

# ANNUAL RECC MEETINGS Harrison is July 7 at 5:30; Fleming-Mason at 1, July 8

Harrison Rural Electric Cooperative cordially invites everyone to its annual meeting of members Tuesday, July 7, to be held at the Rural Electric Farm outside Cynthiana.

## \$8200 in prize money Offered at Ewing-Fleming County Fair July 6-11

Over \$8200 in prize money will be offered to exhibitors during the six day run of the 1981 Ewing-Fleming County Fair, according to Col. J. Kachler, Fair President. On top of the prize money is over \$700 in trophies and ribbons to be awarded to winners. The fair opens Monday, July 6, and runs through Saturday night, July 11.

"This represents the most ever for the fair and it signifies the Ewing-Fleming County Fair as one of the top county fairs in Kentucky," Kachler said. Additionally, "I want to stress that we have many contests and Floral Hall exhibits open to anyone in the area that would like to exhibit or compete, especially in the Foods, Clothing and Crafts Departments."

Kachler went on to say that "Floral Hall is currently being expanded and it will be ready for use by July 11."

Departments in Floral Hall open to area residents are Clothing, Dresses, Knitting, Crocheting, Quilts, Afghan, Needlework, Stitching and Miscellaneous Crafts.

The Foods Department includes: biscuits (4), corn sticks (5), corn muffins (5), yeast rolls (5), loaf yeast bread, loaf banana bread, loaf sweet bread coffee cake etc. Additionally, the foods department contains cakes, cookies, candy, pies, cornings, vegetables (canned), pickles and relishes. Garden vegetables and melons categories are also available for competition which include green beans, beets,

meeting starting at 7 p.m. During the important business session Tuesday, July 7, will be elected to serve three years.

Following the business meeting, Miss Harrison RECC 1981 will be crowned. Several door prizes will be given to members having the lucky ticket. Entertainment will be furnished by Mike Landford and his versatile Whiskey River Band plus the fun and laughter of Oink, Louise and Rosebud in the Pork Chop Revue.

The date is Tuesday, July 7, so join other Co-op members, your friends and neighbors for an enjoyable and interesting evening.

## Fleming-Mason RECC

The Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative will hold its 43rd Annual Meeting and business session on July 8, one mile west of Flemingsburg of highway 32. Registration will take place on the fairgrounds on Friday night, July 5, 8:30 p.m. It features Ginger, the "Fossil" Bear vs. Crasher Brown, The Destroyer vs. Bob Stabler, a six man Tag Team match (George Weingeroff, Lone Eagle and Bob Martin vs. the Harder Rip Rodgers, Tito-Tito and the Patriot) and the main event Ronnie Garvin vs. Bob Orton Jr. for the Southeast Heavyweight Title Belt. The matches will go on rain or shine. Gate opens at 6 p.m.

For fair information contact the various superintendents or phone the Hotline at 267-2171. The officers for the fair are J. Kachler, president; Roy Saunders, vice-president; and Charles Kachler, secretary-treasurer.

Fleming-Mason RECC Manager, Huston Zed, said the program promises to be the best ever. According to Delaney, the featured entertainers, Mike Landford and Whiskey River, is an up-and-coming country-western group with several hits already to its credit. Mike hit the national charts with Honey Honey, Shakin' Feelin' and While the Feeling's A Go. According to Huston Delaney, Mike

grew up on rural electric lines in his home state of Oklahoma. Coming from a family of country musicians, Mike was the first of the Landford family to make it to Nashville. He met his group, Whiskey River, in the Whiskey River region of Alaska, where he was touring. The group has been featured on the Grand Ole Opry and "That Good Old Nashville Music." Says Mr. Delaney, "Their music includes a variety of country tunes from Hank Williams to Ronnie Milnap, and a lot in between. They even do some bluegrass and gospel. I think they'll be a real hit."

In addition, several girls will vie for the title of Miss Fleming-Mason Rural Electric. Lydia Johnson Stagall of Marshfield, the reigning title holder, will crown the winner, who will then compete in the Miss Kentucky Rural Electric Pageant in August. This year's pageant will be held at the Galt House in Louisville.

For the children there will be a special act called the Pork Chop Revue. According to Huston Delaney, "This is an act I think everyone will love." Mr. Delaney says the group features four performing pigs. "You'll be amazed at the things these pigs can do. One of them even sings."

The Pork Chop Revue has been shown on numerous TV shows and movies with such stars as Johnny Carson, Mary Griffin, Mike Douglas and Burt Reynolds. They have also been featured at numerous fairs and circuses across the country. Mr. Delaney says all members served by Fleming-Mason RECC are invited to attend, and that the public is welcome. Anyone needing further information should contact Louise Flansary at the coop office in Flemingsburg.



Tractor driver

Tim Fryman won the FFA tractor driving competition at the Bluegrass Fair in Lexington last week. — Mercury photo.

## Kentucky Afield

By John Wilson  
The persistent rains of the last couple of months disrupted spring fishing all over the state, but those storm clouds do have a silver lining, according to Pete Pfeiffer, acting director of fisheries for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

"During wet years, Pfeiffer explains, mean better than average spawning success and survival," Pfeiffer says. "So while anglers may be experiencing poor fishing conditions right now because of high and muddy waters, we can very likely look forward to some good fishing a couple of years down the road, when this year's crop of fish reaches harvestable size."

"High humidity seems to stimulate

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Since when should we turn the decisions over to the politicians. The people's voice will be heard.

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## An Editor's random thoughts . . .

time the driver was cranked up and deserted her nest, only to find it empty. So I sat another egg or so until again disturbed. And that may be a rotten guess. ....

Birds build their nests in strange places. Nearly everyone is able to relate a story of the unusual nesting proclivities of the birds in their area. One year, I remember, after I had fixed elaborate little houses and gourds, she disdained them all and nested in the sleeve opening of an old coat, that, turned wrong side out, had been flung across the side rail of a grape arbor. Despite little mice and gourds that were scattered all over the place, I have never been able to entice the fussy little house wren to live with me.

It is now high summer for my colony of purple martins. Nestlings now begin to try their wings and the chatter and mellow martin laughter rises in augmented chorus. Before the middle of August, their house in the garden will be deserted. Whether the colony remains in nearby woodlands, or starts at once upon the journey to the tropics, I do not know. I am rather disposed to believe that they linger near us for awhile, until young winged and strong and the fledglings undergo a hardening process through "sleeping out of nights." But that is only a guess.

Reading the other night in the journal of an ancestor, who came to Bourbon County as a young man about the year 1786. I find in the entry of January 17, 1866, that free foreboding of the storm that was destined to burst upon the Nation was later. The old gentleman was 72 years old, a slaveowner and his grandsons went to the Southern army when the storm broke. But he was also the son of a Revolutionary soldier and he evidences that feeling for the Union which kept Kentucky neutral in a struggle that rent her families into camps of the Blue and the Gray. He writes:

"Beautiful morn... I don't feel quite so well as yesterday. I had some very grave reflections last night in respect to the great aspect of the Union on the fearful question of Slavery. I pray Almighty God to avert any general doom that, in the fears of some, may seem to threaten us. At any rate, we as a Nation, and as individuals, should look into and examine in our hearts touching a question of such vast magnitude. But alas for heedless mortals! We rarely pause in our waywardness till arrested by some fearful judgment or severe chastisement. I am certainly not so distrustful as to the stability of the Union as some seem to be, but too much care cannot be taken to reconcile the conflicting elements that are at work in the minds, and indeed manners, of many. Moderation should be the motto of all — the stake is of stupendous worth and should be played for in wise discretion."

He did not live to hear the rattle of musketry and the roar of cannon at Cynthiana, only a scant dozen miles from the Missouri border where he wrote that morning in January 1866.

I have always believed that, had wise councils, both North and South, prevailed, Slavery would have been abolished without the fearful sacrifice of human life and the destruction of property that the Civil War brought. But, as the old gentleman wrote, "alas for heedless mortals! we rarely pause in our waywardness till arrested by some fearful judgment or severe chastisement."

The katydids have tuned up their wing violins and now it is high summer for sure. So we shall have cooler nights, though the days be hot and the noise silent and drowning. Now, Universal Mother, it has always seemed to me, catches her breath for a moment and rests, glorying in the perfection of her handiwork. I begin to love Summer most as the season wanes and the

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I would like to thank all who voted for me during the past election. Your support was deeply appreciated.

I will continue to serve the people who have so faithfully stood by me.

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## Shaker Festival

Various artisans will show their wares in the Shaker Tavern near the 18th Century House, or Shaker Museum, on Sunday, July 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibit is free and open to the public. Craftsmen will have many of their items for sale. At 4:30 p.m., "Shaker Town" will be performed through out the festival. The drama presents the history of the South District Colony and includes Shaker songs and dances. Performances begin at 8:15 p.m. on the grounds of the Shaker Museum. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under.

During Shaker Museum tours, visitors can see more than 2,000 items made or used by the Shakers. They can also tour other buildings built and occupied by members of the group. Admission to the museum, which includes touring Shaker buildings, is \$1 for adults, and \$1 for children 12 and under.

Museum hours will be 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 1 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Food prepared according to Shaker recipes will be served in a canteen at the museum from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a buffet Shaker dinner will be served from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The buffet will cost \$6 for adults and \$4.50 for children under 12.

Both Union is 13 miles southeast of Bowling Green, just off U.S. Highway 60 and Ky. 80.

Barley acreage is largest since 1963; setting behind

Barley tobacco acreage in Kentucky is estimated to be 220,000 acres, up 19 percent from last year and the largest acreage since 1963. Tobacco setting is running a little behind normal, but as of June 21, over 90 percent of the crop had been set. Harvesting has been necessary in some areas. Growth of barley is ahead of last year, as half the plants are reported to be six inches or higher, while last year at this time 70 percent were still under six inches.

Barley Belt acreage is estimated at 255,300 acres compared to 278,000 acres "Be barley acreage, page 16

"It is intangible, which cannot be defined, which holds the strongest sway over our emotions. Perhaps the real secret of the intensity of our love for Kentucky is some witchcraft, some fairy attribute, which is hidden deep, far below the surface upon which her beauty and material charms appear!"

Here's a thought that may bring a sense of peace some morning when you awake betimes and lie restless and wakeful listening to the cooing of the dawn. It is from Langfellow's Wayside Inn:

Think each morning when the sun peeps through.  
The dim, leaf-latticed windows of the grove,  
How jubilant the happy birds renew  
Their old, melodious melodings of love!  
And when you think of this, remember, too,  
'Tis always morning somewhere, and above,  
The awakening continents, from shore to shore,  
Somewhere the birds are singing evermore.

Gary Spicer was one of many KU employees and others who worked around the clock to repair the damage from the storm on Sunday, June 21.

We're sorry for the inconvenience the storm disrupted thousands of customers whose electric service was ousted. But we appreciate your patience and understanding.

Emergency calls were answered by KU personnel and service crews dispatched as quickly as possible. Local KU employees, along with private crews from other areas and private contract crews, worked very hard to restore service. But it took considerable time to clear downed trees, set poles, install transformers, string wire, and make other repairs.

The widespread damage was devastating and costly. If your power went off during the storm, thank you for understanding the delay in restoring service because of the heavy work load that suddenly occurred during this emergency.

