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#### **Board seat will** not be filled until election

According to Superintendent of Schools Larry Hammond, the va-cancy created on the Board of Edu-cation by the resignation of Sam Stallsworth in July, will not be filled until the general-election November 4, 2003.

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Hammond received a letter August 7th from the Kennucky Department of Education statistic that "the Commissioner has directed no further action be taken to complete the appointment of Education statistic that the appointment of the adversarial to the state of the appointment of the term."

The letter went on to say that the decision was taken due to the short mount of time between the completion of the appointment process and the date of the election.

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Donna Hassty and Stallsworth. The term runs through 2006.

#### Roundstone bridge okaved

The Rockcastle County Fiscal Court has okayed the construction of a new bridge over Roundstone Creek, just north of Roundstone School on the Home Brown Road.

County Judge Executive Buzz Carfoftis and Friday-that the state approved a bid of \$59,650 for a single span 18' wide sted beam bridge span 18' wide sted beam bridge with a concrete deck.

N&N Contracting submitted three different bids in July for the project and the state chose the least expensive of the bids.

Carfoftis said the project would not begin at least until late October. The Rockcastle County Fiscal

#### "Your Community Matters" will air on WRVK

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County, Judge/Executive Buzz.

Carlofits and the three town mayors in the county will be doing guest appearance on Betty, Lou York's radio show on WKV. Each Wedneided morphism on WKV. Each Wedneided morphism of the mayor will be discouling what of the mayors will be discouling what of the mayors will be discouling what will be discouling what will be discouling what will be discouling what will be a set of the mayor will be able to all it will be able to all the able to all it will be able to all the able to all t

attuents and listeners will be able to call in with questions. The show began Wednesday, and appearances will be on a rotation basis with Livingston Mayor T.C. Griffin the first to appear. "I am hoping filis works out well and everyone participates," Charles Saylor, owner of WRVK, said. "This should be an interesting format."

## Illegal dumping case will not be prosecuted

The case of the illegal dur of used building materials by a Lar rel County man on U.S. 25, south of Livingston, has been resolved, as Livingston, has been resolved, ac-cording to County Judge/Executive Buzz Carloftis.



Mrs. Martha Sue Eversole, a former teacher at Livin n and Mt. Verne a Sue Eversole, a former teacher at Livingston and ML Vernon, was named "Citizen of i do scremoules Sunday afternoon during the annual Livingston Homecoming, Shown in wing the presentation of Mrs. Eversole's plaque by Dell Ponder, is Billy Wayne Bryant b with flowers for Mrs. Eversole. Looking on is Aletha Bryant, another Homecomine C





Livingston Homecoming Queen and her court are shown in the above photo. In the photo are, from left: Jody Howard, Coourtney Kirby, Keyla Rowe, third runner-up; Tara Denny, second runner-up; Holly Barnett, Queen; Samanha Lewis, 2002 Queen, Robin Wilson, first runner-up and Saza Barnett.

# Tools taken in burglary recovered

In what was probably a first for the Sheriff's Department, Deputy Ken Holt managed to solve a crime countly before it was-reported.

During the recovery of sloine jew-ley from a local pawarshop last Friday, August 29, Deputy Holt notice of some recently powned tools. A mental note was taken and a search was made in the stoolen list files at the Sheriff's office for any tools fitting, just a search was provided to the secretary of the description. Nothing was found but, two days later, on Sunday, August 31, self 11 emergency call was received from Tony Dammell reporting a burglary at his residence at Flat Gap.

Deputy Holt was called to work

indictment is pending, Holt said.

The stolen jewelry Holt was recovering was a diamond gold ring, valued at approximately \$500, which had been taken from the home of Carlga McClure in Mt. Vernon
Upon investigation, the ring was found and icentified at the Top Gun Sporting Goods Pawnshop on Friday, August 29.

Steve Ramsey, manager of the pawnshop, was very cooperative and turned the ring over for evidence, Deputy Holt said.

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## Pot plants found near county line

Pulaski/Rockcastle County line on 461 Sunday afternoon August 31. Rockcastle County Sheriff's deputies William Harris, Derrick Price, Ken Holt, Nathanial Price and KSP Trooper Tommy Cromer seized and burned the plants.

# Hit by car

Last Friday a Mt. Vernon woman was hit by a car as she walked across Hwy. 150. According to Mt. Vernon Policie

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According to Mt. Vermon Police
Chief, Terry Jackson, Ruby Wilham,
32, apparently walked into the path
of a vehicle driven by Jessica Ratliff,
20, of Science Hill in Pulaski County.
The accident occured around 4.40

p.m. Wilham was taken to the Rockcastle County Hospital where ball gaine against South Lasse was treated for multiple injuries, and Amanda Rogers, right.

# County sets tax rate same as last year

The county tax rate for 2003 was eat at 7.4" per 5100 assessed value for real property at a special called meeting of the flosal court on Friday. County Judget Executive Buzz Carfolhis told the court that the 7.4 would realize an estimated 3.2 or 7.4 commended that the county not take the 4% (of 7.4%) increase which, would only realize the county an estimated additional \$5.577. If a taxation of the following the county of the following body does not take the innex see for a number of years, then they cannot take any amount of increase without approval of voters but the county is not to that point. Taking the 4% increase only requires a public hearing.

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A case in point is the Rockcastle Conservation Taxing District, whose rate of 0.0009 will generate an esti-mated \$25,096. The district did not take the 4% increase in the allotted time and therefore cannot increase their rate without voter approval. The 0.0009 rate was approved by the

court.

Also approved Friday were the trains for the Rockeastle County Public Health Taxing District - 3.9 and the Cooperative Extension Service - 2.9 for real property and 3.45 for real property and 1.45 for real systems. The other main items of business for the court was the approval of 3.17,30 to purchase there more surpersonal property all the same state for use the state of deputies are needed, Doan said, to do away with compensating time now being received by deputies who work more than a 40-hour week. The two new deputies will bring the total number to six.

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According to Doan and Price, the local sheriff's department will be receiving something over \$100,000 from federal forfeiture funds—from the sale of property, items and mon-ies seized in drug cases in which

members of the sheriff's department participated. However, there is no time life at present for when the funds, will be received and Judge Carloft's cautioned-the magistrates that if they are not received by the end of this fiscal year (June 30, 2004), the court will have to carry the expenditures over until reimbursed. There are restrictions on what the expected funds can be used for. Sherift Doan said, but purchase of equipment, including vehicles, is one approved use.

ment, the natural years of the proved use. To date, the country has paid out almost \$50,000 for the purchase of vehicles for the sheriff's department and has five siatos to sell to recoup some of the monies spent. At the meeting, the three methods of disposing of the vehicles were discussed—sealed bids, public austion or sold individually for the appraised value.

The court gave Carloftis author-ity to dispose of the vehicles and Carloftis said Tuesday he would probably use the public auction method at a date to be advertised when all vehicles are ready for auc-

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Purchase of additional vehicles for the sheriff's department was one of the reasons the court approved an-other interful of \$100,250 since the first of July. Road fund money comes in earlier in the fiscal year than do receipts into the general fund—the money's replain to the road-fund as county taxes and insurance tax money are received.

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The payment of \$1,250 to Justin Prewitt for construction of a wheelchair/handicap access ramp at Coach Preston Parrett gym at the former Livingston School;

Approved payment of \$45 to Leroy Moore for repairs to the court-

Leroy Moore for repairs to the court-house town bell;
Approved the payment of \$300 for yearly dues to the Kentucky Coal Countres Coalition, and Approved the payment of \$17118 to the Kentucky Retirement System, for officials expense allowance.

# Effort to be made for signals at two intersections on bypass

A local businessman and school bus driver, and his wife, are launching a concerted effort to add traffice control devices on the 461 bypass. Keith Bussell, and his wife Berty, held a meeting last Wednesday with county, school and Mt. Vernon officials to enlist their aid in getting the state transportation cabinet to install the signals at the bypass's interestion with Richmond Street and at the West Main St. intersection. Bussell said a request would also be made to haverhe speed limit lowered to 45 mph from the northern exit many offi-75 to the bypass's beginning at U.S. 130.

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intersection so that semi-trucks

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d 2003 Jamboree Bowl Queen during half-time festivities at Friday night's foot-arel which the Rockets won 28-7. Also in the court were Allison Anderkin, at left