

"Fiscal Court"

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Management Director for Rockcastle County, although she has been serving in that capacity on a volunteer basis for the past several months.

Last month the court hired Bobby Bishop Jr., for the part time position at \$10,000 a year.

Roark pointed out to the court and the Judge that she had spent the last four days and nights at Mullins Station heading up the operation concerning a possible water contamination.

Local man arrested

A Flat Gap man is being held in the Madison County Detention Center, on charges of auto theft and burglary.

William Randy Chasteen, 26, was arrested on Friday by Rockcastle Sheriff Shirley Smith and Deputy Ronnie Roark, at his home on Flat Gap, after Richmond police found an unoccupied stolen vehicle with Chasteen's identification inside.

A Madison County Sheriff's Deputy also found illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia inside the vehicle. The stolen vehicle was located near a house another robbery had taken place.

According to police, a wrecker and several CB radios were taken during that robbery.

When Smith and Roark questioned Chasteen about the thefts he admitted to stealing the wrecker and the pick-up that was found the night of the robberies.

The wrecker was recovered from a remote area off Loman Hill.

"That should have been the new director and not me," she said.

Roark also said after the meeting that she had asked the Judge to relieve her for a few hours while she went home and he refused.

She said the county also did not send any food or supplies to the scene and that her and Deputy Brown spent their own money for food.

Roark was also upset because she says she was asked to stay on at 911 to help with the mapping of the county, after she was appointed CSEPP Director by Carlotis.

"I was trying to help out and then they offered me the 911 director's job and I accepted it," she said.

"Although I know I could do both jobs I have no desire to do them, but I think I should have been more informed on what was going on," Roark said.

Carlotis discussed the situation at length on Tuesday with magistrates Bill McKinney, John Holbrook, Brad Bradley and Donald Bullock. Fred Mullins is in the hospital.

"Bonnie is a very capable person, but the recent incident at Mullins Station, however, completely affirmed what I have said all along - no single person should be the head of three local emergency agencies. It can't work because that person can only be at one place at any given time, and we don't know when emergencies will arise," Carlotis said.

Mrs. Roark said that in many counties, one person is head of each agency, but has a deputy in charge at each level - but Carlotis said he did not think that was a good idea.

Carlotis has still taken no action on the matter and Mrs. Roark said she too had not made up her mind.

The court also passed a resolution in support of a Welcome Center at Big Hill on Hwy. 421.

The Jackson County Fiscal Court is attempting to obtain funding for a

center that would service Jackson, Rockcastle and Madison Counties.

The court also tabled a request for a pay increase for deputies by Jailer James Miller.

The court agreed to discuss it at a later date.

"Contaminated Water"

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The group found a dead coyote, buzzard, possum and raccoon, as well as thousands of dead insects in the

Babe Ruth Update

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By Diamond Dave

Monday, July 2

Indiana 6

Garrard Co. 3

2nd Game

Reds 19

Crab Orchard 6

Tuesday, July 3

White Sox 13

Lincoln County 1

2nd Game

Indians 7

Reds 3

Wednesday, July 4

Indians 12

Lincoln County 2

White Sox placed first in the tournament with Indians second and Lincoln County third.

7&8-Year-Old All-Stars

Somersett 14

Rockcastle 9

Jessamine 19

Rockcastle 11

9&10-Year-Olds All-Stars

Rockcastle 13

Wayne Co. 2

Rockcastle 10

Burnside 0

11&12-Year-Olds All-Stars

Rockcastle 11

McCreary 0

Burnside 4

Rockcastle 1

Rockcastle 10

Wayne Co. 0

11 & 12-Year-Olds will play at Clay County on Thursday against Tri-City.

area around the pool of water.

The group also found a barrel on a hillside near the pool of water, although the barrel was quite a distance up on the hillside from the pool of water.

The barrel had some type of liquid in it, but it was not punctured and did not appear to be leaking," said Livingston Fire Chief Sam Stallworth.

The barrel was located a few feet from the railroad track and CSX officials have been contacted to see if they may have lost a barrel from one of their trains in the past few days, according to Roark.

Roark called in state officials from the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, as well as officials from the State Health Department.

Water samples were taken from the pool and dirt samples were taken from the dirt around the dead animals and sent to Frankfort where they have been tested, although as of Wednesday officials still did not know what was in the water, that would cause the deaths.

Roark said there was also some concern that ground water in the area could become contaminated because it was obvious that the water in the pool was soaking into the ground.

Roark said that local officials were somewhat concerned about the ground water contaminating wells in the area, but that state officials did

not seem to think that would be a problem.

Something that was very curious to local officials was the fact that dead were able to live in the pool of water, while insects on top of the water lay dead.

"That part of it is very strange, how the shad can live, but the insects die almost immediately once they touch the water," said David Klee, Director of Public Safety for the State Health Department.

No one has been allowed in the area, since the investigation into the possible chemical spill began and barricades have been put in place.

The area is still off limits to the public and will remain so, until something is found out.

Mrs. Roark said she would like to thank the Livingston Fire Department for their help during the four days that officials were on site.

Roark said she would also like to thank the other fire departments for their support in sending food and supplies to the scene.

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dies with George Jones.)

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"Robbery Ends in Wreck"

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patch logs, a chase then ensued at 4:10 a.m.

K-9 Officer Mike Holliday joined in the pursuit and was traveling in the left lane of the interstate when the suspects, northbound in the right lane, attempted to cut over into the median and hit Holliday's cruiser.

"They were attempting to get across the median and go northbound in the southbound lane," Lewis recounted. "When they tried that it hit Officer Holliday's cruiser in the side and forced both vehicles off the road."

As Holliday's cruiser hit the gravel it flipped onto its side. The Ford Ranger, with the two fleeing suspects inside, "flipped several times," according to Lewis, effectively ending the chase at 4:14 a.m. just north of the 50-mile marker in Rockcastle County, dispatch records indicate.

The driver of the truck, David Owens, was not injured in the wreck and was arrested at the scene. He was charged with fleeing and evading, wanton endangerment and two counts of criminal mischief.

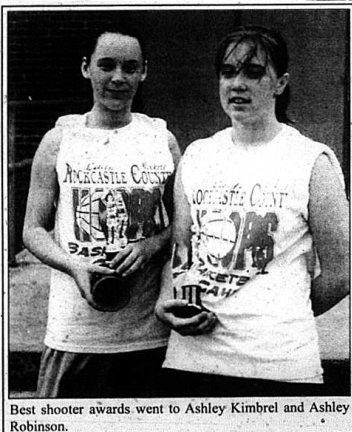
Owens' passenger's name or information concerning his legal status was not immediately available Tuesday morning.



Three on three winners at the recent Lady Rocket's basketball camp were Anna Reynolds, Ainsley Bussell and Sonya Lunsford.



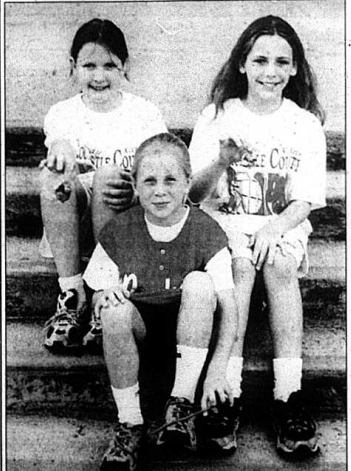
Five on five winners were: Cora Collinsworth, Katie Cope, Jackie Alexander, Courtney Campbell, Allyson Washburn, Abigail McClure, Kristen Abney, Kristin Baker and Felicia Cameron.



Best shooter awards went to Ashley Kimbrel and Ashley Robinson.



Afternoon group five on five winners were: Ashley Robinson, Jenny Trammell, Megan Mazurek, Katy Mattingly, Melinda Thompson, Brittney Calhoun, Courtney Bullock and Kristin Bullock.



Other three on three winners at the camp were Laura Dollins, Megan Mazurek and Stephanie Barnett.



Other three on three winners were Beth Guinn, Angie Lawrence, Constance Irvin, Sydney Brown, Ella McQuary, Adrienne Childress, Megan Randolph and Sara Hammond.



Sarah Martin, left, got the best shooter award and Michaela Hunter got the best agility award.



Other five on five winners at the girl's high school camp were: Ashley Lewis, Katy Cowan, Sarah Martin, Lakin Coffey, Brianna Hansel, Emily Mink, Kellen Coffey, Sydney Brown and Jordan Blanton.