

## Church News

### Pine Hill Cemetery

Please send your donations for the upkeep of the Pine Hill Cemetery to: Lorene Mink Pilder, 143 Mason Lake Road, Berea, KY 40003. 606-986-7750

### Revival

Weekend Revival at Sand Hill Baptist Church Feb. 25-27 at 7 p.m. Pastor Tommy Miller. Evangelist Bill Hammond.

### Drifter or Seeker?

Flocks are being fed the opinions of men. This does not satisfy because men instinctively listen for a voice that will speak to them with authority in matters of religion and for this reason, some have drifted away from the church entirely.

Others seek churches where this voice is still heard.

We have experienced the authoritative preaching of FPC (Free Presbyterian) in Pennsylvania and South Carolina obviously not driving distance so would like to establish one here in Kentucky. Free sample of their messages are available by calling me at 758-4544 or try <http://www.freepres.org>

### Benefit Gospel Singing

For Calloway Mission Church, Feb. 25th at 6 p.m. Various gospel and bluegrass groups will be there. Everyone welcome. All proceeds and love offerings will be used to help repair Calloway Mission Church. For more info, call 256-3075.

## Extension Office News

### 4-H Clothing Projects

The Extension Office is looking for volunteers to assist with after-school clothing projects at the elementary schools. The dates are: Mt. Vernon, March 13-16; Brookhead, March 20-23; Roundstone, March 27-30. Volunteers should call the Extension Office at 256-2403.

### Blood Drive

A blood drive will be held at the Extension Office on February 28, 2000 from 1 to 6 p.m., sponsored by the Rockcastle County Homemakers and Central Kentucky Blood Center. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

### Croquet Cookery Class

February 28, 10:30 a.m. at the Extension Office. The class is free. Call 256-2403 for details. Free recipe leaflet available.

### Learn to Sew

Learn to sew during a free Sit-n-Sew Workshop on February 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come to the Extension

Office at your convenience on the 28th. Bring your own pattern, fabric and thread. Hazel Jackson, Family and Consumer Science Agent, will be available to assist you. Call 256-2403 for details.

### Hunter Education Course

A Hunter Education Course will be taught at the Extension Office on March 16 and 17, 6 to 9 p.m. and March 18th at 9 a.m. Anyone born after 1975 must have a Hunter Education Card to hunt. Please call 256-4950 or 256-2403 for more information.

### Reality Store

Students will get a taste how their lifestyle decisions effect their future at a Reality Store to be held March 2 at the Rockcastle County Middle School from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Approximately 17 booths will be set up for this event. If you wish to volunteer to assist, you may call the Extension Service at 256-2403.

## New e-mail address

The Mt. Vernon Signal can now be reached via the Internet. Send us your news, classifieds, changes of address or any comments to [mvsignal@sun-spot.com](mailto:mvsignal@sun-spot.com).



### THE BETTY LEWIS CHILDREN'S SERVICE AWARD

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NON-FR. 8:00-4:30 P.M.

## Conservation District Cost Share Program announced

The Rockcastle County Conservation District will be accepting requests for cost sharing funding under the Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program beginning February 1 and extending through February 28.

The Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program was created to help agricultural operations protect the soil and water resources of Kentucky. This program is a result of House Bill 377 that was passed in the 1994 General Assembly. This Bill establish annual cost share funds to be administered by conservation districts with priority given to animal waste related prob-

lems and agriculture district participants where pollution problems have been identified. The Kentucky Department of Agriculture will provide initial funding for the program.

Funding for practices will be approved by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission at the Kentucky Division of Conservation, located in Frankfort, as funds are available.

For more information stop by the conservation district office located at the USDA Service Center, Hwy. 150, Mt. Vernon, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or phone Randall Templeman, District Conservationist, at 256-2525 Ext. 3.

## Blood Drive is March 6th

Have you ever dreamed of being the hero of the day by solving a major problem? Coming to the rescue of innocent people and helping them battle life-threatening injuries and illnesses? If you have, please join Central Kentucky Blood Center and Rockcastle County Extension Homemakers to save the day by giving blood on Monday, March 6, 2000 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the basement of the Rockcastle County Extension Office.

By donating a pint of blood, you could save the life of a leukemia patient, a burn or shock victim, or possibly help restore vitality to an accident victim. A pint of blood can be separated into three different components, which can end up to three different patients. Donating

blood takes less than an hour. You must be at least 17 years old and weigh 100 pounds or more.

Show the community you care for the patients at South Central and Eastern Kentucky Hospitals by volunteering to give blood. For being such a true hero for the community, we will give you a free gift.

For more information, call Loreta Robinson at 679-7413.

## Division asking residents to use extreme caution

The Spring Forest Fire Hazard Season official began February 15, but in reality, except for the recent snow periods, fires have continued to occur since July of last year. The Kentucky Division of Forestry is asking citizens to be very careful when conducting any outdoor burning this spring.

Last year, over 139,100 acres of Kentucky's forests were damaged by wildfire, making 1999 the worst forest fire year in the last decade. More than 100,000 of these acres burned last fall. "We do not want a repeat of last year. Drought conditions still exists in some areas of the state, making conditions conducive for forest fires. Many of the fires in 1999 were attributed to arson and the division is still investigating and prosecuting some of those cases. The division is committed to fully prosecuting anyone suspected of arson," said Mark Matusewicz, Director of the Division of Forestry.

KRS 149.400 prohibits burning in or within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland, except between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. This restriction is in effect from February 15 until the Spring Forest Fire Hazard Season ends on April 30.

While burning is allowed between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., no one should conduct outdoor burning unless the fire is calm, and there is adequate moisture in the air and ground to prevent the spread of fire. It is illegal to start a fire anytime of the year on or near timberland without taking all reasonable precautions to prevent it from spreading. Reasonable precaution include, clearing the ground around a fire and having tools and water readily available. The law also requires that all outdoor fires be attended until fully extinguished.

## "Henry Cox"

(Cont. from A3)

"Matt, when he goes back to Rhode Island, you'll have to remind me to tell you how I won the War." That, of course, started another volley.

I did ask Henry about his contribution to winning the War. "I ran a water treatment plant in New Mexico for most of the War. I was shipped to Hawaii about two weeks before Truman dropped the atomic bomb, so I got a nice Hawaiian vacation out of the deal." His was very vague about the years in New Mexico. On the way home, that afternoon, Josh said, "Do you think he was at Los Alamos?"

We figured that he was probably fixing a broken pipe in the testing laboratory, when he overheard the problems of the engineers in detonating the bomb. We could picture him stepping to the chalk board, diagramming the solution, and asking permission to write "Uncle Claude in Mt. Vernon" for the necessary parts. If you really knew Henry H. Cox, you could imagine this happening.

Henry's driving was, and according to Buddy, had always been questionable. He drove as if he was the only car on the road and speed was no issue. I'd love to have seen the look on the State Policeman's face who gave Henry a speeding ticket, two or three years ago. He told us that he was only going 85 in a 55, but we had ridden with him and knew better. The office supposedly said, "Sir, I've been trying to catch you for five miles."

Henry replied, "You wouldn't have caught me either, if I hadn't seen you when you topped that last hill back there." He thoroughly enjoyed traffic school and said that it had altered his outlook on driving. It may have, but I doubt that it showed him down any.

If I combined my memories of Henry, with everyone else's memories of Henry, it would fill several volumes. He would like the fact that we are still talking about him and will be for years to come. Whether he intended it that way or not, we will never know. I can't help but think that some of his tales and "antics" were meant for our enjoyment and his legacy.

Henry taught and gave so much to the people who surrounded him. A few of these gifts were experience, confidence, work ethic, enough stories to outlast our lifetimes, and the example of a good, Christian life well lived. I've met few people who were any happier about who they were and what they were doing in life than Henry Cox. I think that's why we loved him and respected him so much. Because he knew who he was and he liked it. We did too.

I'm not worried about Henry. He's probably living the process of fixing a leaky faucet or engineering some special project as we speak. Maybe he's re-keying the gears of pearl right now. I just hope that God provided him with everything he needed to get the job done—mini van, a work bench, a comfortable chair, and an account at C.C. Cox & Son.

## State Auto offers people age 50 and over extra-value coverages!



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