

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 but 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 is 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 includes Connie Graham, Joannette Isaacs, James Miller and Teresa Vanzant; the parade and baby contest 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 Henshaw 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, having his own business, Fletcher Signs. 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 Patty Fletcher
Brookhead, Ky.



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

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.

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 Pocahontas; 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 hopping! 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 Chalif 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.



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

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 Georgette 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 lost two children, Francis Kirby Prickett and James Bullock, within the past four months.

He will celebrate her 86th birthday November 6. Her son George has promised to visit again next year. He also met with his three sisters, Vivian and Betty Sowder and Molly Nease, all of Mt. Vernon.



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

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 interests 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

Paul & Karen G. Fletcher Campaign for Mayor, Lorraine T. Fletcher, Treasurer

Absolute

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 based 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.

Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed matter.

For additional information, contact the auctioneer.

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