

# Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital Honored with Quality Award

Marcum & Wallace Hospital (MWMH) was recently honored with the Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) Quality Award. This award is presented to honor hospital leadership and innovation in quality, safety and commitment in patient care.

In the Critical Access Hospital (acute care hospitals with 25 beds or less) Category, MWMH was chosen for the hospital's Emergency Department (ED) Transformation project. The goal of this project was to improve ED patient flow processes, while making sure that staff have the necessary tools and equipment readily available to do their jobs effectively.

Improvement of these processes and ED function would ultimately result in decreased length of stay for ED patients, improved patient experiences, increased staff engagement and enhanced quality patient outcomes. MWMH engaged a company, TechSolve, to

assist in the implementation of a continuous improvement model that is centered on enhancing the patient experience by enabling health-care providers to identify and eliminate waste from hospital processes by utilizing LEAN principals and tools.

"Our emergency department is the main entry point of care to the hospital," said Susan Starling, MWMH President & CEO. "We recognized that we had opportunities to improve the experience of our patients. I am proud of the work that has been done to improve the time a patient must wait before they are seen by the doctor. We do not ever want a patient to choose to leave the emergency room prior to being seen by the doctor due to long wait times."

Marcum & Wallace Hospital has been previously recognized with a Quality Award in 2010, 2012 and 2016.



MWMH President & CEO Susan Starling, MWMH Medical Unit Manager Deanna Seale and MWMH Emergency Department Manager Missy Snowden accepts the 2017 Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) Quality award from KHA President Mike Rust. MWMH received the award for the Emergency Department Transformation Project.

# Gatton Academy Wins 2017 State Envirothon Competition

Five students from The Gatton Academy took first place in the Kentucky Envirothon competition. The Gatton Academy team, sponsored by the Warren County Conservation District, will now compete in Maryland at the North American Envirothon contest in late July.

Members of The Gatton Academy's team include:

1. Olivia Bickett ('18) from Owensboro and Apollo High School
2. Aaron Kirtland ('17) from Crestwood and South Oldham High School
3. Veronica Johnson ('17) from Bowling Green

and Bowling Green High School

4. Keeley Ruskowski ('18) from Hardinsburg and Breckinridge County High School

5. Caleb Stickney ('17) from Irvine and Estill County High School

The Envirothon Competitions is a nationwide competition for high school students who have a passion for natural sciences, resources and the environment. It consists of extensive tests on soils, aquatics, wildlife, forestry and a current issue. This year's current issue was soil and water conservation stewardship.

In addition to the tests, the students also prepare and present a 10-minute oral presentation over the current issue. All five members of the team compete as one while moving from station to station where they complete hands-on experiments

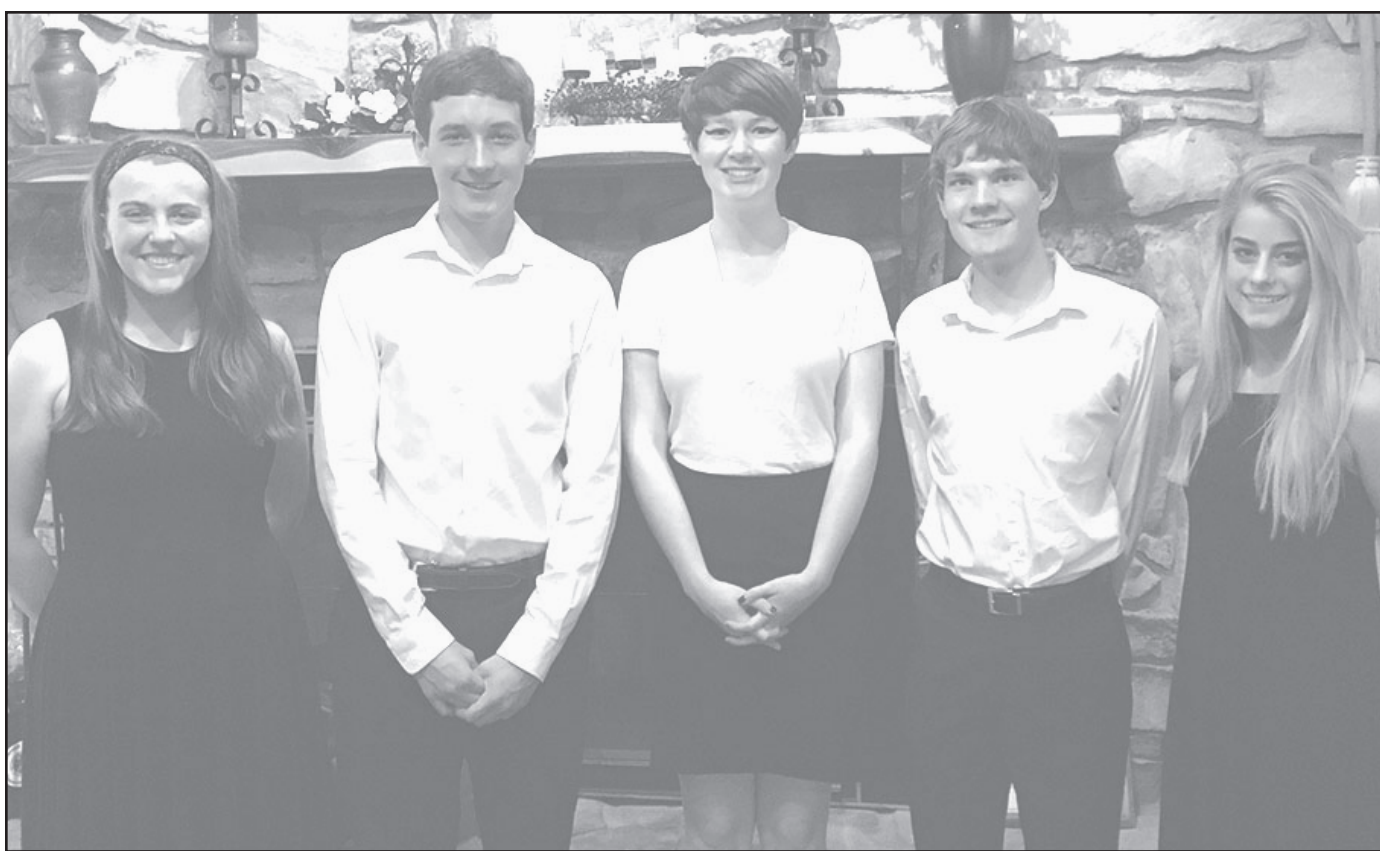
and use analysis and critical thinking skills.

The Gatton team scored the highest overall among the 50 high school teams present on the Oral Presentation, Current Issue, Forestry, Wildlife and Aquatics exams at the state Envirothon competition.

"The Warren County Conservation District would like to congratulate the Gatton team for their hard work and dedication to the competition," said Penny Warwick, Conservation Technician with the Warren County

Conservation District, who assisted with coaching the team throughout the year.

For information, contact the Warren County Conservation District at (270) 843-1111 ext. 6335 or The Gatton Academy at (270) 745-2971.



The Gatton Academy team won the Kentucky Envirothon competition. Team members are (from left) Veronica Johnson, Caleb Stickney, Keeley Ruskowski, Aaron Kirtland and Olivia Bickett.

## Americanisms



"Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and your government when it deserves it."

— Mark Twain

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## Estill County Fair Little Mister & Miss Estill County Pageant Saturday, July 1, 2017

1:00 P.M.  
Entry Fee: \$10

### Rules:

1. All entries must be Estill County residents.
2. You are eligible if your residential home falls within the Estill County Lines. **NEW REGISTRATION SITE—Fairgrounds during Farmers Market hours on Fridays starting June 2nd, 4:00-7:00 P.M.** Farmers Market will be located in the caged-in area of the Extension Office on Tuesday, June 13th. You may also register at the practice at the fairgrounds on Friday night, June 30th, 7pm. Bring your entry form from the newspaper and the \$10 entry fee.

### Due to state rules:

3. Contestants will wear and be judged in age appropriate attire in the pageant.
4. The winners of the Little Mister and Miss Pageant are not allowed to compete again. Little Mister and Miss Estill County will be competing at

### Boys and Girls

Ages: Five through Seven –

Must have reached his/her 5<sup>th</sup> birthday by midnight, July 1, 2017 and cannot be 8 years old by July 1, 2017

All contestants will receive a coin dollar and blue ribbon. The winner receives a crown, banner and trophy.

Committee: Tammy Cole, Chair; Susan Lay, Co-Chair; Ciara Arvin, Caleb Cole, Lester Cole, Brandon Hall, Eidy Hall, Lezley Dotson, Cheryl Stepp and Keyona Tipton

Admission:  
\$8 for ages 3 and up  
Pay at the Exhibit  
Hall front door next to the parking lot.



For further information, call:  
Tammy Cole – 723-4326 or  
Susan Lay -726-9989

## Is The Devil Winning?

by **BOB CASEY**, preacher  
Cornerstone Church of Christ  
70 Bond Street at Camp Avenue in West Irvine

### Archive copy from May, 2014

Just this past week as I was conversing with two fellow preachers, and as we discussed the religious condition of our country, we all arrived at the same conclusion. And it was determined by quoted scriptures that our Lord surely must not tarry in sending Jesus back to the judge us all. It was noted that a great majority of people are no longer interested in hearing or obeying what our Lord has said. It was said by Solomon in **Proverbs 21:29**: "That a wicked man hardeneth his face," and in **Proverbs 29:14**: "He that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief." This is a terrible condition in which one chooses to live. In **Romans 2:5** Paul wrote: "But after thy hardness and impenitent heart, treasureth up to thyself wrath against the day of wrath, and revelation of the righteous judgment of God." Then the writer of **Hebrews 3:13** says, "But exhort one another daily, while it is called today, lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin." The example given in this same chapter tells how that all the people who came with Moses out of Egypt persisted during the forty years in thy wilderness of Sinai. Yes, everyone that was 20 years old and older never saw the promised land. The writer says that they provoked God to move against them, because they heard, yet were unwilling to believe and obey. I personally believe that mankind is in this same condition today. Perhaps even more so.

Will our Lord continue to tolerate this situation of disobedience? If he does, then the Old and New Testament examples are untrue. But of course they are not untrue. In **Hebrews 2:2-3** it says: "For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward, how shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation, which at the first was spoken unto us by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them which heard us." So then can one enter Heaven who rejects the message of Him who came to save us? **Acts 4:12** plainly declares "that there is no salvation in any other, for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

In closing, I feel compelled to say this: you may choose to ignore our Saviour if you desire to do so, but this you must hear, there is coming a day in the which you will not be able to do so. **Revelations 1:7** says when Jesus comes every eye shall see Him, especially the ones who crucified Him, along with all the inhabitants of this earth, but notice, it will be a long day of weeping, wailing, praying, begging, bowing of the knees, all to no avail. **Romans 14:11-12** endorses this also, saying that all will give an accounting unto the Lord that day.

What will you do? If you have not settled your account before that day?

Call or visit with us this next Lord's Day.

Sincerely, Bob Casey (859) 369-4165

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Fee \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature/Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(If you don't have a phone, give number of nearest neighbor or relative)

Age (as of July 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Clip this form and mail to Estill County Agricultural Fair Association, P. O. Box 361, Irvine, Kentucky 40336 by June 28th. Make checks payable to: Estill County Fair Board. You may also bring the form and \$10 entry fee to the practice at the Fairgrounds on Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.