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Let the Bible Speak

Tune in to "Let the Bible Speak," with Brett Hickey, on Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on WDKY Fox 56.



Congratulations Private Jonathon Chasteon

on your graduation from Boot Camp on 12-7-12 and MCT on 2-12-13. We are proud of you in becoming part of the United States Marine Corps. Semper Parati!
We love you - Mom, Joey, Trina

Clarissa Hubbard and Jimmy Gay are proud to announce the birth of their son, Xavia Cecil Gay, born January 18, 2013 at Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital in Somerset. He weighed 7 lbs. 3/4 ozs. and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Brenda Gay and the late Billy Gay of Mt. Vernon, Carolyn Hubbard and the late Larry Hubbard of Livingston and Katherine Johnson and Lonny Shaw of Brodhead. Great grandparents are Bernice and



Floyd Lovell of Mt. Vernon, Hiram Johnson of Mt. Vernon, Glessie Hubbard of Livingston. Siblings are Olivia Robinson of Livingston, Braxton Gay of Roundstone, Brook, Emilee and Peyton Gay of Ohio.

Saturday service canceled at Pine Hill Holiness Church

For well over half a century, Pine Hill Holiness Church has welcomed members for three services a week. However, following a vote Sunday by congregants, the church will no longer have a Saturday night service, effective immediately.

According to member, Barbara Mason, the vote was 57 to 28 to discontinue the Saturday night service and continue only the Thursday service at 7 p.m. and the Sunday service at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Mason said it was a sad occasion for her and she especially hated it for the older members. "I don't think it is right to take this from them since they are the ones who gave it to us." She went on to say that she didn't understand why the service would be canceled which keeps those who want to attend on Saturday night from being able to. "I also don't understand why no one was allowed to represent either side, prior to the vote. One member was told twice to hush when he tried to quote a scripture from Matthew 23:13. Others walked out." Mrs. Mason went on to say "This is a great loss for our church. On Saturday nights, I would look back and see my son sitting in church and think to myself that there were lots of worse places he could be."

The church also has Sunday School on Sunday mornings from 10 to 11.

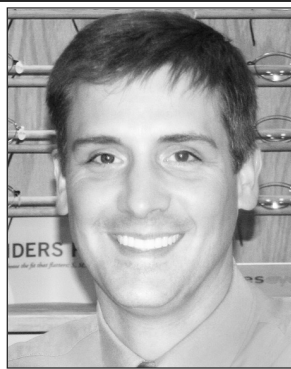
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Food and Fellowship

Food and Fellowship will be available at the Livingston Firehouse this Saturday, from 3 to 5 p.m. The activity is sponsored lby The Community Mission Team andd there will be free food, desserts and refreshments and fun activities for children. Church vans will be available for transportation. Please call 606-308-3099 if you need a ride.

Gospel Singing

There will be a gospel singing at Lighthouse Baptist Church on Sat., March 9, beginning at 6 p.m. Featured singers will be the Cross Carriers from Indiana. The church is located at 1391 Gabbardtown Road, Berea. Everyone is invited.

Patterson Preaching at Union Chapel

Bro. Ron Patterson will be preaching at Union Chapel Pentecostal Church on Sunday night, Feb. 24th at 6 o'clock. The church is located on Hwy. 1505, approximately 3 miles out of Brodhead. Pastor Ralph Reynolds and congregation welcome everyone.

Benefit for accident victim

A Community Benefit will be held for Bruce Hopkins at the Woodstock Community Center, N. Hwy. 39, Somerset, on Friday, March 8th.

Hopkins was severely injured in an auto accident in November 2012 and has been hospitalized since then.

There will be a Chili and Bean Supper and Silent Auction at 5 p.m. and a gospel singing, featuring "The Happy Travelers" and other special singing at 7 p.m.

All prayers and donations will be deeply appreciated.

"Points East"

(Cont. from A2)

ALTERNATIVE.

Read everything you can find on the pros and cons of electronic cigarettes before you even try one and then make up your mind. There's a ton of mostly conflicting information on the internet and even health professionals hold widely varying opinions.

It may turn out that I'm still killing myself just as rapidly as I would be with the real thing or maybe even faster. But at least Loretta is not yelling at me for stinking up the atmosphere.

"Frankfort"

(Cont. from A2)

also requires the adoption of a school safety plan, safety drills during the first month of school, and for school diagrams to be shared with local first-responders. These are straight-forward and low-cost measures that while may not be able to completely prevent tragedy will hopefully better prepare us.

Economic Development

Senate Bill 88 will allow for the modernization of phone-service in Kentucky making sure that the answer to "Can you hear me now?" will be a yes regardless of where you live.

Senate Bill 46 cuts state regulations to make it easier to produce biomass energy in Eastern Kentucky by setting up a framework that will allow companies to locate there to generate biomass fuel from waste wood product. It is expected to create more than 500 direct and indirect jobs in Eastern Kentucky with a projected economic impact of more than \$300 million during the initial 20 years. I was happy for this to be the first bill to pass from my Natural Resources and Energy Committee.

Justice

Senate Bill 23 clarifies that judges can authorize review of DNA evidence after conviction. If DNA is good enough to prove guilt, then it also should be able to prove innocence. It is a matter of justice and will help affirm the integrity of the Judiciary.

All these bills now move to the House for their consideration. If you have any questions or comments about the issues above or any other public policy issue, please call me toll-free at 1-800-372-718. You can also review the Legislatures work online at www.lrc.ky.gov.

"Officials"

(Cont. from front)

Bryant went on to talk about the renovations being made to the Lake Linville Boat Dock. In 2012, the Mt. Vernon City Council approved a five year lease for \$700 a month to new operators Lester and Teresa Ratliff.

Since the new lease agreement, Bryant said many different projects from renovating the restaurant building to repairing the docks and campground have taken place. He said the city is mainly using funding for the projects through the Mt. Vernon/Rockcastle tourism restaurant tax fund.

"It has taken all of us a lot of time and energy to work on the boat dock project," Bryant said. "But we are reinvesting those restaurant dollars back into the community and that is the thing I am really happy about."

Bryant closed his address by mentioning the city's wastewater issues. He said they recently completed the Rose Hill sewer project for \$1.9 million and completed security upgrades to the sewer plant. He said they also installed sixteen security cameras and changed all the locks to the sewer plant building.

Bryant also said that they are undergoing more projects to improve the city's drinking water. He said it's challenging for sewer maintenance workers and brought a sample of water to display to the crowd. He said that there are over a million different organisms and over five thousand different types of algae inside the small tube of water he was displaying to the crowd.

"Now imagine when you look at all of Lake Linville and you can see why it is so difficult to treat," Bryant said. "Now you can see why we have so much difficulty with the taste and odor."

Bryant said that the city's sewer plant can currently hold two million gallons of water but that once they complete their new wastewater project, they will have over three million gallons of water storage.

"We are going to basically be doubling our capacity after the project is completed."

Bryant ended by saying there are many different measures that are being taken to improve the drinking water. However, Bryant said he believes people have a "psychological barrier" when it comes to the city's water quality.

"Psychologically, I don't think we are ever going to change people's minds about Mt. Vernon's drinking water," Bryant said. "If we brought in high quality water from somewhere else and told them it came out of our spigot, they would still say it taste as bad as it always does."

Brodhead Mayor Walter Cash provided the crowd with an update on the City of Brodhead.

Cash said the city is in the process of building a park across from Citizens Bank and that they will continue construction this spring. He also wanted to

thank the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department and Kentucky State Police for providing extra security to Brodhead since they have no city police officer.

Cash finished by informing the crowd of a new business that opened on Main Street. He said Pam Burdette opened "Pam's Flower Shop" and that she is helping to rejuvenate the city's economy.

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley also said a new business opened up in their city. He said the former Lil's restaurant is under new ownership and is now called the "Main Street Diner."

Medley said one of the first things he did as mayor was hire Carl Swanagin as the city's police chief. He said Swanagin was the obvious choice for the position.

"He has a concern and love for the community," Medley said. "He always keeps our community's protection in mind."

Medley also said the city is attempting to become the first Trail Town in Kentucky and that they are modeling themselves after Damascus, Virginia.

"Before becoming a Trail Town their population was originally 300," Medley said. "After becoming a Trail Town it's grown to 1100 and they see over 250,000 tourist each year!"

Medley also said they are going to pursue many projects in Livingston, ranging from a sidewalk/street lights projects to condemning over thirty different properties within the city limits.

Medley finished his update by saying the present commission plans to "turn the lights back on in Livingston." He said that he plans to use Livingston school building as a Trail Town headquarters for businesses as a central location.

"We need to use our historic school building, whether it be for Trail Town businesses, civic organizations or classes to help single mothers." Medley

said.

Medley also reminded the crowd that Livingston will be celebrating its 131st anniversary on May 10th and May 11th during their Founder's Day Festival.

Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis finished the meeting with an update on projects going on in Rockcastle County. He led off by saying that the choices the Fiscal Court makes today will either be a stepping stone or stumbling block for future generations.

Carloftis continued by saying they made the controversial and unpopular decision to have Community Trust Bank lease the county \$2.5 million to buy the SourceHOV building in Industrial Park South and, in turn, the company is paying a lease fee for the building to the county of \$25,000 a month. He said a deal like this is worth it for the county as 490 jobs are in the process of coming into that one building.

Carloftis also said the county made the controversial move to buy the Anchor Packaging building in the industrial park. He said they bought the 170,000 square foot building and also paid an additional \$840,000 to put a new roof on the building. He said Anchor Packaging told the fiscal court that if the county bought the building and leased it to them, after cleaning and repairing it, they would in turn put Rockcastle Countians to work. Carloftis also said that jail work release inmates were used to help clean up the building saving the county thousands of dollars.

Carloftis ended by telling the crowd that he urged everyone to make these controversial decisions for the betterment of Rockcastle County.

"We are moving forward and if you don't have jobs here then you don't have anything," Carloftis said. "We should always be focused on trying to make things better for Rockcastle Countians' future."

Our Readers Write

Thanks to everyone for help...

Dear Editor,
Thanks to everyone who helped in any way to get water to the good folks on

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