.

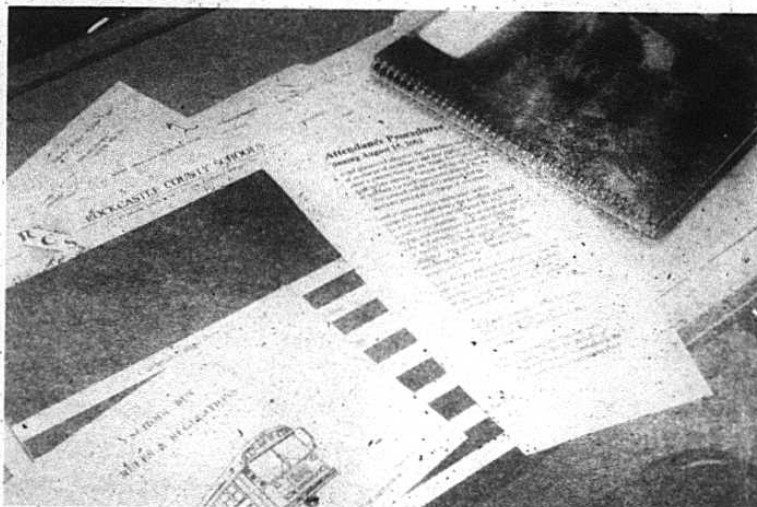
"I have to use a set of several keys which I carry on my necklace. There's no room to put the nametag," said Abney.

Freshmen also say they didn't need the nametags.

"I already know who most of the teachers are," said freshman Michaela Bryant. "The ones I didn't know I figured out on my own."

See NAMETAGS
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School Days at RCHS



Audrey Burke

The first day can best be summed up with one word--forms. Bus information, lunch forms, crisis forms, student information forms...However, change always comes with the beginning of the new school year. This year it came in the form of a new attendance policy.

Teens being deprived at RCHS

BY KYLA FRENCH

For some students, school has become a dream...literally. Snoring has become a common occurrence in RCHS classrooms, even when the classes are engaging and interesting.

Some classrooms even appear to be a war zone. Students are falling left and right, but they're not wounded, they just need more sleep.

RCHS could easily put an end to this distraction by moving our starting time to a later hour. Even a move from 8:10AM to 9:00AM would give students at least another half hour of sleep.

Many students and teachers say we would be dismissing too late in the afternoon, but I haven't spoken to anyone who is a morning person. If you're a night owl anyway, this change should help you, not hurt you.

Students also say their extra-curricular activities would be held too late. Flag team, chorus, band, weightlifting (used for football and basketball), and ROTC all have classes. All the school would need to do is provide a time for the academic team, cheerleading, dance team, and a few other extra-curricular activities to practice in the morning. I'm not suggesting we abolish after school practices. Those practices are what helps to make our school one of the top in sports. However, if we moved up our starting time, these activities could easily hold their practices in the morning.

Teens are also at a health risk if they are deprived of sleep. Teenagers keep busy schedules anyway,

and the school is part of that reason. According to WebMD, teens need from 9 to 10 hours of sleep per night, and we are naturally inclined to go to sleep later. To achieve this, if a student gets up at 6:00 like myself, they would have to go to sleep at 9:00. Teenagers nor adults do this naturally. Not getting enough sleep can affect teens mood

and performance throughout the day.

WebMD also says that over 55% of car accidents happen to people under the age of 26. Sleep deprivation is believed to have played a major role in these accidents.

Wrecks in the school parking lot and on Hwy 461 have already been an issue in these first months of school. If the school system does not act soon, accidents among our students may increase, not only on school grounds, but everywhere. Teens grades may also begin to drop, eventually affecting their scores on the CATS assessment. This will end up costing the school money, among other things.

RCHS is putting not only our grades at stake, but our lives as well. By moving up our starting hour, we may even relieve Mr. Barnett from the use of his dreaded "bell" (For those fortunate few who don't know what the "bell" is, it is a large tube that upon striking your desk when you have fallen asleep causes a ringing sensation in your ears for several days.)

Hitting the snooze-button should be an event for the home, not for the school.

RCHS could end the problem of dozing students by having a later start time.

FYI—What's on the RCHS calendar?					Oct. 11 Rockets Vs. Perry Central	12	13
14 Volleyball District Week	15 Academic Meet— Wayne County	16 Finals 1 st & 3 rd blocks A/A	17 Finals 2 nd & 4 th blocks	18 Rockets at Knox Central	19	20	
21 Volleyball Regionals	22 Cross Country @ Mercer Co.	23 Kentucky Opera Don Pasquale	24 REPORT CARDS IN THE MAIL!!	25 Rockets at Cawood	26 ACT!!	27	
28	29 SBDM Council	30	31 Happy Halloween	Nov. 1 Rockets Vs. Bell Senior Night	2	3	
4 No School!	5 Election Day!! No School!	6	7	8	9	10	

Only 31 school days remaining 'til Christmas Break

What issues concern you? Are there problems or concerns you have that you think should be addressed? Do so...in a Letter to the Editor! All letters must be sent to Ms. Norton in Room 116. They must be signed before they can be included in the paper. Remember, you have a voice; *The Rocket* is your place to let it be heard.

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It Rocks...

- ~ Class rings!
- ~ The Young Republicans club.
- ~ Getting home earlier because of the new exit.
- ~ Having a four day weekend.
- ~ Halloween!

It Reeks...

- ~ None of them fit.
- ~ There's no Young Democrats club.
- ~ You have to start your homework earlier.
- ~ The school considers it Fall Break.
- ~ Being too old to trick-or-treat.

Down the Hall

What's your biggest pet peeve and why?



"People driving in the fast lane, slow, because they're slowing me up and I am always in a hurry."
-Jessie Mahaffey
RCHS staff member

"Stephen Boreing, and all his lady friends."
-Aaron Anderkin,
senior



"FRESHMAN!"
-Jessica F. Riddle,
junior

"Marty, because everything he says and does gets on my nerves."
-Lindsay Thomas,
sophomore



"People chewing loud, like with their mouth open."
-Matthew Bray
freshman

"And you'll be with..."

BY AUOREY BURKE

"Why don't you go with this group," says the teacher. Then you hear the muffled "Yes, all right, we got the smart kid," from the class clowns. It is an ambitious, studious student's worst nightmare.

Group work has reached the point where it actually instills fear into many hard working pupils. In my experience, as a dutiful student I am part of a minority. That minority has often been expected to lead the crowd academically. Part of those expectations is captaining a group during collaborative learning. Many times I have been set in a group of students who aren't interested in their work, sometimes not even their lives. As a leader I have been left to delegate assignments, ensure everyone is working, and do all the jobs no one else wants.

Personally, I am fed up with picking up everyone else's slack and then having them succeed because of the one or two members that worked. On the other hand, the kids who didn't work have brought down everyone's score enough to make the working members dissatisfied with the score.

I realize that teachers have been

trying to cut down on one student having to do everything by giving group members the opportunity to assess each other. As much of a needed step as that is, it doesn't solve the problem. There won't be much of an impact on a negligent member's score if one caring student is the only student of the group who is giving the realistically deserved score based on effort and quality of work. So, as much as I applaud that improvement I believe that there is still room for more.

One teacher stated that sometimes a teacher will place industrious students with apathetic ones in hopes that it will provide a positive influence.

Well, as nice as that sounds in theory, as a student put into such precarious situations myself I can tell you it rarely works out. People aren't going to do what they don't feel motivated to do.

There are many teachers who realize this and take measures to ensure students get fair grades.

"Sometimes I'll put kids together that I know won't work so somebody has to step-up," says history teacher Adam Coleman. Measures such as these are a promising step.

Also, I know that in pairing a weaker student with a strong one isn't the same thing as being forced to work with someone who is completely uncooperative. I am happy to work with anyone who is willing to prove to me that they will pull their own weight in a group and want to learn. I will gladly help those who want to learn and will put forth the effort to do so. In many classroom setups I understand that this is often desirable.

What I want stopped is the intentional pairing of dedicated students with those who are indifferent. It hurts much more than it helps. In the real world if you don't hold your own then you have to pay the consequences, and school should be no different.

The best solution I believe would be to let students choose their own groups. That way those who don't care don't have to drag the rest of us down with them. Teachers should still be able to ensure that students who are willing and need special help get it, but those who are capable and just too lazy to care can either change or accept the consequences of their own actions.

Who do YOU take for granted?

BY PAULA ROWLAND

Taking someone for granted doesn't happen on purpose, it just happens. It's human nature. As I have been told throughout my life. It's not like we mean to do it, we just naturally think that someone is always going to be there. It's a feeling only felt. Ninety-nine percent of the time we don't realize we are taking someone for granted...until it's too late. But in my case, it was just in time.

When I was in seventh grade, it seemed as if everything was changing. I was trying to learn how to deal with all of the new things happening in my life, but it seemed as if the stress just kept piling up on me. I never had time to myself because school and chores began to take up all of my days and I began to pity myself. I truly believed that life could not get any worse. Then it did.

My mom had been going back and forth to the hospital to have different tests run on her to tell us just what was making her so sick. On an early spring evening, my Aunt Linda called and told us that my mom was at my grandmother's house. They had finally received the tests results.

My heart seemed to just lay in my throat during the ten minute ride to Granny's house. All along the way, my brother was reassuring me everything would be okay. Usually, I was the calm one, but on that day, it was different.

When we arrived, Linda met my brother and I at the door to take us inside as my dad sat down on the porch swing beside my mom. The sight of sadness upon Linda's face engulfed me as I walked inside.

She sat my brother and me down on the couch and slowly began telling us what the tests were trying to confirm—that my mom had cancer.

"The doctors didn't say absolutely for sure that she has it, but they said they weren't doubting it either. They want us to be prepared for the worse, but I promise we'll make it through this," Linda said shakingly, but softly.

It began then. The realization that any moment my mom could leave me and that it would last forever. Test after test was performed on her as she was prepared for surgery. I never knew fear until then, the day of the surgery. One wrong

move and I could lose her. My mommy, my comforter, my hero, my all...gone.

We prepared for the worst that was never even there. It was a misdiagnosis, cancer never existed, it was just a cyst.

The relief! After months of sleepless nights and tear-stained pillows, she had always been okay! My mom had never had cancer and even though we are still, to this day, living with the effects of that horrible misdiagnosis, it could have happened. God could have told her that it was time for her to go.

Now, my entire outlook on life is different. Everyday, no matter where I am, I notice people who are taking someone for granted. Whether it be a parent, a girlfriend or boyfriend, a friend, a family member, or even a pet, realize you have no control over how long they are going to be here.

You never know when you're not going to get a second chance and you never know when that second chance will be your last. So say what is on your mind, say what is in your heart. You never know when your privilege of having them in your life...will be taken away.

Youth Service Center offers counseling, other services

BY PAULA ROWLAND

Freshmen aren't the only ones this year walking around Rockcastle County High asking where and what each room is. One of the most often heard questions in the halls is, "What is the room beside the doors next to the bathroom next to the agriculture hallway across from the vending machines used for?"

Confusing, huh?

The room everyone is talking about belongs to Mrs. Jill Ponder and the Youth Services Center. Students pass by it each and every day without even thinking twice about who is inside or what they do.

"We call this room the everything room," said YSC advisor Jill Ponder. "Any of the students that walk down these halls can come and visit us. We are here to do anything from fixing ripped pants to filling out papers and making home visits."

Ponder has a degree in counseling, and works with students as well as teachers.

"Sometimes someone has a problem within a relationship and we try to give them advice. We can help anyone with anything," she says.

If someone needs to talk about family problems, drug or alcohol questions, or even social problems, we help them."

According to Ponder, YSC's primary goal is "to help the students to achieve in the classroom. Whatever they need, we help them with it."

YSC's motto, "If We Can't Help You, We Know Someone Who Can," leads students to trust the YSC and go to them in a time of need.

"Some students are just having a really bad day and they need to come in here and de-stress or relax for a little while. If that is what they need to be happy or to have a better day, we do whatever we can to give them that."

Ponder was surprised at the thought that not many students knew of the YSC.

"Students come in here all of the time. We can't really do an individual thing every day because then we wouldn't be able to help them all. If we really feel that we need

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Not so new faces join RCHS staff

BY JESSICA DENNY

The month of August brings with it the smell of new text books, all the new fashions, freshmen, and new teachers. However, this year brought some familiar faces to the RCHS teaching staff.

RCHS chorus members are beginning to find their voices with their new teacher Mrs. Letha Hembrey. She came to RCHS from the middle school, but this isn't the first time she has taught at a high school.

She enjoyed her last high school teaching experience and decided to give it another chance. She obviously enjoys the high school as she jumped head first into teaching. Some students claim she's already helped them.

"She's working independently with people more, and she's now interpreting people's voices into one," said freshman Samantha Anglin, a former middle school chorus member.

Hembrey compared high school and middle school students behavior.

"High school students tend to be more focused. They generally are more mature and more responsive to questions."

Hembrey also teaches History of Visual and Performing Arts, a very interactive class.

Junior Abby French said, "She's fun. She dances for us."

Mr. Brandon Hargis also came from the middle school. After returning from a NASA Educator



Jessica Denny

Brandon Hargis, formerly of Rockcastle County Middle School, is one of several new staff members at RCHS.

Workshop in Virginia, Hargis had planned on sharing all that he had learned about aviation and aerospace technology with his sixth grade science class. Plans changed and he is now the 21st Century Program Coordinator for 2002-2003.

In gaining Hargis the 21st Century program lost Mrs. Trina Bustle who had directed the program for two years.

Job security played an important factor in Bustle's return to the classroom.

"After this year there may not be a 21st Century Program or an open math position," said Bustle who teaches intergrated math classes.

Another familiar face is Mr. Shane Shoemaker. He was a student teacher last year for English teacher Nancy Bussell, but he is now on his own.

"Being on my own is different.

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FFA members spend active summer

BY ALLISON ANDERKIN

After this summer, RCHS can definitely have pride in its FFA. They achieved recognition and earned several awards at various competitions this summer.

From July 8-12, 14 members attended FFA camp in Hardinsburg, where they learned valuable social and leadership skills for the upcoming year. Chapter members attended officer classes such as communication skills, hunter safety and ethics, photography, and tractor driving.

Leadership and outstanding leadership awards were given to 10% of the campers. Junior Heather Adams, as well as sophomores Daniel Bustle and Matthew Whitaker, received leadership awards, while senior Bryanna Bussell received an outstanding leadership award.

Whitaker also participated in the Camp Quiz Contest and came out

as the winner for the fifth week. Jamey Robinson also won the Camp Talent Show singing Bob Seger's "Turn the Page." This was the first ever winner from Rockcastle.

After FFA camp, many members competed at the Kentucky State Fair in mid-August. Matthew Faulkner, Adams, Nathan Doan, and Jeff McLemore, all juniors, finished third in tobacco grading, while Whitaker, Daniel Bustle, Mark Dyehouse, and Adams placed twentieth out of sixty teams in Dairy Judging. Robinson also competed in nursery judging.

Rockcastle's FFA also made a big show from June 5-7 at the KY FFA State Convention. There, last year's seniors Brad Bussell, Eric Adams, and Amber Thacker were all state winners.

Bussell was first in Sheep Impromptu while Eric Adams and

Thacker both finished second in Agriculture Sales Placement and Small Animal Impromptu. Adams will be representing Kentucky at the national competition.

What exactly is impromptu? According to FFA President Bryanna Bussell, participants are given three topics to choose from and based on the information that they know they choose what to write a speech on. They are allowed 15 minutes to write at least a 4 minute speech.

"It is so hard it made me cry once, but I still won," says Bussell.

From the meetings and competitions it is obvious that the officers are friends and seem to know what it takes to run a good chapter.

"If we work hard and together we will be one of the best in the state," said Bussell.

New rules enforced for laptop, camera check-outs

BY AUDREY BURKE

"What are these for?"

"I want one."

"I'll put one on myself."

These questions and statements were common among students when they received their new library cards.

What are they all wanting?

The stickers on the back of the card that identifies students who have had training for the digital cameras and laptop computers.

The stickers are part of the new rules that go along with borrowing the equipment.

"It was done to cut down on students disrupting class by taking out the computer and trying to do stuff with it, or getting out the camera and taking pictures of their friends in class," explained Library Media Specialist Janet Wells. "It also shows that students have had the training"

Though the stickers are new, some rules have stayed the same, such as completing the required training, treating the equipment with care, and staying off of the Internet.

One new rule specifies when the computers and cameras can be checked out. Lap-tops and cameras may only be checked-out at break; they must be returned to the library on their due date by 8:00 AM.

Fourth grade vocational students may work out borrowing times with Ms. Wells.

Originally lap-tops and cameras could only be checked out on Mondays.

Laptop and digital camera training will be available in the library from 3-5 on Wednesdays.

Students to represent 4-H at nationals

BY ALLISON ANDERKIN

Five FFA members will represent Kentucky at the National 4-H Land Judging contest in Oklahoma City next May.

The following RCHS students were on the senior land judging team that competed at the Kentucky State Fair in mid-August.

They placed as follows: junior Jameson Cable, third; sophomore Matthew Whitaker, fourth; sophomore Brandon Cole, eighth; junior Andrew Nelson, thirteenth, and sophomore Bill Burdett, twentieth.

"We are only allowed to go once, so we are pretty excited about nationals," says Cable. "Plus we get to miss a week of school."

Despite struggles, dance team maintains positive outlook

BY BRITANY CROMER

At football games, basketball games, pep rallies, they're everywhere! They are the RCHS Dance team, and this year there are problems behind the scene. They lost half of their members since May.

Ms. Dawn Stallsworth, who took over the dance team this year, is dealing with the team's struggles very strongly.

"We want to build the dance team up for upcoming years," said Stallsworth.

She hopes that the team, mostly underclassmen, will stay together until their senior year and will improve by working as a team, but she is not worried. She is being optimistic about the situation, and is pushing the girls to do their best.

One way she has tried to strengthen the team is by holding dance clinics to replace members

who quit. During this time a couple of males have attended.

Janelle Jones, a senior and former dance team captain, has performed on the Rockcastle dance teams (both middle and high school) for 6 years and is now with the Somerset All-Stars.

"It just wasn't hard enough," said Jones. In recent years, Jones said that their dances were interesting, fun to watch, and perform. However, this year the dances weren't challenging enough.

"I just don't want to waste my senior year on that."

On the other hand, senior Michelle Rowe, current captain, has a completely different opinion. Rowe wishes that the other members hadn't quit, but is very understanding as to why the girls would have quit. She believes that they

just weren't "satisfied" about the progress of the team, or maybe the coach.

"Ms. Stallsworth makes us work hard. She wants what's best for us, and she really encourages us," said Rowe. She added that she really enjoys having Stallsworth as a coach.

"It's my last year, and I thought I'd stick with it, and see how things turned out," said Rowe. Because she is a senior, the dance team is really important to her, and she is determined to stick with it.

"I hope that we continue to grow as a team," says Rowe. As a whole, she thinks that everything is coming along really well. "I think that the dance team has a real future ahead of them, and I really enjoy it."

BY CHRISTINA AMYX
"VOTE DANNY FORD!"

"GO REPUBLICANS!"

These are common sounds people have been hearing from Rockcastle's new club, Young Republicans.

Many candidates, such as Rep. Danny Ford and County Attorney Jeff Burdette, visited the Young Republicans on club day, September 12.

"This club is for young Republicans that are interested in taking on an active role in their county, state, and national government," said senior Travis Burton, who organized the club.

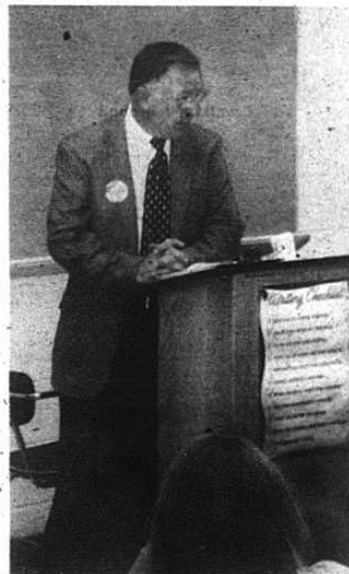
The Young Republicans have already been active in the community long before the first club day.

"We helped at the Brodhead Fair at the Republican's Booth, painted faces at Danny Ford's Ice Cream Social, and we have been attending Republican business meetings," said Burton.

In the future, they plan to have exciting meetings with guest speakers and participate in community events supporting Republican candidates.

The club is still open for new members. Students under 18 must pay \$5 and students 18 or older must pay \$10, if you would like to join see Travis Burton.

Students also maybe hearing the snip, snip of busy scissors coming from Ms. Wanda Burdine's classroom. She's sponsoring the



Christina Amyx
State Representative Danny Ford spoke last month at the first meeting of the Young Republicans.

new organization, Memory Makers.

"Students will make a scrap book, and make keepsake boxes of anything they want to do it on," she said.

However, not only will students be making scrapbooks and keepsake boxes; students will be also doing community service at the Brodhead Nursing Home.

To join M&M students had to complete an application, which was "for me to see if the students are really interested in being in this club," said Burdine.

The deadline for submitting the application was September 10, but students will be able to join next semester.



Provided by Dawn Stallsworth
The RCHS Dance Team cometed at the Kentucky State Fair Aug. 23.

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Homecoming 2002

Even with injuries Rockets hopes are still high

BY ALLISON ANDERKIN

The Rockets defeated the Estill County Engineers 55-16, Friday, September 20, for their first district win of the season.

The Rockets were expected to encounter very little opposition on their way to their fourth win in a row.

Even though Estill County has a second year head coach (Mike Jones) and a new offense, the Rockets' defense was still able to take care of business.

Following the Estill County game, the Rockets had an open week September 27, and it couldn't have come at a better time with all the injuries the Rockets have encountered.

Foremost is the loss of junior lineman Jason Leger who has not seen any action this season because of a broken foot suffered during the Rockets' pre-season training camp week at Jabez. Leger is expected

to be ready for action against Knott Co. Central on October 4.

"Jason Leger can't wait to get back and he will help us tremendously because of his leadership and the fact that he's a darn good player," said assistant coach Chris Larkey.

The most recent loss to the Rockets came at the Lincoln County game when sophomore Max Saylor suffered many injuries in his foot during the scramble for a loose ball after Devon Bussell had picked off a pass against the Patriots. Saylor will be out for the remainder of the season.

Senior quarterback Aaron Anderkin, who was taken to the local hospital with a concussion while playing against Paul Laurence Dunbar, returned to action against Lincoln County, throwing for two touchdown passes which brought his string of games with a touchdown pass to 19.

He can tie former UK and current Cleveland Browns quarterback Tim Couch for the record in the state for most games with a touchdown pass. The Rockets have to get to the state finals again and Anderkin has to complete a touchdown pass there for it to happen. Anderkin is also a candidate for Kentucky's Mr. Football.

Another senior, Marty Reagan, has put up some stellar numbers this season, especially against Dunbar after Anderkin was taken to the hospital.

Both Reagan and Anderkin have been named to the top 25 players in the state by the *Lexington Herald Leader* during this season.

There are other injuries that the team has suffered but has managed to somehow overcome. Benny Northern, Clell Swinney, Cody Alexander, Jacob Taylor, and Graham Faye are just a few of the names that have been on the injured

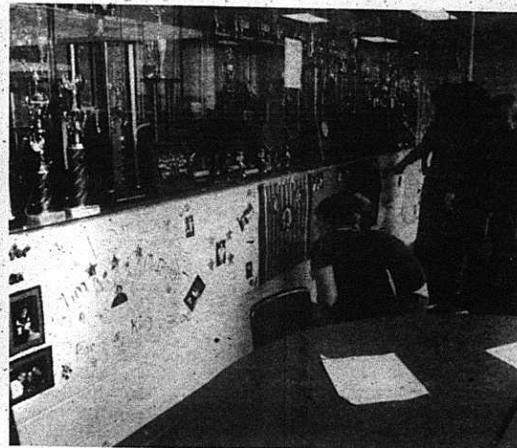
list at some point this year.

The Rockets shouldn't have a problem in district play, with the possible exception of Perry County and Bell Co. who may mount some opposition.

"Bell and Perry Counties are the only teams in the district we really have to worry about, but we do prepare for every single team," says Larkey.

All in all, chances look good for the Rockets to advance in play-off action this year. However, with the Rockets having to go through Lexington Catholic or Covington Catholic and Highlands, the road will be rough.

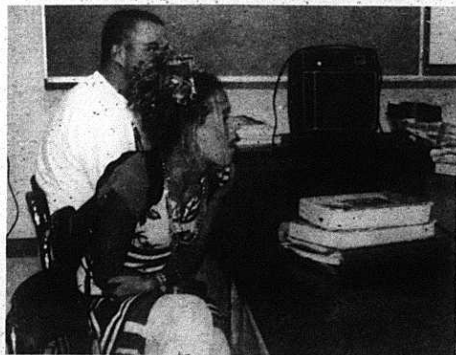
Following the Knott Co. Central game, the Rockets will host Perry Central (Little League Night), travel to Knox Central and Cawood and then host Bell County on November 1 for Senior/Parent Night and the final game of regular season.



Audrey Burke
Students examine the candidates' posters for Homecoming King and Queen. Students voted on the Wednesday before the game.

RCHS Homecoming Queens 1972-2001

1972	1979	1986	1996
Pam Cummins	Cheryl McClure	Sandra Hunter	Amy Whit
1973	1980	1987	1997
Kathy Bussell	Shelia Miller	Julie Dowell	Wendy Hin
1974	1981	1988-89 Not Available	1998
Connie McClure	Vikki King	1990	Jennifer Cro
1975	1982	Lisa Bullock	1999
Shirley Riddle	Jeletta Burdette	1991-92 Not Available	Tara Abne
1976	1983	1993	2000
Nancy French	Jennifer Cox	Natalie Albright	Chelsen Stra
1977	1984	1994	2001
Leigh Anne Hiatt	Michelle Cromer	Lindsey Dowell	Angie Borei
1978	1985	1995	2002
Jennifer Gentry	Sherri Hamm	Jill Cummins	?



Audrey Burke
RCHS Junior Jennifer Kidwell was all decked out for Wacky Tacky Day during Homecoming Week.

FINAL SCORE

Rockets
vs.
Knott Central

71-0



Audrey Burke
Sheena Swinney, a Junior, was named 2002 Football Homecoming Queen and Junior Tim Macintosh was crowned Homecoming King. Due to heavy rains, the ceremony took place inside the middle school cafeteria.

It took thirty years, but RCHS's first Homecoming King awaits his crown

BY PAULA ROWLAND

This fall marks the thirtieth anniversary for a Homecoming Queen at RCHS. In 1972, the first queen was crowned, and thirty years later a king will walk by her side.

Some people think it's way overdue.

"It's about time we [the school] crown a king here," said teacher Polly Abney. "So many people have been trying for so long to get one. We should have had one sooner than this, but I'm glad that we finally have one."

The policy allowing for a Homecoming King was passed at last month's Site Based Decision Making Council meeting, but having a king is a bit unusual for many schools, not just RCHS.

"We have just been following suit with all of the other schools. Not many even acknowledge a Homecoming Queen, let alone a king," said SDBM Council member Connie Riddle. "It's great that we finally have one, but it really isn't that big of a deal."

Senior football player Tanner Abney agrees that a king really wasn't necessary.

"I guess some guys actually look forward to it. The game is more important to me and I am sure a lot of other schools feel the same

way."

Some other changes have also become a part of the preparation for Homecoming. This year, the students and their escorts will be lined-up according to grade level and in alphabetical order. Anyone not running for king or queen will not be permitted to participate. In the past, candidates were required to locate their own escorts.

Some of the candidates aren't certain if they like this new policy.

"I have a boyfriend running for king, but his last name isn't anywhere near mine in the alphabet, so we can't march together," said junior candidate Sheena Swinney, "but I'm still thrilled to be marching in it period."

Though some candidates don't like the new line-up procedure, teachers are a little more positive.

According to Homecoming Coordinator Dana Singleton, it will remove pressure off of the teachers.

"We don't have to worry about who wants to walk with who, or who is going to break up with each other before the event and then not want to walk with each other anymore," she said.

Even with all the changes, she is very excited about this year's run.

"Everyone seems to like the new

idea so that excites me even more!"

Requirements for both king and queen will stay the same as the years before. The only major change is that football players cannot participate in the football homecoming, and basketball players cannot participate in the basketball homecoming.

Senior quarterback Aaron Anderkin isn't bothered by the fact that he isn't allowed to participate in the festivities.

"I mean, I'm in the locker room getting ready for second half so I don't have time to worry about it," he said.

"Most of us guys don't even pay attention to who wins. Aren't the homecoming candidates there because of our game anyway?"

Senior Travis Burton has a different outlook on Homecoming.

"I think it is a positive change for our school and it will hopefully lead to more and bigger things in the future," said Burton, who initiated the change.

"It seemed like no one really cared about the Homecoming events, or who won for that matter, and as former junior class president I noticed we needed to add some excitement so that more people will be involved with our school.

All of the student council members worked very hard over the summer to have this honor now. We have tried in years before, but we never really got anywhere."

Despite any disagreements about the need for a Homecoming King, one opinion has stayed the same between all the male candidates.

Burton laughed at the thought of fighting over this year's crown.

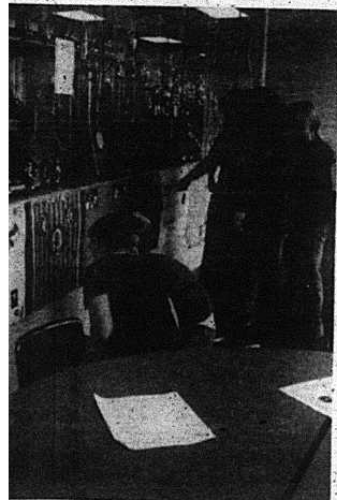
"I'm excited about it of course, but I'm not going to fight over it. Whoever wins, wins because he deserved it. It would be kind of funny if someone did fight over it though."

Junior Timothy McIntosh doesn't expect anyone to come to blows.

"I think it's cool that we have one this year, but I am very doubtful that I'll be fighting over any crown. I am a little bit excited, but really only because I want to see who wins."

Other changes to the Homecoming policy have been rumored, such as a GPA requirement.

"We've brought other ideas before the board, but we're trying to keep this as simple as possible this year," said Singleton. "In the years to come I am sure that there will be more requirements, but this year we are just trying our best."



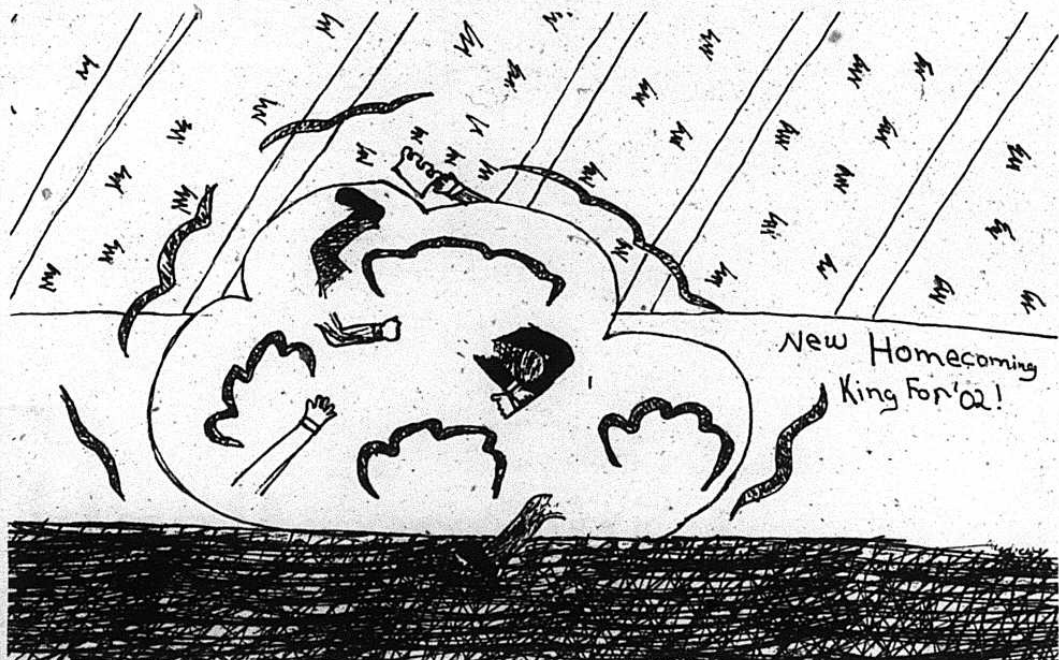
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med 2002 Football Homecoming Queen, crowned Homecoming King. Due to heavy e inside the middle school cafeteria.



Students, teachers join the scrapbooking frenzy

BY KYLA FRENCH

The national pastime used to be known as baseball. However, many people at RCHS may tell you it's a different ballgame. Scrapbooking has taken the field.

Not only does RCHS have the new Memory Makers club, which is dedicated to scrapbooking, but the room is filled by over 25 students.

"I like to scrapbook," says junior Jenna Owens. "I've always been interested in it, and have done it for several years."

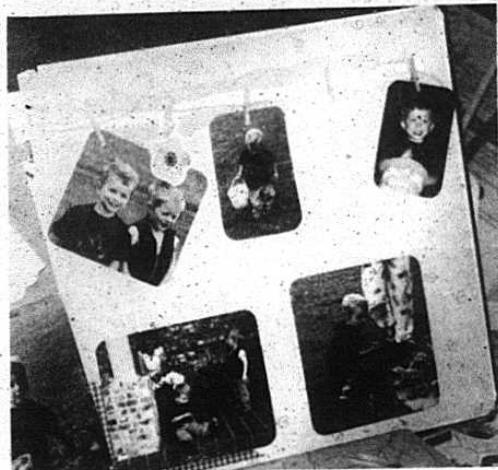
Junior Courtney Parsons says the M&M club finally gives her an outlet for her creativity.

"I've started several scrapbooks before, but I've never had time to finish it," she said.

Students have definitely shown an interest in the hobby, however, it's not only RCHS students that are interested in scrapbooking. The teachers are becoming involved as well.

"I attended a class at the high school not long ago," says French teacher Angie Hendrickson. "I've been hooked ever since."

Hendrickson is so hooked that she scrapbooks everything from her trip to Paris last sum-



mer to things her two year old son does around the house.

There's even more evidence of her scrapbooking addiction. She also attends an all-night scrapbooking event known as CROPS.

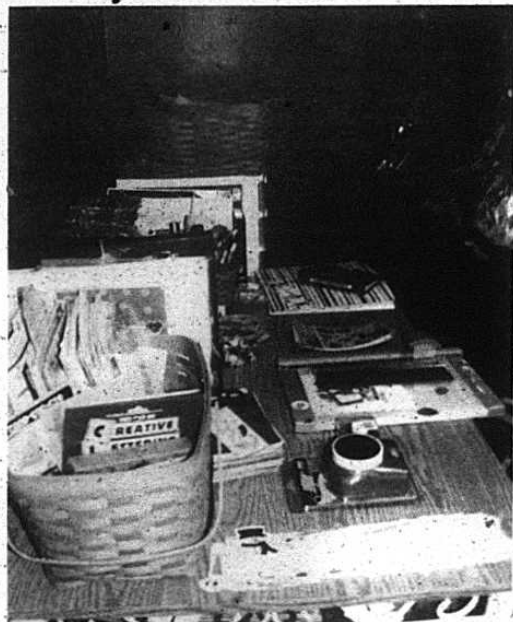
"I even attend weekend retreats," says Hendrickson, who has only been scrapbooking for a year and a half.

There are those students who don't have an interest, some-

thing scrapbook enthusiasts simply don't understand.

"I really think we need to do something about preserving our memories," says Wanda Burdine, M&M sponsor. "Those memories that you don't think are significant right now, you'll wish you'd made document of later."

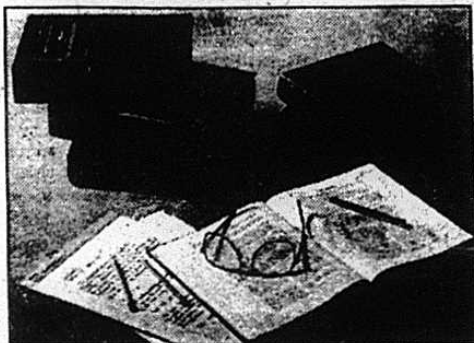
And all it takes is a little glue and some old photographs to make a memory.



Jessica Denny

Baskets overflow with scrapbooking magazines and supplies at French teacher Angie Hendrickson's home in Crab Orchard. She began scrapbooking about two years ago and is currently working on a scrapbook dedicated to her son, Evan.

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RCHS VOLLEYBALL

BY ALLISON ANDERKIN

It's a young sport that most students at RCHS might not be even aware that they have. But, the RCHS Lady Rockets volleyball teams rock the court.

So far this year, the Rockets varsity team is 14 and 3. One of the losses came from the first game of the season against last year's district champion South Laurel when the Rockets lost 2 out of 3 games for the match. On the bright side, in four meetings, this was the first time the Rockets had been able to force three games with the Lady Cardinals.

The second loss was to Barren County, a third year team, in the championship match of the Pulaski County Invitational Tournament. After winning the first game 15-0, a well rested Barren County, who had watched while the Rockets knocked off three straight opponents to get to the championship match, came back to win the second game 15-10 and the third game 18-16.

The Lady Rockets third loss of the season came against the North Laurel Jaguars. This match also went to three games because the Lady Rockets were able to win the first game 16-14, but lost the next two. The other two games jv 1 and 2 were very similar. The Lady Rockets do have a chance to come back for their loss Tuesday October 1, as they travel to the home of the Jaguars for a triple-header.

Junior Courtney Parsons, a defensive specialist on the varsity team, may have said it best when she commented on the program, "For a second year team, we're doing pretty good. Hopefully, we will go pretty far, instead of getting stopped in the first game of regionals as we did last year."



Audrey Burke
Junior Amanda Rogers prepares to spike during a recent volleyball match at RCHS.

The game of volleyball is just as complicated and as much a team sport as basketball. There are setters, inside and outside hitters, and, as mentioned, defensive specialists, a new set of rules, and new expectations.

It takes a lot of hard work and practice to learn all aspects of the game and to win. But, so far the Lady Rockets have earned their wins with a knowledge of the game.

What follows could be considered a primer, a sort of *Volleyball for Dummies*, if you will. Hopefully, it will help you develop your own knowledge of the game, and make it that much more interesting.

Now, what am I supposed to do?:

Each player has a certain position to play, according to their talent as determined by the coach:

During a match, you can spot who plays what position by where they are on the court. Setters are in the front row, extreme left; outside hitters are on the front row, extreme right, and inside hitters are in the middle of the front row. Players in the back row are defense specialist, more commonly known as passers.

Each player fills one of these positions but have to rotate whenever the ball is recovered. That is why you might see players switching positions during the game. Now the question is what do these positions actually do.

The setter runs the court. They always have the second hit and they always determine who is going to spike it by setting it to that person's position and calling their name. There is always constant commu-

nication on the court. Defense specialists are just that. They are the ones who stop the other team from getting a spike down. They protect the court, and back row especially. Outside hitters are spikers on the outside. They tend to spike the ball to the opposite corner of the court. Inside hitters are the tallest and strongest spikers. They also are the ones who block the other teams' spikes.

Sorry, can't do that!:

Of course, the sport has its own set of rules. To begin with, there is both a referee and an umpire. Also, instead of technical fouls, there are yellow and red cards handed out for misconduct. The yellow card serves as a warning and the red card is your official notice to "hit the showers." Also, a team can only score on their serve.

The best of three games constitutes a match and 15 points wins a game. However, a team must win by 2 points, sometimes causing the score to go beyond 15. Also no one but the team's captain is allowed to talk to the officials during a match. A coach nor any other player, parent, or score official cannot. Therefore if a coach has a question they have to go through the team captain.

Also part of the etiquette of the game is that no one in the gym is allowed to make any type of loud or distracting noise when either team is serving.

Who's that guy think he is?:

With a record of 11 wins against just 2 losses, the Rockets are having a successful second year under the direction of new head coach Doug Mullins and his assistant Jill Franklin.

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Blondie's: a small town hit *City by the Sea* a must'sea'

BY JESSICA DENNY

As I stepped through the door all the memories of summer flooded my senses. The bright colors added life to an almost empty parlor, and Betsy, the cashier, greeted me with a smile.

A single dip of raspberry sherbert is all I ordered, but it was enough. It looked like two red baseballs piled on top of each other. The first bite melted in my mouth then slid down my throat. The sweet, tangy taste perked my interest as I indulged myself with another bite.

Getting your money's worth is important to as well as myself. A single dip (two scoops) is \$1.50. The most expensive items are the double dip sundae, the peanut crunch parfait, and the banana split only costing \$3.75.

"At first I thought it would be expensive, but you get your

money's worth," said Sabra Huff, a woman dining at the parlor with her husband.

Blondie's also sells entire cheese cakes \$29.00 and \$3.00 by the slice. Ice cream is sold by the pint and the quart. They also offer other desserts and shakes. They plan on adding coffee, cappucinos, and chocolate covered strawberries for the cold weather.

Blondie's Ice Cream Parlor, owned by Jimmy Upton and located in Berea, next to Mario's Pizza, was named after his daughter's high school nickname.

Blondie's has a drive through window for customers on the go. They are a smoke free store, and only accept cash. So if you want dessert with excellent taste with a family friendly environment Blondie's is the place.

BY KYLA FRENCH

On a cold, rainy night, Joey LaMarca meets with a drug dealer, Picasso, in secret. When Joey tries to hand over his money, Picasso pulls a knife. Trying to save his own life, Joey stabs Picasso and runs. On the other side of town, a police officer is about to hear the news.

Thus begins *City by the Sea*, a tragic, but excellent movie about life, love and politics. The twist is that the police officer is Vincent LaMarca, Joey's father.

Vincent (played by Robert De Niro) divorced Joey's mother not long ago, and Joey (James Franco) has definitely felt the impact. Now living in a slum with his mother, Joey has been led to a life of crime and drug dealing.

Picasso's body is found early the next morning, and the case is handed to Vincent LaMarca. Not soon after, LaMarca gets a call from his estranged son. The first words he has heard from his son in years are, "I didn't do it."

LaMarca tries to hide the fact that his son is even involved, but the police department soon has enough evidence to make Joey a suspect.

While investigating an old neighborhood where it is said Joey may stay in an abandoned building, LaMarca's partner is shot. The cops immediately put the blame on Joey, but they don't know of a man waiting in the shadows trying to ruin Joey's life.

Joey has been framed by a gangster who calls himself "Spyder" (William Forsythe). Spyder has planted a weapon in the abandoned

building. LaMarca tried to convince the police department that his son didn't do it, but they won't listen.

That night there is a knock on his door. It is a young woman who introduces herself as Gina (Elize Dusku), and also introduces LaMarca to his grandson.

This leads to a whirlwind adventure of finding what's really in your heart, and how to use it for the better.

City by the Sea is a must-see for everyone. It's a bit of a 'chick-flick', but there's enough action for the guys too. It scores a 10 on my list.



Robert DeNero and James Franco star in *City by the Sea*. De Nero plays a cop who must capture a criminal, and all the signs point to his son.



Jessica Denny

A seat waits for you at Blondie's Ice Cream Parlor, located next to Mario's Pizza in Berea.

American Film Institute's Top 10 Films

- 1.) Citizen Kane
- 2.) The Rules of the Game
- 3.) Vertigo
- 4.) Eight and a Half
- 5.) Battleship Potemkin
- 6.) Singin' in the Rain
- 7.) The Gold Rush
- 8.) City Lights
- 9.) L'Avventura
- 10.) Shindler's List

What's your favorite movie?

We want to know those movies that make you laugh and cry. Write down your nomination for best movie and send it to Journalism in room 116. It may be number one in the next issue!

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Little League Night is this Friday night at the RCHS and Perry Co. Central football game. The game begins at 7:30. Check out the new football attire (sweatshirts, tee-shirts, sweat pants, etc.) at the Rock Shop to get ready for the home game Friday night.

Congratulations to the RCHS Golf Team on a successful season! Good luck to the Lady Rocket volleyball team as they begin district play next week at North and South Laurel.

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I have to come up with my own lesson plan, my own rules, and decorate my own room," said Shoemaker.

Bussell believes Shoemaker will do a great job being on his own.

"He was very confident. He just took over and was on his own the whole time he did his student teaching."

The first week was difficult with all the administrative things to do, but Shoemaker says it's easier now.

"His dedication is evident, considering he drives 45 minutes a day to get to RCHS. Even though there were no jobs available where he lived, he says that makes no difference.

Shoemaker has also decided to sponsor the Beta Club.

Youth Services has also added help with their new assistant, Myrna Childress. Now that her two sons are on their own, she says that she no longer needs the money her former job at Central Office offered.

Childress did take a pay cut to come here, but it was a time in her life she wanted to come back.

"I don't think of it as going backwards. To me it's doing what I love to do."

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"They are both good, especially to be first year coaches and I think they will do even better next year because there's always room for improvement," says junior Krystal Parsons, captain of the JV 1 team.

Last year's coach Cathy Short installed the new program. During the 2000-2001 school year she taught a class entirely about the game of volleyball then coached the school team the following year. Many of the players, especially varsity, were in this class and truly believe the class was a major contribution to why the ladies have been so successful.

A tough road to regionals:

This year the Lady Rockets are in District 27. There are teams like South Laurel (to whom the Rockets lost the district championship to last year), Pulaski County (to whom the Rockets lost their first regional game to last year), Oneida Baptist Institute, North Laurel, Clay County, Whitley County, Southwestern Pulaski, and others. They have a very tough competitive district this year. The Lady Rockets are in Region 7 which consists of teams from Frankfort and the western part of the state.

The first regular season game was one of great support from the school for the Lady Rockets. The attendance was the most ever for a volleyball game. But, since then it has become less and less.

"We could definitely use a lot more support from the school," says JV2 captain Rebekah Mason. "It seems like our parents are usually the only ones there."

It is obvious that these teams are successful and have high expectations for this season. But, the players and coaches, and even fans, only hope the new sport will grow to become one of the best and most respected sports in the county.

HOROSCOPES



Libra (Sept.23-Oct.23) - Mom and Dad are giving you a hard time. They just don't seem to get off of your back. Everything you do or say never seems good enough for them. Suck it Up! The more mature you act, the more you'll get out of your parents!



Scorpio (Oct.24-Nov.21) - I know, I know, everybody is coming to you for advice. All you worry about is your own problems. Explain to others that you need their help right now, and concentrate on your situation.



Sagittarius (Nov.22-Dec.21) - Another day, another dollar! You feel like you're in a rut. Well, GET OUT! Change something about yourself. Whether its physical, emotional, or just fun, you need the change. It's for your own good!



Capricorn (Dec.22-Jan.19) - That special someone that you've had your eye on is almost too perfect for you. Step back and take a look at that person. They will probably mean more to you than you think!



Aquarius (Jan.20-Feb.18) - Your life style is full of ups and downs right now. You never know what is around the corner. You should definitely step back and let the world work around you. Don't worry about tomorrow, or yesterday. Concentrate on today!



Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - You're not getting a response from your crush. Well, don't worry! They're not good enough for you anyway! There are plenty of fish in the sea. You've just got to get out and go fishing!



Aries (March 21-April 19) - When are you going to make your move. It is now or never! You can make anything happen by just setting your mind to it! If it doesn't work its not the end of the world. TRY, TRY, AGAIN!



Taurus (April 20- May 20) - Your feeling down in the dumps, and you just can't smile. Don't worry, be happy! Get out the old photo albums and videos, and remind yourself of the good old days.



Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Hold Up! You're acting a little snobby towards your friends. I know your guy/girl friend means a lot to you right now, but back off. Give them room to breathe, and get closer to your friends!



Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Getting dumped is always hard. But look at the bright side... you're FREE! Don't sit around and dwell about your ex. Get out and flirt with their friends!



Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - You seem to have had a little too much Mt.Dew this month. Your bursting with energy! Be generous and get out and use it. Enlighten depressed people with your bubbly attitude and bright smile!



Virgo (Aug. 23- Sept. 22) - You need a day off! Take a break! Everybody needs some relaxation sometimes. Rent some movies, get some junk food, and just chill in front of the TV for the evening!

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to have a one-on-one conversation with a student [or teacher] we will make time for them. We are here for their needs anyway."

The YSC helps people who need food, money for scholarships or just money in general, clothing, counseling, and can even act as a bridge between two people having a conflict. The Center is open for students during school from 7:45 AM to 3:15 PM, but can also be reached even later than 3:15 in the afternoon.

"The door is always open to anyone and everyone no matter what their need is. "We are here to help. I think the students that aren't for sure who we are, should drop in some time and talk to us."

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Students from South Korea, Germany study at RCHS

BY AUDREY BURKE

Annyung, or servus to the new foreign exchange students Hyun Woo Lee from South Korea and Flourien Trummer from Germany.

Though Lee and Trummer are well traveled around the regions they live (Lee has been to Japan, China, and various other countries. Flourien has traveled around much of central Europe) neither have visited the United States before. They are however, enjoying their stay so far in America.

Some of the most prominent differences that they have noticed since coming here relate to food and school.

"The bread is too soft and tastes like paper," says Trummer. Lee doesn't have much of a taste for American food either.

Mr. Bill Jack Parsons, of Trummer's host family, says that he and his family have learned a lot about his culture through talking to him, such as food and its preparation.

Moving beyond food, they do enjoy school and the diversity of

the states so far.

"The school is big... and there are uniforms at our schools," is one of the major differences Lee has noticed since starting at RCHS.

Trummer has also noticed a huge difference. In Germany the 11th grade is similar to starting college. Students can go to a university or start an apprenticeship.

Despite the differences, teachers and host families agree that both are adjusting well.

Math teacher Scott Adams believes Lee is a good math student with, "lots of potential."

According to Ms. Debbie Coleman, Trummer adds a new and interesting perspective to her U.S. History class.

"His questions are from a different point of view," she says.

Things other than school and food are different as well, such as sports.

According to Trummer, in Germany sports teams aren't part of the school as they are here. But, that doesn't stop Trummer from want-

ing to join in. He is interested in cross country and has joined the team. Lee, however, isn't planning on getting involved in sports activities, but he has joined Key Club, Chess Club, and Math Club.

Having people from another country provides the host family with an opportunity to learn about another culture. Ms. Dana Bullock of Lee's host family said that there hasn't been much of an opportunity to learn much about his culture other than that of education. She hopes now that they are all beginning to understand each other better and that her family will learn more.

The host families have also had to make adjustments to accommodate their visitors. For Bullock though it wasn't a problem, since they had a spare room for Lee. The biggest change so far is that they have gone to a couple football games which she said her family doesn't usually do.

Parsons, father of an elementary school aged child, says the only real



Audrey Burke

Hyun Woo Lee, from South Korea, is just one of two foreign exchange students studying at RCHS.

adjustment they have had to make is that of feeding a teenager.

Despite the adjustments it seems from the comments of teachers, host families, and Lee and Trummer themselves, they are looking forward to an interesting learning opportunity.

ACT prep options plentiful at RCHS

BY PAULA ROWLAND

For students in Rockcastle County, the thought of testing doesn't cross their minds until early spring, but for the upperclassmen at RCHS, it is an entirely different story. Years have turned into months and now months have turned into weeks as the date for the October 26 ACT nears.

The ACT is a very challenging and time-consuming test which can last anywhere from four to six hours. Students should be very well prepared for the lengthy morning of the ACT by getting at least eight hours of sleep and eating a healthy breakfast.

"When you are taking a test from eight in the morning until noon, you better have had plenty of rest or you won't be able to think or work properly," said Guidance Counselor Dale Whitaker. "You don't want to walk in there without any food in your stomach either. Students may not realize just how much time this test will take, but if you're hungry and didn't sleep well the night before, it will feel like an eternity and your scores will show your lack of enthusiasm."

Preparing for the ACT isn't as easy as some may think. According to Whitaker, the number one thing students need to prepare is make sure they have been (or are) taking the appropriate classes.

"That is something that stu-

dents really need to pay attention to. If you are taking easy classes that you can just float through with ease and without any effort, you have hardly any kind of preparation at all," said Whitaker. "Not taking the appropriate classes (stronger or higher level courses such as Honors English, AP (advanced placement) Calculus and AP US History) will make scoring on the test very difficult."

He recommends seniors who already have their schedule for the remainder of the year join the Kaplan Program or at least come after school for the prep classes.

"They will need all of the practice they can get if they haven't had the appropriate classes. These can help bring a student's score up by at least two or three points, which can change the entire outcome of the test."

Getting helpful hints and strategies for the test isn't as hard as some might think. RCHS and the 21st Century Community Learning Center work hand in hand to help prepare students. ACT prep classes are offered after school on Mondays from 3-5 and on Tuesdays from 5-7.

RCHS English teacher Nancy Bussell assists students on Saturdays during the Kaplan Program with the English and reading sections, while alternative school

principal and Chris Hendrickson assists them with the math and science sections.

The Kaplan Program is a program in which students register to get advanced preparation for the test. Students involved in this will attend a different session on an announced Saturday, with the sessions lasting three hours.

"During these sessions, the students will be given a book that will have nothing but tips for the ACT. These tips will really help raise the scores of the students by a few points. The program will also give the students three practice tests which will be practically identical to the real ACT. This can help improve student's scores also," said Brandon Hargis, coordinator of the 21st Century Learning Center.

"The cost for the program is only \$175.00, which I know probably sounds like a lot, but the original price is \$599.00. We are really trying to help students as much as possible."

Bussell supports a positive attitude towards the Kaplan Program also.

"If you lived upstate in Lexington or some place like that, you would have to pay the entire fee of \$600," said Bussell. "The 21st Century Community Learning Center has helped us by paying almost all of the fee for the sessions. I think

Top Tips for ACT

1. You are never penalized for guessing, so make sure that you ALWAYS fill in every question.
 2. Make sure to read your directions VERY carefully and understand the question completely.
 3. Answer the easy ones first. If you do not understand something, move on and come back to it later. Remember you are being timed.
 4. Use common sense and the system of evaluation in answering questions.
 5. If you have time after you are finished, be sure to go back and review every answer.
 6. Most of all be very well rested and have plenty of food in your stomach. Taking a test for four or more hours can be disastrous without food in your stomach and rest in the body and mind.
7. NO CRAMMING!!! If you try to rack your brain the night before, you'll only end up lowering your score.

Helpful ACT websites:

www.act.org
www.testinfo.net
www.mfsu.edu

students should take advantage of this."

Sessions have already started for the fall, but the Kaplan Program will also be available for students interested in taking the ACT next semester in early January or February.

Students interested in joining the program next semester need to listen to announcements in the morning. Registration forms will be available in Hargis' office (in the library) and also in the front office.