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The second annual Hwy 25 yard sale was held last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The yard sale is held on Hwy 25 from Covington to Corbin via US 25, from Corbin to Lake City, Tennessee via US 25 W and from Corbin to Bean Station, Tennessee via US 25 E Shown above is the Rockcastle Boy Scout Troop 256 with a booth set up at the former Verizon Wireless on Richmond Street. Shown front row from left are: Austin Brown, Gabe Robinson, Austin Revel. Back row from left are Dalton Dick, Zach Baker and Delton Robinson. The bottom photo is of some of the booths on Hwy. 25 at Conway.



School Board gives Pensol great first evaluation

At Tuesday night's regular meeting of the Rockcastle County Board of Education, board members went into closed session to evaluate first year Superintendent David Pensol's performance.

When board members returned from their closed session, it was all good news for Pensol. The evaluation congratulated the new superintendent on his "outstanding performance in your first year as superintendent." It went on to say that Pensol had "successfully handled not only projects for which you were prepared, but conquered unexpected hurdles as well."

Pensol has three years left on his current contract. He took the reins last July 1st from retiring superintendent Larry

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Fire hydrant issues discussed at Brodhead Council meeting

By: Doug Ponder

Several items were discussed at the monthly Brodhead council meeting Monday night, including issues with the city's fire hydrants.

Brodhead Volunteer Fire Department Assistant Chief John Dyehouse said the firefighters from BVFD are testing fire hydrants every Thursday night during the month of June. He said they test the hydrants every year to make sure they work properly and he said it also creates a lower cost of insurance for property owners within the city limits as well.

During last year's hydrant testing, Dyehouse said

eight fire hydrants were listed as needing to be repaired, replaced or fixed.

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First Lady Jane Beshear coming to Livingston

First Lady Jane Beshear will be visiting Livingston on Tuesday, June 25th at 10 a.m. to officially designate the city as a Kentucky Trail Town.

The City of Livingston

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Bids opened for new emergency services center

A lot of bids were opened Tuesday, at the regular meeting of the Rockestle Fiscal Court, for the new Emergency Services Center, which is about a year behind schedule.

The building, which will be located in Rockcastle Business Park South, is a \$3,000,000 project, entirely funded by the federal government. Another facility, in Powell County, was recently rebid, because the first bids were way over es-

timate. This necessitated a lot of trimming of plans for Powell County and the local facility. However, even though the bids opened Tuesday have not been officially awarded, sources say they came in around \$75,000 over the \$1.8 million estimated cost of construction.

There were 12 different categories, including site work, general trades, masonry, electrical, roofing, plumbing, etc. with the 12th

Mayor Medley discusses uses for school at commission meeting

Livingston Mayor Jason Medley told commission members, at their regular meeting Monday night, that volunteers had cleared 35 to 40% of the debris from the old Livingston School.

A Welcome Center for tourists has been established in the school and is nearing completion. Medley said there were plans for other rooms to be used for train-

I-75 reduced to one lane

The Kentucky Highway Department is reducing a portion of I-75 to one lane between mile point 64 to mile point 69 as crews begin installing median cable barriers.

Each week, until the project is completed, both northbound and southbound lanes will be reduced to one lane beginning at 6 p.m. Sunday until 10 a.m. Friday. All lanes will be open for (Cont. to A7)

ing classes, lodging, family movies, arts and crafts. "The building is huge and we want to be ready for whatever comes up," Medley told the commissioners.

Every Monday, volunteers in the community are cleaning up the school and letters have been sent to alumni asking for donations toward the clean-up. "I think it will help with donations if we can give tours of the building to alumni. It was too dangerous before," Medley said.

The mayor also reported on the success of the U.S. 25 Yard Sales that were held June 6-8. "Rockcastle was one of the busiest areas for the sale," Medley said. "We probably had about 20 yard sales going on in Livingston and I was really proud of our town. It looked like a festival and everyone cleaned up after themselves." Medley also said the relief drive for victims of the Oklahoma tornadoes was successful

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category being combined bids, with the most popular combination, with five bids, being for plumbing and HVAC. The only local bidder for any of the categories was Goff Construction who was the apparent low bidder for site work at \$151,800.

The bids were taken for review by Codell Construction, project managers.

Bids for crushed limestone were also opened during the meeting and Hi-View LLC submitted the low bid in all categories. This is the first time, reportedly since the late 1800s, that Hansen Aggregate, and its predecessors have not received the bid. Benge Farm Supply was awarded the bid for culverts and Elmo Greer & Son submitted the only

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Longest Day of Play is next Thursday

The Longest Day of Play and Community Health Fair will be held next Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Middle School track.

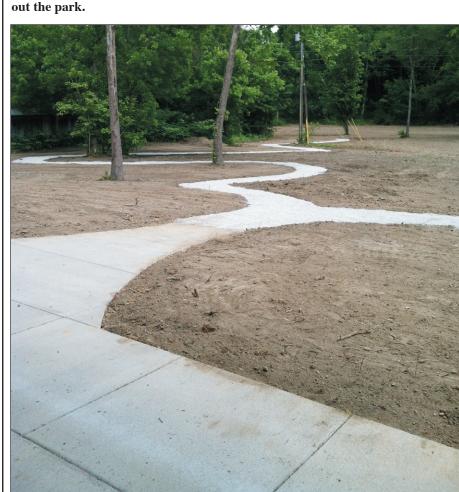
The annual event is sponsored by Rockcastle Healthy Communities and is free of charge. Everyone is encouraged to rediscover the fun of play and physical activity. The event also provides health promotion and disease prevention education

All events will be outdoors and play stations will be set up with fun activities for all ages. There will also be karate and clogging ex-

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The City of Brodhead is in the finishing stages of their new park on Main Street in front of Citizens Bank. The main entrance of the park is designed to look like a railroad depot in order to reflect the town's railroad history. The city plans to place a small section of railroad track in front of the building in the same place of the old railroad track. Inscribed bricks for the entrance walk across the railroad tracks will be sold and the money will be used to improve and maintain the park's landscaping. Shown below are some of the various walking trails throughout the park



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