



50th Wedding Anniversary

Saul and Fathia Carpenter of Livingston celebrated their 50th anniversary February 26, 2003. They were united in marriage in Mt. Vernon. The couple has five sons, Ray, Clyde, Johnny, Lester and Wayne and 11 grandchildren.

Phillips - Martin

Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Phillips of Livingston would like to invite you to the uniting of their daughter, Charlotte Ann Phillips to David Wayne Martin, son of Mr. Bentley Martin of Mt. Vernon and Mrs. Jeanie West of Mt. Vernon.

The wedding will take place on the eighth day of March, Two Thousand and Three at Hazel Patch Baptist Church in the afternoon.

Reception will follow at Sr. Citizens Building at Mt. Vernon. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Yards to Paradise

By: Max Phelps

Winter Interest in the Landscape

Cold days arrived early last fall and I heard several say they enjoyed the white Christmas.

There is little daylight either before or after work by which to enjoy the outdoors at mid-winter. But, for those who are enjoying retirement, there are certainly some interesting things to see and do in the yard. For most, at least a day or two off from the regular grind can mean a few hours free to do whatever strikes your fancy for wintertime outdoor enjoyment.

Some interesting landscape features can be found and admired in winter.

Examples are frosted grasses waving in the cold wind, flower seed heads crowned with a lot of snow, a goldfinch extracting seeds from a dried pinecone or dried teasel. Such are most glorious in winter.

Miscanthus, pennisetum, panicum, chrisanthemum and other grass species may indeed have been placed in the landscape scheme primarily because of their wintertime attractiveness.

Some perennials that I like to leave throughout the winter and not remove the dead stalks or seed heads from include coneflowers, sedum

(especially "Autumn Joy"), canna, yarrow, lysipso, salvia, teasel and artemisia.

Some trees and shrubs exhibit nice characteristics we may not notice at other times of the year. Do you notice red twigs on blueberries, some willows and dogwoods in summer? Probably not! Without their foliage, such plants can look striking against the white of snow.

Cornus willows, contorted filberts, winterberry hollies, are all more striking minus their leaves. Wisteria, grapevines, passionflower vines, offer nice form covering a post, trellis, or arch during the wintertime.

Some folks may think dead vines and seed heads are signs of laziness. Others appreciate the winter charms of such and wait until spring to clean up the litter. The preferred approach is probably somewhere in the middle. Remove dead leaves and flowers that are ugly unless it would be better for the health of the plant to wait, and let stay the aesthetically pleasing dead foliage and flowerheads.

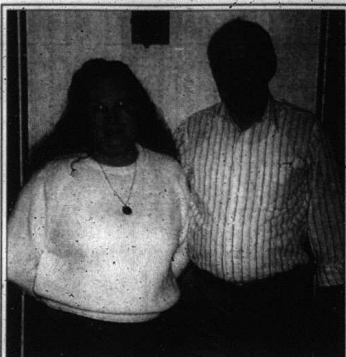
A trellis, gazebo, fence or weather-resistant garden ornaments may have a charm all their own in the winter. So will feeders and birdhouses.

Maybe stone outcroppings, mossy logs, rotting stumps, or simply the stately shape of a pin oak or cypress will get your attention in a special way when you give the winter landscape a good long glance.

Expect some nice surprises as you take a wintertime stroll or drive along a quiet lane.

The author is a freelance writer and landscape contractor. Suggestions and comments may be sent to max@rockcastle.com via the internet.

Classified deadline is Noon Tuesday



Retirement Party

The family of Elmer and Edith Burdette will be hosting a retirement party on Sunday, March 2, 2003 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Hickory Grove Pentecostal Church's Fellowship Building. As we celebrate this important milestone in their lives we ask that you come and fellowship with us. All friends and family are invited to attend. No gifts please.

In and Around Mt. Vernon

By Vallie Burton

Ms. Jessie Riley and son Scott of California visited her mother, Patricia Holland and other relatives here last week.

Mildred Hunt celebrated her birthday February 14th. We wish her many returns of the day.

Angie Eaton, of Midway, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Eaton II last week.

Ms. Julia Coulter and son spent Sunday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Eaton II.

Sympathy is extended to all who have lost loved ones. May the Lord comfort each one.

John David Hurley celebrated his birthday February 20th. We wish him many returns of the day.

Ms. Linda Eaton and mother, Patricia Holland, were in Corbin Saturday.

Caleb Eaton celebrated his third birthday March 1st. We wish him many returns of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Petrey of Somerset and Vallie Burton were in Berea and Richmond Saturday.

Patricia Holland celebrated her birthday February 24th. We wish her many returns of the day.

Ms. Linda Eaton and mother, Patricia Holland, were in Lexington Monday.

Reward \$1,000

Reward of \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and felony conviction of person or persons involved in the theft of a white Ford pickup from Scaffold Cane Road, Berea, in December, 2002. All calls and information are confidential.

Contact: Trooper Dustin Hon - Kentucky State Police
(859) 624-2404 or 1-800-222-5555

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Saturday, March 1st
Begins at 2 p.m.
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New ER Fast-Track at Berea Hospital

Berea Hospital is pleased to announce a new service:

Emergency Room (ER) Fast-Track, high-quality care for patients with minor emergencies

ER Fast-Track is similar to our previous HealthCare Express service but offers some additional advantages:

- Longer weekday hours, plus the service is open on Saturdays and Sundays.
- Access to the same expert team of physicians, nurses and certified medical assistants who staff the Berea Hospital Emergency Room.

So, when your doctor's office is closed and you or someone in your family needs medical care for a non-emergent condition, visit the Berea Hospital Emergency Department and get immediate attention through our new ER Fast-Track.

ER Fast-Track Hours During February

Weekdays:
4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturdays and Sundays:
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

ER Fast-Track Hours as of March 1

Weekdays:
4 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Saturdays and Sundays:
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.



Note: ER Fast-Track patients will receive a separate bill from Berea Hospital and Marshall Emergency Services Associates (MESA), the physician group that provides care through the Emergency Room and the ER Fast-Track.

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