

Our Readers Write

Dear Editor,
My letter is addressed to the people of Rockcastle County, my homeplace. I have lived away from the area for over 25 years, but I have always had a burning desire to return and make my home there once again with my family. My mind has been changed. I recently visited my mother who lives at Route 3, Mr. Vernon, and for the first time in over 25 years, I had a strong sense of fear, a result of my knowledge that huge number of people living in all areas of the county have become makers and users of illegal drugs. What a terrible reputation the county now has. Not only would I not want to live there and put my family in harm's way, but I would be embarrassed.

Why hasn't someone done something about this? It is as if a huge monster, called Death and Destruction has inhabited the place. Some have given in to the monster and others have buried their heads in the sand, pretending he is not there or hoping he will soon go away. In the

mean time, your young people's minds and lives are being destroyed. This monster will not go away on his own and he has no mercy. If he is allowed to remain, there is no one who will not be affected in some way. He may snatch one of your family members or one of your neighbors, it may be your house that is robbed or your child that is killed on the road. Your property values will decrease. Everyone will lose something.

It appears that the law enforcement system in the region has been ineffective for whatever reasons; a change is needed. Gary Linville is running for Sheriff. Vote for him. He is committed to enforcing the law and ridding the place of these illegal drugs. He is a good man and is the one who is willing to take on this awesome task. Please do not continue to ignore this problem. It is true that "when good men do nothing, evil prevails." It is everyone's duty as citizens and as humans to do their part in destroying this monster that is taking away minds and lives on a daily

basis. Every single person is responsible to do his part. For the sake of all that is good and right, vote. Give Gary Linville a chance. One day we will all face the Judge of the Universe. Do we not all want Him to say to us "well done, my good and faithful servant"? Do not give up, this battle can be won and those who are now living a life of hell on earth and those who are yet to be born will thank you.

Sincerely,
Karen Abney Flaherty
Louisville, KY

Dear Editor,
I'm thankful to live in a country where we can exercise our option to vote. Our government is, kept in check by our two major parties. Nationally, the House of Representatives has more Republicans and the Senate is controlled by the Democrats.

In Kentucky, the Democrats control the House and the Republicans have more in the Senate. Rockcastle has four times more registered Republicans than Democrats. We used to be represented by a Republican Senator Robinson, but now our Senator is Democrat Worley from Richmond. In the fall election of 2000 our Republican County Judge publicly support Mr. Robinson's Democrat candidate. I bet Mr. Robinson is glad to be away from our county.

This November our State Representative Danny Ford will have Democratic opposition from Lincoln County. I hope our County Judge supports his party in this race. Mr. Carlotis has a race in May and his opposition, Howard Saylor, says he is a true Republican. My Republican party's symbol is an elephant, and elephants have a good memory. I remember the fall election of 2000 and that is why I am voting for a true Republican.

Thank you,
Earl Cummins
Mt. Vernon, KY

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Reynolds attends prosecutors school

William D. Reynolds, Assistant Rockcastle County Attorney has been recently selected as a participant in the 4th Annual Kentucky Prosecutor's Institute Trial Advocacy Training sponsored by the Office of the Attorney General in cooperation with the University of Kentucky College of Law.

Reynolds was recommended by County Attorney Jeff Burdette, a charter participant in the Institute in 1999.

The Institute only selects a limited number of participants each year, and includes both County Attorney offices and Commonwealth Attorney offices. The participants must demonstrate both academic and trial skills, and be recommended by an elected prosecutor before being considered.

"I am very pleased that Bill was selected for this prestigious training for prosecutors. He is very capable, and has become an invaluable partner in our efforts here at the County Attorney's office," Burdette said.

The Kentucky Prosecutors Institute provides specialized training in courses designed in cooperation with the National Advocacy Center. Experienced Kentucky prosecutors and national speakers work toward establishing a wide-ranging curriculum, that Reynolds is currently participating

in at the University of Kentucky campus.

Reynolds, a Rockcastle native, who was sworn in as Assistant County Attorney for Rockcastle in May, 2001, is married to Rebecca Thacker Reynolds and they have two children, Jordan, 12 and Will, 8. They make their home on Highway 150 between Mt. Vernon and Brodhead. He is a 2000 graduate of Salmon P. Chase College of Law and was previously employed at Sullivan University as an adjunct professor for paralegal studies.

He is a 1982 graduate of Rockcastle County High School and has a Bachelor's degree from Eastern Kentucky University in political science.

"I am honored by the selection to

the Institute, and look forward to utilizing the things I learn there in the court room setting," Reynolds said.



Asst. County Attorney
Bill Reynolds



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Vote
★ **E. Howard Saylor** ★
for
Rockcastle County Judge Executive

Last week Mr. Carlotis stated that he had two degrees in political science and was therefore more qualified than I was because I only had one degree in pharmacy. I content that my twenty-five years of experience operating a successful business and my determination to get things done are move valuable than any degree.
During my years in business I learned to meet the special needs of people. I also developed a respect for the feelings of people, both rich and poor, and treated everyone with the same degree of concern. I think that the sound business practices I developed can be applied to help me run an effective and efficient county government.
Mr. Carlotis also stated that I have suggested we spend too much on maintaining roads. This statement didn't make any sense; everyone knows that every penny of the road budget must be spent to maintain and improve roads, and as County Judge I intend to make sure we do just that. I have no problem with vowing to ensure that Rockcastle's road system will be the finest we've ever had. What I do have a problem with is that Mr. Carlotis has borrowed \$250,000 dollars against next year's fiscal road budget, for use during this election year, just for political gain.
For fifty years Rockcastle County has been a county that many people and their children have been forced to leave in order to find jobs and a decent standard of living. In two weeks you will have a chance to change the focus of this county. Job development is not an option, it's a requirement if this county and its citizens plan to create hope for their children and grandchildren.
Thanks Very Much,
E. Howard Saylor
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