

National Nurses Week

Nurses Care for America is the theme for this year's National Nurses Week. During the week of May 6-12, nurses at Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center along with nurses all across America will receive recognition for the important work they perform every day.

"Our nurses are dedicated to providing excellent care to their patients," said Betty Purcell, RN, MSN, chief nursing officer at RHRCC. "They are well trained, highly skilled and deeply compassionate professionals."

Annually, National Nurses Week begins on May 6 and ends on May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale. Traditionally, the week is devoted to highlighting the diverse ways in which nurses are working to improve healthcare. From bedside nursing in hospitals and long-term care facilities to home health care to the halls of research institutions and

doctors' offices, the nursing profession is meeting the expanding healthcare needs of our society. There are nearly 2.7 million registered nurses in the United States.

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Rita Mullins

Mullins awarded Nurse of the Year

Rita Mullins, RN, is such a special nurse that her peers at Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. have chosen her as Nurse of the Year not once, but twice. "I feel even more honored to have been chosen a second time," Mullins

said. Mullins, who works on the Acute Care unit, has been at RHRCC for 16 years. She received her nursing degree from Somerset Community College.

As part of her honor, she will represent the hospital at the Kentucky Nurses Association banquet in Louisville.

Betty Purcell, RN, MSN, RHRCC's chief nursing officer, said the Nurse of the Year Award is a tradition at the hospital, and it's a very special honor because nurses choose the person they feel best represents them.

"I think we have an exceptional nursing staff, and our patient satisfaction surveys agree with me," Purcell said. "I'm very proud of their professionalism and the care and devotion they show their patients."

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I am a lifelong resident of District 4. I am married to Thelma Rader, daughter of Ballard and Edith Rader. My commitment to you will be to communicate and cooperate with you and concentrate on helping improve District 4.

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Rockcastle Sheriff

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#1 in Experience**



To the people of Rockcastle County,

The Sheriff is one of the most important positions. As your Sheriff I promise to you the office will fight the drugs and serve all the people equally to patrol all the roads and use all the outside agencies to help fight against the drugs, burglaries and thefts. I'll keep only deputies that want to work hard.

Some have had the opportunity to fight the drug problem instead they have watched it grow. As always I'll do what is right. I ask for your continued support in this battle for all our children's sake.

When elected Sheriff, I'll ask for your prayers and your help. Compare our qualifications and past records before you cast your vote.

Thanks for reading this ad,
Bill Hammons
Candidate for Sheriff

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ELECT William Mullins Magistrate 5th District



Many people in the 5th District feel their interests have been overlooked and neglected for many years.

Yes, we need bridges, roads and blacktop; but, in fact, the resources of the 5th District and eastern Rockcastle have been slowly slipping away most of my lifetime.

Once we had thriving communities with stores, schools and businesses.

Needless to say, most all of the county's businesses, schools, money and resources are west of I-75 and Mt. Vernon.

Even our property value is much lower on our side of the county.

I would like to help change that if elected to the Fiscal Court. I'll contend for every dollar and every benefit that is due the 5th District.

I would appreciate your support!

Subject to May 28, 2002 Republican Primary

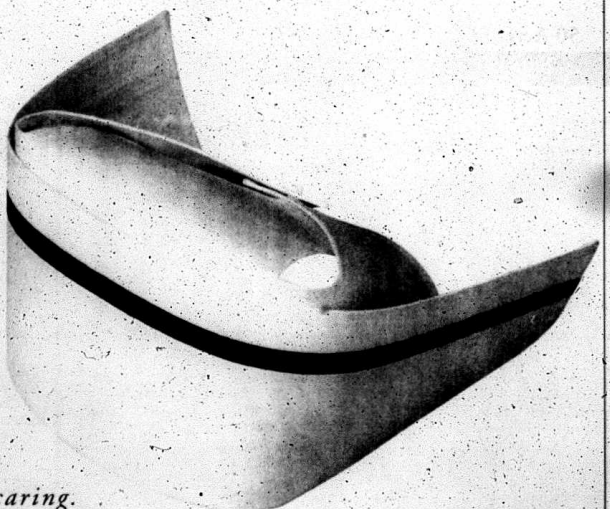
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We salute our extraordinary nursing team.

The nurses at Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc. play a vital role in meeting your healthcare needs. They know that nursing is more than providing the high quality care that you've come to expect. It's also a kind word, the right touch and a compassionate manner.

Whether they work in acute care, long-term care, home health care, or your doctor's office ...

Our nurses are the true spirit of caring.



ROCKCASTLE
HOSPITAL AND RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER, INC.
Accredited by the Joint Commission on
Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations

Our hat is off to them.

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