



A large crowd came out for the 24th annual Civil War reenactment of the Battle of Camp Wildcat last weekend on Wildcat Mountain, Hazel Patch Road off Hwy 25 in East Bernstadt. The reenactment is hosted annually by the Laurel Home Guard. Public school students were guests of the reenactment last Friday and two other separate reenactments were held for the public last Saturday and Sunday. Shown above are Union skirmishers firing at Confederate soldiers advancing up the hill.



# Several Halloween events scheduled for the county

**By: Doug Ponder**  
There will be several events for trick or treaters to attend in Rockcastle County next Thursday night.

**In Mt. Vernon:** The annual Halloween on Main event will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. as local businesses and organizations will be handing out treats to

children. The RCHS band will also be performing as well as the Romp N' Stomp cloggers.

Main Street in Mt. Vernon will close at 5 p.m. for booth set-up. Businesses or organizations that wish to participate in the event will need to call Mt. Vernon City Hall at 606-256-3437 to re-

serve a space.  
**In Brodhead:** The annual Halloween in the Park will be held at the new De-

pot Park across from Citizens Bank in Brodhead.

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# Space2Create open meeting Thursday

The Rockcastle County Development Board recently formed a committee that is currently developing a play space for young children between one and five-years-old called "Space2Create."

The committee will hold an open meeting for the public this Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse in the third floor conference room.

# Rockcastle's Got Talent is next Saturday

The Livingston Community Lions Club will host their annual *Rockcastle's Got Talent* show next Saturday at 7 p.m. in the Rockcastle County High School Auditorium.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students. Children 4 and under get in free.

Registration fee for contestants is \$10. Participants must be registered no later than noon Monday., Oct. 29th. The overall winner will receive a trophy and a cash prize of \$100.

For more information about the event or how to register, call 606-453-2218 or 606-308-1851.

During the meeting, the committee will have discussions about indoor and outdoor activity space. Parents and concerned citizens are invited to attend to ask questions and provide their own responses to the program.

The Space2Create Program will have two locations in Rockcastle County. One location will be in Mt. Vernon and the second location in Livingston. Organizers hope both locations will be developed in building space donated to the project rent free. However, utilities

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# Two indicted

Two Rockcastle Countians were indicted recently by a Rockcastle County Grand Jury.

Indicted were: Jason Dewayne Duncan, 33, of Whitehead Cemetery Road, Brodhead.

Duncan was indicted on eight counts, four for the offense of rape, first degree for engaging in sexual intercourse with a person under 12 years of age. The other four counts involved incest.

Duncan's bond was set at \$100,000 cash/property. His

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# Retirement/sick leave pay discussed at Mt. Vernon city council meeting

**By: Doug Ponder**  
Although there was no new business, there was a lot of new discussion at the monthly Mt. Vernon City Council meeting Monday night.

Before the discussion, the council approved the second reading of the 2013 property tax rate ordinance at 16.6 cents per hundred dollar assessment of real estate and personal property. The rate is lower than the previous year's 16.7 cents.

The council also approved the second reading of the vehicle tax rate ordinance which keeps the 16.7 cents rate the same as it has been for the last several years.

After approving the second reading of the two ordinances, Mayor Mike Bryant told the council there was no new business and asked other council members if they had anything they wanted to discuss.

Council member Shelley Lewis brought up an issue she had been asked about by Water and Sewer Superintendent Dennis McClure about the city's policies about retirement and sick leave pay.

McClure was also in attendance at the meeting and addressed the council about his concerns. He said the current retirement policy allows city employees to use six months of sick leave to be applied to their retirement. For example, if a city employee retires after 30 years, they can retire after 29 and a half years because of

the accumulated sick leave. However, McClure said the retirement pay for those six months will be less than the 100% sick pay at face value.

"It seems like the policy is wrote for the people who call in sick all the time as they get 100% face value," McClure said. "If you come to work every day you lose in the end when it's paid as a part of your retirement pay instead of sick leave pay."

Lewis said there is a conversion chart for state workers that they use to convert and count extra sick leave days toward employees' retirement. But she still said the conversion is based off a lower retirement pay instead of a full face value sick leave.

Bryant said that he be-

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# Annual UNITE Bowl is Friday

The Rockcastle County Rockets is teaming up with the Clay County Tigers during the annual UNITE Bowl football game to "Wipe Out Drugs".

The football game is scheduled for Friday, October 25th at the Rockcastle County Rockets field. Kick-off is at 7:30 p.m. Tailgating will begin at 6 p.m. and is provided by the local churches in the parking lot of Rockcastle County Middle School.

Kentucky Senate President Robert Stivers, Con-

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Mt. Vernon Fire and Rescue responded to a severe two car accident Sunday night on I-75 southbound at the 70 mile-marker. Authorities say Joshua Clark, 36, of Calhoun, Georgia was traveling southbound in a blue Chevy Trail Blazer when he clipped a gray Dodge Durango driven by Carolyn Wirries, 57 of Beaver Creek, Ohio. The collision caused Clark to lose control and slam into the retaining wall in the far left lane while Wirries lost control and slammed into the guardrail in the far right lane before her vehicle flipped several times. Clark was transported by ambulance to Saint Joseph in Berea where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries and later released. Wirries was flown to the UK Medical Center where she is currently being treated for life-threatening injuries. Kentucky State Police, Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department and Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife also assisted at the scene.



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