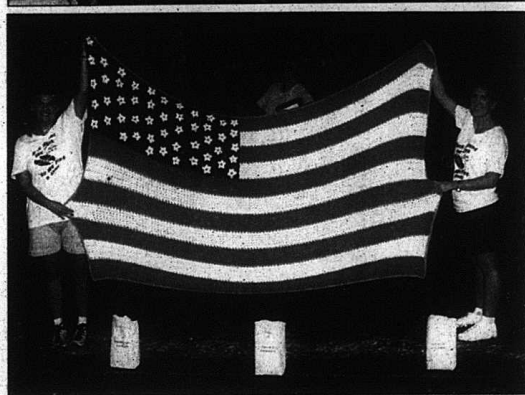


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In the top photo, cancer survivors led the first lap of the Relay for Life Rally on Friday night which was held at the Rockcastle County Middle School. Indentifiable in the above photo from left are: Marguerite Robinson, Lucille Carlotti, Jenny Harper, Josh Bray, David Bryant, Glenna Smith, Regina Hellard, Tom Larkey, Kathy McCauley, Karen Powell, Martha Eversole, Lorenda Fletcher and Ruth Porter. The first-ever event raised over \$21,000 and was attended by approximately 600 people. In the second photo, Lisa Smithers and Phyllis McGuire held up a hand quilted American Flag, which was donated to the charity auction by Mrs. Phyllis McGuire. In the bottom right photo is Mrs. Dorothy Teague, a two time cancer survivor, who was a guest speaker at the Rally. At left is Pinky the Clown. (See other photos inside).

Relay for Life Rally successful

A little over \$21,000 was raised for the first Relay for Life held in Rockcastle County. Approximately 600 attended the event, and at 7 a.m. the next morning about 75 people were still walking around the track.

In next week's *Signal* there will be a breakdown of teams that participated in the event as well as team awards and thank you's to corporate sponsors and other special people who made this year's Relay for Life a great success.

Luminaries were bought in memory of the following people who lost their fight to cancer:

Hubert Adams, Warren Albright, Elmer Alcorn, Virgil-Alcorn, Eugene Alexander, Mary Ethel Anderkin, I.L. Anglin and Mable Anglin.

Frank Baker, Glenna Baker, Fannie Baker, Becky Ballinger, Benge, Dorothy Blair, Dale Blanton, Lucille Blatt Bowles, Clayton Bray, Ruby Brookshire, Lillian Akey Brown, Mr. Henry Brown, Mrs. Henry Brown, Phyllis Brown, Regina Reynolds Brown, Bill Bryant, Billy R. Bryant, William Henry Bryant, Nevia Bullens, Virgil Bullens, Arnie

Whitaker Burke, Edwin Burke, Mae Burke, Billy Allen Bussell and Mitchell Bussell.

Doris Callaban, Letha Carpenter, Carmon Carter, Luree Carter, Ruby Carter, David Cash, Faye Cash, Mr. Sam Cash, Mrs. Sam Cash, Alma Clark, Dewey Clark, James (Bootie) Clark, Juanita Clark, Mary Clark, Viola Clark, Wayne Clark, Ms. Kathleen Claunch, Sadie Clontz, Ann Combs, Ethel Coffey, Rita Wilson Coats, Celia Mink Cromer, Jack Cromer, Jana Murphy Cromer, Judy Croucher, Eliza Cummins, Hazel Cummins and Rayne Cummins.

Dewey Davidson, Alma Mae Denny, Sam DeBord, Wesley B. Dewberry, Bernice Dixon, Dan Docke and Harold Durham.

Joyce Baker Everett, Joyce Lee Everett and Boyd Eversole, Ruby Gabbard, Nancy Graves, Zil Graves, Ms. Evelyn Gregory, Mr. David Gregory, John Guilfoill, II and Marjion Guilfoill.

Jerry Hamm, Mable Hamm, R.H. Hamm, Debbie Hammond, Bobby Joe Hansel, Claude Hansel, Dick Hansel, Joe Hansel, Monroe Hansel, Zelma Hansel, Fredrick Harmon,

Troy Harness, Gwen Hasty, Robert Hayes, David Scott Henderson, W.L. Hiatt, Gerald Keith Holman, Dolly Hopkins, Donald Hopkins, Sr., Stella Hopkins, Wanda Hopkins, Denver Howard, Lela Hubbard, David Clinton Huff, Rose Hunkemöller or Hunkemöller, Lew Hunt and Rickie Davidson Hurst.

Terry Irvin and Cossie Isaacs, George G. Jasper, Claude Johnson and Dorothy Jones, Elsie Keith, Kathy Kelsey, Mr. Arnold King, Audrey L. Kurz and Frederick G. Kurz, Katie Tackett Leigh and Betty Lewis.

Marie Martina, Paul McCulley, Janet Kay Bullock McClure, Jerry McClure, Opal McClure, Rachell Saylor McCollum, Judy Creech McFerron, Novella McGuire, Mary McHargue, Kathleen Stevens McLaurin, Gloeiea Mecece, Geneva Mae Middleton, Wm. Robert Middleton, Curtis Miller, Glenna Miller, George Millsap, Lonnie Mink, Lala Mize, Ann Moberly, Peggy Ann Monteith, Carol Moore, Junior Morgan, Merry Moseley, Jeanie

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Election filing deadline for November is Tuesday

By: Richard Anderkin
If you plan on being a candidate in this fall's General Election you have only a few days to file.

The filing deadline is next Tuesday at 4 p.m. All local filings must be made in Rockcastle County Clerk Norma Houk's office.

This fall there will be races for State Representative, State Senator, U.S. Senator, city council positions, school board seats, Mayoral races and magistrate.

Local realtor and businessman, Republican State Representative Danny Ford of Mt. Vernon, who has served in the Kentucky House for twenty years is facing Democratic opposition from Stanford attorney J. Paul Long, who is also a former county attorney in Lincoln.

Rockcastle's new State Senator,

Democrat Ed Worley of Richmond, is facing opposition from Republican Barry Metcalf, a former State Senator himself.

Worley's wife, Jamie, is a native of Rockcastle County and former Rockcastle County High School teacher.

In Mt. Vernon, five people, including incumbent Mayor Karen Kling have filed for that office.

King faces opposition from council members Clarice Kirby and Jackie Renner, as well as from local businessman Doug Bullock and Jody Adams, a patient at Rockcastle Hospital.

Former council member Lou Vanhoose, former Mt. Vernon police officer Matt Bryant and current council member Wayne Bullock have filed for council seats in Mt. Vernon.

This week a local woman also filed for school board in division one.

Donna Hasty, 34, of Sand Springs, who is currently studying to be a respiratory therapist, will seek the school board seat, which represents East Livingston - West Livingston and South Mt. Vernon. That seat is currently held by Livingston Fire Chief Sam Sialisworth, but he has yet to file.

Sialisworth said Wednesday that he would file for re-election by the Tuesday deadline.

Mrs. Hasty is no stranger to the board of education. A few years ago she was a strong advocate of school safety and attended several school board meetings and served on a school safety committee.

Mrs. Hasty and her husband

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Noe is new principal at Roundstone School

As the Rockcastle County School system gets ready to start another school year, one more administrative position has been filled.

Lisa Noe, 36, a third grade teacher at Roundstone for several years, was selected by the Site Based Council to replace former principal David Pensol, who was hired as the district Instructional Supervisor a few weeks ago.

Noe has taught in the local school system for thirteen years, first teaching junior high at Brodhead, before going to Roundstone.

Noe also was a member of the Site Based Council at Roundstone for a total of four years.

Noe was the only person interviewed for the job at Roundstone. Her and her husband, Dale, make

their home in Berea. They have a three-year-old son.

Roundstone has 20 teachers and a total staff of 38 and an enrollment 300.

With Noe's hiring, only one administrative position remains unfilled.

Kelly Pensol, who has served as the district's Technology Coordinator for the past 11 years, resigned her position and will teach third grade at Roundstone, taking Noe's place.

School starts August 15th

Rockcastle County public school students will return to class on Thursday, August 15th for half a day.

They will attend class the entire day on Friday.

Local school officials are expecting about 3,000 students, to be enrolled on the 15th. This figure includes preschoolers. The enrollment is basically the same as it has been for the past few years, according to school officials.

The first break for students and employees will come on Labor Day, September 2nd.

School will also be dismissed on October 3rd and 4th, November 4th and 5th, 28th and 29th, December 23rd-January 3rd for Christmas break, January 20th, February 17th, and April 7-11 for Spring Break. The final day of school next Spring is

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Denham starts Catfish Farm

Ever heard of "growing" catfish? Well it can be done.

Just ask Jimmy Denham, 28, of Lambert Road, who has his own Catfish Farming Operation on May Apple Road, approximately two miles downstream from the Fairview Church on Roundstone Creek.

With the help of Rockcastle County Judge-Executive Bazz Carlotti and a state grant in the amount of \$25,000 Denham recently had two ponds built on his property, with a total surface area of five acres.

The ponds are only four feet deep because research has shown that channel catfish grow much faster in warmer water.

According to information from the state's Aquacultural board, it takes only one and three fourths pounds of feed to grow one pound of Catfish, making the operation very cost effective, when properly operated.

The harvest is estimated to be between 5,000 and 6,000 pounds of fish per acre, every 18 months.

Denham raises cattle and he calls the fish-raising operation an "under-

water feedlot," with a much greater potential return per acre with less expense.

The two ponds are expected to be operational in September or October with feeding operations beginning in April and lasting until November.

A farmer owned co-op in Western Kentucky purchases catfish from

farms and processes them for stores and restaurants.

Denham said that he expects to sell to the co-op and to pay lake distributors.

Judge-Executive Carlotti said that anyone wishing to apply for a grant for a catfish farm should contact his office at (606) 256-2856.



Jimmy Denham is starting a Catfish Farm on May Apple Road.



The Little World's Fair in Brodhead is currently in full swing and will run through Saturday night. Above, Ryan, Jessie Day, John Harris and Austin Harris enjoy one of the rides on the Midway on Tuesday night. Family Day at the fair is Thursday (today).