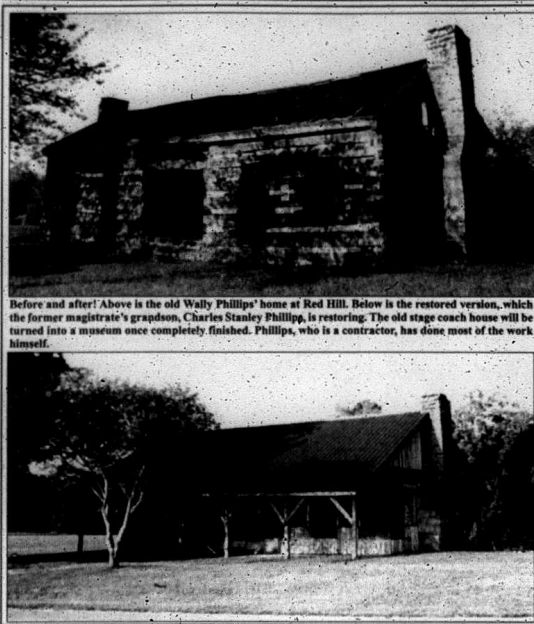




Before and after! Above is the old Wally Phillips' home at Red Hill. Below is the restored version, which the former magistrate's grandson, Charles Stanley Phillips, is restoring. The old stage coach house will be turned into a museum once completely finished. Phillips, who is a contractor, has done most of the work himself.

The Family Room

By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

I have spent several hours in front of the TV screen since the war began.

That is one of the reasons I felt so depressed this weekend. War news is not usually good news. Even if

our side is winning, there are casualties on both sides to mourn. There are future dangers for the troops. They may be safe today but what about tomorrow. My melancholy in front of the

Public Notice

Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending the Rockcastle County budget for FY 2002-2003 to include unanticipated receipts from various sources in the amount of \$102,857.63 and increasing expenditures in the area of General Health & Sanitation. Administration will be held on April 8, 2003 at 1 p.m. at the Rockcastle County Courthouse, second floor EDC room. A copy of the proposed ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge-Executive during normal business hours.

Public Notice

Second reading of a proposed ordinance of the Fiscal Court of Rockcastle County, Ky. adjusting and increasing certain fees collected by the County Sheriff's Department, more specifically in Civil Processing and Arrest, said fees presently being Twenty Dollars for Civil Processing and Ten Dollars for Arrest. Now, therefore, be it ordained by the Fiscal Court that the Sheriff of Rockcastle County is hereby required to charge Thirty Dollars for each and all Civil Processing Fees and Twenty Dollars for each and all Arrest fees, will be held on April 8, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at the Rockcastle Co. Courthouse. A copy of the proposed ordinance with full text is available for the public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Exec. during normal business hours.

Sheriff Shirley Smith 2002 Financial Status Report

Name: Shirley Smith	Date: 1-31-03
County: Rockcastle	Period From:
Address: PO Box 715	01/01/02 thru 12/31/02
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456	
KLEFPF	7,706.40
Commission from taxes	112,163.21
Arrest fees	2,244.70
Sheriff Security Services	14,910.40
Conveying Convicts	2,575.56
Delinquent Taxes	771.42
Auto Inspections	4,745.00
Serving Papers	9,973.00
Sheriff Fee From County	11,203.43
Insurance Reports	455.00
Interest	1,015.52
Gun Application	4,300.00
State Fees	2,194.84
Pepsi	281.40
Other	15,921.87
Total Receipts	190,461.75
EXPENDITURES	
Sheriff's Salary	62,258.82
Deputies Salary	99,504.30
Uniforms	599.59
Supplies	1,786.24
Vehicle Maintenance	1,124.13
Gasoline	12,542.86
Gun Applications	2,875.00
Total Expenditures	181,296.87
Excess Receipts Over Expenditures	9,164.88

I certify that this statement is to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

/s/ Sheriff Shirley Smith

television is nothing compared to that of those with relatives in the war zone. Americans with husbands, fathers, wives, children, mothers and many others over there feel the pain and anxiety much more than I do. They need support and reassurance from the rest of us. Some Iraqis who live in the US still have family in Iraq. I wonder how I would feel if I had a son in Baghdad. The anxiety must run high in those households as well.

The Gulf War of 1991 was so quick that we Americans have come to expect that kind of outcome. As of this morning (March 24) that does not look as if it will be the case. American forces are meeting more resistance as they move closer to Baghdad. American soldiers have been injured and killed while some have been captured. Being a POW must be a lonely feeling. Again, the families of these soldiers know pain and anxiety far greater than what the rest of us feel.

What will happen in the future? Who will survive and who will not? How many more Americans and Iraqis will die? Those are just some of the reasons I was depressed this weekend.

My prayer is that the Iraqi army will surrender and that Saddam Hussein will be captured and tried for his crimes against humanity. He is certainly a tyrant and possibly a madman. Because he is those things, it is doubtful that he will go down without a fight. It is doubtful that his loyal Republican Guard will surrender, but stranger things have happened. A miracle to end the war would save many lives on both sides.

My depression does not go good to anyone. I do not help our troops nor the Iraqi civilians to survive the battles if I am in the depths of despair. It is time for me to pull my way out of this hole. The best thing I can do is to make a positive contribution to the people closest to me. I can do my job and do it well. I can support those who have family on the battle lines. I can go on doing what I was doing and not allow the war to totally disrupt my life.

In order to accomplish this I will have to limit my television time. I had to do the same thing after September 11, when I spent two days in a hotel room in a distant city with nothing to do but watch TV. That gave me the worst headaches I have ever had in my life. I had to stay away from the television. TV is such a powerful and immediate medium that it pulls at the emotions more than the printed word could ever do. TV is a potent drug and should be taken only in limited doses. (This is even more true for children. Limiting the amount of time children spend watching the war coverage on television will help them to cope.)

Join me in prayer for a speedy end to the hostilities.

Rocky Hollow Recreation Center and I am sponsoring a Walking & Wellness class beginning Tuesday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. We will meet Monday, Tuesday and Thursday throughout the month of April. Class will last for thirty minutes and then we will walk. Call 679-1860 to register and start exercising!

"Coach House Restored"

(Cont. From Front)

less than a mile away.

Charles Phillips has figured out one reason the coach is located where it is. Mt. Vernon is 18 miles away, McKee is 18 miles away and Berea is 18 miles away.

"It only makes sense to locate a coach house in a centrally-located spot," Charles Phillips said.

Wally Phillips, who lived in the coach house for 70 years, served as Rockcastle County jailer and magistrate for many years and he and his wife, Belle Drew, raised seven sons at their Red Hill home.

His grandson Charles said that once the inside of the coach house had been restored to its original state he was turning it into a museum in order to help preserve one of, if not the, most historic site in Rockcastle County.

A Soldier's Hero

Ask any American soldier who his hero is and he just might say, My mom, my wife, my family, for when I left, they had to stay. You see they smiled and were brave when we had to part.

They were proud of me, but they had a broken heart.

So when you give medals, please give one to my dad.

For to have taken my place, he would have been glad.

And my wife's a hero, and the baby I've never gotten to see.

Born after I had gone, but that's the way it had to be.

Mom's a real hero also, when I walked away she tried not to cry.

Yet when I looked back one last time, I saw the tears in her eye.

So, when you speak of bravery, speak not of me, but of my dear family.

For, to an American soldier, they are the real heroes, you see.

Please give those medals to my buddies that had to die.

They gave much more to this great country than I.

Soon I'll be coming home to my loved ones that care.

But their families have only a memory of which to share.

So, ask most soldiers who's his hero and he will say,

My family and those true Americans who support us every day.

By William Jerry Ayers

122 Walnut St.

Crab Orchard, KY 40419

606-355-7910



Words of Hope

At what time in your life do you think you learned the most? Was it in school, or the military, or maybe the first year of marriage? It has been said that at the age of three you learn the most because we continually ask questions. How important it is to have good answers for your child's questions. Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." Good answers to your child's questions will last a lifetime.

—A message of hope from your friends at
Mt. Vernon Pentecostal Church

It's A Spring Time 'Sale-A-Bration!!'

Carpenter's Decorating Center in Berea

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business with a 25% off
MARKDOWN SALE!!

Take an Extra 25% off on:

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- Selected paints & stains - while supplies last
- All Prints - Framed and Unframed



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Special Meeting

DRAFT AGENDA

April 1, 2003

6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Silent Prayer
- B. Roll Call
- C. Reading of Board Team Commitments

2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION

3. COMMUNICATIONS: Recognition of RCHS Cross Country Track Team; Football Team; Girls and Boys Basketball Teams

4. OPERATIVE ACTIONS

- A. Approve minutes of the March 11, 2003 regular monthly meeting
- B. Approve bills for payment
- C. Approve Non Resident Student Contracts with: Berea Independent; Garrard County; Jackson County; Laurel County; Lincoln County; Madison County; Pulaski County; Somerset Independent

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION

- A. Review/approve Independent Auditor's contract as presented for school year ending 6/30/2003 pending approval of the State Committee for School District Audits

6. DISCUSSION/REVIEW

- A. Review Monthly Financial Report
- B. Review Superintendent's Personnel Actions Report
- C. Review Draft Board Policy 09.211 (Health Care Examination/Students)

- D. Other: School News Paper
Veterans/GED
KSBA Member Data Forms

7. ADJOURNMENT