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Little World's Fair goes through Saturday

A large crowd came out for Kid's Night at the Little World's Fair Tuesday in Brodhead. Shown at left is Jacob Leger, 6, of Brodhead riding the airplane merry-go-round. The fair will run until Saturday with the midway rides opening at 6 p.m. each night and the grandstand events beginning at 7 o'clock each night.

At RCIDA meeting

Report on county food hub given by Hopkins

Rockcastle County Industrial Authority Executive Director Holly Hopkins, told the IDA board, at their regular meeting Monday, that a project she has been working on for two years is about to come to fruition.

Hopkins said a Rockcastle Food Hub, which will benefit local farmers, and those within a two hundred mile radius, and create about 40 jobs, should be in existence by next Spring.

The food hub is expected to be housed in the former IGA building in Brodhead. Hopkins said the hub would be a place for farmers to market their excess produce and to have that produce turned into canned/frozen

Meade to host public luncheon for Comer

State Representative David Meade is inviting Rockcastle Countians to a luncheon this Friday featuring Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture James Comer.

The public luncheon is set for noon at the Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Center in Stanford.

Since taking office in 2011, Comer has focused on expanding markets for Kentucky's agriculture products, enhancing rural economic development, adding transparency to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and promoting the Kentucky Proud Program.

Comer will also join Meade for a radio program on WPBK FM 102.9. The 30-minute segment will fea-

ture the two leaders discussing a wide-range of issues including Comer's recent launch of the milk "Udderly Kentucky" which is entirely produced and processed in Kentucky.

The radio program will air live at 11:30 a.m. and will stream live at www.WPBKfm.com.

Listeners can also use the social networking site, Twitter, to ask questions of Comer and Meade which they will answer on the air.

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"I appreciate Commissioner Comer's willingness to visit our community,"
Meade said. "He has proven to be a great leader in our Commonwealth and I look forward to talking about agriculture and other issues important to this area with him."

City of Mt. Vernon asks residents to not blow grass onto city streets

The City of Mt. Vernon is asking all business and property owners within city limits to not blow grass onto city streets after mowing their lawns.

City officials said they have recently received several complaints about large amounts of grass on some of the city's streets. They said the grass can cause a hazard to motor vehicles, motorcycles and bicycles

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The City of Mt. Vernon thanks everyone for their cooperation. For more in-

formation or questions regarding the matter, contact City Hall at 606-308-3437.

Boil water advisory

City of Livingston water works and the Eastern Rockcastle Water Association have issued a boil water advisory for customers on Ford Hollow Road and Sand Hill Road until further notice due to water pipe leak repairs.

food items for market through the hub. The executive director said that the partnership, between the

School starts next Wednesday

Rockcastle County public school students will return to class next Wednesday, August 14th.

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

School will be dismissed on September 3rd, October 4th, November 4th, November 27th-29th for Thanksgiving break and December 19th-January 1st for Christmas and New Year break.

School will also be dismissed in 2014 on January 20th-21st, February 17th, March 21st, March 31st and April 7th.

The final day of school

is scheduled for May 14th.

The Rockcastle County
Board of Education would
like to remind everyone that
their 2013-2014 school calendar is subject to change
depending on the amount of
school days missed due to
inclement weather or other
emergencies.

growers and a distributor, is a part of the Community Supported Agriculture program, through the Dept. of Agriculture, and administered through ASPI. "We expect the store in Brodhead to eventually be a full service grocery stocked with foods and meats grown within the 200-mile radius," Hopkins said. She said an estimated 14 additional jobs would be created when the grocery store is in operation.

Hopkins also reported that she had received a draft of the amended lease with SourceHOV and would have to call a special meeting of the board after she had time to go over it. She said the main difference from the original lease was that the rent payment would be a flat rate, and eliminate additional payments based on the number of employees. Hopkins feels that the \$25,395 monthly lease payment to RCIDA will increase significantly under the terms of the amended lease. The lease payment is paid directly to Community Trust Bank for repayment of the \$2.5 million loan for

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Jury convicts London woman in Bullock murder

By: Doug Ponder

A Rockcastle County jury convicted the fifth and final defendant last Friday in connection with the shooting death of Jackie Bullock, 34, of Mt. Vernon.

The jury convicted Jessica Hailey Robinson, 22, of London in Rockcastle County Circuit Court and found her guilty of wanton murder, complicity to first degree robbery and complicity to manufacture methamphetamine.

Robinson was sentenced to 22 years for wanton murder, 15 years for complicity to first degree robbery and 22 years for complicity to manufacture methamphetamine. However, Robinson will only serve 22 years in prison as the jury recommended that the sentence for the three counts be served concurrently.

Robinson's verdict came

Robinson's verdict came after a long five day trial that started last Monday with the jury selection. During the trial, Commonwealth Attorney Eddy Montgomery presented the jury with evidence, provided by police, from the murder investigation.

According to the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department, Bullock was at a home on Lone Oak Drive

on December 1, 2011 before he was murdered. He was later found dead in the driver's seat of his vehicle, after it had rolled approximately 300 yards down a hill off Lone Oak Road near the residence where he was last seen.

Deputy Sheriff Matt Bryant, who was in charge of the vehicle accident investigation, later determined that Bullock's death was a homicide after discovering a gunshot wound in his side.

In December of 2011, Bryant originally arrested and charged Mt. Vernon residents Gary Lee Kirby, 19, Joshua Duane Cameron, 25 and Bobby Peters, 36 with the murder of Bullock. After further investigation, Bryant later arrested Mary Hannah Hunsucker, 24 of Mt. Vernon and charged her with murder as well. Robinson was later arrested on an warrant after she was indicted by a grand jury.

Upon further investigation, Bryant determined that all five people allegedly murdered Bullock during an attempted robbery of his prescription medication. Bryant also found a meth lab at Peters' home during

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Police make arrests following reckless driving complaint

By: Doug Ponder

A woman was arrested for DUI and her passenger was arrested for drug possession last Saturday, after police made a traffic stop on Hwy 25 in Mt. Vernon.

Arrested at the scene was Mindy Renee Dugger, 30 and Lois Ann Maxwell, 41, both of Corbin.

According to state police reports, Trooper Adam Childress received a complaint of a reckless driver traveling northbound on I-75 near Mt. Vernon.

Childress located the ve-

Childress located the vehicle near the 59 exit in Mt. Vernon. He made the stop after observing the vehicle swerving back and forth across the center line before taking the 59 exit and turning onto Hwy 25.

Once Childress approached the vehicle, he noticed Dugger, the driver

of the vehicle, had slurred speech and dilated pupils. He also noticed that Dugger appeared extremely intoxicated while performing field sobriety tests. Dugger would later tell Childress that she had been taking

Upon receiving consent to search the vehicle, Childress found a small change purse in the glove box that contained an uncapped syringe and one oxycodone tablet. Childress could also see another syringe sticking out of Maxwell's purse, who was a passenger in the vehicle.

After searching Maxwell's purse, Childress found two used syringes and an unmarked pill bottle containing 37 Alprazolam (Xanax) pills. Maxwell

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The Climax Volunteer Fire Department had their ground breaking last Saturday for their new fire department building on Hwy 1912 in Climax. The building is scheduled to be completed by November. Shown above from left are: CVFD Fire Chief John Guilfoil, County Judge Executive Buzz Carloftis, Magistrate Gary Burdette, Magistrate Ralph Allen, board member Ken Holt, CVFD Assistant Fire Chief Danny Allen, board member Gerald Chasteen, CVFD Captain Brian Wynn, vice-president Dennis Clark, secretary Denise May, president James Ballinger and board members Virgil Mullins and Steve Hill.

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