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### After tip, Marlow captured

Thanks to an anonymous tip, a convicted felon who had been held at the Rockcastle Detention Center, before he escaped last week, was apprehended by local police. Rockcastle County Jailer James Miller said that Charles Marlow, Jr., 31, of Mt. Vermon, was arrested without incident around 11 pm. at thomos of his parents on Olid 461. Miller said that law enforcement officers and members of his staff surrounded the house before arresting Marlow, after the Detention Conter Setective, William Harris got the tip.

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Marlow escaped from the Rockeastle County Detention Center last Wednesday morning around 2:30

### Police find another meth lab

Last Wednesday night a joint in Last Wednesday might a joint investigation by the Rockestate County
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Vernon Police, DEA, FB1 and
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building at Chestut Ridge,
The warrant was executed at the
residence of Scotty and Rene
Renner, who live on the Roc Kirby
Roda, approximately 5 and a half
miles from Mt. Vernon,
According to a release from
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### 387 cases of abuse, neglect reported

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month in Kentucky. Child abuse and neglect contin-ues to be a major problem in this country and Rockeastle County is no excession.

reption.

In the last twelve months alone, to thild abuse and neglect cases re investigated by the Rockcastle unty Department of Social Ser-

es.

Director Gordon Pope said that

consecuted the cases were reported.



### Allen receives Betty Lewis Service Award

Rockcastle County High School Principal Ruth Allen, is this year's recipient of the Betty Lewis Children's

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guidance counselor Janice Miller nominated Mr. Allen. Pat winners of the award include; Ann Abney. Cora LaPorin, Charles Najier, Lou Ed Nielson and Cornelia Short.

The Besty Lewis Children's Service Award is an annual award presented to a person who is dedicated to the -children and families of Rockcastle County.

the children and families of Rockeastle County.

Ms. Lewis was the first recipient of the award in 1995 and after her death; later that year, the award was named in her honor.

Ms. Lewis was well known for her active role in the community and for her efforts to help people; espe-cially children.

"Misher was truly concerned with the ills of, our society. Besides her work she spent a great deal of her own time taking care of many people -finding housing, transportation, as-sistance with food and clothing. She was always on call for those she worked with - the families involved

in her programs were very impor-to her and the well being of th to her and the well being of those children were paramount to anything she was involved in," Lisa Lewis

A very grateful Mrs. Allen gave a short acceptance speech after re-ceiving her award from Charles Nanier

### I-75 wreck snarls local traffic

If you were in Rockcastle County on. Saturday, afternoon, particularly in the Mt. Vernon and Renfro Valley area you experienced total grid lock on the highway.

A wreck on Interstate 75 south of

All of the northbound traffic on the interstate was re-routed through Renfro Valley and the traffic that was

to get around the wreck: A Florida woman lost control of

already on the interstate going north and south was re-routed through Rehfro.

Southbound and horthbound travelers also got word of the plosure and traveled along U.S. 25.

Some even got off at Breach and traveled along U.S. 25. in order to extravel the wreck.

For good test scores

## Local schools get \$208,000 in rewards

By: Richard Anderkin
All of Rockcastile Connty's five public schools will share \$208.170 in reward money as a result of their performance in the intermit Common-wealth Accountability Test System, or (CATS).
The Department of Education has released the money to the local school system, who will pass the money on to the local school will receive \$53.243.68, Mt. Vornon will get \$35.119.51, Rockcastile County High School will receive \$35.343.68, Mt. Vornon will get \$35.119.51, Rockcastile County Middle School will receive \$35.343.81 and Roundstone Education School will receive School

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At Brodhead, Principal Caroline Graves said the SBDM council had voted to split the money between all employees, including bus drivers. She said that those employees who worked directly in instruction of students would receive the most money.

money.

The other three schools have not shout how they will made a decision about how they will spend their money.

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#### Hammond gets one year extension

Rockeastle County School Superintendent Larry Hammond received a one year extension on his four-year contract, during the board's regular monthly meeting Thursday

hight.

Hammond, who has been Superintendent for the past six years, has two years left on his four-year contract and with the one year extension has a contract with the school board through 2004

## Still without animal shelter

Adoption Agency for Pets and the tockcastle County Fiscal Court, just

Adoption Agency for Pets and the Rockeastle County Jistal Court, just can't get on the same page. Earlijer this year, RAAP and the fiscal court jointly applied for funds from the state, which would have some state of the state considers Rockeastle in non-compliance of animal control laws, the grant request was turned down. So this week, Rockeastle Judgment of the state of the sta

carriofus said the only way the county could ever get any state money to help with animal control is to own the facility. He said that if the county owned the facility, they would likely receive thousands of dollars in grant money.

money.
Mrs. Terry Lunce, who heads
RAAP, could not be reached for com-

#### Local group raising money for Crusade

Rockcastle Hospital and Respira-tory Care Center, Inc. is gearing up to raise money for the WHAS Crusade for Children. The WHAS Crusade for Children is sponsored by the Louisville based

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### Willie Hiatt recalls two weeks in Peru

To be pure, there are still evidences of antiquity to be seen on every side; on the when hand here are corresponding evidences of describinghts, street cars, and the movies, have come to stay. Hiram Bingham, describing the Andeau city of Cuco Peru, in his 1912 book lnca Land.

By Willie Hiatt
Cusco is a breathtaking city.
It is located in a Ferue via valley high in the Andeas, binisheted with the companient of the companie

nation. In November, aftet 18 hours of travel time from Lexington to Peru, 1 boarded a plane from the capital city of Lima at 11 a.m., left the gates of Cuzoo's international airport shortly after noon and began a two-week Spanialy inthresion program that offered amazing entertainment and cultural variety. A study vacation, ensecially in

program that offered amazing entertainment and cultural variety.

A study vacation, especially in Cuzco, is not in oxymoron. The benefits (interaction with teachers, host families and students, and assimilation into the culture) far oug-eigh the lessues offered by a typical American beach vacation.

Cuzco is a staging area for back-packers and fourists making pligramages to the famous ruins of Macha Picchu, the ancient Incan icty Bingham discovered in 1911.

Besides, their natural beautyfic and shops, incan ruins, affordable crafts and American videos such and shops, incan ruins, affordable crafts and American videos such as more and and shops, incan ruins, affordable crafts and American videos such as restaurants.

screens in restaurants.

And in a country starving for tourist dollars, there are guided tours for mountain blking, river rafting and kayaking – not to mention cheap Internet access in cyber cafes all over Cuzco.

"Cusco is the hub of the South American travel network and, in this respect, is reminiscent of Kathmanth in Nepal. Both cilles attract thousands of travelers, who come not just to visit a unique des-tination, but also to experience an age-old culture that is very differ-ent to their 20th-century way of the"

Amauta, a small language bool founded five years ago by a nsplanted Dutch woman, is on ille Suecia, a block and a half transplanted Dutch woman, it Calle Succia, a block and a from the Plaza de Armas, Cur

forms the Plaza de Armas, Cuzzo's minis square.

Stone steps wind past the office up to a terrace that doubles as, an open-air classroom and a meeting place before and after classes. It is not considered to the control of the square and offers a panoramic view of the city and the mountains surrounding it.

With the school's European bes, you're as likely to hear Dutch, Swedish and German as Spanish during breaks. Classes, last four hours a day and are no larger than its students for grammar and four for conversation. One-on-one classes cost more, but the individual attention is well sworth the modest

price increase.

Amauta also offers study opportunities at its schools in Urubamba, the capital city of the Sacred Valley, and in the Manu rain forest. It is a language school with a social conscience, encouraging volunteer opportunities at hospitals for disabled children.

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"The dog, the kids, the grand-mother, cold water. Living with a hoat family will do wonders for your Sponish and you will learn what it is like to really live in Peru."

—Amauts handout

Amains students stay in dormi-tory-type housing at the school; in the nearby Hotel Casa de Campo; or with host families, who provide a private room, three meals a day (Cont. to A6)

