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**A SALUTE TO  
VETERANS**

Daezon Scholl, 13, an 8th grader at Adair County Middle School, eats a cupcake with his uncle, Brad Scholl, after the Veterans Day production at the middle school. Brad served in the United States Marine Corps from 1994 – 2003 and is currently serving in the Kentucky Army National Guard since 2010. Also at the table is Joey Conn with his son, Dawson Conn. Joey Conn served in the United States Marine Corps from 1992 – 1993.

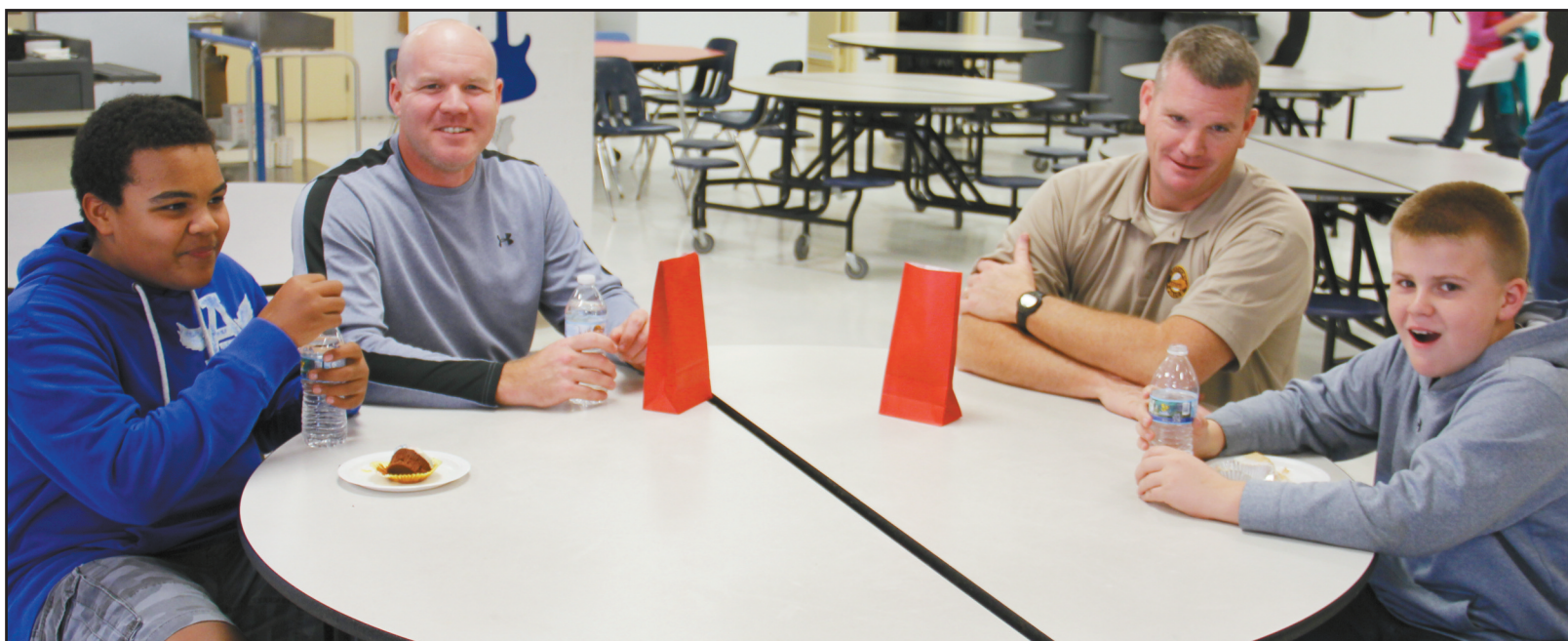


Photo by Toni Humphress

**Popular homemade crafts a bazaar favorite**



Pam Spires is one of several homemakers who will sell goods during the Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 22.

Pam Spires loves to take barn lumber, burlap and tobacco sticks and turn them into popular decor. She also has the business savvy to know what shoppers will buy, and she creates items that are wildly in demand.

Spires' window frame decorations, pillows, ornaments, and snowmen are just some of her popular items that will be for sale at the annual Holiday Bazaar, sponsored by the Adair County Extension Homemakers. Spires has mastered the ability

to work on several craft items at one time. Finished and unfinished pieces intermingle on a kitchen table beside a sewing machine. While drawings of snowmen faces or sayings like, "let it snow," dry on one item, she is busy working on another item.

Every year Spires can be found selling her wares at Downtown Days, Christmas in Columbia and the Holiday Bazaar. She also has a year-round booth at the Main Street Mini Mall in downtown Russell Springs.

Spires and her husband worked at Fruit of the Loom in Jamestown. When those jobs ended, he went on the road doing construction and she began babysitting.

"I've always piddled with crafting; different girls I'd babysit for would ask me to make something for them," Spires said.

She first began selling memory dolls, a way people can display clothing items that bring back fond memories of loved ones.

"If you had someone who passed away and you like, had your mom's dress and want to do something with it, then I would make a doll from that dress," Spires said.

She matches the color of the doll's eyes and hair, and can add a Bible verse or something that is a reminder of the loved one.

"I probably have made 200 of those," she said.

She wastes nothing, making Christmas ornaments from remnants. She has sold around 250 ornaments already for this holiday season from her booth in Russell Springs.

Friends and family members are always on the lookout for items she can use, picking up fiberfill from yard sales or bringing by old window frames or

wood items they have picked up somewhere.

"That helps me keep my prices down," she said.

Even her husband, Jeralyn, has an eye out for materials when he is passing by yard sales or other locations. He also builds ladders and shelves for her craft items.

"God has blessed me with a talent. I can sew. I can paint. I'm not too good busting out windows with a hammer," she laughs.

Spires is a longtime supporter of the Extension homemakers program, formerly serving on the extension council and serving as president of the county homemakers for a term. She is a member of the Circle of Friends Homemakers Club.

Visitors at the Holiday Bazaar can expect the usual favorites at Spires' table, but there may also be some surprises.

"I get up every morning and the first thing I do is read, 'My Daily Bread,' and that starts my day. Then I say a little prayer that the Lord will give me something creative to make today. It works," she said.

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**Adair County Extension  
Homemakers  
Holiday Bazaar**

Saturday, Nov. 22 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
VFW Building, Fairgrounds Street, Columbia

Arts and Crafts, Holiday Decorations and  
Gifts, Cakes, Pies, Cookies, Candies, Jams,  
Jellies, Pickles, Relish  
Breakfast and Lunch Available



**Despite low  
threat, community  
readies for Ebola**

While the risk of an Ebola outbreak is low, local emergency services are still prepared for the unlikely event.

"We haven't had a case in Kentucky yet, and it's highly unlikely that we will, but we have to be prepared just in case," said EMS Director Tony Bragg.

Neal Gold, CEO at Westlake Regional Hospital, agrees.

"It's probably an issue that gets a lot more attention than it deserves, but that doesn't mean that we should be unaware of it," Gold said.

Any time Americans travel overseas the risk of bringing home infectious diseases exist. Like all communities, Columbia must be prepared.

Bragg and Gold point out that Lindsey Wilson College has a number of students from other nations, and that plays a role in the community's need to be diligent about prevention and preparation in case of an emergency.

"I have not worked with Lindsey up to this point to determine what countries they are from, any of the Lindsey students," Gold said. "I think probably sometime in the future, over the next couple weeks or months, it will be beneficial for the hospital and Lindsey to get together and talk about any of the travel that any of the students may be doing, either home or back."

Gold said churches sending mission groups to other countries bear the same risks. And Bragg said travel in general increases risks.

"We've told our staff just to not be complacent," Gold said.

**FEDERAL SAFETY MEASURES**

At LWC, the foreign students

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**ADAIR HEADS TO BANDS OF AMERICA**



The Adair Band shows its appreciation for community support with an encore performance Monday night. Members now head to Bands of America national competition. See more on page 2.

**Two inmates escape  
from Class D facility**

Two inmates walked away for the Class D jail facility in Columbia Tuesday night.

At press time, Jordan Luttrell, 20, of Liberty, and Thomas Wilson, 34, of Albany, were being sought after by law enforcement across Kentucky.

Deputy jailers contacted Columbia dispatch that the two inmates were missing at 8:55 p.m. Tuesday. The Columbia City Police responded to the Class D facility, located at 23 Service Rd., just off Campbellville Street.

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