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Local educators rally in P'burg



By MARY MEADOWS
 STAFF WRITER

Local educators raised their banners and their voices during a "rally for public education" in Prestonsburg on Saturday.

The event, coordinated by the Floyd County Education Association, was attended by local educators and Democratic legislators 29th Dist. state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and 95th Dist. state Rep. Ashley Tackett-Laferty.

The rally was held to show the FCEA's opposition to House Bill 205, as well as its opposition to other legislative issues that could impact education and teachers.

"We're all here at the end of the day for our children," said Angela Coleman, president of the FCEA. "It's



Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows
Joshua Frasure, 11, holds a sign during a rally for public education held in Prestonsburg Saturday. "I'm here to support my teachers against Frankfort," he said. He was among dozens of people who participated in the rally.

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Judi's Place director: Human trafficking present in area

By AUSTIN BLANKENSHIP
 APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — A federal case recently filed against a Pike man for allegedly trafficking minors for commercial sexual activity has brought the issue of human trafficking to the forefront of conversation locally.

However, according to Big Sandy Child Advocacy Center Executive Director Laura Kretzer, human trafficking is not new to the area and can look a lot different than people expect. Kretzer said transportation does not have to occur for it to be human trafficking and the crime can happen to both males and females.

"A lot of people still think that someone is going to just pull up in a van and take their child," Kretzer said. "I'm

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BSCTC students may work toward medical degrees at UPike

By CHRIS ANDERSON
 APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — Osteopathic medicine students will now have an easier path to completing their studies thanks to the latest partnership between the University of Pikeville and Big Sandy Community

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Appalachian Newspapers photo by Chris Anderson
Big Sandy Community and Technical College President Dr. Sherry Zylka, left, and University of Pikeville President Dr. Burton Webb sign an agreement to allow medical students to transfer to the Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine.



Floyd students earn Governor's Cup honors

The May Valley Elementary academic team pose for a picture after winning the Region 34 Elementary Governor's Cup competition held at Betsy Layne Elementary on Feb. 25.
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Floyd County Schools Superintendent Danny Adkins speaks with Angela Coleman, the president of the Floyd County Educator's Association, during a rally in Prestonsburg on Saturday.

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RALLY

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an attack on public education and our children are the most precious resource we have. Last year, they come after our pensions. They'll probably come after them again this year. But now, they're coming after our schools. There's some in Frankfort that like to boast that they are adequately funding public education. Well, their job is to fully fund public education, and it is ridiculous to even have a conversation about millions of dollars going to private schools."

HB 205 was introduced in the House in February. According to documents filed online by the Legislative Re-

search Commission, HB 205 would cost \$25 million this fiscal year and increase to \$43 million by 2023.

If approved, the bill would create a new tax credit to "qualified scholarship-granting organizations" to provide funding for educational scholarships so foster children, students from low-to-middle-income families and children with special needs can attend "certified nonpublic schools."

The LRC reported that if the scholarships are granted to students transferring from public schools, public school districts could lose SEEK funding.

Floyd County Schools Superintendent Danny Adkins said he attended the rally to show support for district staff and pub-

lic education.

"It's about everything coming down the pike right now for public education. There's several different things coming down the pike that will effect public education," Adkins said.

He said he believes HB 205 is part of a "national movement against public education."

"These private institutions are not for everyone," Adkins said. "Public education is designed to educate every student that walks in that door. These folks can actually pick and chose and select the students they want to accept. We're here for everyone. We're not here to just chose a select one or two or across the district or across a couple of counties."

Pike County teacher

Joey Hamilton, a board member of the East Kentucky Education Association, said the Prestonsburg rally was the only one held in Eastern Kentucky Saturday.

"It's great to see people out, standing up for education, standing up for the kids of Eastern Kentucky," he said.

He said in addition to opposition to HB 205, educators are resisting changes to the teachers retirement system.

"They're going to re-align our TRS to allow them more control, rather than what it has been," he said. "So, this is a probably a big part of it, but there's other bills that probably are going to be coming up. Who knows what's going to come down the line. What we're trying to do

as teachers is show that we're not going to be ran over. We're not going to take it."

Turner said he has already seen the repercussions of what he called "the attacks on the pensions" for teachers last year, saying fewer people are turning to a career in education because there are fewer benefits.

Turner said he believes the so-called "attack on public education" is politically-motivated.

"It's just an attack on public education," Turner said.

"Anytime you have to take funds out of public education for private schools, it's not good for public education. It means fewer teachers, more students with these teachers in the classrooms. Every bill

that teachers have been down protesting about, it's another way at chipping away at public education and another attack on KEA (Kentucky Educator's Association)."

He said the Republican Party is trying to "break the teacher's union" because it supports Democrats.

Laferty said, "Those people such as our teachers who've committed their careers to our schools and our children, they're basically being squeezed of every dollar and every benefit that they've earned. The teachers, the coal miners, and the police officers and the hospital workers, those people, they're the bedrock of our workforce here, and those are the type of people that we need to support."

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and Technical College.

At an event Thursday, the two institutions further solidified their mutual working relationship by announcing and signing an agreement to more easily allow Big Sandy students to finish their medical studies at UPIke. The agreement allows students "interested in pursuing a medical career to complete two years of curriculum at BSCTC and transfer to UPIke for two years of coursework to earn a bachelor's degree in biology and minor in chemistry from UPIke," a statement released following Thursday's event said.

In addition, the Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine will reserve seats for two students who complete the program and meet all admission requirements, the statement said.

"The agreement with BSCTC will benefit not only both institutions, but all of the students enrolled and the communities in which they will serve in the future," said UPIke Provost Dr. Lori Werth.

The most significant impact of the agreement is data sharing between Big Sandy and UPIke, which, according to Big Sandy President Dr. Sherry Zylka, will make it easier for students to transition to UPIke from Big Sandy to complete their medical studies.

"This agreement provides an opportunity for students at Big Sandy Community and Technical College to move seamlessly into UPIke's

program," Zilka said. "This agreement solidifies a relationship that will enable students to have the option and the opportunity to come here (to UPIke) without having to jump through some of the hoops that they may have had to in the past.

"I want to give everybody opportunities, and this provides that opportunity where, if they were not a part of this program, they would have to apply independently to come here, (but the agreement) gets them through the system faster," Zilka said.

Zilka said Big Sandy and UPIke have been discussing the partnership for more than a year. She said a previous agreement between UPIke and Big Sandy clearing a path for students toward KYCOM's optometry program helped pave the way for this latest partnership.

UPIke President Dr. Burton Webb said the new agreement is an opportunity for students who may not be able to begin their studies at larger post-secondary institutions. The agreement will also make the path to UPIke less complicated for qualifying students.

"Before the agreement existed, every transcript had to be reviewed individually, and you had to check all the boxes and make sure that everything was in place for each student," Webb said. "Now, we'll look at students a larger group, and the process of transferring credits and making sure they hit all the requirements is covered in the articulation agreement. That makes

it a whole lot faster and seamless.

"Great students can start at Big Sandy, and they can finish at UPIke in two years instead of three or four, and then they can get right into medical school right after that, and that is the whole hope of this program," Webb said. "It will open some doors for students who can't necessarily start at the University or Kentucky or at UPIke or Morehead State, they want to start at Big Sandy, and they can, and that pathway is now clear for them."

The first qualifying students from Big Sandy will begin at UPIke in the fall 2019 semester.



Appalachian Newspapers photo by Chris Anderson
 Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine Dean of Students Dana Shaffer, far left, speaks to those gathered at Thursday's agreement signing. He was joined by UPIke Provost Lori Werth, BSCTC President Sherry Zylka and UPIke President Burton Webb.

How will your child be affected by HB205?



HB 205 & SB 118 are school voucher bills posing as tuition tax credits. They would award huge tax credits to rich Kentuckians to incentivize their children attending private schools. According to the nonpartisan Legislative Research Commission, this would quickly ramp up to **costing the state more than \$100 million** every year in lost revenue. That revenue is desperately needed to fund public education, including **safe schools**, and our **public employee** pensions. We as a state need to generate more revenue for our public schools and educators instead of providing **more incentives for rich people pushed out of state special interests**.

- **Any reduction** in state general fund tax revenues means less money for the state portion of SEEK, which is critical to all students. School safety reforms as championed in Senate and House Bill 1, and other major, fundamental programs of student support are **already underfunded, including textbooks, transportation, special education, and more**. When adjusted for inflation, public school funding (including that "historic level of funding") is down 16%. We cannot afford to reduce state revenues when the needs for adequate education support and pension funding are so critical!
- HB 205 & SB 118 would create a state income tax credit that reduces a taxpayer's income taxes, in exchange for their contribution to scholarships for students **attending private schools**.
- The fiscal analysis used by supporters of these measures is based on many assumptions and a faulty understanding of how WEEK, the state's education funding formula, works. **No tax credit has ever save the state money!**
- Reduced enrollment **does not** save districts money. Fixed costs remain with less revenue to meet them.
- The financial impact of scholarship tax credits is identical to the impact of vouchers. These bills are simply a back door way to circumvent the law because **our state constitution prohibits direct vouchers**.
- The state needs every penny of general fund revenue coming in to adequately fund its moral and constitutional obligations to the system of public schools, **ensuring safe schools, as well as pensions**.

Federal grant awarded to EKCEP

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell announced that the U.S. Department of Labor awarded a \$1.75 million federal grant to the East Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program.

The funding will be used to continue the agency's work in helping Eastern Kentucky residents who lost their jobs due to the decline of the coal industry.

Jeff Whitehead, director of EKCEP said the agency is "extremely grateful" for the grant.

"EKCEP is extremely grateful for this award. These funds will support our region's on-going efforts to move our economy forward by furthering our workforce retraining and re-employment initiatives," Whitehead said in a press release. "We are also very appreciative of the U.S. DOL's partnership in these efforts and Senator McConnell's strong belief in our workforce and his enduring commitment to these efforts."

McConnell said coal miners have "suffered

enormously over the last several years."

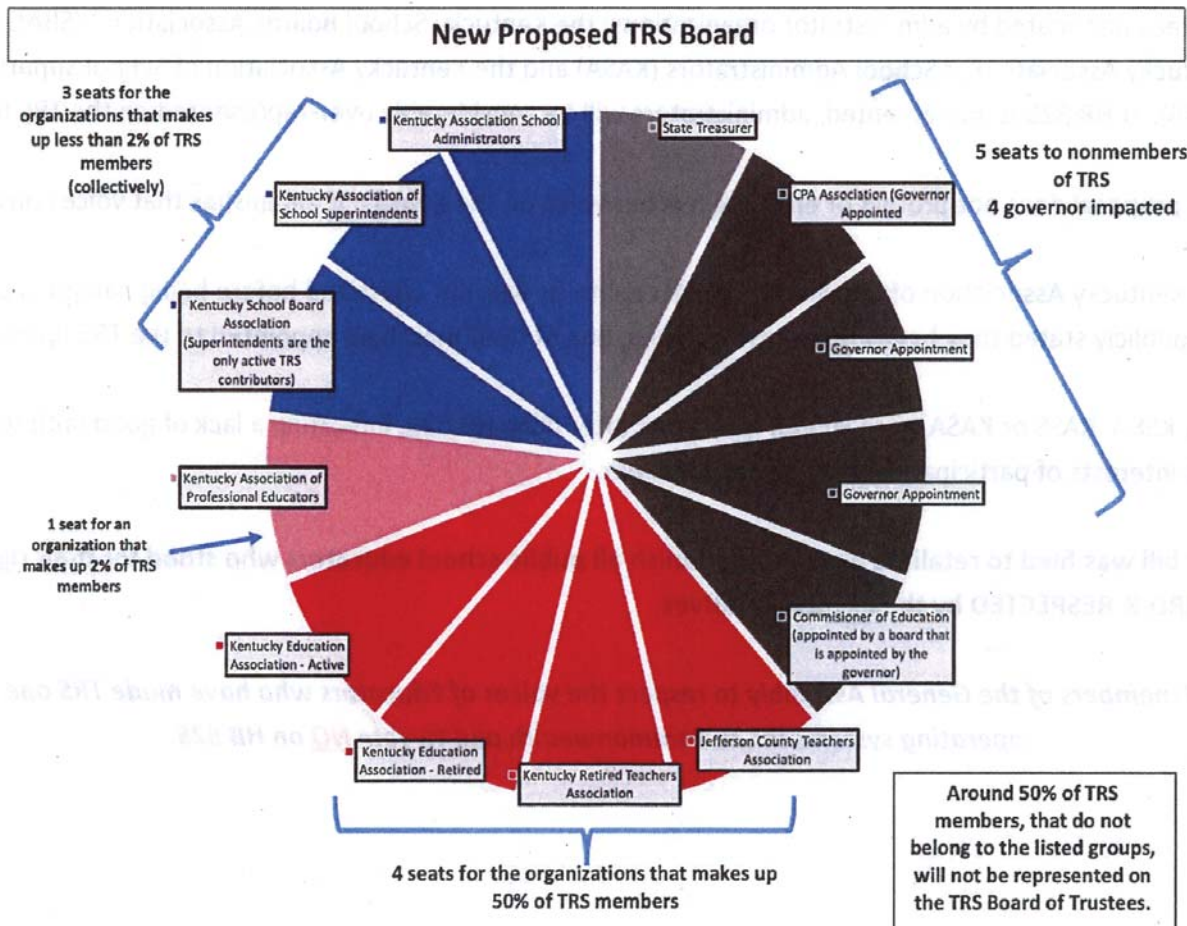
"Coal miners in the Commonwealth – in Eastern Kentucky in particular – have suffered enormously over the last several years, resulting in the loss of thousands of high-wage jobs in a region facing serious economic challenges," McConnell said. "Those lost coal jobs have had a negative and wide-ranging impact on workers and families in the region, as well as on the local economy. I have been proud to work with Jeff Whitehead and EKCEP to support competitive grant funding in the past for the organization, which allows EKCEP to provide essential reemployment and training services for dislocated coal workers in Kentucky."

EKCEP, based in Hazard, offers services to employers and job seekers 23 Eastern Kentucky counties. Its Hiring Our Miners Everyday (H.O.M.E.) program was created with a \$12.7 million National Emergency Grant from the U.S. DOL.

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Floyd students earn Governor's Cup honors

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Floyd County Superintendent Danny Adkins announced March 7 the Region 34 Elementary Governor's Cup competition results. Students competed in composition and Future Problem Solving on Feb. 25, while written assessments and the quick recall competition took place March 2 at Betsy Layne Elementary School.

"Congratulations May Valley Elementary," said Adkins. "First overall, first in FPS and first in quick recall. Congratulations Prestonsburg Elementary — first in FPS and second overall and in quick recall. Congratulations to all our students who placed individually. We're proud and excited to see Floyd County students take the majority of top spots. Congratulations Braxton Howard (MVES), Chloe Kilgore (PES) and Amelia Gilbert (PES) on being Top 10 in Kentucky. What an accomplishment."

The following students earned individual honors:

May Valley Elementary

Jackson Hall (second, math), Braxton Howard (first, social studies and first, arts and humanities), Kyrie Barnette (fourth, arts and humanities), Reagan Laferty (fifth, arts and humanities), Ava Bailey (first, language arts) and Kylie Walters (second, composition)

Prestonsburg Elementary

Ally Hamilton (first,

science and first composition), Chloe Kilgore (first, arts and humanities), Amelia Gilbert (first, arts and humanities) and Maddie Rowland (fourth, language arts)

Allen Elementary

Luke Hall (first, math and third, social studies) and Bryson Patton (fourth, social studies)

Duff-Allen Central Elementary

Tessa Spencer (fourth, composition)

"We commend these students and coaches for the time and effort they've put into preparing for competition," said Adkins. "Lastly, we appreciate the parents and family members who have done everything from transporting student to running buzzer systems. Without them, these kids and programs would not be as successful. We appreciate their effort."

The Kentucky Association for Academic Competition is the governing body for this competition and regional is the highest level for elementary students. Region 34 consists of Allen Elementary, Betsy Layne Elementary, Duff-Allen Central Elementary, John M. Stumbo Elementary, May Valley Elementary, Prestonsburg Elementary and South Floyd Elementary in Floyd County, Jones Fork Elementary, Emmalena Elementary, Hindman Elementary, Beaver Creek Elementary, June Buchanan Elementary and Carr Creek Elementary in Knott County and Cordia Elementary in Perry County.



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Prestonsburg Elementary School's academic team was named runner-up in the Regional 34 Elementary Governor's Cup competition, placing second out of 15 total schools competing.



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Attendance audit released by Floyd County Schools

By ELAINE BELCHER
STAFF WRITER

Floyd County Schools recently underwent an attendance audit, according to information shared by the Floyd County Board of Education during its Feb. 25 meeting.

"This is the best attendance audit we have had since I started working in the DPP department," said Bonita Compton, director of Athletics/DPP (Department of Pupil Personnel). She said attendance audits typically occur within a district every three years.

According to the audit, at Floyd Central, Prestonsburg High and Duff-Allen Central Elementary schools, actual times/dates for signing in and signing out students were not being recorded on the attendance software package and at Betsy Layne High and DACE were not checking attendance each class period.

There was a discrepancy at Floyd Central High School linked to a lack of documentation in five cases of substantiating that parents or legal guardians have been notified, in writing, of a child's suspension. According to the audit,

"copies of written notifications of suspension to the parents/legal guardians must be maintained at the school."

The final discrepancy noted in the audit is that DACE is, "not maintaining documentation for students that withdraw from the district" with two incidents noted.

"The corrections are being made now and will have them all fixed by May 1," Compton said.

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EDITORIAL

Sunshine Week 2019: Let the light shine in

March 10-16 is Sunshine Week.

Sunshine Week is an initiative of the American Society of News Editors and Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press intended to remind the public of the need for government to be open and transparent and the dangers inherent in a government that is clouded in secrecy.

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the most comprehensive and credible sources of local news available in our communities.

As a part of fulfilling that mission, we cover government agencies of all types and sizes in order to bring you the information you need to make decisions in your daily life.

Doing that takes dedication and professionalism.

It takes dedication because adequately and comprehensively reporting the necessary information from a government agency is not always easy.

Our reporters attend countless meetings, both

regularly-scheduled and special-called, sometimes sitting for hours and listening to government agencies doing their jobs. And that's a big part of what our staffs do, but it's not all.

After the meeting, the real work begins, in which we make decisions about the most important information in the meeting, and most importantly, what needs to be more deeply examined. We pore over financial documents and reports to be able to inform you what these agencies are doing with the money you give.

We remain vigilant, listening for and watching

for whether an agency is using its funds appropriately and legally, or whether there are questions that need to be asked.

You don't have a choice about whether you're going to pay taxes or rates to a government agency if you choose to live or shop there. Government agencies, however, do have a choice about how they spend your money.

We've seen time and time again the damages that can be done to a community because of misappropriation or theft of government funds and the impacts go far be-

yond the initial impact of the mismanagement or crime. Agencies which experience these things find that it's harder to borrow money or receive grants as lending institutions and grantors lose trust and recovering from widespread abuse can sometimes result in tax or rate increases passed on to the people.

Most of all, however, government abuses take their toll on public involvement in the political processes. Our republic relies on the involvement of people — through voting, running for public office and being informed — in order to operate in a way

that ensures that the government represents the people.

We can already see the fatigue and lack of interest in falling numbers of active voters and the impacts of that will be far-reaching and severe.

As Sunshine Week comes again, we renew our promise to you, our readers, that we will continue to work to hold government accountable, regardless of the work it takes. We will continue to cover meetings, dig through documents and ask the tough questions.

It's not just because it's our job — it's because it's our duty to you.

GUEST COLUMN

Scholarship tax credits expand education opportunities for all children



By **GLENN BEVIN**
KENTUCKY FIRST LADY

During the next few weeks, our General Assembly has a remarkable opportunity to give thousands of Kentucky children a new path to success by voting in favor of two bills that will help create a scholarship tax credit program. House Bill 205 and Senate Bill 118 will go a long way towards helping children in the Commonwealth reach their dreams.

Families like the Hendersons in South Louisville know all too well the power this scholarship tax program would have in transforming the futures of Kentucky's children.

In 2015, Daniel and Denise Henderson decided to become foster parents of medically fragile children and those with a history of trauma. Not long after they were approved in the summer of 2016, they welcomed a set of three elementary school-age siblings to their home — a 10-year-old girl (Elle) and her two brothers, ages eight and five. The two oldest were victims of trafficking, and all had sustained trauma.

The Hendersons provided the stable, happy and safe home environment the children needed, and were able to help them focus on school. Elle struggled in her fifth grade class at the time,

and as they discussed middle school options, Denise and Daniel were surprised when Elle told them she wanted to attend a private school.

While they wanted to support her choice, being a child in foster care put significant limits on Elle's education options. Elle asked to talk to the judge herself, and after she did, the judge granted her permission to attend the school of her choice. Denise and Daniel stretched their resources to pay the tuition for the private school, and Elle flourished.

By the time the next school year came around, the Hendersons had adopted the sibling group — and Elle's younger brothers, Shawn and Josh, wanted to follow their sister to private school. The school made Elle feel safe and loved, and though the Hendersons were con-

vinced the school was the best fit for their children, tuition for three children was unattainable.

After researching their options, they learned about School Choice Scholarships, an organization in Louisville that grants low-income students the opportunity to attend the school of their choice. The Hendersons were awarded scholarships, and the children were overjoyed to be able to attend the school they chose together.

The Henderson kids are thriving in a school that fits them, but thousands — perhaps tens of thousands — of children across the Commonwealth do not have access to that kind of opportunity. In Louisville alone, School Choice Scholarships currently has more than 6,000 children on its waiting list.

Through no fault of

their own, many minority and low-income families disproportionately find themselves in the lowest performing schools. Countless parents need access to schools that are specifically suited to their children's educational and emotional needs but either cannot not afford private school tuition or are unable to move to another school district.

Simply put: school choice already exists in Kentucky, but it is currently only available to the wealthy.

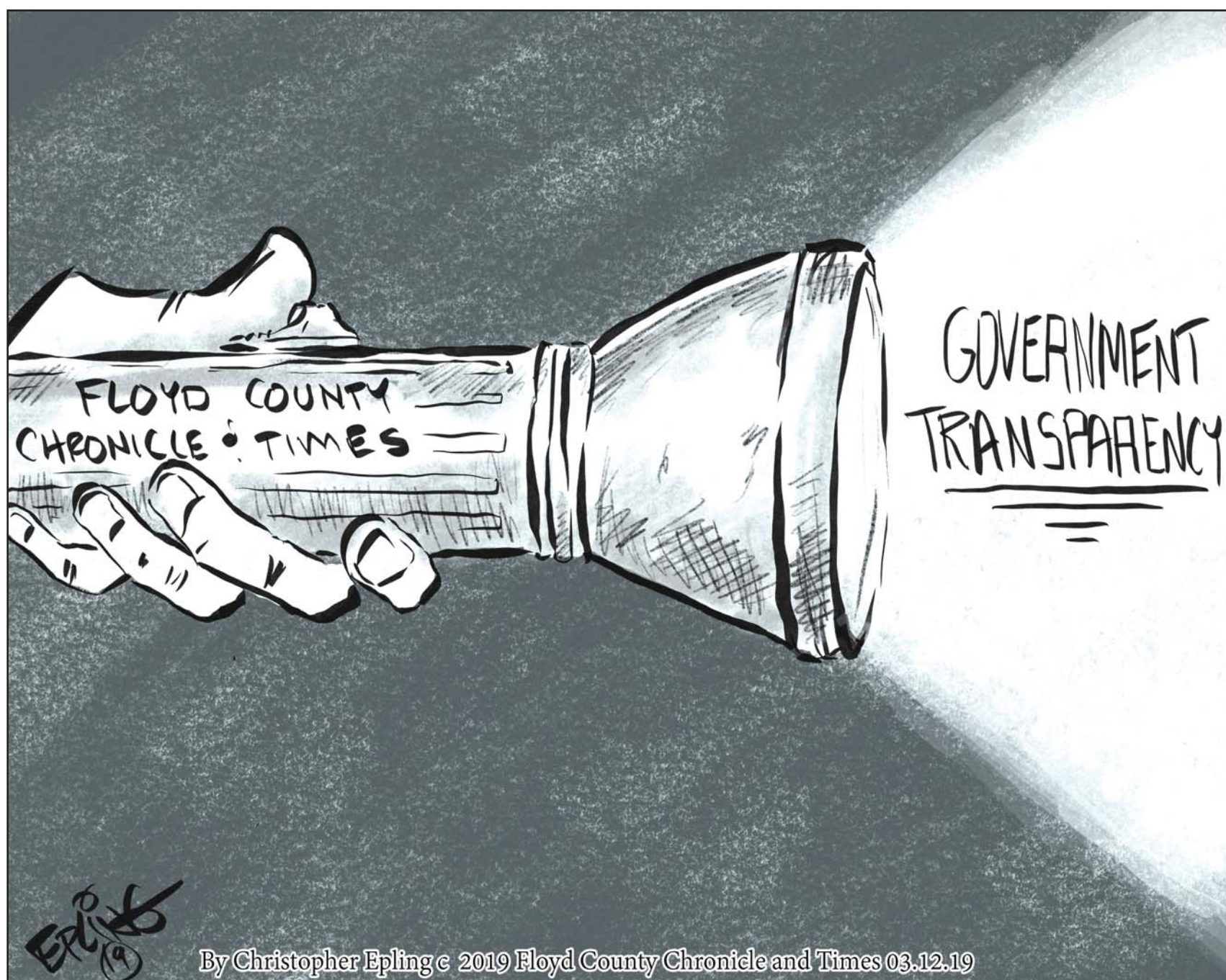
As a mother of nine, I know all children have unique strengths, challenges and interests. A one-size-fits-all approach to parenting does not work well. The same is true for education: families need options.

HB 205 and SB 118 propose to create a scholarship tax program that would help close this

significant gap in opportunity. The program encourages individuals and businesses to donate to non-profit organizations, like School Choice Scholarships, that assist lower income families with tuition for the non-public schools of their choice.

Through this program, donors would receive a 95 percent tax credit for their donation. For every \$100 donated, a \$95 tax credit is received. No public funds are involved, as private donations alone are used to increase parental options. Eighteen other states have similar scholarship tax programs in place, making it clear they value the role of the family in education. It is time for Kentucky to do the same.

I am imploring the General Assembly to vote yes on HB 205 and SB 118. Education is key to breaking the cycle of poverty, and a zip code should not determine a student's academic success. We cannot continue upholding a status quo that favors only families with means, and a scholarship tax credit policy would be a great step toward improving access to education opportunities for all Kentucky's children.



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Industry Member of the Year



Submitted photo
Byron Scott, manager of Ferguson Enterprises of Prestonsburg earned the Kentucky Association of Master Contractors Industry Member of the Year award last month. Scott has been involved with the KAMC for many years, helping host meetings and continuing education, providing support and hosting the journeyman competition.

FLOYD COUNTY CHRONICLE AND TIMES OBITUARIES

Susan Layne Akers

Susan Layne Akers, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 13, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin.

Burial will follow in the Layne Family Cemetery, Harold.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Arthur Lee Fannin

Arthur Lee Fannin, 63, of Hi Hat, died Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 13, at Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, Hi Hat.

Burial will follow in the Little Cemetery, Hi Hat.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Greg Darin Frasure

Greg Darin Frasure, 53, of Grethel, died Friday, March 8, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Monday, March 11, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin.

Burial followed in the Thomas Hamilton Cemetery, Tinker Fork, Teabery.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

Trena Lynn Holbrook

Trena Lynn Holbrook, 58, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 11, 2019.

Visitation will continue all day Wednesday, March 13, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, March 14, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow in the Holbrook Family Cemetery, Prestonsburg.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Heather LeAnn Music

Heather LeAnn Music, 39, of Weeksbury, died Monday, March 11, 2019.

Visitation will be held

at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, at Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Bypro.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, March 15, at the church.

Burial will follow in the RH Ratliff Cemetery, Shelbyana.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Vonnie Allen Ousley

Vonnie Allen Ousley, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, March 7, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Monday, March 11, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Burial followed in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Donna Joan Parsons

Donna Joan Parsons, 80, of Harold, died Wednesday, March 6, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 9, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in the Hall Cemetery, Toler Creek, Harold.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Donald Anthony Robinson

Donald Anthony "Tony" Robinson, 51, of Martin, died Thursday, March 6, 2019.

Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, at the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints, Martin.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

Terry Shelton

Terry E. Shelton, 73, of McDowell, died Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in the Drift Cemetery, Drift.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

'GED Plus' now available

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

In collaboration with Kentucky Skills U, the Kentucky Community and Technical College System announced on March 6 the launch of GED Plus, a new program allowing adults to earn a GED and a college credential at the same time.

GED Plus helps students earn a tuition-free certificate through co-enrollment in the Skills U GED program and short-term KCTCS courses. In four months or less, adults have the opportunity to earn their GED plus a college certificate that will prepare them for workforce opportunities at a faster rate.

"Our research indi-

cates that most adults do not want to attend college because they think it costs too much and takes too long," said KCTCS President Jay K. Box. "We have high hopes that the opportunity to obtain a GED and a tuition-free college certificate in a short amount of time will change that mindset. This program is another way we are quickly preparing people for the workforce and addressing employers' needs."

Kentucky has invested \$15.9 million in Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship funding to fast-track skill certifications for individuals who had graduated from high school, earned or working to earn a GED, but had not received a college degree.

Gov. Matt Bevin spoke at a news conference Wednesday at the Capitol Rotunda where GED Plus was announced.

"More than 340,000 Kentuckians do not have a high school diploma or GED, so we must ensure that the Commonwealth's workforce development efforts include strong opportunities for those in need of education and skills necessary to become career ready," said Bevin. "By empowering students to utilize the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship for obtaining a GED plus additional credentials, we are eliminating financial barriers to education and opening a pathway to long-term success for all Kentuckians."

The Work Ready Scholarship eliminates the financial barriers that prohibit students from seeking education opportunities by providing a pathway to more than 350 college credentials and 60 careers in five industry sectors.

Through financial assistance from Kentucky's Work Ready Scholarship, GED Plus students can earn a certificate in healthcare, advanced manufacturing, transportation, business services and construction.

KCTCS will also provide a \$400 scholarship to the first 1,000 enrollees to cover expenses that are not included in the Work Ready program.

For more information, visit, GEDPlusky.org.

DIRECTOR

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not necessarily saying that won't happen, but in most cases, a predator is going to take their time to get to know the child."

Kretzer said not all predators or perpetrators need to take that time to gather information on a child. Some, she said, are so experienced in the act that they already know the signs for which to look, targeting children with self-esteem issues or ones with poor family conditions as likely targets.

"They'll often find children who are 'needy' in some way or fashion, whether it be needing new clothes, a new cell phone or even something as simple of as just money," Kretzer said.

According to Kretzer, a predator will often come across as a very friendly person, even offering assistance to the child or the child's caregiver in the form of offering to watch the child while their caregiver goes to work, possibly picking the child up from school

or ball practices, doing whatever is necessary to "get their foot inside the door" to make it easier to gain access to the child.

"Perpetrators really try to come across as someone who can fix all your problems," Kretzer said. "Anything of value these people offer or promise in exchange for sexual acts involving minors is trafficking."

Once these perpetrators "are in the door" they'll try their best to manipulate the child, Kretzer said, often going as far as getting them addicted to drugs, just to make the child more dependent on the predator and even threaten the child with violence if they aren't cooperative.

"One out of 10 children will experience sexual abuse by their 18th birthday," said Kretzer. "Of those young people who experience it (sexual abuse), 90 percent were previous victims."

Last week, Ernest B. Ray, aka Junior, 55, of Beech Street, Pikeville, was arrested by federal authorities on charges of trafficking minors for sex. Ray was set to appear in

federal court Monday but the hearing was continued. Little information is available on the case, but charges were linked to alleged crimes against at least five different minors.

According to Kretzer, child sexual abuse can be difficult for victims to disclose, as some don't even recognize they're a victim because they were, or still are being made to feel like they're "special." The ones who do realize what's going on experience a layer of fear and shame that makes it difficult for victims to come forward, she said, factors which can be difficult to overcome.

"These children become very vulnerable, that's why it's so important to prevent child sexual abuse," Kretzer said. "It's also important to identify those who have and work to get them the help they need, that way they aren't in that vulnerable state for someone else to come along."

One place that tries to help victims overcome that and get victims the help they deserve is the advocacy center, also

know as Judi's Place for Kids. Located at 128 S College St, in Pikeville, Judi's Place provides services to victims of sexual abuse, including human trafficking and child pornography.

"We work with those victims who are referred to us by local, state and federal agencies," Kretzer said.

The center's staff is up-to-date in training regarding human trafficking, having had FBI and forensic scientists come in to assist with training in the latest information regarding the subject, as they strive to be a "bright solution" for abused children.

"Judi's Place is just a community offering hope and healing so that all may thrive and reach their full potential," Kretzer said.

Kretzer said "being aware" is the most important thing.

"These perpetrators have everything to gain by blending in," Kretzer said. "They blend in and keep a keep a low profile because they benefit from selling a person over and over again."

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Lawsuit: P'burg fired cop after he was shot

Former PPD officer Adam Dixon claims city officials refused to help, fired him for 'job abandonment'

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

A former Prestonsburg Police officer is suing Prestonsburg, its police department and chief and its city council and mayor, alleging he was wrongfully fired after he was shot in the line of duty.

Attorney Matthew W. English of the Getty Law Group in Lexington filed the lawsuit recently in Floyd County Circuit Court on behalf of Adam Dixon, who claims he was wrongfully fired on March 1, 2018 — nearly three years after he was shot in the line of duty.

All defendants were served with the lawsuit this month. They include the Prestonsburg City Police Department, Chief Larry Woods, City of Prestonsburg, Mayor Les Stapleton, Prestonsburg City Council members Harry Adams, Don Willis, B.D. Nunnery, Charles E. "Shag" Branham, David A. Gearhart and Brittainy Branham, as well as former council members Mike Lafferty and Roy Roberts.

Prestonsburg City Attorney Jennifer Burke Elliott said she can't comment on allegations made in the lawsuit.

"We can't comment on current litigation," she said. "It's a personnel matter, so we couldn't

have commented any way."

The lawsuit alleges that between Oct. 20, 2015, and March 2018, the defendants failed to follow policies for the "handling and treatment of employees injured in the line of duty," and it claims that failure made Dixon's injuries worse, leading to his alleged "wrongful termination."

Dixon seeks compensatory and punitive damages from Woods, Stapleton and the police department for "Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress," as well as compensatory and punitive damages from all defendants for wrongful termination.

The lawsuit alleges "illegal handling by defendants of Mr. Dixon's situation."

Dixon had been employed as an officer for nearly 10 years when he was shot in the line of duty on Oct. 20, 2015, by Robert Powers of Auxier, who was sentenced to 20 years for that shooting in December 2018.

In an hours-long standoff at a home in Abbott in which a child was held hostage, Powers shot Dixon in the sternum.

Per department protocol, Dixon was placed on administrative leave after the shooting, the lawsuit said, and he was

on leave for about three months.

According to the lawsuit, in Jan. 2016, Stapleton and Woods, per department policy, instructed Dixon to undergo formal evaluation for "mental and physical fitness." English claims in the lawsuit that they told Dixon they would make arrangements for that assessment, but it never occurred.

"Instead, he was put back on patrol, working the day shift, with no evaluation of his mental and physical fitness for duty," English wrote.

Within a few months, Dixon returned to the night shift, the lawsuit claims, and "began suffering symptoms including anxiety, shortness of breath, uncontrollable shaking, unprovoked fear, episodes of panic and night terrors."

"By the end of 2016, Mr. Dixon was unable to continue working due to the deterioration of his mental state," English wrote. "Taking vacation time, he spent a week in the care of a relative who is a clinical psychologist with significant experience working with victims of trauma, leading to a diagnosis of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder ("PTSD"). Following this treatment, Mr. Dixon was well enough to return to work, but he continued

to suffer with unshakable feelings of dread, panic, and disability anxiety while on duty."

The lawsuit claims that in July 2017, Dixon drove to Woods' home and "implored him" for help, telling him that he felt "paralyzed by the fear, unable to protect public or to otherwise fulfill the duties of his job, and that he needed help."

English claims in the lawsuit that the department should have activated an "Early Intervention System" to help Dixon.

"Instead, however, Woods merely instructed Mr. Dixon to use his days off already scheduled to relax and recover," the lawsuit states. "Mr. Dixon was unable to recover enough to return to work during the few days previously scheduled off, so he used ten additional days from his vacation time in an attempt to regain his mental composure. Upon his return to work, he quickly had a panic attack on the job."

The lawsuit claims that Woods scheduled Dixon to work with a partner who would "keep an eye on" him, and he was approved for extended sick leave that lasted

from July 2017 through January 2018.

After Dixon was diagnosed with PTSD, the lawsuit claims that Stapleton and Woods were informed that he was unable to return "to any form of active police work which carried with it a confrontational role."

"Mr. Dixon told the Defendants he could — and would like to — continue to work for the city in some other capacity, and he asked for a desk job," English wrote in the lawsuit. "Rather than providing him with other options, Stapleton and Woods directed Mr. Dixon to resign from employment. Mr. Dixon declined, informing the Defendants that he did not want to resign but was met with increasing insistence. Mr. Dixon responded that, if they intended to force him out of a job with the City, then he would take retirement instead. Over their continuing objection, he informed Stapleton and Woods that his application for retirement was underway."

The lawsuit claims that Stapleton "demanded" Dixon's resignation.

"As he was completing his final documents for retirement in the office of the Human Re-

sources Director, Mayor Stapleton entered and again demanded Mr. Dixon's resignation," English wrote. "Mr. Dixon replied that he understood he did not need to tender a resignation because he was officially retiring. Stapleton said the city needed a letter of resignation and that, if not for the concern that Mr. Dixon would sue the City, he would simply fire him for 'job abandonment.'"

It claims Dixon "resisted the demands for his resignation" and sent in his retirement packet, which was received in March 1, 2018.

A few days later, Dixon received a letter informing him he had been fired for "abandoning" the job, the lawsuit alleges, asserting that Dixon was not given the opportunity for a hearing or a review, as required by state law.

It claims this conduct caused Dixon to suffer with "extreme, prolonged mental anguish and depression, constituting a full-blown existential crisis."

Elliott said an attorney from the city's insurance carrier will respond to the lawsuit on behalf of the city.

Pike solar farm project gets boost from Toyota

By **CHRIS ANDERSON**
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — A proposed solar farm project in Pike County is accelerating forward, thanks to the recently-announced involvement of an automotive giant.

At the TEDxCorbin economic development forum in Corbin this weekend, Berkley Energy executive Ryan Johns and Democratic gubernatorial hopeful Adam Edelen announced that Toyota had joined in the partnership between the two for the development of a 700-acre solar farm near Johns Creek. Johns, one of the developers on the solar farm project, said the proposed solar farm on Bent Mountain is expected to consist of a half-million solar panels, and will likely see significant progress in its development now with the inclusion of Toyota in his and Edelen's partnership.

"The final step was

needing power to be purchased after construction," Johns said, indicating Toyota could purchase the electricity generated at the solar farm. "This is the final piece in getting everything done. For this area it's a very big thing."

Co-developer Adam Edelen called Toyota's involvement in the project "extraordinarily exciting"

"This will put Eastern Kentucky and its workers on the map in terms of development," Edelen said. "This is historic and it brings opportunities to Eastern Kentucky and opportunities to move the region forward."

The solar farm project was announced in April 2017. The solar farm's construction is expected to create 200 construction jobs, and approximately 50 sustained jobs for the operation of the farm.

Edelen said he hopes construction will begin this summer, following a

training period for perspective installers.

"Now, focus shifts to workforce development and training, especially for out-of-work coal miners, in installing these solar panels," Edelen said. "After that, after some job training, hopefully we can begin construction this summer."

Johns said this past weekend's announcement was a "soft announcement," and a more formal event will be held at a later date to tout the partnership. He added that there is little information he can currently release about Toyota's full role in the partnership.

Johns added, however, that Toyota's involvement moves the project forward.

"We had to have a partner that was willing to finish the last piece of it," Johns said. "This is huge for this area. This is huge for this region."

Volunteers sought for cleanup

A **FLOYD CHRONICLE**
AND **TIMES STAFF REPORT**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Jenny Wiley State Resort Park are seeking volunteers to help with park's annual Operation Clean Sweep event.

The cleanup will be held from 9 a.m. to noon

on Saturday, March 16.

"Everyone is encouraged to take pride in their communities and team up to see who can collect the most trash," a statement from the park said.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the parking lot of the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center.

All registered volunteers will receive a t-shirt and a complimentary cookout will begin at noon.

For more information, call JWSRP Interpreter Trinity Shepherd at, (606) 889-1790, or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Dewey Lake Project Office at, (606) 886-6709.

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Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Prestonsburg, met with Floyd County teachers Cindy Osborne, Deborah Bentley and Patti Dye on Thursday in Frankfort to discuss education issues. The teachers are Turner's former students. He retired after 28 years as a teacher, coach and administrator.

Howard admits to Wayland armed robbery charge

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The grand jury indicted Howard in September on charges of first-degree robbery, a Class B felony, and theft by unlawful taking-automobile, a Class D felony.

A Floyd County man could spend a dozen years behind bars after pleading guilty to robbery last week.

On March 7, Prestonsburg resident Zachary T. Howard, 26, pleaded guilty in Floyd Circuit Court to a charge of first-degree robbery.

Howard was arrested by Kentucky State Police after an armed robbery that occurred at a home in Wayland in August. KSP officials alleged in court documents that Howard broke into the home, stole two pistols that he used to hold the couple who lived there at gunpoint, stole \$7 and the couple's vehicle and fled. He was arrested after a high-speed chase later that day.

Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner reported that Howard pleaded guilty after his office recommended a sentence of 12 years.

Turner reported that because of the nature of the crimes, Howard will be required to serve at least 85 percent of that sentence if the court accepts the recommendation during Howard's formal sentencing on April 11.

"My office and the victims were satisfied with this plea," Turner said. "The defendant took responsibility for what he did and will be serving a lengthy prison sentence."

'Journal of Appalachian Health' created

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The University of Kentucky reported this week that a new "Journal of Appalachian Health" was created through collaboration between academic institutions and organizations in Appalachia.

The online, open access, peer-reviewed journal has a mission of "creating a healthy and

thriving Appalachia," UK reported in a statement.

The University of Kentucky Libraries is hosting the journal on its UKnowledge platform, and because of initial financial support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the journal is free and there is no author publication fee.

The journal will publish "research findings capable of transforming

policy and practice in a rapid, yet rigorous, process," UK reported.

"The opportunity to create a new journal committed to the health of Appalachians is an important challenge given the burden of disease, the inequities that exist in the region and both the wonderful character of the hills of Appalachia and the poor disease status of those who live

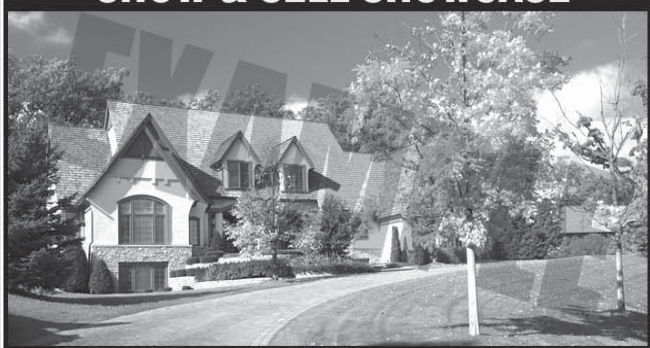
and work there. We hope this journal will address these issues and allow us to move forward with efforts to address those problems in this beautiful and problematic region of America," Dr. F. Douglas Scutchfield said in the statement.

For details about submissions and other information, visit the journal online at, uknowledge.uky.edu/jah/.

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Hillside unstable on US 23 at Ivel

Motorists cautioned that traffic may be stopped

On Monday morning Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Highway District 12 maintenance specialists discovered that the mountain is moving again on U.S. 23 in Ivel where the northbound lanes are already closed due to a significant rockfall/mud-slide.

"Passing traffic will not notice the movement, but our people can tell," Engineering Branch Manager Darold Slone said.

So far the rocks that have come off the hillside are fist-sized. There has also been muddy water running down all weekend.

"If there is anything on the ledge or the top of the hill, anything at all that looks like it may come down and bounce into the southbound lanes of moving traffic, we will shut down the road," a joint statement from Chief District Engineer Mary Westfall-Holbrook, Slone and Allen

Maintenance Superintendent Todd Harris stated.

Harris and his crew are on site, both on the roadway and at the top of the hill, monitoring the situation.

"We do not want people to panic," said Sara George, D12 Information Officer, "but folks who are driving through this slide zone need to strictly observe the reduced speed limit of 45 miles per hour. In addition, you need to pay attention and be prepared to stop if so directed by District 12 workers."

George said that safety is the first priority, not convenience.

"We certainly hope we do not have to stop traffic. But if it is necessary to keep people safe, we definitely will. In that case, we are not concerned about anyone's convenience; we are concerned about saving lives and property," she said.

Family Dollar holds ribbon-cutting for North Lake Drive location



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Family Dollar, located on North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg, hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its grand re-opening on March 9. The event, celebrating the store's recent remodel, featured prizes and activities throughout the day. Pictured left to right are Mayor Les Stapleton, Store Manager Christy Hall, Assistant Store Manager Katelyn Stanley and Customer Service Representative Kayanna Mullins.

Community Events

- March 13, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Wool Club meets, Floyd County Extension office. (606) 886-2668
- March 13, 2 p.m.: Free hospice volunteer training, Floyd County Library, Prestonsburg. (606) 789-3841
- March 13, 5 p.m.: Wheelwright City Commission meets, city hall. (606) 452-4202
- March 14, 12 p.m.: Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets, Prestonsburg First Presbyterian Church
- March 14, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.: Floyd County Chamber of Commerce to host networking luncheon at the Quality Inn with Floyd County Judge-Executive Robbie Williams as guest speaker.
- March 14, 6 p.m.: Southern Water & Sewer District to hold special meeting, McDowell office.
- March 15-16, 7 p.m.: Big Sandy Idol, Mountain Arts Center
- March 15, 5:30 p.m. Tiny Bulldog Academy for kids age birth to five, Prestonsburg Elementary. Free. (606) 886-3891
- March 16; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Volunteers sought for Operation Clean Sweep, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Lunch, t-shirts, door prizes provided. (606) 889-1790
- March 18, 5 p.m.: Floyd County Soil and Water Conservation District meets, 18 Mayo Br., Brandykeg. (606) 889-9800
- March 18, 6 p.m.: Prestonsburg City Council meets, city hall. (606) 886-2335
- March 18, 6 p.m.: Master Gardener Program, Floyd County Extension office. (606) 886-2668
- March 19, 3:30 p.m.: Mountain Arts Center Board of Directors meet, MAC. (606) 889-9125
- March 19, 5:15 p.m.: Jenny Wiley Chapter of the AARP meets at Highland Terrace, Prestonsburg.
- March 19, 5:30 p.m.: The I Quilt (IQ) group for beginning quilters meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 19, 6 p.m.: Floyd County Fiscal Court meets, county courthouse. (606) 886-9193
- March 19, 6 p.m.: Prestonsburg Utilities Commission meets, utilities office
- If you have been thinking about becoming a foster/adoptive parent, please contact Jacqueline Mosley with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services at (606) 889-1724 for more information. The cabinet needs families who are interested in fostering teens and sibling groups.
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HUBBLE RETURNS



The Hubble exhibit features a scale model of the Hubble Space Telescope, which was launched into space by NASA in 1990 and continues to provide images of the universe.
Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows

Science center hosts exhibit for second time

"If you want to learn about the whole universe, this is the exhibit to do it."
East Kentucky Science Center Director Steve Russo

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

The Hubble exhibit is now open at the East Kentucky Science Center, located on the campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

It marks the second time NASA has brought the exhibit to Eastern Kentucky. When the science center hosted it in 2018, it attracted approximately 10,000 people, including some visitors from other states, science center Director Steve Russo said.

"Hubble is a telescope that has opened up the universe to us in

different wavelengths of light," Russo said. "I mean, even astronomers, we didn't know as much about the universe until Hubble went up there and started looking at things in different wavelengths of light and different distances — almost like a 3D effect. So, it's for people that just want to know the latest discoveries of the planets, how the universe is formed, the grand scale of things, the size of objects in space."

He pointed to the "Hubble Deep Field," one of the large photographs taken by the Hubble that is on display.

"There's over 2,000 galaxies in that one picture, yet, with the naked eye, it looks like one star, one dot," he said. "And each of those galaxies is similar to the Milky Way. There's 300 billion stars in each of those 2,000 spots. So, this exhibit kind of puts us into perspective, humans, as to where we are in the whole universe. Actually, it makes us feel very insignificant, quite frankly. It brings us down to earth, really. If you want to learn about the whole universe, this is the

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A visitor observes "Science on a Sphere," a globe that digitally displays animated images of earth, atmospheric storms and other digital projections as part of the Hubble exhibit that is on display at the East Kentucky Science Center.



Maurice Henderson, who helped create the Hubble traveling exhibit for NASA and introduced the "Science on a Sphere" program, answered questions from VIP guests at the opening of the Hubble exhibit at the science center on Friday. He shared images of the earth, starting from 600 million years ago, and advancing through time.

Big Sandy Idol this weekend



A FLOYD CHRONICLE
AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Big Sandy Community and Technical College will host the annual Big Sandy Idol competition at the Mountain Arts Center this weekend.

Students representing their high schools in Floyd,

Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties will perform Friday, March 15, and Saturday, March 16. The events begin at 7 p.m. each evening.

On Friday, March 15, runners-up from each school will perform for their chance to be a "Wild Card" and advance on to Saturday night's competition, when the next Big Sandy

Idol will be chosen.

The Big Sandy Idol Regional Competition, which is presented by Gearheart Communications and BSCTC, has awarded more than \$500,000 in scholarships since it began 13 years ago.

These scholarships help students earn degrees while performing as members of the

Big Sandy Singers and Band.

Tickets are \$13, and discounted rates are available for groups of 10 or more.

For tickets, visit, macarts.com.

For more information about the competition, contact Chesi Arnett at, (606) 886-7382 or email, carnett0037@kctcs.edu.

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"Resilience" event held

By **ELAINE BELCHER**
STAFF WRITER

Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council hosted "Being Intentional Together As A Community" event at Floyd Central High School on March 6 in conjunction with Kentucky Strengthening Families and Youth.

The event invited interested community members and organizations to coordinate their efforts to help children learn.

"Our purpose is to discover a way for audience teachers, parents, administrators, students, community leaders, faith-based and any concerned community member a way to be 'intentional' together as a community as opposed to working on same or similar work in silos around building resiliency in our students, families and communities," said Anna Shepherd, Floyd County Floyd County Schools Early Childhood Director.

Organizers started with showing "Resilience: The Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope," a 2016 documentary. According to the synopsis of the film, "Resilience" is a one-hour documentary that delves into the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences and the birth of a new movement to treat and prevent Toxic Stress. Now understood to be one of the leading causes of everything from heart disease and cancer to substance

abuse and depression, extremely stressful experiences in childhood can alter brain development and have lifelong effects on health and behavior. However, as experts and practitioners profiled in 'Resilience' are proving, what's predictable is preventable. These physicians, educators, social workers and communities are daring to talk about the effects of divorce, abuse and neglect. And they're using cutting edge science to help the next generation break the cycles of adversity and disease."

Afterwards, reactions and reviews to the film accompanied by a review of which ACEs were predominant in Kentucky as well as discussing an overview of KSFY.

According to information presented by the Department for Public Health, 59 percent of Kentuckians report experiencing at least one ACE and 64 present have two or more. These ACEs, according to the department, range from divorce, drinking in the household, verbal abuse, domestic violence and more. According to a 2015 Kentucky behavioral risk factor surveillance, when assessing select chronic conditions and risk behaviors in relation to ACEs, there appears to be an increase among certain behaviors/chronic conditions for those who experience four or more ACEs compared to those who experience

none. The department for Public Health reports that these Kentuckians are five times as likely to have an HIV test; almost five times as likely to suffer from depression; four times as likely to have poor mental health and smoke and are two and a half times as likely to have asthma.

"KSFY was created in 2013, as a collaborative community with the goal of reducing the impact of ACEs and provide the foundation to keep families and youth strong through engaged programs and communities in building protective factors that promote well being and resilience," said Shepherd. "We shared how the systems within the program work together to combat these adverse childhood experiences and our goal is to find ways to work together to help children live, learn and grow."

Shepherd said that the next step could be for attendees of this event stepping into a leadership role and becoming educators for other teachers and representatives and sharing what was learned.

"We want to develop a leadership team regionally or locally around this work of strengthening our families within our county and region," she said. "The more community members who are aware of what we are doing and what resources are available, the more successful we can be."



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
East Kentucky Science Center Director Steve Russo poses with Floyd County Board of Education member Dr. Chandra Varia, left, during a VIP opening of the Hubble exhibit. Varia's deceased husband is the namesake of the center's planetarium.

HUBBLE

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exhibit to do it."

The 2,200 sq. ft. exhibit is divided in to several sections, and it features a scale model of the Hubble Space Telescope, which was launched into space by NASA in 1990 and continues to provide images of the universe, as well as a section on the James Webb Telescope.

Visitors will learn about Hubble's contribution to the exploration of planets, stars, galaxies and the universe and see photos it has taken in space. Information is provided through computerized stations, as well as displays that explain tools and instruments that have been used to repair the Hubble.

For the first time, NASA officials added the "Science on a Sphere," a globe that digitally displays animated images of earth, atmospheric storms and other digital projections. Russo said it shares real-time satellite views of the earth, as well as pre-programmed animations.

"There's the sun, there's the moon, there's earthquakes, there's tsunami data, there's about 40 or 50 things running through the general program," he said. "But it is made to do real-time weather patterns, imagery, things like that."

The exhibit arrived at the science center last week in two semi-trucks filled with 55 pallets, some of which weighed hundreds of pounds. The science center was closed all week for the installation, which required 650 hours from center staff, BSCTC, the Mountain Arts Center and the community. Russo and others thanked Ace Hardware of Prestonsburg for helping



A battery-operated torque wrench and other types of tools used to service the Hubble Space Telescope are on display.

install projectors for the "Science on a Sphere." The work was completed at 4:30 p.m. on Friday — less than two hours before the center hosted a "VIP" event for special guests.

Maurice Henderson, who helped create the Hubble traveling exhibit for NASA and introduced the "Science on a Sphere" program, answered questions from those guests Friday. He shared images of the earth, starting from 600 million years ago, and advancing through time.

He said, "We are sitting here on the earth in Kentucky and looking out to the end of the universe. So, we no longer have an incomplete story. We have a whole story being told."

Speakers at the VIP event also included BSCTC President/CEO Dr. Sherry Zylka, Prestonsburg Mayor Les Stapleton and John Rosenberg, one of the founders of the science center.

"I'm so glad that we have the Hubble back again ... We're really proud for what this means for the children of Eastern Kentucky, for science education and for STEM and for having the college here and for having Dr. Zylka so committed to trying to improve science education in this region," Rosenberg said.

BSCTC Biology Professor Dr. Tom Vierheller,

another founding member of the science center, said it offers a "fantastic opportunity" to the public, talking about how it can spark an interest in science for children.

"Beyond other types of experiences, many scientists have gotten their start when they had that chance to see an exhibit just like this very one," he said.

The Hubble exhibit will remain at the center through May 18. Admission will be free on May 11, National Astronomy Day. Henderson said that day is the 29th anniversary of Hubble's launch into space and the 10th anniversary of its last servicing mission.

The center is open on Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children and free to children under the age of four.

For more information, call, (606) 889-8260, or visit the center's Facebook page.



Floyd Superintendent Danny Adkins thanks attendees at the March 6 Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council's "Being Intentional Together As A Community" event at Floyd Central High School.

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Wesley Christian has seven McDonald's All-American nominees



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Wesley Christian's Corey Allison, Puoch Deng Puoch, Erwin Gutic, Arol Kachuol, Oussema Marnaoui, Leon Moshefy and Miki Tadic were honored as McDonald's All-American nominees.

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

ALLEN — Wesley Christian is home to seven McDonald's All-American nominees. For excelling both on and off the basketball court, seven student-athletes from Wesley Christian High School - Corey Allison, Puoch Deng Puoch, Er-

win Gutic, Arol Kachuol, Oussema Marnaoui, Leon Moshefy and Miki Tadic - have been recognized as some of the top basketball players in the country through their nominations to the 2019 McDonald's All-American High School Boys' Basketball Team.

The Wesley Christian standouts are seven of the only 800 male prep

basketball players in the nation nominated by the McDonald's All American Basketball Team Selection Committee, a group of nationally prominent basketball experts. As a nominee, each student-athlete was considered for one of the 24 positions on the final 2019 McDonald's All-American High School Basketball Team.

McDonald's of East Kentucky Area Supervisor Jerry Kestner presented the certificates to the players along with Wesley Christian Head Coach David Meddings. Johnson Central standout Jacob Rice, the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament Most Valuable Player, was the only other McDonald's All-American nominee from the area.

Not so Sweet 16



Floyd Chronicle photo by Cory Vance

Johnson Central seniors Gabe Ferrell (21) Jacob Rice (10) and Braxton Bentley walk off the court Thursday as head coach Tommy McKenzie looks on. The Golden Eagles fell to Trinity 70-28 Wednesday in the opening round of the Whitaker Bank/KHSAA Sweet 16.

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By **RANDY WHITE**
REGIONAL SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — It wasn't the showing that Johnson Central wanted in the Whitaker Bank/KHSAA Sweet 16 as the Golden Eagles fell to Trinity 70-28 Wednesday afternoon. Johnson Central's

Jacob Rice gave the Golden Eagles a 3-2 lead after knocking down a three with 6:36 left in the first.

"They've got a good team," Johnson Central coach Tommy McKenzie said. "We knew coming into the game that it was going to be an uphill battle as

far as personnel goes. As I told these guys before the game, I wouldn't have wanted to take the floor with any other team. These kids here are a bunch of good kids. We play hard. We don't always get the result we want. We didn't here today,

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199 and counting



Racin'
Steve Mickey

Phoenix like so many other stops on the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series schedule turned out to be to the liking of Kyle Busch as he was able to pass Ryan Blaney on lap 296 of the 312 lap event to notch his first Cup win of the season. Busch was also able to duplicate the feat on Saturday as he was able to put his Toyota into victory lane for his second consecutive Xfinity race of the young season.

Sweeping multiple races at the track in the same weekend is nothing new to Busch as he accomplished a two-race win the previous week at Atlanta where he posted wins in the Xfinity Series and the Gander Outdoor Truck Series before coming up short in the Cup

race. After Phoenix's double win performance, the Joe Gibbs Racing driver has now posted twelve two-race week-end sweeps of his career.

The Phoenix wins also gives him a combined 199 victories across all three of NASCAR's major series which is just one shy of Richard Petty's 200 career wins. All of Petty's wins came at the Cup level so trying to make a comparison between the two totals will be very difficult. So no matter how you look at the two totals, you have to agree that both can be hard to wrap your mind around as wins in this sport has always been so hard to come by and become more difficult with each passing season.

There is no doubt that Busch is on a very short collision course for win number 200 and that win could come this weekend at California as he will be considered one of the favorites just as he is in any race that he starts regardless of the series. Busch enters California with 52 career Cup wins and it would only be fitting that he would get to celebrate his career 200th NASCAR win in a

MENCS victory lane.

When that wins does come, it just needs to be celebrated and appreciated in the same manner that Petty's lofty total has been celebrated throughout the years. Petty's Cup win total will never be challenged as the sport now sees more parity than maybe ever before and drivers' careers are not as long as they once were as we continue to see drivers retire at a younger age.

Sometimes lost in Busch's march toward his 200th win is the fact that he is only 33-years-old and in the prime years of his career. He has all of the tools he needs to continue adding to his impressive win total. Joe Gibbs Racing is a model of what a NASCAR organization should be and not only gives Busch the cars and resources that he needs to win but owner Joe Gibbs has proved to be the steady hand in helping him overcome his temper that earlier in his career overshadowed his on track accomplishments. He also benefits from having a long relationship with his sponsors M&M's and Interstate

Batteries which provides the dollars to the organization that it takes to compete at a high level.

While win number 200 is his next short term goal that he will check off, he did say after his win on Sunday that he has set his sight on winning 100 races in the Cup series in his career. That number will only be half of Petty's career total but it will put him in a lofty position when you look at the rest of the drivers on the all-time win list. David Pearson is second to Petty with 105 wins and Jeff Gordon is third with 93.

The trend now is for drivers to walk away from the sport in their 40's and if that is the case for Busch, he still has at least a 10-year window to add to his win total if he chooses to stay in the sport that long. It seems that he will be in the sport long after his driving days are over as his Kyle Busch Motorsports fields teams in the Gander Outdoor Truck Series. KBM has collected a series-record six Owner's Championships and two championship-winning drivers in Erik Jones and Christopher Bell.

Lady Panthers prepare for Rupp

By **RANDY WHITE**
REGIONAL SPORTS EDITOR

Pikeville is heading to the KHSAA Sweet 16 for the first time since 1980.

This year's Sweet 16 is a little extra sweet for the girls' teams because it is the first time the state tournament will be held at Rupp Arena.

Since the season started, Pikeville coach Kristy Orem has talked about ending the season at Rupp Arena and the Lady Panthers will do just that.

Pikeville won the 15th Region Tournament with a 53-35 win over Johnson Central last week.

Pikeville finished the regular season with a 27-7 record.

The Lady Panthers finished the season strong.

On December 20, Pikeville held a 3-5 record.

The Lady Panthers rebounded won 24 of its last 26 games.

Pikeville is currently on a seven-game winning streak. The Lady Panthers fell to 14th Region champion Knott Central 64-44 February 9; that was Pikeville's last loss.

In postseason play, Pikeville hasn't had a close game. The Lady Panthers have outscored their opponents 316-218.

Defense has been the key to Pikeville's winning ways in the postseason. The Lady Panthers defense is only giving up 43.6 points per game. Only one team, Jenkins, has scored more than 50 points on the Lady Panthers this postseason.

Pikeville is balanced on offense. Any of the six players in the rotation can lead the team in scoring.

Kirsten Cole-Williamson was the 59th District Player of the Year and the 15th Region Tournament MVP for Pikeville.

Cole-Williamson averaged 12.4 points per game and 7.6 rebounds per game to lead the Lady Panthers.

Pikeville does a lot of high-low offense with Cole-Williamson and Leslie Stewart.

Stewart averaged 5.6 points per game and 7.1 rebounds per game.

Senior Grace Bartley was second on the team in points per game. Bartley averaged 10.6 points per game and 6.4 rebounds per contest.

Kelsey Jo Tackett followed with 9.5 points per game. Tackett is a scoring threat. If she gets hot, she can dominate the game from the outside or off the drive and find open teammates.

Alivia Gearheart followed with 8.4 points per game. Gearheart is one of the top defensive guards in the region. She gets a lot of easy baskets off of her defensive pressure.

Seventh-grader Trinity Rowe has also contributed late in the season. She led the Lady Panthers in scoring in the region championship game.

Pikeville will take the Rupp Arena floor Thursday at noon against 4th Region champion Barren County (31-4) in the KHSAA Sweet 16.



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Pikeville's Leslie Stewart pulls up for a jumper last Tuesday during the 15th Region championship.

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Johnson Central's Jacob Rice shoots a three against Trinity Wednesday afternoon at Rupp Arena in the opening round of the Whitaker Bank/KHSAA Sweet 16. Rice made the shot to give the Golden Eagles an early 3-2 lead; it was Johnson Central's only lead of the game.

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but we played hard. I'm proud of them and we knew that their careers were going to end here at Rupp Arena at some point and I think they can take some kind of solace with that. You never want to lose and your season come to an end, but I'd rather do it here to a really good Trinity team than in the 15th Region Tournament. I'm proud of them and I want to wish Trinity good luck going forward."

That was Johnson Central's only lead.

Trinity rolled off 22 straight points after that. The Shamrocks held a 24-3 lead with two minutes left in the first quarter.

Johnson Central's Cory VanHoose broke the scoring drought for the Golden Eagles with a basket at the 1:42 mark to cut the lead to 24-5. Rice scored again with 54 seconds left in the first to cut the lead to 24-7.

Trinity held a 24-7 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Johnson Central's John King opened the second with a basket and VanHoose followed with another. Isaiah May followed with a three at the 6:09 mark to cap off an 11-0 run by the Golden Eagles

and cut the Trinity lead to 24-14.

Trinity responded as Jamil Hardaway scored back-to-back baskets to push the lead to 28-14 with 5:26 left in the half.

Louisville commit David Johnson threw down a monster dunk on a fast break with 1:28 left in the half to push the Trinity lead to 32-19.

The Shamrocks held a 35-19 lead at the halftime break.

Hardaway led the Shamrocks with a game-high 18 points and five rebounds. He was eight for eight from the field. Johnson followed with 13 points and six rebounds.

Johnson Central only scored nine second half points.

VanHoose scored his 1,000th career point with 6:40 left in the game. He knocked down a three. It was the last basket Johnson Central scored against the Shamrocks.

VanHoose led the Golden Eagles with 14 points. Rice added seven. May scored three. King and Braxton Bentley each chipped in with two points.

"It makes it a little bit easier (to end his career at Rupp Arena)," Rice said. "We lost three regional championships in a row. It just feels good to

come down here and even though my career is over, ending it here makes it a little easier."

The Golden Eagles only shot 27 percent from the field, while Trinity knocked down 60 percent of its field goal attempts. The Shamrocks dominated the boards as Trinity out rebounded Johnson Central 35-18.

Johnson Central finished the season with a 27-8 record. The Golden Eagles won the 57th District Tournament and the 15th Region championship.

Rice, Braxton Bentley and Gabe Ferrell were all seniors.

Sports Editor's Note: To see full highlights, interviews from McKenzie, Rice, Ferrell and Bentley check out episode 20 of the Appalachian Newspapers Inc. presents Bank On It. The Bank On It podcast will be uploaded next Wednesday afternoon. Like, subscribe and comment on our YouTube channel. Search Bank On It.



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A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. B. The successful bidder shall the full amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the

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sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 9.9250% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond. C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments upon the property which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record

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owners of said property. E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times. This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 17-CI-00768 MTAG AS CUSTODIAN FOR MGD-KY LLC PLANTIFF V. DONALD SHEPHERD ET AL DEFENDANTS **NOTICE OF SALE**

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$5,622.11, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 937 KY RT 194, Allen, KY 41601 **MAP NUMBER:** 076-00-00-051.00 **SOURCE OF TITLE:** Being the same property conveyed to Don-

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ald Shepherd, by deed dated April 9, 2007 and recorded in Deed Book 533 at Page 544 at the Floyd County, Kentucky, County Clerk's Office.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above. B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs. On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond. C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments upon the property which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record

owners of said property. E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times. This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 17-CI-817 MTAG as Custodian For MGD-KY LLC PLANTIFF V. SHERRY LYNN

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$5,622.11, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 937 KY RT 194, Allen, KY 41601 **MAP NUMBER:** 076-00-00-051.00 **SOURCE OF TITLE:** Being the same property conveyed to Don-

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payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser. D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property. E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser. F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times. This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 17-CI-817 MTAG as Custodian For MGD-KY LLC PLANTIFF V. SHERRY LYNN

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$5,622.11, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:** A tract of land on the upper side of the state highway (right) side going up Middle Creek known as the home place of about seven acres more or less facing that state highway and running up the point below the house with the Helen Johnson Line to top of hill to the Charlie Hackworth line running westwardly with the same to Beecher Holbrook line, thence down the point and with the point to state highway. **SOURCE OF TITLE:** Being the same property as conveyed to Sherry Lynn William-

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 17-CI-817 MTAG as Custodian For MGD-KY LLC PLANTIFF V. SHERRY LYNN

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED for 1-Bedroom Apartments for Persons 62 and older

Located on Mays Branch in Prestonsburg. All utilities included, rent is based on gross monthly income. Several activities such as line dancing, crafts, church services, hair salon. Furnished with stove, refrigerator, emergency alarm system and air conditioner. For more information, please call Highland Terrace at 606-886-1925, TDD: 1-800-648-6056 or 711 or come by the office for an application.

Highland Terrace does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status.

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WILLIAMSON DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Summary Judgment, Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$4,400.07, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:** A tract of land on the upper side of the state highway (right) side going up Middle Creek known as the home place of about seven acres more or less facing that state highway and running up the point below the house with the Helen Johnson Line to top of hill to the Charlie Hackworth line running westwardly with the same to Beecher Holbrook line, thence down the point and with the point to state highway. **SOURCE OF TITLE:** Being the same property as conveyed to Sherry Lynn William-

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$4,400.07, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:** A tract of land on the upper side of the state highway (right) side going up Middle Creek known as the home place of about seven acres more or less facing that state highway and running up the point below the house with the Helen Johnson Line to top of hill to the Charlie Hackworth line running westwardly with the same to Beecher Holbrook line, thence down the point and with the point to state highway. **SOURCE OF TITLE:** Being the same property as conveyed to Sherry Lynn William-

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED for 1,2,3 & 4 Bedroom Apartments

Located in Prestonsburg is Highland Heights Apartments in Goble Roberts addition and Cliffside Apartments on Cliff Road. Rent is based on gross monthly income. All utilities included at Highland Heights and a Utility Allowance at Cliffside. Learning centers at both sites with computers available. For more information, call Highland Heights at 606-886-0608 and Cliffside at 606-886-1819, TDD: 1-800-648-6056 or 711 or come by the offices for an application.

Highland Heights and Cliffside Apartments do not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status.

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Call Ricky or Steve
606-285-0094

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son by deed dated March 8, 2012 of record in Deed Book 586, Page 201 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

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E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times.

This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner
199 North Lake Drive
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00012
MTAG AS CUSTODIAN FOR MGD-KY LLC
PLANTIFF
V.
MICHAEL RAY VANCE et al
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$3,604.45, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m.**, on the **14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 14632 KY RT 979, Beaver, KY 41604
MAP NUMBER: 084-00-00-062.00
SOURCE OF TITLE: Being the same property conveyed to Michael Ray Vance, by deed dated March 12, 1997 and recorded at the Floyd County, Kentucky, County Clerk's Office in Book 402, Page 735. Michael Vance also obtained ownership of Tract II by Deed dated May 5, 1986 and recorded at the Floyd County, Kentucky, County Clerk's Office in Book 300 at Page 339. There is excepted from the conveyance that deed to Michael R. Vance, Sr., recorded at Deed Book 545, Page 288 and that deed to Michael R. Vance, Jr., and Sandra K. Vance recorded at Deed Book 544, Page 311, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

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address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master

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Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times.

This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00183
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Successor by merger of U.S. Bank National Association ND
PLANTIFF
V.
CHRISTOPHER CLYDE JUSTICE aka CHRISTOPHER C. JUSTICE; SHERRY JUSTICE et al
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$107,928.50, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m.**, on the **14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 3166 Toler Creek, Harold, KY 41635
MAP NUMBER: 108-20-01-005.00
SOURCE OF TITLE: Being the same property conveyed to Christopher Clyde Justice, by Deed dated December 27, 2005, and recorded December 28, 2005, in Deed Book 519, Page 590, in the records of the Floyd CA. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

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bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 4.2400% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times.

This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00588
WELLS FARGO USA HOLDINGS, INC.

PLANTIFF
V.
CLAUDE ALLEN, et al
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$43,001.77, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m.**, on the **14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 157 Lower Burton, Bypro, KY 41612
MAP NUMBER: 070-20-02-005.00
SOURCE OF TITLE: Being the same property conveyed to Debbie Allen and husband who acquired title, with rights of survivorship, by virtue of a deed from Debbie Allen, formerly known as Debbie Bakay, former surviving spouse of Tim Bakay, also known as Timothy Andrew Bakay, and joined by her spouse Claude Allen, dated April 28, 2007, recorded May 14, 2007, at Book 534, Page 529, Floyd County, Kentucky records.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

On the date of said sale, the successful bidder, if only paying 10%, shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon. The surety must own land in Kentucky and have equity in the land that is greater than the bid amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 1% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

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amount. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and shall bear interest at the rate of 9.17% per annum from the date of sale until paid in full. Said bond shall mature in thirty (30) days and shall have the force and effect of a Judgment. A lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety thereon. In the event the purchase price is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, then the property may be subject to immediate re-sell. In the event the Plaintiff is the successful bidder, said Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit pursuant to the Judgment referenced above and not be required to produce a bond.

C. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All delinquent taxes for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds along with the payment of other assessments properly claimed or filed within the above referenced record. Any taxes or assessments for prior years which are validly owed and are not paid by the sale proceeds shall remain liens on the subject property and will be assumed by the purchaser.

D. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, stipulations, defects, or encumbrances of record affecting said property; any assessments for public improvement; and any matters disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property. The property is also sold subject to rights of redemption which may exist in favor of the United States of America, the Defendants and/or record owners of said property.

E. The property shall be sold "AS IS." The Court and the Master Commissioner shall not be deemed to have warranted the title of the subject property to the purchaser.

F. Any announcements made on the date of sale shall take precedence over printed matter contained and as published within the Floyd County Chronical and Times.

This 1st day of March, 2019.

Gregory A. Isaac
Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00638
KENTUCKY HOUSING CORPORATION
PLANTIFF
V.
CLARENCE DAVIS
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to

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ment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$133,114.40, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m.**, on the **14th day of March, 2019**, in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit: **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 32 Bevins Street, Prestonsburg, KY 41653
MAP NUMBER: 045-70-05-005.00
SOURCE OF TITLE: Being the same property conveyed Clarence Davis, unmarried, by Deed dated June 16, 2010, of record in Deed Book 569, Page 510, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County

Additional Information: Said real property includes a Manufactured Home that has been converted to real estate by Affidavit of Conversion and recorded in Miscellaneous Book 17, Page 14, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky.

A. The property address and map number contained herein are for convenience only. All property will be transferred pursuant to the legal descriptions contained within the Judgment referenced above.

B. The successful bidder shall the bid amount, in full, by cash or certified check, on the date of the sale or shall pay a non-refundable deposit equal to 10% of the purchase price with the balance due in full within thirty (30) days. If the bid is not sufficient to pay the expenses of said sale, then along with the purchase price, the successful bidder shall pay additional sums required to cover said costs.

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This 1st day of March, 2019.

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Floyd County Master Commissioner

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00645
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WILLIAMSON
PLANTIFF
V.
RICHARD LANE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RICHARD LANE, CHARLOTTE S. HALL LANE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLOTTE S. HALL LANE AND U.S. BANK as custodian for SASS MUNI VI DTR, LLC
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

So as to comply with the Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action, and so as to

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raise the amounts as set forth therein, with a principal of \$67,725.29, plus interest and other costs, please be advised that I, the Floyd County Master Commissioner, has been ordered by the Floyd Circuit Court to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder during a public auction to be held at the hour of **10:00 a.m., on the 14th day of March, 2019,** in the Floyd Fiscal Courtroom (Old Circuit Courtroom) on the second floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Justice Center), and subject to the following terms and conditions, the property described to wit:

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 5549 Branham Creek, Grethel, KY 41631

MAP NUMBER: 110-00-00-001.03

SOURCE OF TITLE: Being the same property conveyed to Charlotte Hall by deed from Rothey Hall and Orville Hall, dated May 9, 2006, recorded in Deed Book 524, Page 101, Floyd County Clerk's Office, and that Quitclaim deed dated August 22, 2006, recorded in Deed Book 527, Page 117, Floyd County Clerk's Office

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The sale shall include a 2007 Cavalier 68X28 Mobile Home.

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FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-CI-00720

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF PRESTONSBURG, INC. PLAINTIFF

V. ESTATE OF JUDITH LYNN BROWN, JAMES DANIEL NEELEY, Administrator; JAMES DANIEL NEELEY, single;

CITY OF PRESTONSBURG; and FLOYD COUNTY, KY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SALE

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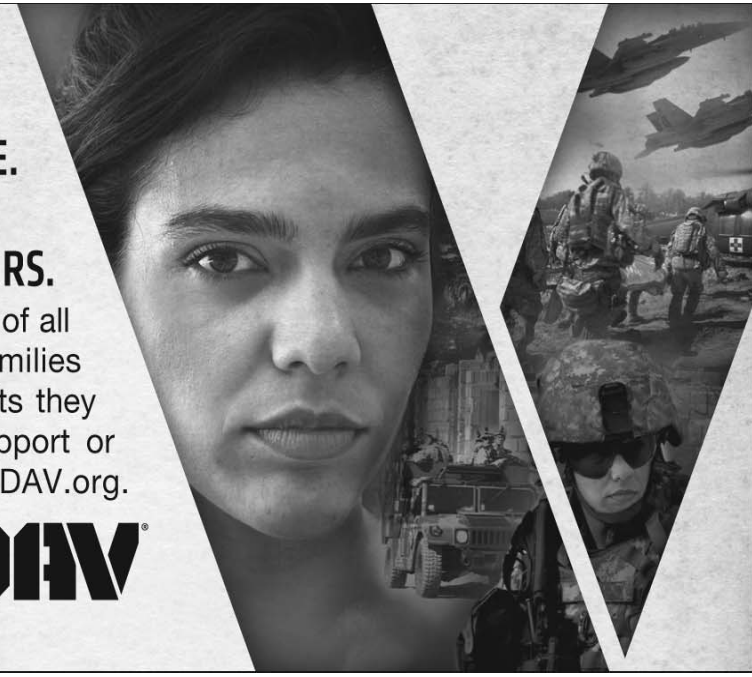
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