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PSC opens investigation into Southern Water, other utilities

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Public Service Commission opened an investigation into water loss rate at the Southern Water & Sewer

District and other Kentucky utilities that have high water loss rates.

The order issued Tuesday reports that the investigation was launched into all water utilities "that are unable

to account" for a water loss rate of 35 percent or higher. Southern's water loss was 60 percent when the PSC hosted a hearing in that case earlier this year and Southern Manager Dean Hall

reported during the district's meeting last month that water loss was about 65 percent at that time.


In January, PSC Vice Chairman Robert Cicero estimated that Southern's 60 percent water

loss rate equals an annual revenue loss of about \$386,000.

After that and other issues at Southern Water were raised by the

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Joe Campbell, public relations and marketing director at the Mountain Arts Center was recently approved as interim executive director following the resignation of Clayton Case on Friday. Case resigned to become pastor at Ridgepoint Church.

Campbell appointed interim director at MAC Case resigns from MAC, BSCTC; will continue with opry

By ELAINE BELCHER
STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg Tourism Commission, Prestonsburg Mayor Les Stapleton and Big Sandy Community and Technical College President Sherry Zylka recently approved Joe Campbell to act as interim executive director of the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg when current director Clayton Case steps down on Friday.

Case, director of fine arts at BSCTC and executive director of the MAC, announced in February that he was stepping down as director at the MAC to become pastor

at Ridgepoint Church in Prestonsburg.

"I was ordained as a pastor in 2013 and have worked as an associate Pastor at Ridgepoint since then. When our primary pastor stepped down in December, it presented an opportunity to me and my family and I felt that God was guiding me," said Case. "While I am stepping down as executive director and BSCTC fine arts director, I will be maintaining my role as director of the Kentucky opry for the MAC."

Case said that Campbell is an excellent choice as an interim executive

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PES wins 'Matific' honor



Submitted photos

This month, students at Prestonsburg Elementary participated in a Matific Math Games competition, overcoming multiple challenges to finish in the top 10 participating schools across the United States.

By ELAINE BELCHER
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Schools District was notified Tuesday that Prestonsburg Elementary School won 10th place in the online Matific Math Games Challenge, with an award of \$500 and \$1,000 in Matific licensed software, against extraordinary odds.

"Matific offers our

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Bubba and Tammy Roberson packed up their two children and moved from Alabama to Wheelwright to serve as directors of the Big Creek Mission.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows



On a mission Alabama couple to head mission group at Wheelwright

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

An Alabama couple who will lead Big Creek Missions introduced themselves and discussed upcoming plans with officials in Wheel-

wright this week. Bubba and Tammy Roberson, the new directors of Big Creek Missions in Wheelwright, recently moved with their family from Alabama, where he

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Wheelwright FD gets new gear; medical director resigns

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Wheelwright City Commission got a view of \$22,000 worth of fire department equipment and learned about a new challenge the fire department faces during a meeting this week.

Commission member Sam Little, a fire department member, displayed his turnout gear for the commission during a meeting Wednesday.

Fire Chief Daniel P. Gullett announced that the department received a grant to purchase \$22,225 worth of turnout gear in January, and the equipment was recently received. It included 10 sets of gear for department firefighters, officials said, from the 911 Fleet and Equipment company in Florence.

"This new gear had several features that the department specifically requested to ensure safer and more efficient fire ground operations," Little said in a press release. "Included in this order was lighter helmets for more mobility and comfort, state of the art gloves that flex and adapt quicker, ladder belts attached to bunker pants for various tasks and safety operations, better labeling of gear for identification reasons and every jacket includes a drag device embedded in for firefighter safety."

Little reported that this marks the first time in a decade that the de-

partment received new gear.

Gullett said the grant did not provide enough funding for all firefighters at the department.

During the meeting, he also reported that the department's medical director Jack Kendrick resigned, effective Feb. 14. Without a medical director, Gullett said he can no longer provide emergency medical services.

Gullett said he sought others who could serve as the medical director, but has found no one willing to volunteer yet.

"Finding a medical director out in the county from private practice that can do this for free is going to be very difficult," he said. "I'm looking, but I don't know if I can find someone."

He said it has put the department in a "bad situation."

"We will do the best we can until we get a medical director. Without a medical director, I can't operate, or any one licensed by the Kentucky Board of EMS, can not operate as such, provide services as such, without a medical director. Basically, it's just us going back to providing basic first aid services," Gullett said.

Commissioner Andy Akers told him, "You'll not be doing nothing beyond the scope of what you've been trained for."

Mayor Don Hall asked Gullett to keep searching for a medical director.

"I've got confidence

in you. I think you're going to come through on that," he said.

Gullett told him, "I hope so. It puts the fire department and the community in a very bad situation."

He explained that the lack of a medical director will prevent him from using advanced airway methods to establish an airway for someone who stops breathing.

During the meeting, the city commission also voted to seek applications, again, for a new police officer.

The city hired former Martin Police Chief Michael Napier in February, but officials reported that he resigned after working a couple of weeks.

Hall said the commission would call a special meeting next week to review all applications submitted.

In other news, the commission also:

- Approved the financial report, showing the city carried \$18,000 forward from February and had \$196,500 in its prison fund and \$31,000 in its road aid fund.

- Approved payment of about \$36,600 in bills, including payment of \$2,900 to Elite Contracting for the repairs to the fire department foundation.

- Approved spending up to \$2,000 for the city's annual Easter egg hunt and approved a motion that all eggs hidden will be plastic, while some hard-boiled eggs will be



Wheelwright commission members Dana McCown and Sam Little, Mayor Don Hall, City Attorney Tyler Green and commissioners Bobby Akers and Andy Akers are pictured, left to right. Equipment the fire department purchased with a \$22,000 grant is also pictured.

made available for children to eat. In the past, the city has hidden hard-boiled eggs.

• Learned from Hall that the Floyd County Health Department is not moving out of Wheelwright, as Hall previously reported. He told the

commission Wednesday that health department director Thursa Sloan told him he had been misinformed and that the department wants to continue its rental agreement and is planning to host new projects in the city, including a program

for mothers and children and a needle exchange program.

- Approved purchase of two new weed eaters, batteries for fire department vehicles and signage for the department's newest truck.

Floyd County Animal Shelter



Mandy & Biggie

This week's celebrity is UK law student MANDY LAKE. Mandy is showing off **BIGGIE** the giant Feist. Biggie has been at the shelter four months and is waiting for his forever home.

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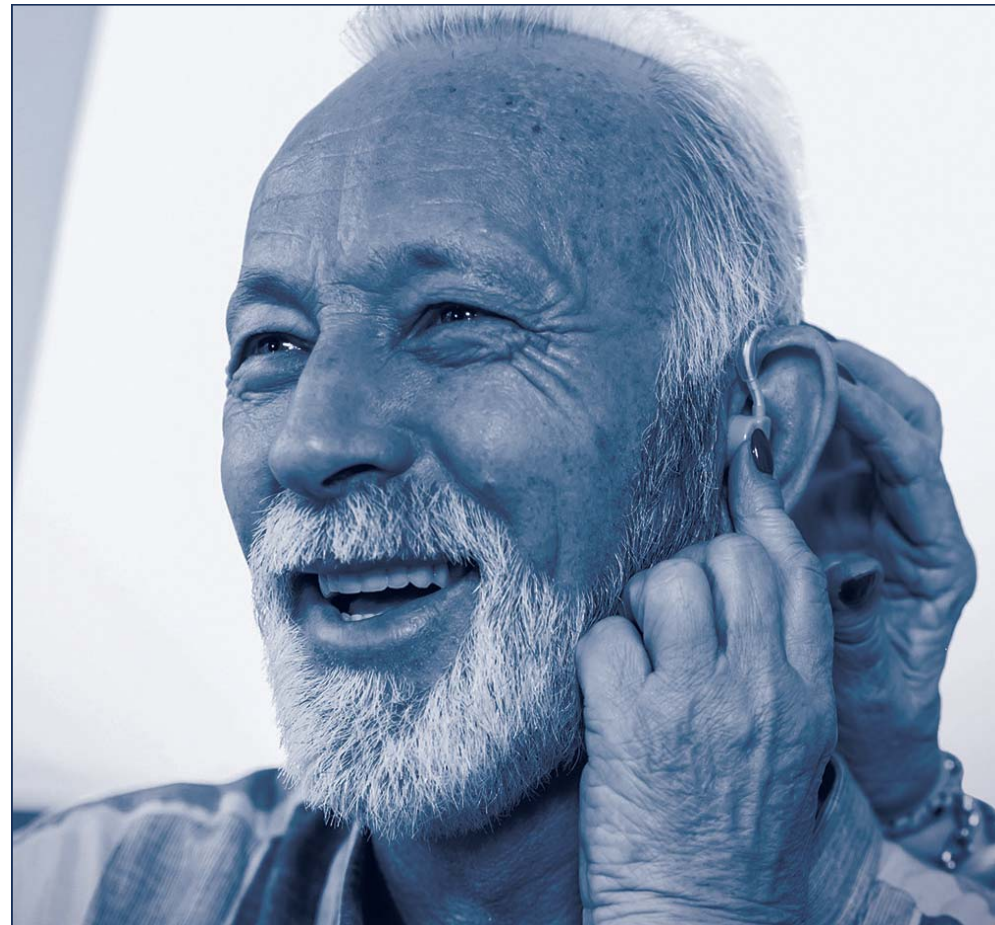


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EARLY DETECTION SAVED ME FROM COLON CANCER

By: Amy Charles

In recent months, the American Cancer Society (ACS) unveiled new guidelines recommending doctors to begin screening for colorectal cancer starting at age 45. Colorectal cancer includes all cancers of the colon and rectum. Prior to this updated recommendation, physicians were advised to begin screening patients at age 50.

Recent research has shown alarming trends in the U.S. where more people are developing colorectal cancer at a younger age.

Perhaps no one understands this better than Pikeville Medical Center (PMC) Certified Surgical First Assistant, Vanessa Crum, who had her own close-call with colon cancer at the age of 44.

In March of 2016, Crum began experiencing abnormal rectal bleeding and acute abdominal pain. She consulted PMC General Surgeon, Amy Johnson, MD, about her symptoms. She recommended Crum have a colonoscopy right away.

During the procedure, Dr. Johnson discovered over 100 polyps inside of her colon. This finding is not typical for anyone at any age. Dr. Johnson removed 17 polyps in different areas of the colon, specifically the one she suspected was causing the bleeding.

The polyps were sent to the PMC Pathology department to be tested for cancer.

Crum's official diagnosis was tubulovillous adenoma. It is regarded as one of the more dangerous diseases of the gastrointestinal tract. These types of polyps can develop into cancer within eight to 10 years.

"There was no way to determine how long the polyps had been there, but many of them were precancerous," Crum explained. "It is scary to think about how close I was to cancer. If I had waited or ignored my symptoms, I might be sitting in a chemo chair right now."

Due to the location of her polyps, Crum made an appointment with Sadie Hutson, PhD, RN, WHNP-BC, and genetics counselor at the Pikeville Medical Leonard Lawson Cancer Center.

"Genetic testing looks for specific inherited changes in a person's genes and helps to estimate one's chance of developing cancer over their lifetime. It is done using a simple blood test," explained Hutson. "This testing helps individuals learn more about their own risk of cancer, and also the risk of cancer for those who are biologically-related to them, such as parents, siblings and children."

Hutson said that genetic testing helps patients gain helpful information about cancer risks. If an individual has genetic testing and learns that they carry a genetic change associated with hereditary cancer, they are provided with evidence-based strategies to help reduce their risk of cancer. This helps empower individuals to make more informed choices about their health.

"Two weeks later, my test results confirmed that I had a rare, recessive gene malformation called MUTYH Associated Polyposis," explained Crum. "I also found out that not only did I have a nearly 100 percent chance of getting colon cancer, but I was in a high risk category for esophageal, gastric, kidney, uterine, breast, duodenal, thyroid and ovarian cancers, as well as mandibular osteoma."

Part of Crum's treatment included a subtotal colectomy, performed in January 2018. This procedure re-

moved the affected part of her colon. This step was necessary because there was no way to safely remove all the polyps. While polyp removal is a routine procedure, extracting them in large numbers can increase the chance of perforating the colon, which is very dangerous.

"I feel very lucky to work in health care because it makes me more aware of my body and overall health," said Crum. "People have to be diligent about their health and make time for themselves to keep their screening appointments. I was guilty of that, too. All I worried about was work and my son."

This gene mutation was not discovered until 2008. She now participates in a case study as part of a national registry and logs all her tests and data. She hopes they will discover something from her case that will help someone years from now. She says it will all be worth it if she can help prevent just one person from going through everything she has gone through.

Crum has made a conscious choice to be in better health. She quit smoking and has prioritized her own health above all else. She understands her elevated cancer risk and takes time to keep her screening appointments each year. Crum recommends that everyone else do the same.

"Listen to your inner voice. It will tell you if something isn't right," urged Crum. "Get screened for things, because it's more important than you realize. For me, it all started with that colonoscopy."

In the U.S., colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related death among cancers that affect both men and women according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The ACS recommends that people with an average risk of colorectal cancer ages 45 and older undergo



annual, noninvasive fecal tests and other tests, including imaging of the colon and colonoscopies, every five to 10 years.

This can be done with either a test that looks for signs of cancer in a person's stool (a stool-based test), or with an exam that looks at the colon and rectum (a visual exam).

Most cancers in stage one, at their most survivable, have no symptoms. If you are not screening for them, you will not detect them.

See your family doctor or nurse practitioner and talk about your health concerns. For more information about the services offered at PMC call 606-218-3500 or visit www.pikevillehospital.org.

MANAGE RISK FACTORS TO PREVENT KIDNEY DISEASE

By: Amy Charles

According to the National Kidney Foundation, Chronic kidney disease affects about 30 million Americans and millions more are at high risk of developing kidney disease. In recognition of National Kidney Month, Pikeville Medical Center (PMC) encourages everyone with risk factors for kidney disease to speak to your primary care physician and ask for routine blood work to determine if a referral to a kidney specialist is necessary.

The best way to take care of your kidneys is to manage the factors within your control, like high blood pressure, body weight and blood sugar. It is also important not to smoke and to get plenty of physical activity.

Early detection and diagnosing the cause of problems are key in treating kidney disease. All kidney diseases are initially detected the same way.

PMC Nephrologist, Chinmay Patel, MD, explained that early detection can help prevent kidney disease from progressing to kidney failure. Diagnosis can be done by blood test to check for serum creatinine and glomerular filtration rate (GFR), which measures the level of kidney function and determines the stage of the disease. A urine test looks for protein excretion in the urine.

"The blood test needed to determine GFR is already part of the standard metabolic panel performed in routine bloodwork," said Dr. Patel. "A GFR below 60

is abnormal, as is any protein in the urine. Your physician can easily review your levels with you."

Dr. Patel cautioned that it is just as important to know your GFR number as it is your blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol numbers. In early stages of kidney problems, treatment can be as easy as managing risk factors.

"Many people who have risk factors such as heart problems, high blood pressure, diabetes and obesity, may develop kidney problems," stated, Dr. Patel. "Asking basic, simple questions of your primary care physician is very important in beginning the conversation about kidney health."

PMC hopes to make conversations like this easier, with a renewed focus on primary care in the region. The Family Practice Clinic will be onboarding two new physicians in 2019, as well as relocating patient services to the first floor of the newly built Data Center on PMC's main campus. Primary Care services have also been expanding to Martin and Whitesburg. The PMC Clinic in South Williamson will be adding primary care to its line-up after it relocates next to Food City in June.

Chronic kidney problems can occur at any age. In fact, the age of a person with declining kidney function depends on how long they have been suffering from risk factors.

Dr. Patel reminds us that kidney disease is not an old person's disease at all. The age at which a patient begins to exhibit symptoms all depends on how long they have been living with diabetes, high blood pressure or other unmanaged risk factors.

"It is very important to be proactive with your health, especially if you have a family history of kidney disease," Dr. Patel stated. "Understand your GFR level, maintain your risk factors, and minimize over use of over-the-counter pain medications, which can also damage the kidneys."

A great way to take an active role one's own health and wellness is through the ePMC Patient Portal. By providing access to portions of medical records, Patient Portal allows you to view recent lab results and communicate with your health care provider. With Patient Portal, comparing your lab results, like GFR, makes it easier to monitor your levels over time. If you do not already have an active account, simply call PMC's Patient Portal Department at 606-218-6356 to get started.

Dr. Patel is located on the 8th floor of the PMC Clinic Building. To schedule an appointment please call 606-218-2208.



TOGETHER. WE BREW.

By: Amy Charles

A brand new, full-service, Starbucks opened on March 15, adjacent to the site for Pikeville Medical Center's (PMC) new children's hospital. The large atrium on PMC's second floor is now home to this national favorite. The new Starbucks is sure to make hospital visits a more relaxing, enjoyable experience.

"The people of our region have wanted a Starbucks for years," said PMC CEO Donovan Blackburn. "We are thrilled to provide the new home for Starbucks at PMC. I feel sure this will prove to be a new hub at the hospital, a place for everyone to relax and reboot."

Blackburn says the hospital and Starbucks are both dedicated to quality, service and community, which is a great fit for the region. He is pleased that the new business brings additional jobs to the hospital.

"Working with Starbucks has been a tremendous honor," said Starbucks Manager, Rhoda Anderson. "They have incredible attention to detail and focus to ensure that each customer has the best 'Starbucks Experience'."

The design of the new Starbucks is unique to PMC with a custom wooden mosaic that has been installed on the left inner wall. New ceramic tile also covers the floor, extending out into the atrium to give a sense of unity with the space. The atrium has also been reconfigured with café tables and chairs to accommodate patrons of the coffee shop.

"Prior to the opening, daily visitors have gone past the gates that surrounded the space and exclaimed how glad they are that the hospital has finally gotten a Starbucks," said Anderson. "They are all so impressed with the beautiful design of our one-of-a-kind Starbucks."

The staff of PMC anxiously awaited the Starbucks opening. Employees were in talks for weeks, discussing their favorite Starbucks drinks and planning their first order.

There are many players behind the scenes that worked tirelessly to make Blackburn's vision of a PMC Starbucks a reality. Vice President of Support Services, Cory Weatherford, worked to trouble-shoot issues making sure nothing got in the way of the Grand Opening. Chief Operating Officer, Kansas Justice, was a driving force, helping everything fall into place. Anderson trained right along with the newly hired baristas, ensuring the Starbucks standard of quality and service will be met.

The atrium is also being outfitted with new tracking boards that chart the progress of outpatient surgery patients. Visitors will be able to sit and enjoy a cup of Starbucks coffee and still monitor the progress of their loved ones, instead of spending the entire time in the waiting room.

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Martin appoints new council member

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

The Martin City Council appointed a new council member during a special meeting on Tuesday.

The council voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of Mayor Sam Howell, approving the appointment of Bonita Compton, an employee Floyd County Schools.

Council member Eulene Ratliff submitted her letter of resignation on Feb. 12, saying it was "effective immediately." "Due to health issues I find it difficult to attend the meetings," she wrote. "I would like to thank the mayor, council members and citizens of Martin for giving me the opportunity to serve as their council member. It has been a great pleasure and honor to do so."

The council had 30 days to appoint a new council member, or that duty would have fallen to Gov. Matt Bevin. The approval of Compton's appointment marked the first time the council addressed Ratliff's resignation publicly.

Council members made no comments about the vacant city council seat when Compton presented her resume during a meeting in February. She claimed she called and asked to be placed on the agenda for that Feb. 26 meeting and the request was not granted.

When asked Wednesday why she decided to seek the seat, Compton said she wants to improve the town.

"I have been raised, I

have worked in Martin for most of my professional career, as a teacher and as a principal and as a transportation director. I live in the town of Martin and I plan on staying in the town of Martin," said Compton, who now works part time as the school district's athletic director and as a truant officer with the Department for Pupil Personnel. Compton said she does not oppose Martin's proposed annexation of several outlying communities, but she said she has "some questions about the annexation."

"I have some questions about the annexation, but I want to get Martin back; the old saying goes, we want to get Martin back like Mayberry," she said. "We want to get back and have a Martin women's club, have weekend festivities and kind of refresh what's left of the town ... I want to bring Martin back to the Purple Flash Mayberry days."

She said her top three goals as a council member are making the city financially solvent, improving tourism and solving problems the city has with its water and sewer services.

"First, I want our town to be financially solvent, and that's self-sufficient," she said. "Two, I want to make Martin an inviting place that people would want to come to festivities or activities or something that we do. And the third thing is I want to, well I guess that's the second thing, too, though. I want to clean the town up and I want to look for ways to



Bonita Compton

help solve some of the problems, you know, our water and sewer issues. I want to look for grants. I'm willing to write grants for our town."



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Martin Mayor Sam Howell, right, recommends the appointment of Bonita Compton to replace former Council Member Eulene Ratliff, who resigned in February. Also pictured is Council Member James Reynolds.

Turner appointed

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD
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Senator Johnny Ray Turner, D-Prestonsburg, was appointed to the legislative conference committee on House Bill 268. The cleanup bill is a revenue measure that amends the 2018-2020 executive branch biennial budget and makes an appropriation.

While meeting on Wednesday, the committee realized there would not be an agreement between both chambers without changes to the bill. The committee decided to form a free conference committee, which will allow it to insert new material into the bill in order to achieve a compromise.

"It is a privilege to serve on the committee that is working to get HB 268 in a form we can all support," said Turner. "I am hopeful that we will reach a bipartisan agreement that will be in the best interests of all Kentuckians."

Turner, who serves as caucus chair of the Senate Democratic Caucus,

was chosen by Senate President Robert Stivers, D-Manchester, to represent the Caucus on the Conference Committee. Also selected from the Senate Democratic Caucus were Democrat Floor Leader Morgan McGarvey, D-Louisville, and Senator Dennis Parrett, D-Elizabethtown, caucus whip.

Turner is also serving on the HB 354 Conference Committee. He serves the 29th district, which includes Floyd, Harlan, Knott, and Letcher counties.



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GUEST COLUMNS



By **SJ RUTH**
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Whirled

It's been a busy week in the web wide whirled. If I can get your signature on this, we'll get started. When word broke that Trump was signing Bibles in Alabama, some were confused. No one's had the audacity to stick their name on the front of the good book since King James. Is this some

kind of sign? Junior Earl Justice Jr., owner of Truth Tracts and Tanning, isn't confused. "My phone's been blowing up, the good people are wanting those Trump Bibles! I'll be selling them as soon as I find the distributor." According to Junior Jr., an autograph isn't all that makes these books special. The Trump Edition will be shorter, reflecting the Donald's belief that reading should be kept to as few words as possible. "The Trump Book will only include Genesis, Leviticus, Job and Revelations. All those other

books are fluff anyway. Real Christians don't need that Jesus stuff." While some believe putting Trump's autograph on a Bible is like scribbling VOID across a check, others see cash. "These new and improved Trump Books will be flying off the shelves. I'm going to get rid of my poker machines for more space!" Sarah Huckabee Sanders was unsure when the Bibles would hit the shelf. The Chinese printers were still setting the type at presstime. But she assured us her father would be selling them on Fox News shortly.

Speaking of Fox News, the kid from Covington wrongly accused of being a mindless racist MAGA hat-wearing Trumpet decided to go on the mindless racist MAGA hat-wearing Trumpet channel to announce he's suing every news organization not owned by Rupert Murdoch. That'll show the world he's innocent. It's their fault, not the conservative private boy's high school that sent him to Washington D.C. to demonstrate against women's rights. They have no responsibility whatsoever. Keeping with no re-

sponsibility, the budget proposed by the White House adds money for the Pentagon, but cuts Medicare and Medicaid. This despite the fact a campaigning Donald swore he'd never cut those programs. It would also balloon the deficit by 55 percent. This is the same deficit the Don campaigner said he'd erase within eight years. Hard to believe the Oval Office Fraud would lie, isn't it? And finally, in the hard to believe category, the world wide web turns 30 years old this week. Remember when those young whipper snappers in the 1960s said never trust anyone over 30? Well friends, they were right. I was a very early adopter, contrib-

utor and proponent of the world wide web. I believed it would revolutionize politics, free expression and commerce across the globe. Unfortunately, I was right. What we called the information highway became the misinformation back alley. Instead of reliable reasoning, we got Breitbart. Instead of honest discussion we got Topix. Instead of growing niche markets we got Amazon. My enthusiasm for the child world wide web is long gone. I just hope it matures into a more responsible citizen. There may be hope. I heard one of those Trump Bibles went for hundreds less than asked for an online auction site. That seems like a good sign to me.



By **SENATOR**
JOHNNY RAY TURNER

Senate Week in Review

As we hit the home stretch of this 30-day legislative session, we have directed our attention to a range of bills that will make a difference in the lives of average Kentuckians. Last week, we looked at vaping among our youth, revenue measures, improvements for state parks, education, foster care and the list continues. Many of the visitors at the Capitol came to advocate for their posi-

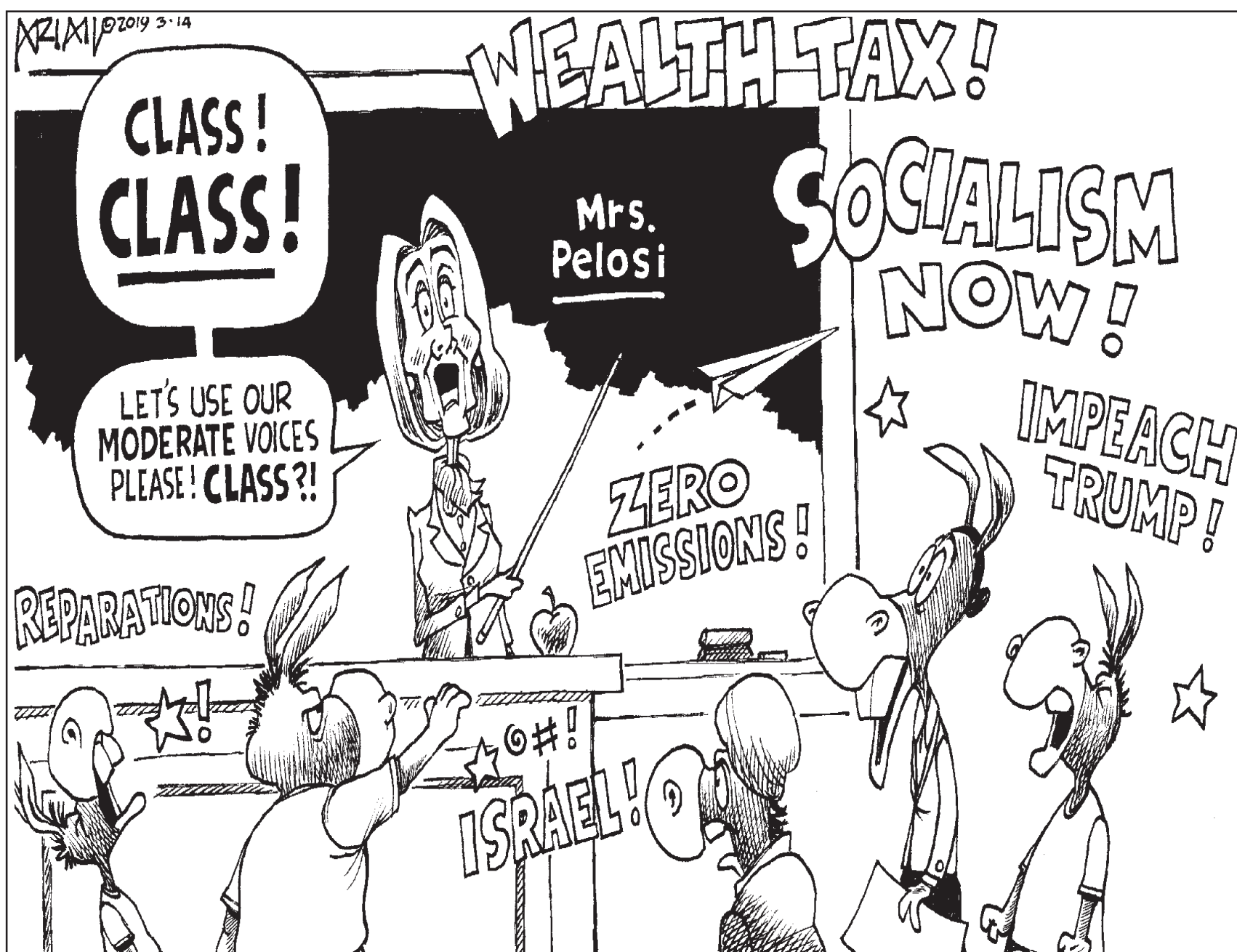
tion on issues and some of them even testified in committees. Among those advocating were middle school students from Johnson County who have been learning about the legislative process while getting a hands-on civics lesson. The students, along with the bill sponsor, are working for passage of a bill designed to curb e-cigarette use, or "vaping," in public schools. Senate Bill 218, dubbed the "vaping bill," would establish an anonymous reporting system for students to report vaping, require that parents be notified if their child is caught vaping and direct students to free vaping cessation programs. Another provision would encourage school boards to provide awareness pro-

grams for teachers and students on the dangers of vaping. After eight students from Johnson County testified last week on behalf of SB 218 before the Senate Health and Welfare Committee, the bill passed out of committee. This week, SB 218 cleared the state Senate by a 33-3 vote. The Food and Drug Administration has been advocating for a plan that would reduce the sale of flavored e-cigarettes. Federal regulators want to curb the surge in underage vaping, which they claim will lead to a whole new generation addicted to nicotine. As noted in committee, Kentucky's youth smoking rate is the worst in the country and higher than the national adult smok-

ing rate. And, according to the students, even middle school students are vaping. SB 218 has been sent to the House for further consideration. I was honored to recognize Johnson County students on the Senate floor for their efforts in having the first proclaimed "Vape-Out Day" in Kentucky. The foster child "bill of rights" was amended and passed by the Senate, 36-0. House Bill 158 would create a statutory "bill of rights" for children in foster care and other out-of-home care placements. The measure would also bring Kentucky in compliance with the federal Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018, which seeks to curtail the use of group

care for children and instead places a new emphasis on family foster homes. A Senate amendment addressed timeframes concerning consent to a child's adoption and searches of Kentucky's "putative father" registry - a state registry created under House Bill 1 of 2018 for men who want parental rights to a child they claim to have fathered. A third change would remove child-placement agencies, or private agencies, from a background check provision because of concerns that it would cause a backlog of requests for fingerprint checks. HB 158 was sent back to the House, where they concurred with the Senate changes. The bill has now been sent to the

governor. Our first bill to receive the governor's signature was this week. SB 77 would expand Kentucky's current organ donor registration list through an easily accessible sign-on system to designate consent. The first conference committee of the session has started its work to find a compromise to HB 354, which makes provisions to the tax bill passed during the 2018 legislative session, cleared the Senate with a committee substitute 33-0. However, the House did not agree with the Senate changes. The conference committee is charged with finding a compromise. As a member of the Senate leadership team, I will have a seat at the table as we work toward a compromise on HB 354. HB 354, as amended by the Senate, clarifies that sales from onetime fundraising events are not subject to the sales tax and it would also exempt taxation on the sales of tickets to charity events



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Lawsuits and charges filed in circuit, district

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

The following charges and lawsuits were filed recently in Floyd District Court and Floyd Circuit Court:

Felony cases filed

Jarod L. Nicely, 32, of Salyersville; first-degree possession of a controlled substance

Lisa Lewis, 39, of Prestonsburg; driving under the influence, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, driving on a suspended license, failure to produce insurance card

Janet Crum, 45, of Martin; theft by unlawful taking

Rebecca Ratliff, age unavailable, of Hagerhill; three counts of theft by deception (cold checks), second-degree possession of a forged instrument

Zachariah L. Froeschauer, 29, of Staffordsville; flagrant nonsupport

Daniel E. Motherwell, 40, of Hi Hat; first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana

Stana M. Muse, 44, of Hi Hat; first-degree possession of a controlled substance, second-degree hindering prosecution, apprehension, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana

Shawn Hamilton, 32, of Stanville; second-degree burglary, first-degree criminal mischief, theft by unlawful taking

Misdemeanor cases filed

Heather Halcomb, 44, of Prestonsburg; second-degree fleeing/evading police, public intoxication of a controlled substance

Kristina M. Marsillett, 36, of Prestonsburg; menacing, fourth-degree assault

Stephanie L. Morrison, 23, of Belfry; public intoxication of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, second-degree disorderly conduct, third-degree terroristic threatening

Joseph C. Akers, 50, of McDowell; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Curtis Parsons, 29, of Pikeville; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Elizabeth Collins, 27, of McDowell; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Shelby Daniel Stacy, 41, of Garrett; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Gregory D. Prater, 25, of Prestonsburg; third-degree criminal mischief

Vicki Hamilton, 47, of Dana; public intoxication of a controlled substance, improper equipment, possession of drug paraphernalia

Bryan Newsome, 30, of Beaver; second-degree possession of a controlled substance,

possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana

Joseph Serrano, 34, of Printer; shoplifting

Christopher Coleman, 33, of Beaver; public intoxication of a controlled substance

Regina L. Collett, 40, of Garrett; two counts of second-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in original container, possession of drug paraphernalia

Christopher Cox, 33, of Garrett; second-degree wanton endangerment, fourth-degree assault

Shawn Hamilton, 32, of Stanville; violation of an emergency protection order

Alicia Ruth Bingham, 39, of Elkhorn City, driving under the influence, possession of marijuana, open alcoholic beverage in a moving vehicle, failure to produce insurance card

Jason Jenkins, 40, of Wayland; third-degree criminal trespassing

Angel Eaton, 34, of Harold; driving on a suspended license, possession of license when privileges are revoked

Celieca Made, 40, of Langley; two counts of harassing communications

Kendra Artrip, 26, of Drift; two counts of second-degree wanton endangerment, menacing

Robert E. Robinson, 47, of Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault

Robert Bailey, 41, of Martin; harassing communications

Chad Douglas Basham, 37, of Gunlock; second-degree disorderly conduct

Lawsuits filed

April Woods vs. Jason Woods; divorce

Charles Adams vs. Tammy Adams; divorce

Shawna Lynn Damron vs. Estil Erman Damron; divorce

Linda Hopkins Steele vs. EQT Corporation, Chesapeake Corporation, TCFII Core, Diversified Gas & Oil; complaint concerning contract

Lendmark Financial Services vs. Kaci Ousley, Kevin Ousley complaint concerning contract

Hayes Inc. vs. John Kidd, Tom Marsillett, T&B Recycling & Transport LLC, Mr. Metal Recycling LLC; property damage

Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Vernon Hall; complaint concerning contract

Stefanie Beverly vs. Max Beverly; divorce

Brittany Owens vs. Leonard Blair; divorce

Jorge Heredia vs. Ge-reva Hall; divorce

Joseph David Fink vs. Hazetta West; petition for custody

Stacy Lynn Kiser vs. Brandon Scott Kiser; divorce

Emma Lackey vs. Erie Insurance, Misty Haney; personal injury complaint

Erica Alyssa Ann Yates vs. Edmund Shawn Yates; divorce

Clarissa Renea Davis vs. Rebecca Goble, Gideon Marley, Brent Vance;

petition for custody

Johnny McKinney vs. Charla Renee McKinney; divorce

Lowell D. Marcum II vs. Sloan-Dixon Marcum; divorce

Adam Dixon vs. Prestonsburg Police Department, City of Prestonsburg, Prestonsburg City Council members Harry Adams, Don Willis, BD Nunnery, Charles E. Branham, David A. Gearheart, Brittainy Branham, former council members Roy Roberts, Mike Lafferty, Mayor Les Stapleton

Portfolio Recovery Association vs. Chester Wolfe; complaint concerning contract

Stacy Lynn Wilhite vs. Jimmy Douglas Wilhite; divorce

Lakeview Village vs. Brent Johnson, Andrea Johnson; complaint concerning property

Vernon Jervis vs. Joanna Kay Jervis; divorce

Michael Alley vs. Ashley Dawn Garrett, Billy Hall; petition for custody

Tammac Holdings Corporation vs. Nick Hagan; complaint concerning contract

Cathryn Hunt vs. Brandi Hunt, Bradford Hunt; petition for visitation

Jessica R. Hatfield vs. Shane Hatfield; divorce

Editor's note: The above list reflects people who are charged in Floyd District Court and those listed in lawsuits in Floyd Circuit Court. The charges and lawsuits filed against them are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent or not liable until proven guilty.

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hosted by nonprofits. Other provisions of HB 354 would clarify that there be no tax on veterinary services for poultry, require online retailers to collect sales taxes for third-party sellers using the platforms and would allow gambling losses to be deducted from winnings on state income tax returns.

HB 354 also includes language that would exempt the smallest of businesses, such as a teenager who cuts his neighbor's grass, from being required to collect sales taxes on those services.

I supported this measure because it does address some of the problems created by last year's tax measure, such as eliminating the sales tax on nonprofit fundraisers. However, this measure does very little to help the hardworking middle and low-income Kentuckians.

I filed a floor amendment to HB 354 that would have raised the pension income for taxable years after Jan. 1, to \$41,110 from \$31,110. Although my amendment was ruled out of order, I will continue fighting for pensions that were promised.

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OBITUARIES



Stephen Hampton

Stephen Laven Hampton 51, passed away Dec. 21, 2018, at Cape Canaveral Hospital in Florida. Stephen was born May 27, 1967, to Major (USAF) Steve Hampton (deceased) and Tommie Carol Laven Hampton.

He is survived by his sister Stephanie Hampton Whittinghill. He was the grandson of Tom and Bess Hampton, previously of Martin, and George and Euna Laven of Allen, all deceased. Stephen attended high school at Oak Ridge in Orlando, Fla. and graduated from the University of Central Florida with a degree in Hospitality Management. His career took him to many locations including Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Atlanta and Atlantic Beach NC.

Visitation will be held at Hall's Funeral Home on Saturday, March 16, at 12 p.m. with services to follow at 2 p.m., and interment immediately following at Davidson Memorial in Ivel, next to his maternal grandparents. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Juvenile Diabetic Association are appreciated, since Stephen was a diabetic from age 5.

This is a paid obituary.



Lenville Mosely

Lenville Mosley, 72, of McDowell, died Friday, March 8, 2019, at Pikeville Medical Center, Pikeville.

He was born April 8, 1946, in Floyd County, the son of the late Bailey & Fannie Moore Mosley.

He was a retired coal miner and loving father.

Survivors include one son, Lenville Mosley Jr. of Somerset; two daughters: Vicky Lynn Mosley of Covington, Georgia and Elizabeth McClain of Morehead; four brothers: Bill Mosley, Carl Mosley and Ed Mosley, all of McDowell, and Clabe Mosley of Sadieville; four sisters: Julie Wilson of Harold, Palastine Mosley of Fla., Pearlina Eller of Versailles and Eunice Jane Collett of West Liberty; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren

He was preceded in death by one brother, Thaniel Mosley; and four sisters: Helen Gayheart, Jewell Dean Osborne, Aveline Gayheart and Lorene Mable

Burial will be in the Mosley Family Cemetery. This is a paid obituary.

Glen Junior Burchett

Glen Junior Burchett, 71, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

Funeral services will

be held at 11 a.m., Friday, March 15, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial will follow in the Jervis Cemetery, Buffalo, Prestonsburg.

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

James E. Chafin

James E. Chafin, 72, of Martin, died Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, March 15, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

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

Elbert Cole

Elbert "Buck" Cole, 61, of Wellington, died Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, March 15, at Hager Hill Freewill Baptist Church, Hager Hill.

Burial will follow in the family cemetery, Wellington.

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

Jay Moore

Jay Moore, 73, of Bryan, Ohio, died Thursday, March 7, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Thursday, March 14, at the Rockfork Old Regular Baptist Church, Garrett.

Burial followed in the Moore Family Cemetery, Beach Branch Hollar, David.

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

Other bills that passed the Senate last week:

- HB 22, which would change a local board vacancy from being appointed by the chief state school officer to being appointed by a majority vote of the local board, passed the Senate with a senate floor amendment, 32-0.

- HB 268, which passed 35-1, would amend the 2018-2020 executive branch biennial budget to appropriate general fund dollars to, among others, the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet for the Department of Parks for new debt service to support bonds for Phase I of Revitalization and Improvements of Kentucky State Parks capital projects.

- HB 227 would increase the per diem of board of education members from \$75 a meeting to \$150 and would raise the reimbursed expenses from \$3,000 to \$6,000. It passed 36-0.

- HB 141 would amend Kentucky law to clarify that any proceeds from property disposed of by a county that was acquired through forfeiture or purchased using restricted funds would be transferred to a restricted account.

- HB 196 simply changes the quorum requirement for the Emergency Response Commission to a simple majority of currently appointed members.

- HB 311 would make

it mandatory to identify meat as lab-grown prior to sales. It passed 36-0.

- HB 212 designates the Kentucky Springseat Saddle (Minihan) as the official saddle of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

With only four legislative days remaining, we will have long days as we try to pass some important legislation out of both chambers.

Please stay in contact with me at (800) 372-7181 or e-mailing, johnnyray.turner@lrc.ky.gov.

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God is merciful

But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.
– *Psalm 86:15 KJV*

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.
– *Luke 6:36 NIV*

Therefore turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment and wait on thy God continually.
– *Hosea 12:6 KJV*

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
– *Matthew 5:7 NIV*

As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.
– *James 5:11 NIV*

For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.
– *Psalm 86:5 KJV*

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.
– *Micah 6:8 NIV*

And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.
– *Nehemiah 9:17 KJV*

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
– *1 Peter 1:3 NIV*

For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.
– *Romans 11:32 NIV*

The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.
– *Psalm 145:9 KJV*

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper,
but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.
– *Proverbs 28:13 NIV*

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.
– *Ephesians 2:4-5 NIV*

... he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.
– *Titus 3:5-7 NIV*

Let the wicked forsake their ways
and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.
– *Isaiah 55:7 NIV*

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.
– *Hebrews 8:12-13 KJV*

His mercy extends to those who fear him,
from generation to generation.
– *Luke 1:50 NIV*

Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
– *Psalm 85:10 KJV*

The connection between generosity and prosperity

Throughout the Old Testament, the Israelites are told that if they keep the Law and follow God's commandments, they will be prosperous. The Book of Joshua is clear on this connection: "Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful." (Joshua 1:8 NIV) The prophet Malachi tells the Israelites that they are robbing God when they fail to give the full tithe, and God promises to "open the floodgates of heaven" if only the people will "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house." (Malachi 3:10 NIV) The promise which God makes is that our generosity will be repaid in full. Jesus summarizes this eternal law of human nature: "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you." (Luke 6:37-38 NIV) The apostle Paul reminds the Corinthians that stinginess and generosity have consequences as natural as the fruits which follow from their seeds: "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." (2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV) We should not, however, be generous as an insurance policy or an investment plan. Give from a pure motive to help others, and realize that the reward may be in a different coin, as it were. —Christopher Simon



"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."
2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

Sibling rivalry turned to hatred



By JAMIE BECKETT
CHRONICLE & TIMES

Sibling rivalry is something I know nothing about. I know it exists, but I'm an only child. Therefore, I'm simply unable to relate. The Bible contains stories of sibling rivalry. Perhaps one of the most well known is of Joseph and his ornate robe.

Joseph was the favorite son of Jacob, also called Israel. Jacob had twelve sons total, two by Rachel and the other ten were by Leah. Jacob was partial to his sons borne of Rachel, because it was Rachel whom he loved. (Jacob had asked for Rachel's hand in marriage, but her father Laban deceived Jacob and gave him Leah, his oldest daughter, instead. Jacob had to continue to work for Laban to win Rachel's hand also.)

"Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons (Genesis 37:3)." The brothers saw how Israel favored Joseph and were filled with jealousy and resentment. It was woven so deeply within them, the Bible says the brothers "hated [Joseph] and could not speak a kind word to him

(Genesis 37:4)."

Their hatred grew deeper when Joseph revealed his dreams to them. Joseph told them the first dream "Listen to this dream I had: We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it." His brothers said to him, "Do you intend to reign over us? Will you actually rule us?" And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said (Genesis 37:6-8)." Then he revealed a second dream where the sun, moon and eleven stars – which represented his brothers – bowed down to him (Genesis 37:9).

The jealousy and hatred Joseph's brothers harbored hardened their hearts. They hated Joseph so much, they plotted to kill him. The brothers were out in the fields with their sheep. When Joseph came to them, they stripped him of his ornate robe and threw him into an empty cistern. A caravan of Ishmaelites came along and the brothers decided to sell Joseph as a slave instead of killing him. Then, the brothers took the robe, killed a goat and covered the robe with its blood. They took the bloody robe back their to their father. "He recognized it and said, 'It is my son's robe! Some ferocious animal has devoured him. Joseph has surely been torn to pieces' (Genesis 37:22)." I've heard the story

of Joseph several times. I can even remember Joseph and his coat of many colors on the felt board at Morning Stars. However, last night I was watching a film that portrayed the envy of the brothers and what they did to Joseph. For me, it gave life to the verses I'd

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heard and read. Actually seeing what the brothers did is hard for me to understand. I can't fathom the anger, jealousy and hatred toward one's own brother. I can't imagine it being so great that you plot to kill them. And even though they didn't kill him, they sold him. They sold their brother! Then they lied to their father, giving the impression Joseph had been killed by a wild animal.

Their hatred went beyond sibling rivalry. It went deeper, crueler than I can imagine. And then to think, this band of brothers become the twelve! These

who plotted to kill their own brother and sold him into slavery became the twelve leading tribes of Israel! God chose these men! It's a bit shocking. These are who He picked?

However, at the same time that it's shocking, it's also really wonderful news for us. We may not have plotted to kill our sibling or sold them into slavery, but we are sinners. And with God, a sin is a sin. One isn't greater than the other. Your punishment isn't weighted. *Oh, well they only stole some money, but this one killed another person. We'll give the thief a lighter sentence.* That may be how it works here on earth. But with God there's only two choices when it comes to eternal life – heaven or hell.

So, if God can take these jealous, hate-filled men and change them, reconcile them with Joseph and create the twelve tribes of Israel, then what can He do with us? This story shows us that we've never strayed too far away from God to be brought back into the fold. We haven't committed any sin that He can't forgive. If God can do that for these sons of Jacob, God can do it for us as well. Our God may indeed be just, but He is also merciful. As David wrote, "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions (Psalm 51:1)." Just as these jealous brothers were forgiven, so are we.

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660 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg
Minister Kevin G. Jett

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1430 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg
(606) 886-2214
Rev. Dr. Stephen A. Sanders
firstpresky@gmail.com

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Sunday School for Children: 10:00 a.m.
Worship: 11:00 a.m.

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Beside Harold Primary Care, Harold
Phone: 606-438-2251 • 606-477-1407
Minister Willie Meade
SUNDAYS
Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.
Worship – 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Youth Group – 5 p.m.

PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
55 Wrights Lane, Prestonsburg
Pastor Mark Tackett
Assistant Pastor Randy Polk
SUNDAYS
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Worship – 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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Wayland approves new lease

Trans-Star purchase to be final next month

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

The Wayland City Commission approved a new lease agreement this week with the Indiana-based company that is buying Trans-Star Ambulance Service.

The city approved a lease agreement with Trans-Star in 2016, and officials reported that American Medical Response wants to assume obligations of the lease.

An attorney representing Trans-Star sent a letter to Wayland on March 6, asking for an invoice showing the total balance the company owes the city for rent and utilities on the property. The letter said the sale of Trans-Star is expected to close on April 6, and the company will pay what it owes the city from the proceeds of the sale.

Fultz said Trans-Star owes the city about \$6,000.

Green said the lease agreement expires in September and said officials hope that the new company will continue the lease agreement — and house ambulance station in Wayland — after that time. Trans-Star has been leasing the property, but not housing ambulances there, officials reported.

Floyd County Judge-Executive Robbie Williams recently reported that Trans-Star Ambulance also plans to move into the former Left Beaver Rescue Squad ambulance building. That lease is pending, officials said.

The commission also:

- Approved the financial report, showing the city has \$40,500 in its road aid fund and \$98,400 in its general fund. The report also showed the city appropriated nearly \$97,000 in grant funding for the drain project that's underway in the city.

- Learned from Com-

missioner Michael Caudill that the city's sump pump is no longer working. Fultz said he is hopeful that the pump will not be needed after the drain project is complete.

- Approved allowing City Clerk Sharon Anderson to negotiate a contract price with Certified Public Accountant Richard Paulmann to conduct an audit for the city and to make an appointment with him. Anderson reported she has already sent Paulmann some financial documentation and that he estimated the audit would cost \$4,000.

- Approved a \$2 per hour pay raise, retroactive to Jan. 1, for Police Chief Brian Ratliff. Ratliff said the raise will bring him up to about half of what he was making volunteered to take a pay cut to save city funds.

- Received a report from Ratliff, who said he has helped the Kentucky State Police in the search



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Wayland City Commission members approved a new lease agreement for city property with the company that is buying Trans-Star Ambulance. Pictured, left to right, are Mayor Jerry Fultz, City Attorney Tyler Green, Commissioner Curtis Lee and Police Chief Brian Ratliff.

for Jordan Tackett, who has been missing since Feb. 20.

- Approved declaring equipment removed from the 2014 Ford Explorer Cruiser that was totaled in a 2017 wreck as surplus and giving Ratliff permission to trade those parts to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for equipment Wayland can

use.

- Received department head reports, with Commissioner Suzie Mills reporting issues with speeding and a nuisance property, and Commissioner Charles Bentley reporting problems in an alley.

- Approved spending about \$500 for flashlight batteries and a battery

and a child's pad for the AED used by the police department.

- Approved allowing Fultz to negotiate "a fair price" for two city lots for Jordan Davis, who wants to place mobile home there. Fultz said the city received the property at no cost through a nuisance property cleanup years ago.

Businesses, organizations asked to 'Power Up the Pantry'

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Nine businesses, community colleges and local governments are collaborating to "Power Up the Pantry" and replenish depleted area food pantries.

Dual day-long events are planned for April 5 in Hazard and in Prestonsburg.

Kentucky Power organized the events and partnered with Anthem Medicaid, Appalachian Regional Healthcare, the cities of Hazard and Prestonsburg, Big Sandy Community and Tech-

nical College, Hazard Community and Technical College, God's Pantry Food Bank and WYMT.

Donations in Prestonsburg will go to God's Pantry, which operates distribution centers in Prestonsburg and London that serve food pantries in Eastern Kentucky.

Hazard donations will go to New Hope Church Emergency Food Pantry, which also is served by God's Pantry.

"We are coming out of winter when food pantries historically have more requests. In addition, several of our communities have ex-

perienced flooding. This combination of need has left many agencies facing critical shortages of food and supplies," said Cindy Wiseman, Kentucky Power's managing director of external affairs and customer service. "We are challenging area businesses to spend the next month collecting non-perishable food, baby supplies, including diapers, or money to restock shelves for those in need."

On April 5, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., a collection site will be set up in Hazard at the ARH Medical Mall parking lot on

Black Gold Boulevard. A second site will be at Big Sandy Community & Technical College's parking lot near the Science Center at Bert Combs Drive in Prestonsburg.

"We encourage businesses to put up collection barrels for employees or customers and then deliver the goods to one of the collection sites on April 5," Wiseman said. "Monetary donations also are welcome. Checks can be made payable to God's Pantry Food Bank."

One in six residents in Kentucky struggles with hunger and are unsure where their next meal

will come from, according to God's Pantry Executive Director Michael Halligan.

God's Pantry Food Bank provides food and produce to more than 400 food pantries and meal programs in central and Eastern Kentucky.

Last year, God's Pantry gathered and distributed nearly 11.2 million pounds of food, enough to create 9.3 million meals. The organization's Prestonsburg warehouse serves Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin, Letcher and Martin counties. The warehouse stores orders until local agencies can pick them

up for distribution and has produce delivered for agencies to access. God's Pantry also operates a warehouse in London that serves Perry and other southeastern Kentucky counties.

"Ending hunger does not happen at a food bank," Halligan said. "It takes communities working together in partnership like this to have an impact. We appreciate the support and focus Power Up the Pantry will generate and look forward to seeing the difference it will make in eastern Kentucky for those in need."

PSC

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PSC this year, all district board members resigned and were replaced by new board members who are working to find ways to keep the district financially viable.

Discussions at a recent meeting included the addition of digital water meters and the replacement of old, dilapidated water lines.

Southern is among 10 water utilities with water loss rates of more than

35 percent that are being investigated by the PSC. Other local water companies named in the order include the Big Sandy Water District, which serves Johnson, Lawrence, Boyd and Carter counties, and the Hyden-Leslie County Water District, which serves Perry and other counties.

"Water loss is defined as the difference between the quantity of water that a utility produces at its own treatment plants or purchases from another producer and the total amount of water that is

sold, used by the utility, used for fire protection or otherwise accounted for. Leaks in the system, line breaks, theft, unauthorized usage and metering inaccuracies all contribute to water loss," the PSC said in a statement.

PSC regulations call for a water loss rate of 15 percent or less.

"Utilities are allowed to factor only a loss of 15 percent or less into their rates, meaning that water loss above that level represents a financial loss to the utility," the press release stated.

The PSC order notes that state laws require utilities to furnish "adequate, efficient and reasonable" service to customers.

"The Commission views excessive water loss as a potential warning sign of the financial health and operational well-being of water utilities," the order said. "Failure by a water utility to make significant progress towards reducing its amount of water loss may cause the Commission to pursue additional action with the utility."

A couple of hours before the PSC issued the order on Tuesday, Southern Water called a special meeting, to be held on Thursday, after the print deadline for this edition.

The agenda included the "declaration of an emergency financial situation" at the district, a request for the Kentucky Rural Water Association to "prepare an emergency rate adjustment proposal" after it completes a rate study for Southern and a request for financial aid from the Floyd County Fiscal Court.

Southern officials have blamed the district's financial problems on various issues, including 2017 asset transfer agreement with the city of Prestonsburg.

The PSC said in its press release that the order issued Tuesday is the "first step in investigating all utilities with excessive water loss."

"Future proceedings will address all utilities that consistently exceed the 15 percent threshold," the press release said.

MATIFIC

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hearty congratulations to the winners of the Matific Math Games, and we'd like to thank all of the participating schools for joining in this exciting competition," Lawrence Korchnak, vice president of Matific said.

The invitation to participate was extended to school principals across the United States.

"Our principal, Brent Rose, received the invitation to participate and he passed it on to me to check it out. I told him it looked like a great opportunity and that the whole school, kindergarten through fifth grade should participate. So

I ended up registering the entire school," said Prestonsburg Elementary School teacher Brandon Maynard.

Matific, according to a statement from the company, is an education technology company offering immersive math games for kindergarten through sixth grade students using hands-on and interactive mini-games that enable a blended learning approach in which teachers can select relevant episodes to integrate with hands-on math explorations in their classrooms. According to Matific, this process of guided self-discovery deepens students' cognitive understanding, as well as their sense of per-

sonal achievement, and has also been shown to improve test scores by 34 percent over a year's use.

According to Maynard, during the Matific Math Games competition, students completed activities on the app to earn stars (or points). The more activities they completed and the better they scored on those activities, the more stars they earned. Every student won at least one star per episode completed, with the potential to earn a maximum of five stars per activity.

Each student also had the opportunity to replay each activity up to five times during the course of the competition, in an effort to improve their

score.

"On March 5, the first day of the competition and we had all 700 students participating and by the end of the day, we were up to number three across the entire nation," he said. "I updated Mr. Rose and said 'There's a good chance we could win this thing.'"

On March 6, the Floyd County Board of Education canceled classes across the district due to weather.

"We lost the entire second day of competition and dropped to number eight," Maynard said. "By the time we returned to school on March 7, we had dropped to number 10 in the nation, which wasn't bad — we were

just aiming at finishing in the top 10."

Clinging to 10th place, the final day of competition for the students was an uphill battle.

"We were hanging in there, sometimes up and sometimes down throughout the day. Then during the last two hours of school, we lost our Internet connection," said Maynard.

School officials encouraged students to continue participating after school through whatever Internet connection they may have at home to finish the day strong.

"We had to wait until all time zones were completed, but we managed to finish in the top 10 to meet our goal," Maynard

said. "I am extraordinarily proud of our students and the work they put into participating in this competition. As I was checking in with various teachers during and after the competition, they all said that the kids really enjoyed it ... that they were engaged and having fun."

The staff and students at Prestonsburg Elementary are looking forward to a rematch next year.

"Who knows what we could do without missing school or technical issues?" said Maynard. "I think this just goes to show that we have some of the best students in the country right here at home."

Mental awareness event to be held

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

The Coal Run Village Lions Club will be hosting a mental awareness event next week.

The club will host its

“Mental Health Awareness Night” at the Coal Run Community Center in Pikeville at 6:30 p.m. on March 21.

“Coal Run Village Lions Club will be regularly hosting these events to

help aid in taking down the stigma of mental illness,” a press release stated. “We encourage everyone to come out and spend the evening with us and learn about the disease that is so

hard to talk about. The Coal Run Village Lions Club is dedicated in helping make a difference in the way others perceive mental illness.”

The club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and

third Thursday of each month at the community center.

Lions clubs are a group of men and women who identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those

needs.

For more information, contact Nathan Coleman at, (606) 210-0187.

For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit, lionsclubs.org.

Community Events

- 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
- March 20, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 21, 10 a.m.: The Big Sandy Elder Abuse Council meets, the Big Sandy Area Development District. (606) 886-2374
- March 21, 5 p.m. Tiny Bulldog Academy for kids age birth to five, Duff-Allen Central Elementary. Free. (606) 358-0110
- March 21, 6 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 21, 7 p.m.: Big Sandy Trail Riders club meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 22: Kentucky Blood Center to host blood drive, Floyd Central High School.
- Every Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: The Art Gallery in Langley is open at 297 Johns Branch Road in Langley. artgalleryinlangley.org

Marriages, property transfers filed

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The following marriages and property transfers have recently been filed in the Floyd County Clerk's office:

Marriages

Lois Flannery, 66, of Harold, to Jimmy Flannery, 68, of Harold

Bridgette Crum, 33, of Prestonsburg, to Jeanna Burchett, 31, of Prestonsburg

Anthony John Hamilton, 27, of Teaberry, to Casey Dean Rackey, 21, of Bevinville

Property transfers

Dottie Johnson, Gary D. Johnson to Dennis Johnson, Sheryl Johnson (Deeds Book 643; pg. 548)

Rebekah A. Sims, Ira J. Tussey, Shirley Tussey, Steven Tussey to Angel L. Robinson, Robert D. Robinson (Deeds Book 643;

pg. 552)

Dottie Hastings to Thomas Neile Osborne (Deeds Book 643; pg. 556)

Mickey Stapleton to Randy Stapleton (Deeds Book 643; pg. 560)

Fred Ronald Branham, Joan Branham to Matilda Hinchman (Deeds Book 643; pg. 563)

Shud Morris to Eric Hatfield, Ingrid Hatfield (Deeds Book 643; pg. 567)

Mattie Triplett, Terry Triplett to Terry M. Triplett (Deeds Book 643; pg. 570)

Master Commissioner Greg Isaac, Jimmy Tackett to US Bank National Association (Deeds Book 643; pg. 574)

Joanna Burke estate, Ronnie Shrewsberry, executor to Merrill Whipkey, Rosie Whipkey (Deeds Book 643; pg. 584)

Eyvind Hamilton to Walker Howell (Deeds Book 643; pg. 588)

James Douglas Dotson, Barbara Dotson Slone, Graydon Slone to New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC, lease (Deeds Book 643; pg. 592)

Dwight Slone, Karen Slone to New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC, agreement (Deeds Book 643; pg. 607)

Clifford Bruce Austin, Nava Jo Austin to New Cingular Wireless PSC LLC, agreement (Deeds Book 643; pg. 624)

Mary A. Elkins to Mark A. Elkins, Mary A. Elkins (Deeds Book 643; pg. 640)

Oliver Little to Amy Craft (Deeds Book 643; pg. 644)

Linda Lou Johnson to Melinda Hall (Deeds Book 643; pg. 647)

Judy Bradley, Carol Steele, Forrest Stewardson, Jeffery Stewardson, Carol Steele, Forrest Stewardson, Jeffrey Stewardson to Tiffine Joyce Hudson (Deeds

Book 643; pg. 649)

Donald Tuers, Jolene Tuers to Michael Tuers (Deeds Book 643; pg. 654)

Master Commissioner Greg Isaac, Emmett Lawson, Velma Lawson to Kentucky Department of Highways (Deeds Book 643; pg. 660)

Sandra Jean Harmon to Alternative Outlook (Deeds Book 643; pg. 664)

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance to Alternative Outlook (Deeds Book 643; pg. 667)

Cathy Moore to Roy Rogers (Deeds Book 643; pg. 671)

Master Commissioner Greg Isaac, Amy Johnson, Americredit Financial Services, GM Financial, Barry Hamilton, Eric Hamilton to JP Morgan Bank (Deeds Book 643; pg. 674)

Billy Ray Martin Jr. to Jimmy Martin (Deeds Book 643; pg. 681)

Hep A bill sponsored by Turner, Smith approved

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Legislation to protect Kentucky firefighters, sponsored by Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Prestonsburg, passed on consent orders, by a vote of 100-0, out of the House Tuesday and will now head to the governor for final passage.

Senate Bill 140 would expand its Hepatitis B continuing inoculation voucher program to in-

clude Hepatitis A vaccinations.

“With the outbreak and recurring spread of Hepatitis A in the commonwealth, firefighters from Harlan County were apprehensive – with good reason,” said Turner. “They approached me fearful that some older firefighters have not had the Hepatitis A vaccine. I saw the merit in their concerns and that led to SB 140. This is a safety and prevention measure

that will benefit firefighters in every county in Kentucky.”

SB 140, which is co-sponsored by Sen. Brandon Smith, D-Hazard, would allow the Kentucky Fire Commission to pay for Hepatitis A vaccines, as it does for Hepatitis B vaccinations, for all paid and volunteer firefighters. Funding would come from revenues allocated to the Firefighters Foundation Program and be limited to \$500,000 per

fiscal year.

“It is important that we provide any protections possible for firefighters,” said Smith. “Their jobs are riddled with enough danger without having the fear of contracting Hepatitis A.”

“This legislation will have a significant impact on Kentucky firefighters’ health and well-being,” said Turner. “They protect us, we should protect them.”

CAMPBELL

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director and that his years as public relations and marketing director for the MAC has given him a valuable insight into the community and direction the MAC is taking.

“This is a great opportunity, and I thank Clay, the board, the college and the city for the chance to continue the Mountain Arts Center's growing reputation as the premier performing arts facility in the region,” said Campbell. “We have a very busy season ahead including the Music Rules

Fest at the Jenny Wiley Amphitheater on May 11, the Elk Draw Reveal Expedition on May 18 and the summer season for the Kentucky opry. It's going to be a great reason to visit the MAC.”

Campbell has served in public relations and marketing with Brennen Meek, who operates the recording studio, and assistant director Shelly Crisp Case since 2015.

“This will not be a huge transition,” said Campbell. “Clay has trained me for years to take on the responsibilities as executive director and with the support of our unbelievable team here — the technicians,

the box office and everyone — we will continue to grow.”

Case leaves behind a rich legacy, including the Big Sandy Idol talent show at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, which is having its finals at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Winners will be selected at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Case became executive director of the MAC in 2016 after the city signed a partnership agreement with BSCTC.

The agreement established guidelines and responsibilities for both the city and BSCTC in the operation of the MAC, its recording studio and the development of the fine

arts program at the college.

“The partnership with the college has been wonderful,” Stapleton said. “It's worked out great for us. It's worked out great for the college. It shows what happens if you try to work together. This is the success we're having.”

The Floyd County Chronicle and Times reported in August 2018 that since BSCTC took over operations in 2016, the MAC had increased its gross ticket sales by more than \$317,500 and ended the 2018 fiscal year in the black despite receiving fewer taxes and grant funds and while in-

vesting \$150,000 into needed building repairs and equipment upgrades.

The MAC hosted 267 events in the 2018 fiscal year, including 14 concerts that were sold out.

Case said in a report to the board in August that the MAC increased its ticket transaction fee income by more than \$24,000 between 2017 and 2018, decreased its utilities expense by around \$6,000 and more than doubled gross ticket sales, from about \$269,000 in 2016 to nearly \$587,000 in 2018.

He said the number of tickets sold increased from 20,000 in 2016 to 36,500 in 2018.

In 2016, ticket sales made up about 38 percent of the MAC's total revenues, Case said.

Last fiscal year, however, ticket sales accounted for about 71 percent of all revenues the MAC receives.

Crisp said the financial growth and success is closely tied to the increase in programming at the MAC, but she and others pointed out, too, that the MAC was able to bring in diverse types of music because of equipment upgrades and other changes that have taken place under the partnership with the city and the college.

MISSION

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served as a youth pastor at the Theodore Church of God, for mission work in Wheelwright.

Bubba Roberson said he met the director of Big Creek Missions when he brought his youth group to Kentucky for home repair missions and he and his family have been planning to move to Wheelwright since October 2018.

They are currently

commuting to Wheelwright from Leslie County, where Big Creek Missions, a nonprofit Christian mission group, is based, and they plan to move into an apartment that is being remodeled at the former Wheelwright Baptist Center. Big Creek Missions purchased a former clinic near the center to expand its services to the community.

The couple asked Wheelwright Commission members what the city needs the most, and the response was a cof-

fee shop and, perhaps a daycare — things that the Robersons said are being considered.

“We're thinking, daycare, a coffee shop, and a laundry mat was thrown out there,” Tammy Roberson said.

She said if a coffee shop opens there, proceeds would fund a food pantry offered by Big Creek Missions. “We've got some ideas. It may not come all in this one year, but we've got a plan in place.”

Commissioner Bobby

Akers, a teacher at Floyd Central High School, said his students might be interested in volunteering with the group.

“We're all for anybody, to help anybody,” Mayor Don Hall told them. “So, if you need anything, just get ahold of us. ... Anything you guys need, just come to us. We're willing to help.”

The couple asked about the possibility of Big Creek Missions assisting with operations of the city swimming pool, and Hall and other com-

mission members agreed that is a possibility. Commissioner Andy Akers suggested that the city lease the pool to the mission.

Bubba Roberson said the pool could be used to provide day camp and/or a summer feeding program for children.

In the center building, he said Big Creek Missions would like to start a daycare for single mothers, single parents and low income families and then open a coffee shop or another program

that could help fund the food pantry.

“That's years down the road. It could be three years from now, but it's baby steps,” he said.

Tammy Roberson said mission groups from all over the country will stay at the center this year to offer minor home repairs and other services.

“We're excited. We're very excited. We just want to serve the community,” Bubba Roberson said.

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JWT presents Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night'

By **ELAINE BELCHER**
STAFF WRITER

The Jenny Wiley Footlights Theatre in Pikeville is presenting a new twist on an old classic.

"Twelfth Night or As You Will" by William Shakespeare, is the timeless tale of new friends, love interests and a case of mistaken identity.

The cast of 18 students under the guidance of Eric Buckley, JWT education director, are presenting "Twelfth Night," which is taking place in a neon-colored flashback to high school in the '80s.

"Our set design was influenced by John Hughes films like '16 Candles' and others," said JWT Executive Director Robin Irwin. "The play itself is very user-friendly. It was first written for the Orlando Shakespeare Festival."

Buckley said that auditions were held in February and rehearsals with set building took place over the course of two and a half weeks.

"Theatre skills are life skills," said Buckley. "These kids come in, work hard and have fun. We got a tremendous amount of help from parents and other community members for which we are grateful. The

amount of support is amazing."

Starring Hailey Hunt and Chloe Mary as Viola, Hope Watts and Caitlyn Justice as Olivia, Hayden Osborne as Duke Orsino, Maria by Isabella Skaggs, Dame Tobi Belch by Jaylyn Thacker, Fabian by Emma Stewart, Malvolio by Layne Stacy, Sebastian by Ethan Reed, Sir Andrew Aguecheek by Drew Waddle, Antonia by Emily Newsome, Pastor by Lilly Hall, officer by Kaylee Hayden, Festé by Rayne Trester, Valentine by Grace Osborne, Captain by Cadence Ferguson and Curio by Faith Akers, "Twelfth Night" which opened Thursday, and continues at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 15 and Saturday, March 16 and on Thursday, March 21 through Saturday, March 23. A student matinee will be available at 10 a.m. and noon on Wednesday, March 20.

For questions or more information, visit, Jenny Wiley Theatre, on Facebook or go to, jwtheatre.com.

The Jenny Wiley Footlights Theatre in Pikeville features a new twist on William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night: As You Will" which opened Thursday in Pikeville. Tickets are available for \$10 at, jwtheatre.com.

Appalachian Newspapers photos by Elaine Belcher



BSCCTC to host 'Out of Many, One'

A **FLOYD CHRONICLE**
AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Big Sandy Community and Technical College is hosting a "Out of Many, One," a celebration of diversity next week.

The college is hosting the event from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Friday, March 22, in the Johnson Building, Room 102 on

the Prestonsburg campus.

Guest speakers will include Anna Baumann, communications director for the Kentucky Center for Economic Policy, Tressa Brown, who serves with the Kentucky Heritage Council and other organizations, and Mimi Pickering, director of the community media initiative at Appalshop in Whitesburg.

Lunch will be provided.

Baumann will lead the conference with a 9 a.m. presentation about the importance of immigrants to Kentucky's economy.

Her presentation will be followed at 10:30 a.m. by Brown who will talk about myths and stereotypes used to describe Native Americans.

Following lunch and musical entertainment by the Mt. Sinai Spirituals, Pickering will share a 56-minute version of a film she produced with Anne Lewis, entitled "Anne Braden: Southern Patriot." The film details the life of Braden, a Kentucky Civil Rights activist who was charged with sedition in 1954 for attempting to desegregate

a Louisville neighborhood and was praised by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in his 1963 "Letter from a Birmingham Jail."

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call, (606) 886-3863, and ask for Thomas Matijasac (ext. 94768), Tina Terry (ext. 67374) or Mary Wallen (ext. 94761).

Sponsors sought for race



'Jog Your Memory' 5k to benefit Alzheimer's Association

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County race will raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association this year.

Organizers Melissa "Missy" Davies and Debra Bentley are currently seeking registrants and sponsors for the fourth annual "Jog Your Memory 5K," which will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, May, 11, at the Prestonsburg stage.

Davies said she and Bentley used to travel to Pike County for the annual Alzheimer's Association walk, but they decided four years ago to launch a race in Prestonsburg to raise awareness about the disease in Floyd County.

Davies said she wanted to educate the public about Alzheimer's disease and dementia after her grandmother, Louise Williams of Way-

land, was diagnosed. "When I was growing up, I'd always heard it was called old-timer's," Davies said. "I thought it was something everybody got when they were older, but I know that's not the case now, and we need more education about it in our area because not a lot of people realize that they can't take care of their loved ones by themselves."

In coordinating "Jog Your Memory" races over the past few years, Davies has worked with officials at the Alzheimer's Association and the Sanders-Brown Center on Aging at the University of Kentucky, who attended two prior events.

Davies said officials from the center are expected to participate again this year. Revenues from the race will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association to

fund research and treatment for patients with Alzheimer's, Davies said.

"I know I can't cure it probably in my lifetime, but maybe if I try to step up and help out and make a difference, maybe it could help our children and their children come up with a cure," Davies said.

The Alzheimer's Association reports that Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. The organization offers a helpline, education and other resources for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's and funds for research geared to find a cure for the disease.

For more information about the Alzheimer's Association and the services it provides, visit, alz.org.

To register for the race, visit, aptiming.com.

FCHS Community Problem Solvers



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows

Floyd Central High School students Belle Stewart and Sahara Little address the Wheelwright City Commission on Wednesday about a career and workforce project undertaken by the school's Community Problem Solving Team this year. Commissioner Bobby Akers, the team's coach, said the students hope to create a job shadowing program with Floyd County Schools this year. Student Kelli Thomas, not pictured, also participated in the presentation. They will join team members Alyssa Tackett, Savannah Price, Chloe Watson and Reece Terry at a state competition this weekend.



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To learn more about the Family Hope Project, contact Mountain Comprehensive Care Center at any of the following locations:

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Martin City Clinic (606) 285-3142 112065 Main Street Martin, KY	Belfry Clinic (606) 353-1287 26229 US 119 N Belfry, KY	Salyersville Clinic (606) 349-3115 1410 Royalton Road Salyersville, KY	Inez Clinic (606) 298-7902 Rt. 3 Rockcastle Rd. Inez, KY

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Smith-Mills emerges as leader for Jaguars

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central guard Ethan Smith-Mills will be able to carry some momentum over into the 2019/2020 boys' high school

basketball season. Smith-Mills emerged as a leader for Floyd Central during the 2018/2019 season, an up and down campaign for the Jaguars.

A standout for Floyd Central in both basketball and football, Smith-Mills, a junior,

averaged 15 points per game on the hardwood for the Jaguars. In 30 games, Smith-Mills scored a team-high 451 points.

On the gridiron earlier in the school year, Smith-Mills led Floyd Central in receiv-

ing, hauling in 20 receptions for 428 yards and six touchdowns. Defensively in football, Smith-Mills recorded two interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown.

In 16 games for the basketball version of the Jaguars,

senior Brady Conn averaged 15.3 points. Conn scored 245 points. Nearly averaging a double-double for the Jaguars, Conn pulled down 8.6 rebounds per game.

Smith-Mills has helped

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Steve LeMaster
Junior Ethan Smith-Mills drives to the basket against Magoffin County in action earlier this season. Smith-Mills scored more points than any other Floyd Central player during the 2018/2019 boys' high school basketball season.

Bobcats show improvement in Short's first season

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — Betsy Layne's 2018/2019 season ended without a trip to the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament. However, under the direction of new head coach Brad Short, Betsy Layne showed improvement.

In Short's first season as head coach of the Bobcats, Betsy Layne

compiled a 13-16 record. The Bobcats ranked ninth in wins among the 15th Region's 16 teams.

Prestonsburg knocked Betsy Layne out of the postseason beating the Bobcats 69-47 in the semifinals of the 58th District Boys' Basketball Tournament.

The future is bright for the Bobcats. Betsy Layne's top two scorers will be back for the 2019/2020 boys' high

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Steve LeMaster
Freshman Brady Robinson (10), delivering a pass, is ranked as Betsy Layne's second-leading scorer during the 2018-19 boys' high school basketball season. Robinson averaged 10.4 points per game for the Bobcats.



Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo by Steve LeMaster
Floyd Central Coach Shawn Hager talked with his team during a double-header versus Betsy Layne in the 2018 high school baseball season.

Shawn Hager turns focus to baseball

By **STEVE LEMASTER**
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Following an interim stint as head coach in boys' basketball, Shawn Hager is back on the diamond. Hager has turned his focus to guiding Floyd Central in the 2019 high school baseball season.

Floyd Central has seven starters back from its first baseball team. The returning starters for Floyd Central are Caleb Hager, Chase

Conley, Brayden Hamilton, Blake Slone, Noah Marcum, Logan Conley and Jonah Parsons. In addition to the returning starters, Floyd Central has added Matt Combs. A talented pitcher, Combs transferred back to Floyd Central from reigning 15th Region champion Paintsville.

Floyd Central concluded its debut season in 2018 with a 9-22 record. The Jaguars loss to eventual cham-

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Bears going back to Kansas City

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For the seventh year in a row and the 13th time overall, Pikeville Men's Basketball is headed to Kansas City for the 2019 NAIA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship.

The Bears earned the No. 4 seed in the Duer Bracket and will face Talladega (Ala.) at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 21.

Talladega earned an at-large bid out of the Gulf Coast Athletic Conference after finishing second in the GCAC in the regular season. The Tornadoes were winners of eight straight games before being upset in the first round of the GCAC tournament.

Meanwhile, UPIke comes into the DI Men's Basketball Championship after making the Mid-South Conference Tournament semifinals before losing in triple overtime to Life. The Bears finished second in the MSC, and boast a 20-win season for the seventh straight season.

UPIke will head to Kansas City looking to avenge last year's squad that suffered a first-round upset to Langston. In the 12 years UPIke has made the DI Men's Basketball Championship, the Bears have amassed a 13-11 record, including winning the 2011 National Championship.

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UPIke's Luke Layhew goes up for a shot against Life in the Mid-South Conference Tournament.

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Floyd Central capture back-to-back 58th District boys' basketball championships and has a chance to be a key performer as the Jaguars make a push for a third straight title in the

2019/2020 season.

Floyd Central's 2018/2019 postseason run ended with a loss to 57th District runner-up Paintsville in the opening round of the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament.

Shawn Hager concluded the season as Floyd Central's inter-

im head coach. He replaced Kevin Spurlock at the front of the Floyd Central boys' basketball bench.

Still without a head coach, Floyd Central will finalize and release its schedule for the 2019/2020 boys' high school basketball season at a later date.

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school basketball season. Jordan Frazier led the Bobcats in scoring as a sophomore, averaging 13.4 points per game. Ranking second in scoring behind Frazier, fresh-

man Brady Robinson averaged 10.4 points per game for the Bobcats.

As a team, Betsy Layne was limited to a 37.4 shooting percentage from the field during the 2018-19 season. The Bobcats shot 29.1 percent from three-point range. A former 58th

District frontrunner, Betsy Layne shot 62 percent from the free-throw line.

Short is looking forward to spending the off-season with his team.

"We plan on doing a lot of skill work and strength training over the summer," said Short. "We have a lot of room

for improvement but we are very young and I believe our kids will get a lot better as long as they are willing to put the work in."

According to Short, Betsy Layne will compete in team camps at Pike Central High School (June 5-9) and Morehead

State University (June 22-24). Betsy Layne is slated to host its own team camp June 10-12. A total of 10 teams have already committed to participate in the Betsy Layne-hosted team camp.

"We have a bunch of other dates that we are playing, but those are our

three events that we are participating in this summer," Short confirmed.

Betsy Layne will finalize and release its schedule for the 2019/2020 boys' high school basketball season at a later date.

HAGER

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pion Lawrence County in the semifinals of the 2018 58th District Baseball Tournament. Floyd Central missed out on advancing to the 15th Region Baseball Tournament in its inaugural campaign.

Upstart Floyd Central opened preseason practice in February. Shawn Hager joined his baseball club on a full-time basis after Floyd Central was eliminated from the 15th

Region Boys' Basketball Tournament.

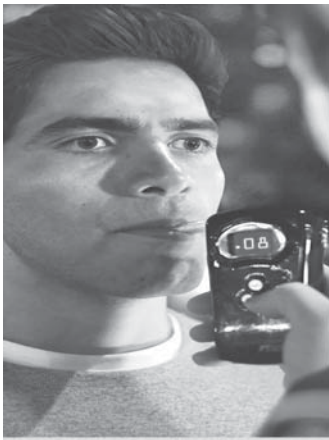
"We have a chance to be a competitive team," Shawn Hager said. "We have a good nucleus to build from."

Floyd Central competes with Lawrence County, Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg in the 58th District.

The Jaguars are scheduled to visit Sheldon Clark for a season-opener on Monday, March 18. First pitch for the Floyd Central-Sheldon Clark baseball game is set for 6:00 p.m.

Floyd Central is slated to host Magoffin County for a home opener at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19.

The Jaguars' 2019 baseball schedule is made up of games versus Sheldon Clark, Magoffin County, Phelps, Powell County, Perry County Central, Knott County Central, Hazard, Breathitt County, Pike County Central, Tolsia (W.Va.), Betsy Layne, Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Leslie County, Prestonsburg, Belfry and Raceland.



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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) – Consider all avenues, but don't take the one that will cause distress. You'll gain the most in the long term by keeping the peace and working alongside others instead of causing disruption and chaos.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) – Consider what makes you angry or upset, and distance yourself from situations and people that have that effect on you. Spend more time with whoever brings out the best in you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) – Convey the way you feel and what you want to see happen if you intend to make progress. If you pay attention to a loved one, the response you get will be rewarding.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) – Try something new. Connect with people who share your interests, but don't feel compelled to buy others' friendship. Offer your fair share, nothing more.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) – You'll have a

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by Eugenia Last



revelation that will lead to a big decision. Someone you meet will show you the ropes and get you started on a new adventure.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) – Don't mix business with pleasure. Do your job to the best of your ability and make plans to spend time with a loved one. Don't take on responsibilities that don't belong to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) – Taking a short trip, attending a meeting or learning something new will push you in an unexpected direction. If you go with the flow, you'll discover a hidden skill or talent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) – Stick to the facts, or someone will question your assertions. You'll do best if you work alone and spend time on self-improvement, instead of trying to change others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) – Line things up and get started. Don't stop until you are satisfied with the results you get. A change at home will give you the space you need to start something new.

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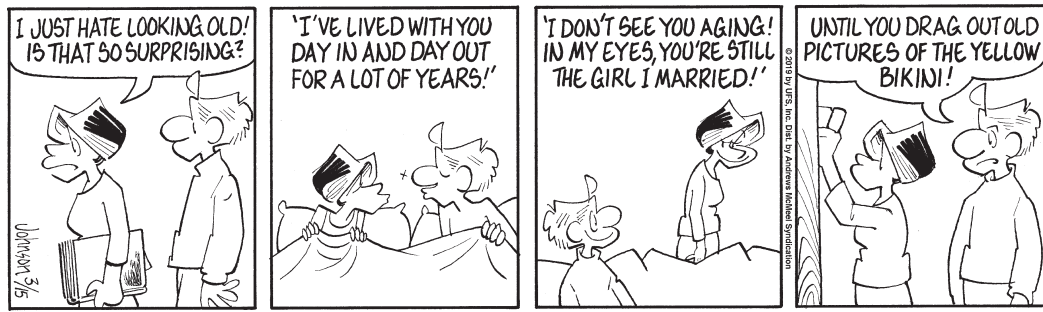
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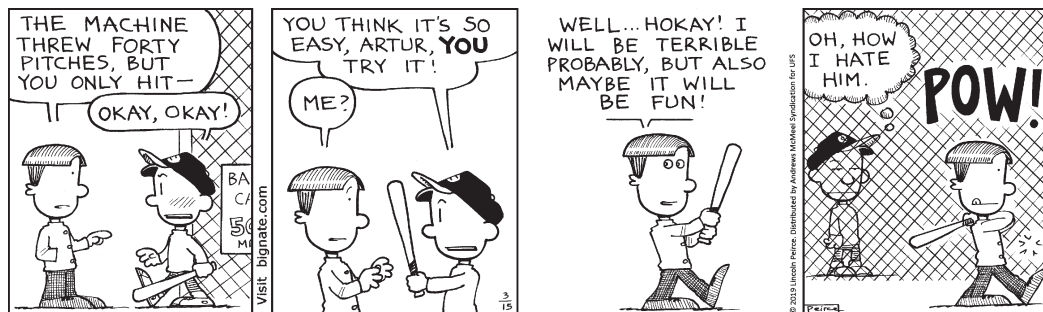
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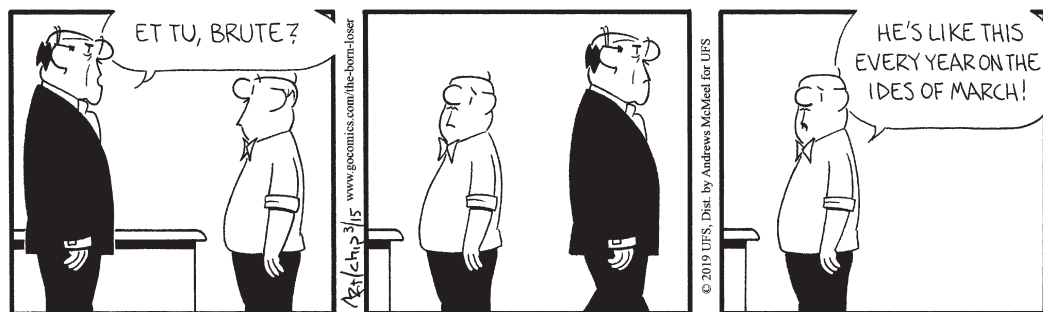
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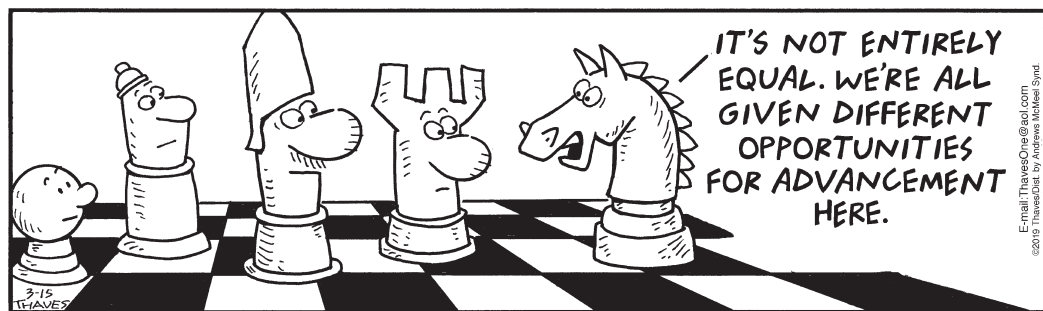
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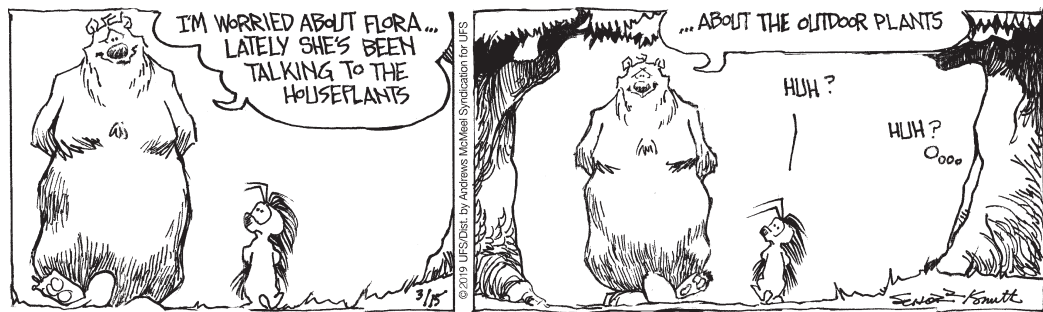
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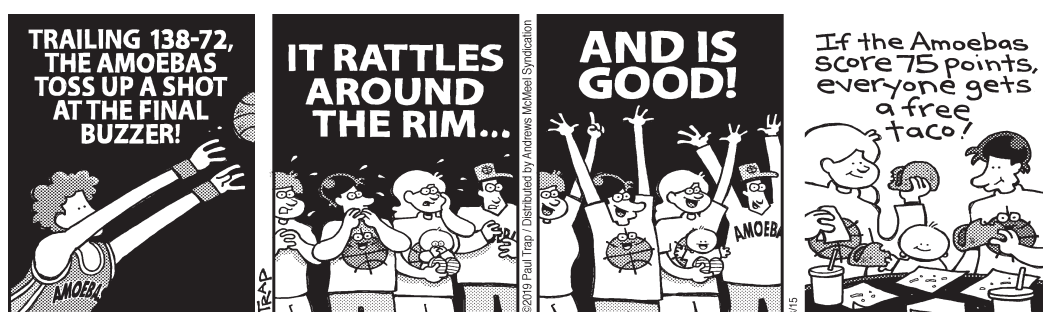
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The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour, auger and highwall methods of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Prestonsburg Church of Christ, Cheryl Lewis, Sandra and Michael Barkan and Alta Leslie. This operation will underlie land owned by Prestonsburg Church of Christ, Cheryl Lewis, Sandra and Michael Barkan and Alta H. Leslie. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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on Gunstock Branch. The bond now in effect for the permit is a surety bond in the amount of \$38,400. Approximately twenty-five percent (25%) of the original bond amount of \$38,400 is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading and seeding which was completed in spring 2015. Results thus far achieved are backfilling, grading, and initial revegetation of disturbed areas. **This is the final advertisement of the application.** Written comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by April 15, 2019.

A public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 15, 2019.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-9028, Operator Change In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Landfall Mining Incorporated, P.O. Box 129, Elkhorn City, KY 41522 intends to revise permit number 836-9028 to change the operator. The proposed operator will be Management Consulting Services, LLC, 11000 Highway 7 South, Kite, KY 41828. The operation is located 0.1 miles northeast of Wayland in Floyd County, KY. The operation is located 0.4 miles northeast from KY 7's junction with KY 1086 and located 0.2 miles north of Steele Creek. This operation is located on

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the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°26'44" and longitude 82°48'01".

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Hazard

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Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, Hazard, KY 41601. Written comments or objections must be

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