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Pike company to manage Southern Water

Southern seeks \$150,000 from fiscal court, revisits 2017 asset transfer

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Southern Water & Sewer District Commission is asking a Pikeville company to help them dig the district out of a pile of problems officials allege were caused by years of poor management.

The commission unanimously approved

a management contract with Pikeville-based Utilities Management Group on Monday, March 25. It also approved seeking \$150,000 from the Floyd County Fiscal Court and sending a letter to the Prestonsburg Utilities Commission threatening to back out of a 2017 asset transfer agreement

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Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
 Greg May of Utilities Management Group of Pikeville, left, speaks with members of the Southern Water & Sewer District Commission during a March 28 meeting.

Fiscal court saves some, loses some with new bids



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
 Floyd County Judge-Executive Robbie Williams, County Attorney Keith Bartley and County Treasurer David Layne review bids submitted for asphalt and pipes during a March 19 meeting.

Asphalt bids increase, bids for pipes decrease, for the most part

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Fiscal Court saved some money and may have lost some, as well, by rebidding pipes and asphalt.

On June 15, 2018, the prior administration accepted bids from companies with higher prices

for asphalt and pipes, so the new administration sought new bids.

Judge-Executive Robbie Williams said two bidding issues caused the need to rebid. He said Grayco Rentals, the company that got bids last year for pipes, closed,

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Rocky Ridge Stables open to the public



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 Jason Rohr, owner of Rocky Ridge Stables pets Magnum, a 19-year old Arabian horse who serves as a therapy horse for his daughter, who has scoliosis.

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

Rocky Ridge Stables opened its doors to the public last weekend for its first "trade days" event.

Attendance was low, but owner Jason Rohr said he expects more visitors at future "trade days" events, which will be held monthly at the stables on Stonecrest Mountain.

Rohr said he and his wife Sarah got involved with horses because of

their three children, Jason, Whitney and Abigail.

"My daughter (Whitney) was born with scoliosis, and she was in surgery for 13-and-a-half hours," Rohr said. "When she come out of surgery, she said, 'I want a horse.'"

The family boards four horses and a pony at Rocky Ridge, and one of them, Magnum, a 19-year-old Arabian horse, is his daughter's therapy horse.

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Duo charged with benefits fraud

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Two Floyd County residents were indicted last week for allegedly lying to obtain food stamps and Medicaid.

A Floyd County grand jury indicted Kenneth Hall, 45, and Kimberly Hall, 33, who are identified as living at the same address in Grethel.

They were each indicted for three counts of false statement/misrepresentation to receive benefits over \$100 — Class D felonies which carry a penalty of between one and five years.

The indictment allege that the couple failed to report changes in income between July 2012 and

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that's still partially pending.

These actions came after the commission learned that Southern Water's bank account was \$37,741 in the red at the end of February. Chairman Jeff Prater called the financial report "dismal."

If the \$150,000 loan is approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission and the fiscal court, CPA Jeff Reed said the loan may carry Southern Water for two or three months — enough time, officials say, to keep the district afloat until an emergency rate increase application filters through the PSC approval process. The rate study required for application is underway.

"We have wrestled with a lot of issues and we feel like this is the best way forward for Southern Water. We feel like this is the best decision that we could make at this time, given the circumstances," Prater said.

The management contract

The "Planning Assistance/Owner Representation/Operations" agreement gives UMG immediate authority to operate and maintain the district in return for compensation from Southern Water. UMG officials started working at the district early Tuesday morning.

Southern Water will retain ownership of the district, and UMG will serve as an independent contractor with authority to hire, fire and reprimand employees, as well as the authority to "operate and facilitate" Southern's water plant and infrastructure — its day-to-day operations, its projects and planning.

The contract allows UMG to "assign and manage (including reprimands and discharge) of Southern Water and Sewer District staff who have the ability/inability to operate and facilitate the operations and maintenance" of the district.

Prior to voting to approve the contract, the commission talked about a "personnel" matter on a "specific employee" in closed session for about 30 minutes. Upon return, Prater explained that he reached out to groups regarding a management contract.

He said that the Prestonsburg Utilities Commission said they could try to help, but Prater said it might not be the best solution, given "unresolved issues" between Southern and PCUC. A Georgia company, he said, was not interested, and Kentucky American Water wants to buy Southern, not manage it.

Prater said he emailed the contract provided by UMG to commission members prior to the meeting. Greg May of UMG answered questions prior to the vote.

May said he understands Southern Water's financial problems and explained that with employees and family members living in Floyd

County, he has a "vested interest" in helping the district.

"So, I'm willing to work with not much profit margin to try to get this thing straightened out. We've discussed six months, see what we can do, see where it's at, and then we can back up and try to come back to the board and see if we can negotiate a longer-term agreement. So, basically, I'm not going to make anything. I'm going to cover my costs. That's all I'm going to do," he said.

Roberts, a Pikeville Medical Center employee, said he's known May for years and he would "highly recommend" him.

Discussing personnel issues, May emphasized more than once that UMG is "not headhunting."

He said then UMG would use information it gathers from meetings with current employees to formulate a plan to move forward. The work will include evaluating all district procedures and problems.

Other UMG representatives stressed the need to use a systematic approach to addressing Southern Water's high water loss problems, financial problems, reporting problems and other issues.

Southern Water manager Dean Hall was not at the meeting. Prater said he was injured while working at the district on Friday. When asked about Hall's title, Prater said, "He is not the manager. The management of Southern Water's been turned over to UMG. Dean is still an employee, but upon his return, he is an employee of UMG in a capacity that they would assign him."

The contract period is six months, and it "automatically" renews unless it's canceled by either party in writing 60 days in advance.

Southern Water will pay all hourly salaries for UMG staff and is responsible for general operational costs of the district.

An appendix to the contract lays out the cost of compensation and fringe benefits for services UMG provides, with costs ranging from \$30 per hour for clerk typists to \$130 for a principal officer. Those costs do not include fees for printing, photography or "special material," mileage and consultant fees.

"The Southern Water and Sewer District shall readily and in good faith negotiate price and scope with progressively extensive contract amendments," the contract states.

The contract also notes that neither UMG nor Southern Water will be liable for failing to fulfill obligations in the contract if "Unforeseen Circumstances" arise.

Request for funding

During its last meeting, the Southern Water commission voted to seek help from the Floyd County Fiscal Court, but the topic was not discussed at the last fiscal court meeting, with Judge-Executive Robbie Williams reporting afterwards that Southern



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Mary Meadows
Greg May of Utilities Management Group of Pikeville, center, signs an emergency contract to take over management of the Southern Water & Sewer District. The vote to approve the contract was unanimous.

Water needs to request funding in writing.

On Monday, Southern Water voted to allow its attorney Steven Bailey, to send a letter to the fiscal court, seeking a \$150,000 loan, and a letter to the PSC, seeking permission to obtain the loan from the fiscal court.

Commission member Rick Roberts told Bailey to "be specific" about Southern Water's needs when he submits the letter to the PSC.

The commission also recently declared a "financial emergency" and approved filing an emergency rate increase application.

PCUC asset transfer

The commission also voted Monday to have Bailey send a letter to the Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission to "demand" a meeting to discuss the 2017 asset transfer agreement between the two entities.

Southern Water officials blame that agreement for the district's financial problems, because of a loss of revenue from customers in the Harold/Betsy Layne area. Only the sewer asset portion of the agreement is final, and Southern Water is collecting payments for sewer, but is not transferring funds to PCUC.

"We still have an unresolved issue of the water asset transfer," Prater said, mentioning the 2017 transfer agreement. "We're quickly approaching two years that this has been going on and we've not had anybody to contact us and ask me or anybody else to come down and sit down and try to work this thing out. I would want to know how you all feel about, should we send them a letter, notifying them that they have a specific amount of time to negotiate this with us, or we're just going to reject the contract and close the deal. How do you feel about that?"

The vote to send that letter was unanimous.

Roberts said, "I think definitely, absolutely, we have to send them some kind of a letter to put them on notice. Either the deal goes through or the deal don't go through and we'll take the customers back over."

PCUC has replaced all

meters for those 1,100 customers and has been collecting payments on those accounts.

Southern Water's new attorney Steven Bailey, left, reviews a contract between Southern Water and the Utilities Management Group. Southern Water commission members Jeff Prater, standing, and Donnie Daniels, right, are also pictured.

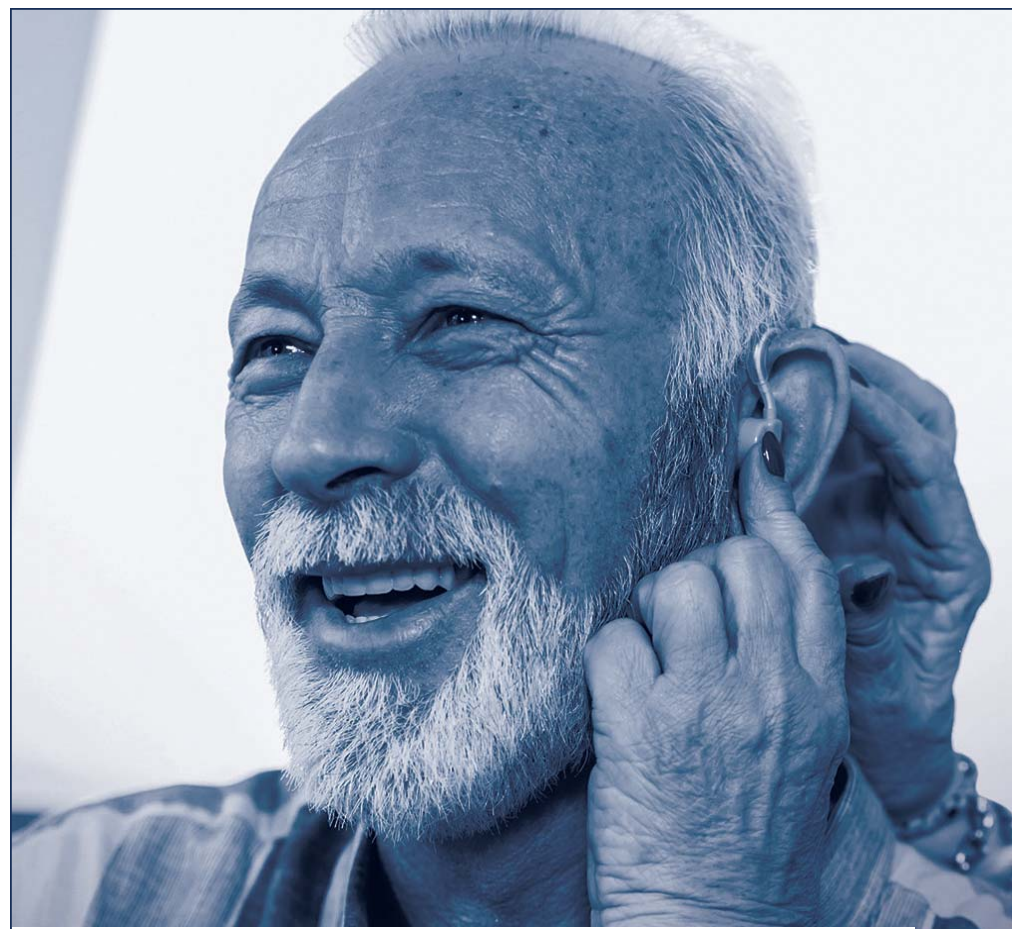
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and, the fiscal court has been buying pipes from companies whose bids were not approved. The other bidding issue, he explained, was that the prior fiscal court accepted all bids and/or higher bids. State bidding laws require local governments to accept the lowest and best bids.

"Everybody's like, 'Why are you rebidding, when we have to turn around and rebid in June again?'" Williams said. "But when the audit report comes out for this half of the year, they can say this fiscal court did what's right by state law. So, it was two-fold. We were hoping to save money on everything and we were hoping to get the bids in compliance with the state law."

In the rebidding process, the fiscal court approved some bids that are actually higher than those approved by the fiscal court last June.

Price changes on pipes

With this round of bidding, the fiscal court will save money on most of the pipe it buys.

The prior administration approved bids for pipes for Grayco Rentals, even though its bids were higher than others. On March 19, the fiscal court awarded most pipe bids to Drains Unlimited, the company that submitted the lowest bids last year and this year. But it also awarded three pipe sizes to the other bidder, Huntington Steel, which was the lowest bidder for those sizes.

Comparing the bids from both bidding cycles, the fiscal court will pay between 29 cents and \$2.34 less per ft. for plastic pipes it buys of Drains Unlimited, and between 65 cents and \$5.72 less per ft. for plastic pipes it buys from Huntington Steel.

While those savings will be realized on all plastic pipes — the type of pipe used most in the county — the fiscal court could spend more for metal pipe.

Drains Unlimited submitted bids, which were approved, for all sizes of metal pipes and connecting bands this month, but last year, the fiscal court accepted bids for only one size of metal pipe.

Comparing the approved 2018 bid to this month's winning bid for metal pipe, the fiscal court will pay \$17.37 more per ft. for 60-inch, 12-gauge metal pipe and \$102.49 less for the 60-inch by 24-inch connecting band at Drains Unlimited.

Price changes on asphalt

Asphalt bids submitted by Mountain Enterprises — the only local

asphalt company — increased, and the fiscal court approved them.

The company was the only bidder during both bidding cycles for delivering and laying asphalt and for asphalt that is picked up at the plant.

With bids approved in these categories on March 19, for asphalt delivered and laid by Mountain Enterprises, the fiscal court will pay \$6 more per ton, for surface hot mix and binder, as well as \$1 more per ton for base hot mix.

When asked about the higher price, Williams said Mountain Enterprises has not delivered and/or laid asphalt in Floyd County in two years.

He said that by submitting the lowest bid in this category, the company has the right of first refusal for asphalt projects.

He said the same situation arises with patching bids approved for Mountain Enterprises, which also increased from \$12.75 per ton last year to \$14.70 per ton with bids approved last week.

In the "placement of materials" category for asphalt, the prior administration accepted all bids in 2018: Mountain Enterprises at \$12.75 per ton, Highlands Paving at \$20 per ton and Mike's Striping & Sealing at \$20 per ton.

On March 19, the fiscal court approved Mountain Enterprises as the lowest bidder, but it also approved White Oak Contracting as second-lowest bidder and Mike's Sealing and Striping as third-lowest bidder. Officials said if Mountain Enterprises can't complete or refuses an asphalt job, that job will then be offered first to White Oak, then to Mike's Sealing.

Williams said in this category, Mountain Enterprises does not provide patching for the county, so most of the work purchased in this category will go to White Oak and Mike's Sealing, which submitted bids that were \$17 and \$18 —

\$3 and \$2 cheaper than last year, respectively.

"Primarily, what we spend money on is the patching. That's 100 percent of what we spend our money on for the laid down," Williams said. "And that number went from \$20 a ton to \$17, so it went down."

Mountain Enterprises also increased its price for asphalt picked up at the plant — a cost that is

regularly incurred by the fiscal court. It was the only company to bid in that category during both bidding cycles.

With the bids approved in that category, the fiscal court will pay \$5.95 more per ton for surface hot mix, \$3.55 more per ton for base hot mix and \$6.50 more per ton for binder.

"Here's the thing about these bids. A lot

of times, you open the bid up and you look at it, and you're like, 'Well, we probably shouldn't have not bid this.' You can't put them back, but we have to do what's right by the state," Williams said. "We were out of compliance. These are the two items that we was out of compliance with the state with because of the bid process."

He said the fiscal

court didn't realize Mountain Enterprises increased prices prior to voting to approve bids.


Prices for Drains Unlimited — which were not approved last year — also increased from bids it submitted in June 2018, but, even with that increase, the fiscal court will still pay less than it was paying for pipes from Grayco.


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Peoples Bank staff 'Pay it Forward' in Floyd

By **MARY MEADOWS**
STAFF WRITER

Weeks before it takes the realms of First Commonwealth Bank, the staff of Peoples Bank gathered at several locations in Floyd County Monday to "Pay it Forward."

On Monday, Peoples staff bought free lunches for people who stopped by Dairy Cheer in Prestonsburg, bought groceries and other items people came to get at the Triangle Market in Martin and bought gas for people who stopped by Double Kwik in Prestonsburg and the BP in Martin. Peoples Bank staff also picked up the tabs for people who visited Davis Produce at HagerHill and Dairy Queen in Paintsville and on Monday.

Alyssa Ramey-Coleman, regional vice president of Kentucky for Peoples, said the bank has been in business since 1902 and it hosts "Pay it Forward" events throughout the communities it serves.

"Basically, we just want to get out and show the communities that we're here for them and

we like to give back to the communities," she said.

Ramey-Coleman said the merger of Peoples and First Commonwealth Bank will be final on April 12.

"First Commonwealth Bank is being purchased by Peoples Bank so we'll all just kind of come together and merge on April 12, so we are looking to get our name out there and show everybody who we're about," Ramey-Coleman said. "FCB was a very community bank. We want people to know that's who we are and what we're about as well."

With branches in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky, Peoples Bank offers numerous services. It's operated the Peoples Insurance Agency in Pikeville for years.

Ramey-Coleman said the bank's foundation also gives grants to schools and groups for various projects and programs. She said the foundation donated \$500,000 in that effort last year.

For more information, visit, peoplesbancorp.com.



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Peoples Bank staff pose for a photo at Dairy Cheer in Prestonsburg, one of several Floyd County locations where the bank offered to "Pay it Forward" by buying lunches for patrons Monday. The bank also bought gas and food at other businesses in the county.

Correction

The March 29 edition incorrectly listed a lawsuit. It should have read Bank of America vs. Debra Calhoun; complaint concerning contract.

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Work on Ivel slide to cause delays

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Work to remove additional rockfall threats on US 23 at Ivel started Monday, and unplanned traffic stops are expected to continue all week from 9 a.m. to dark each day.

"This means that smaller rocks, trees, bushes, and other material may come down on the roadway," said Mary Westfall-Holbrook, Highway District 12's Chief District Engineer.

"We are clearing surrounding material to prepare for removal of the two large boulders that would cause severe dam-

age if they came down the hillside."

She said that people driving on the highway cannot see these boulders, and will not be able to see the crews working up above the roadway. Trees block the view and the activity will be well above the visible part of the slide.

"Expect the unexpected," she said. "There will be unplanned traffic stops. Observe the speed limit, which is reduced to 45 miles per hour. Watch for flaggers, who will stop traffic if there is any chance that people or vehicles could be hit by flying rocks and debris."



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'The World We Create'

Today, March 27, marks the 15th anniversary of the official opening of the East Kentucky Science Center and Planetarium.

Its first exhibit, "The World We Create," says everything we need to know about the people who helped make this Eastern Kentucky jewel a reality.

It took years for organizers to build this fa-

cility. They started with only a desire to provide educational opportunities for children in Eastern Kentucky, and they spent years working to obtain enough funding to build that dream.

Today, the science center is one of only eight facilities in Kentucky that offers a planetarium, and its state-of-the-art equipment offers some of the most extraordinary views

of our universe.

Director Steve Russo reported that at least 10,000 people visit the science center every year, and the solar eclipse last year to about 15,000 people. Those folks traveled to Prestonsburg from 14 counties and 50 schools in Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia, Russo said.

The science center

is one of this region's most unique attractions because it brings in people of all ages, and when they come there, they walk away having learned something. We are so lucky to have it here in the heart of Floyd County. All local residents should support it.

Floyd County should be grateful for the contributions of Russo and his team, Big Sandy Commu-

nity and Technical College and the individuals and groups that donate funds to help the center grow.

Without a doubt, we also owe a huge thanks to the folks who decided the build a science center, right here in Eastern Kentucky those years ago. The footprint of the college, and this county, would be much different if they didn't reach out

and work to make their vision to reality.

We encourage our readers to take a lesson from them, in thinking of ways to improve their own lives and communities. They taught us that it may take years and a lot of hard work to reach our goals, but, once it's all done, and we step back and look at what's been created, all of that time and effort was worth it.

GUEST COLUMN

Governor, education commissioner or schoolyard bullies?



FIVE SMOOTH STONES KENTUCKY
By
MARK WOHLANDER

Over the past few months, weeks and days, Kentuckians have witnessed an unprecedented and astonishing story of the lengths our pro-charter school, pro-school choice governor and education commissioner have been willing to go in an attempt to intimidate, threaten and silence the voices of the more than 44,000 Kentucky public school teachers. Over the past few months, weeks and days, Education Commissioner Wayne Lewis who was handpicked by Gov. Matt Bevin, has waged a

desperate war of intimidation in an unprecedented attempt to interfere with the First Amendment rights of teachers, their rights of freedom of speech, freedom of assembly and freedom to petition the government.

What should be difficult to comprehend for most Kentuckians are the reasons Lewis, Bevin and other school choice advocates want to redefine public education. Maybe, just maybe, those who want to redefine public education have never taken the time to understand the importance of

public education in relation to the freedoms we all enjoy in this great nation. From the very earliest days of America, our founding fathers expressed their belief of the absolute importance of public education. To paraphrase Thomas Jefferson, one of our most famous founding fathers, "[public education] was deemed essential to a well-ordered republic."

If there was any ever any doubt that our founding fathers believed in the importance of public education, take a moment to consider the words of John Adams when he wrote:

The whole people must take upon themselves the education of the whole people and be willing to bear the expense of it. There should not be a district of one

mile square, without a school in it, not founded by a charitable individual, but maintained at the public expense of the people themselves.

The real question Kentuckians need to ask Bevin, Lewis and the advocates of school choice, is just exactly who will pick the winners and losers if school choice becomes a reality in Kentucky. How many of Kentucky's more than 600,000 public school students will win the school choice lottery and actually benefit from charter schools? How many of Kentucky's nearly 23,000 public-school students who speak 135 languages other than English will actually benefit from charter schools? How many special needs public-school students will actually benefit from charter schools?

The answer to each of those questions should be obvious, under the charter school plan advocated by Bevin, Lewis and others, is that very few of Kentucky's more than 600,000 public school students will ever enjoy the benefit of charter schools, or for that matter, will ever cast a shadow across the threshold of these state taxpayer funded charter schools. Other than siphon off the ever-decreasing tax dollars available for public school education, very few Kentucky public-school children will ever benefit from so-called school choice.

Sadly, what has been lost in the debate over school choice, if you want to call what Bevin and Lewis have done is debate, is the real question all Kentuckians want answered, a question which haunts all of us, and that

is what can and should be done to raise the educational standards of all public-school children in Kentucky.

Unfortunately, instead of a debate, Bevin and Lewis have squandered these past months and years demonizing Kentucky's public-school teachers, a time which would have allowed all Kentuckians to join hands and seek solutions. However, instead of solutions, Gov. Bevin and Commissioner Lewis have chosen to act like schoolyard bullies, intent on imposing their view of public education on Kentuckians, with little opportunity for Kentucky's front-line teachers to either contribute to the debate or to much-needed solutions.

So, in the end, all Kentuckians, not only public-school teachers, need ask the rhetorical question of whether they want to be subjected to the choices of a schoolyard bully, or whether Kentuckians want to continue to enjoy the freedoms inherited from our

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Williams says community center may reopen this year

By **MARY MEADOWS**
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Floyd County Judge-Executive Robbie Williams reported last week that work is continuing on the former Martin Community Center building.

His comments came after Deanna Mullins, owner of Jungle Jim's in Martin, addressed the fiscal court. She wants to open a nonprofit after-school program, the Magoo's Center, in the building.

Mullins asked the fis-

cal court for help.

"We just really need a good facility," she said. "And we have the money and we have the willpower and we have people that are wanting to get it done. And so, we're just wanting to see if we can get the help out there and so we can find a good facility, because it's really hard to find a facility that would fit all the needs that we need, and, you know, we would love for you to try and help us."

Williams told her he appreciates her effort.

"We appreciate your efforts with trying to get the Martin Community Center back open, and we are working on that," he said. "The floor has been removed and, believe it or not, it's not in as bad a shape as folks had suggested in the past."

He said plumbing work is underway and "cosmetic work" is needed, as well as the construction of a wall behind the building to prevent flooding.

"I certainly believe that we'll be in, or some-

one will, be in the facility here within the next 120 days," he said. "That's our plan. We're working on it every day, and hopefully, the folks will see the hard work of the fiscal court."

The building has been vacant for years.

The fiscal court has tried to sell it several times over the past few years, but bids were not approved. Mullins is one of several individuals who have approached the fiscal court with requests to lease the building.

Paula Jean Allen

Paula Jean Allen, 58, of Stanville, died Tuesday, March 26, 2019.

Visitation will begin at 6 p.m., Thursday, March 28, at Betsy Layne Free-will Baptist Church, Betsy Layne.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, March 29, at the church.

Burial will follow in Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel.

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

Phyllis Jean Amburgy

Phyllis Jean Amburgy, 77, of Bevinville, died Saturday, March 23, 2019.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 24, at the Calvary Hope Baptist Church, Melvin.

Burial followed in the Buckingham Cemetery, Bevinville.

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

Charlie Dean Bryant

Charlie Dean Bryant, 52, of Teaberry, died Friday, March 22, 2019.

Visitation was held Sunday and Monday, March 24-25, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 26, at the funeral home.

Burial followed in the Bentley Family Cemetery, Teaberry.

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

Johnny Wayne Frasure

Johnny Wayne Frasure, 59, of Martin, died Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

Visitation and funeral services were held Friday, March 22, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin.

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

Judy Lynn Harvey

Judy Lynn Harvey, 62, of Garrett, died Sun-

day, March 24, 2019.

Visitation was held Tuesday, March 26, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 27, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow in Chestnut Grove Cemetery, Prestonsburg.

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

Madge (Blevins) Parsons

Madge (Blevins) Parsons, 91, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, March 21, 2019.

Visitation was held Friday, March 22, at Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Graveside services were held at Saturday, March 23, at the Dinwood Cemetery, Martin.

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

Linda Kay Samons

Linda Kay Samons, 58, of Martin, died Monday, March 25, 2019.

Visitation will be held all day, Wednesday, March 25, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, March 28, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow in the Newt Samons Cemetery, Arkansas Creek, Martin.

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

Food City to expand Starbucks Café, Asian Kitchen to be offered at store

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Company officials announced plans for a "significant expansion/remodel" of Food City in Prestonsburg.

"The project will result in the addition of 10,900 plus square feet of retail space, bringing the total square footage to 50,600 plus," a press release said.

Construction is expected to begin this summer, and the project is expected to be complete by early next year, the company reported.

"We're excited to have the opportunity to enlarge our Prestonsburg location to better serve our loyal customers. In addition to the expansion, we will also be able to enhance our parking area for our customer's convenience," said Steven C. Smith, Food City president and chief executive officer. "Our customers will find the same smiling faces, top quality products, exceptional customer service and competitive pricing they have come to expect from Food City, along with enhanced variety/selection and some

exciting new services."

Expansion plans include the addition of a Starbucks Café. The location will be among the first to include an Asian Kitchen, featuring a "full-service Asian cuisine prepared fresh daily with authentic wok cookery," the company reported, and there will also be "authentic hand-tossed pizzas, made-to-order with fresh ingredients and a hickory wood smoker" in addition to other improvements.

"The new enlarged departments will allow us to significantly increase

the variety and selection of products we are able to offer," said store manager, Adam Baldrige. "I would like to thank our loyal customers in advance for their understanding during the construction process. We are very excited about the additional services and selection the expansion will bring and I'm confident that once complete, they will agree it was well worth the wait."

K-VA-T Food Stores operates 131 retail outlets throughout Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia.

Garden Seed voucher program signups April 1-5

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Applications for Big Sandy Area Community Action Program's annual Garden Seed Program will be taken on a first come, first serve basis April 1 - 5 at the agency's office in Allen.

The Garden Seed Program offers qualifying low-income households \$40 in vouchers to buy seeds, plants and fertilizer.

"Our annual Garden Seed Program is a perfect example of what our agency is all about," Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Executive Director Wanda Thacker

said. "Our mission is to help low-income people become more self-sufficient, and the Garden Seed Program accomplishes that by helping people to get access to fresh and healthy food and lowering their grocery bill."

In Floyd County, applications will be taken 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., April 1-5, at the BSACAP office, located at 60 Court St., Allen.

Last year, 376 households in the BSACAP service area of Floyd, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin and Pike counties received garden seed vouchers.

"Clients grow and maintain their gardens by

themselves and are able to reap the fruits of their labor," a press release from BSCAP said.

This summer, BSACAP will also host a workshop to help clients and the public to learn how to can, freeze and preserve their produce.

To be eligible for the program, a household must:

- Meet income eligibility guidelines
- Provide proof of income from the previous month
- Have the social security numbers for all household members
- Bring a metered utility bill to verify their address

For more information, call, (606) 874-3595.

The Big Sandy Area Community Action's annual Garden Seed Program is one of two events through which Floyd County residents can obtain free garden seed. The Floyd County Extension Office is hosting its annual Vegetable Gardening and Seed Giveaway on Thursday, March 28, at 6 p.m. For more information about that program, call, (606) 886-2668.

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founding fathers, freedoms which have been defended throughout the history of this great nation. For most Kentuckians, the answer to that rhetorical question is simple, most Kentuckians do not want to be subjected to choices thrust upon them by a schoolyard bully, instead, most Kentuckians want to enjoy the freedoms inherited

from our founding fathers with a governor who understands not only those freedoms, but with a governor who understands how to heal Kentuckians, not divide them.

So, as I often do, I would invite each of you to join me on my imaginary mountaintop, a place where the more than 44,000 Kentucky teachers, more than 600,000 public school students and more than 3.2 million voters can shout loudly to Bevin that

election day will soon be here, a time when Kentuckians will be able to cast their votes for a schoolyard bully or for a governor who will reach across the aisle and work with Kentucky teachers and public-school children in an effort to find solutions for the future of Kentucky's public-school children and Kentucky's public schools.

In the end, on election day, all Kentuckians must decide for themselves whether Kentucky

can endure another four years of a schoolyard bully, or whether it is time for a change; whether it is time for a leader who is a healer, not a divider.

Mark Wohlander, former FBI agent, federal prosecutor and an advocate for public education, practices law in Lexington, Kentucky. Other of Mark's columns and Liberty prints are available at, fivesmoothstonesky.com

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Community Events

- March 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: The Women of the Bible Quilt Group meets, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 27, 6 p.m.: Friends of Jenny Wiley to meet, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, May Lodge
- March 28, 5 p.m.: Floyd County Tourism meets, county courthouse. (606) 886-9193
- March 28, 6 p.m.: Vegetable Gardening Program and seed giveaway, Floyd County Extension Office. (606) 886-2668
- March 29, 7:30 p.m.: The Oak Ridge Boys, Mountain Arts Center. macarts.com
- April 1-5; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, 60 Court St., Allen, offers free garden seeds to low income families. Proof of income from prior month, social security numbers for all household members, utility bill for proof of address required. (606) 874-3595
- April 1, 6 p.m.: Allen City Commission meets, Allen City Hall. (606) 874-2953
- April 2, 5:30 p.m.: Free Bornlearning Academy for children age birth to five and their parents, South Floyd Elementary. Free meal. Final event. (606) 263-6175
- April 5: RSVPs request for "Sensitive Easter Bunny," a sensory-friendly event for children with autism or special needs, which will be hosted by ARH on April 20 at Graceway United Methodist Church in Langley. (606) 377-3431
- April 6, 10 a.m.: Volunteers sought for Park Day cleanup of the Middle Creek National Battlefield, Prestonsburg. Bring weed eaters, trash bags, gloves, lawn mowers. Park Day t-shirt will be provided, as supplies last.
- If you have been thinking about becoming a foster/adoptive parent, please contact Jacqueline Mosley with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services at (606) 889-1724 for more information.

Attorney General investigates drug prices

Beshear probes pharmacy benefits managers' drug pricing practices

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

Attorney General Andy Beshear launched an investigation into allegations that state pharmacy benefit managers overcharged the state health insurance programs for prescription drugs and discriminated against independent pharmacies.

Beshear is seeking details on how the PBMs, hired by state Medicaid managed-care organizations and the state employee health plan, have determined, billed and paid drug reimbursement rates over the past five years.

A report released last month indicated two PBMs took in \$123.5 million last year from the state Medicaid program by paying pharmacies a lower rate to fill prescriptions, while charging the state more for the same drugs.

Beshear said he is investigating PBMs because he wants to identify and recover any profits improperly retained at the expense of the Commonwealth and its taxpayers and ensure Kentucky families have affordable and accessible health care.

"I am demanding answers for Kentucky families and community pharmacies who want greater accountability and transparency surrounding the cost of prescription drugs," said Beshear. "The current system is failing Kentuckians who just want a straightforward answer on whether they are receiving and paying a fair price."

Beshear said PBMs were originally established to help companies and government programs better manage pharmacy costs, but have grown into "powerful industry middlemen that go to great lengths

to hide and complicate drug pricing information."

Last year, Sen. Max Wise, R-Campbellsville, introduced Senate Bill 5, because he said one of the state's largest PBMs - CVS Caremark, which also owns its own chain of pharmacies - was not paying independent pharmacists enough, putting many at risk of closing.

At the time, discussion centered around the significant decrease in the PBM's professional dispensing fee of 85 cents per prescription, when the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services stated that the fee should be around \$10.64, plus the cost of the drug being dispensed.

The provisions of that legislation lead to the recent report by the state and allow the Department for Medicaid Services to have greater oversight of pharmacy benefits once existing

contracts expire.

During a September 2017 meeting of the General Assembly's Interim Joint Committee on Banking and Insurance, lawmakers questioned the practices of PBMs that forced patients to pay more than their medications cost in order to boost profits at the expense of taxpayers and local businesses. At the meeting, a pharmacist from Leitchfield discussed the significant decrease in reimbursement rates pharmacists face.

Last week, the Ohio attorney general sued to recover nearly \$16 million in prescription overcharges to the state for the cost of prescription drugs negotiated by PBMs.

For more information about steps Beshear's office has taken to ensure health care and pharmacy benefits are available to Kentuckians, visit, ag.ky.gov/healthcare.

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July 2018 in order to receive SNAP benefits valued at more than \$100 and for allegedly failing to report income between July 2012 and January 2014 in order to receive Medicaid benefits valued at more than \$100.

These indictments were among more than 30 indictments filed by the grand jury on March 20 in Floyd County.

Several people were indicted on felony charges of bail jumping. They include Christopher Sword, 42, of Martin; Randall Yates, 55, of Allen; Joseph Johnson, 25, of

Morehead; Brandy Moore Brown, 33, of McDowell; Jordan Tackett, 26, of East Point; Jan Michael Hicks, 29, of Martin; Derek Stanley, 39, of Auxier; Jeffrey Stanley, 45, of Blue River; Stephen O. Walker, 32, of Lexington; Chrystal Newsome, 41, of Prestonsburg and Audrey Stanley, 65, of Prestonsburg.

Other indictments issued include the following allegations:

- David Craft, 52, of Prestonsburg: second-degree assault
- Keisha Robinson, 28, of Prestonsburg: second-degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking, third-degree criminal

mischief

- Jesse Tackett, 34, of Melvin: theft by unlawful taking or disposition (auto), first-degree fleeing/evading police, misdemeanor theft by unlawful taking, failure to or improper signal, improper turning, no or expired registration plates

- Keisha Moore, 28, of Hi Hat: theft by unlawful taking

- Harry Fogle, 41, of Hi Hat: second-degree burglary

- Nathaniel Goble, 26, of Prestonsburg: first- and second-degree possession of a controlled substance, first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, possession of

drug paraphernalia

- Michael Stephens, 35, of Prestonsburg: first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, second-degree persistent felony offender

- Danny R. Pennington Jr., 41, of Bevinville: two counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance

- Shana Sanders, 41, of Harold: driving under the influence, first- and third-degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in original container, possession of drug paraphernalia

- Lenora L. Chaffin,

47, of East Point: first-degree possession of a controlled substance

- Danielle Stevens, 26, of Dwale: first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia

- Daniel Osborn, 54, of Auxier: driving under the influence, fourth offense or more; driving on a suspended license

- Jamie R. Scott, 40, of Garrett: first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia

- Michael Hagans, 36, of Hi Hat: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession

of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, second-degree persistent felony offender

- Candace Hamilton, 33, of Teaberry: first-degree possession of a controlled substance, public intoxication, no or expired registration plates, display of illegal/altered registration plate

- James Sullivan Jr., 45, of Dana: third-degree criminal mischief, third-degree criminal trespass, first- and third-degree possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in original container

- Chris Blackburn, 39, of Racoon: second-degree burglary

GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019 1:00 P.M.

AT THE SITE OF THE BELOW DESCRIBED PROPERTY HOUSE AND LOT LOCATED AT 2114 RIGHT FORK BULL CRK, PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653 IN FLOYD COUNTY, KY



This is a three bedroom home on public water and septic. It is well located in a quiet neighborhood. It consists of three bedrooms, living room, kitchen, and one bath. This property is considered suitable for the Rural Development, Rural Housing Program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after repairs.

The minimum acceptable bid for this property is \$18,090.00.

An open house will be held on April 23, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

Payment of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Clear title to this property is not warranted. The U.S. Marshal's Deed is not a general warranty deed. Buyers are advised to have the property's title examined. Written notification regarding encumbrances on the property must be made to the Paintsville Rural Development Office within 30 days of the date of sale.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 1:00 pm., at the property site, at 2114 Right Fork Bull Crk, Prestonsburg, KY in Floyd County, Kentucky, in order to raise the principal sum of \$0,435.41, with accrued interest of \$2,072.11 through March 14, 2017, with the total subsidy granted of \$54,621.12, with late charges in the amount of \$0.00, and with fees assessed of \$1,460.19, for a total unpaid balance due of \$88,588.83. Interest is accruing on the unpaid balance at the rate of \$7.6254 per day after March 14, 2017, until the date of entry of the Judgment, together with interest on the Judgment amount at the rate of 1.21% per annum, until paid, plus costs, disbursements and expenses pursuant to Judgment and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 7:17-cv-00071-KKC-EBA on the Southern Division at Pikeville of the United States District Court for Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on September 12, 2017, in the case of the United States of America vs Mary Rose, and Unknown Spouse of Mary Rose, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:

House and Lot located 2114 Right Fork Bull Crk, Prestonsburg KY 41653, Floyd County KY Being the same property conveyed by Deed dated April 14, 1995, and in Deed Book 385, Page 629, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office. By virtue of the right of survivorship contained in the source Deed, the property fully vested with Mary Rose, upon Thomas Rose's death September 5, 2010

Terms of Sale: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Cashiers Check made payable to the U. S. Marshal) on the day of the sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance, bearing interest at the rate of 1.21% per annum until paid, due and payable in sixty (60) days and said bond having the effect of a Judgment. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U.S. Marshal as a part of the proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court.

This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendant(s) and of all persons claiming by through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraisal value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain a lien in favor of the defendant(s) reflecting the right of the defendant(s) to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530). Under law, the purchaser is deemed to be on notice of all matters affecting the property of record in the local County Clerk's Office.

Inquires should be directed to: Darwin E McGuire, Loan Specialist
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GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019 AT 10:00 A.M.

AT THE SITE OF THE BELOW DESCRIBED PROPERTY HOUSE AND LOT LOCATED AT 15 MART MEADE BRANCH, PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653 IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY



This is a three bedroom home on public water and septic. It is well located in a quiet neighborhood. It consists of three bedrooms, living room, kitchen, and two baths. This property is considered suitable for the Rural Development, Rural Housing Program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after repairs.

The minimum acceptable bid for this property is \$18,760.00.

An open house will be held on April 23, 2019 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

Payment of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Clear title to this property is not warranted. The U.S. Marshal's Deed is not a general warranty deed. Buyers are advised to have the property's title examined. Written notification regarding encumbrances on the property must be made to the Paintsville Rural Development Office within 30 days of the date of sale.

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Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 10:00 am., at the property site, at 15 Mart Meade Branch, Prestonsburg, KY in Floyd County, Kentucky, in order to raise the principal sum of \$33,597.06, with accrued interest of \$9,838.83 through January 12, 2016, with the total subsidy granted of \$9,482.55, escrow in the amount of \$313.90 and with fees assessed of \$13,473.03, for a total unpaid balance due of \$66,705.37. Interest is accruing on the unpaid balance at the rate of \$9.6882 per day after January 12, 2016, until the date of entry of the Judgment, together with interest on the Judgment amount at the rate of 1.17% per annum, until paid, plus costs, disbursements and expenses pursuant to Judgment and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 7:16-cv-00018-KKC-EBA on the Pikeville Division of the United States District Court for Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on June 7, 2017, in the case of the United States of America vs estate of Kathy Thacker, et al, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:

House and Lot located 15 Mart Meade Branch, Prestonsburg KY 41653, Floyd County KY Being the same property conveyed by Deed dated October 1, 1992, and in Deed Book 360, Page 678, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Terms of Sale: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Cashiers Check made payable to the U. S. Marshal) on the day of the sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance, bearing interest at the rate of 1.17% per annum until paid, due and payable in sixty (60) days and said bond having the effect of a Judgment. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U.S. Marshal as a part of the proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court.

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Rife responds to PSC investigations

Betsy Layne business owner revoked loans for more than \$1.8 million

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

In response to investigations launched by the Kentucky Public Service Commission, a Betsy Layne resident who owns two local gas companies decided he didn't need repayment of more than \$1.8 million after all.

Attorney Joe F. Childers, representing Betsy Layne resident Bud Rife, who owns B&H Gas and Johnson County Gas, filed a response last week in two PSC investigations into Rife and his companies.

On Feb. 27, the PSC issued four orders halting two rate increase applications filed by B&H Gas and Johnson County Gas, and opening two new cases to investigate several promissory notes that Rife signed on the same day he filed the rate increase application.

Both companies cited the need to repay that debt — \$148,230 for Johnson County Gas and nearly \$1.8 million for B&H Gas — as the reason it needed rate increases.

Of the promissory notes issued by B&H Gas, five, totaling \$1.7

million are to either Rife or to other companies he owns. He signed the notes as both the debtor and lender, the PSC reported.

The remaining note for \$39,462 is for money owed by B&H Gas to its attorneys. It is signed only by Rife and not by the law firm.

Of the \$148,230 in Johnson County Gas debt, \$62,898 is owed to Rife or his construction company, with the remaining \$82,074 owed to a gas company partnership in which Rife is the managing partner. There

is also a one-year promissory note of \$3,258 to the utility's lawyers, which is not at issue in the investigation.

On March 21, Children filed a response to the PSC order that launched the investigation, and it included signed revocations of Rife's promissory notes, signed by Rife as both the debtor and the grantee.

"It is the intent of (Rife) to seek commission approval, pursuant to KRS 278.300, prior to entering into any further instruments of indebtedness the terms of

which exceed two years," Childers wrote. He asked that the PSC dismiss the investigation without assessing sanctions against Rife.

The Kentucky Attorney General's Office of Rate Intervention, a party in these cases, filed a response on March 21, stating, "The revocation of these promissory notes calls into question the very nature of B&H's operations, and Mr. Rife's fiduciary duty to the utility."

The office ask the PSC to continue a "generalized investigation"

into the finances of both companies before it allows the rate cases to proceed.

"The failure to follow even basic accounting, financial and legal formalities, much less the affiliate accounting rules set fourth in KRS Ch. 278, result in abuse of the public trust, and place the financial solvency of these enterprises in question," the filings said.

The full cases may be found online at, psc.ky.gov, under case numbers 2019-00055 and 2019-00056.

Floyd County Jail budget tops \$2.4 million

The Floyd County Fiscal Court recently held the first reading of the 2019-2020 budget for the Floyd County Jail.

Revenues and appropriations are set at \$2.4 million, the same as the current budget.

The jail's highest expense is in personnel and related costs. The budget calls for \$880,000 to be spent on personnel and about \$550,000 on social security, health insurance, unemployment and other required employee

costs.

The budget includes a \$75,000 expense for building repair and maintenance and \$886,000 for operating expenses.

If the budget is approved during its second reading, the county ex-

pects to spend \$280,000 for food, \$240,000 for medical care, \$70,000 to house prisoners in other counties, \$49,000 for cleaning supplies, \$30,000 to repair equipment, \$16,000 for tele-

phones, \$12,800 for of-

ice supplies and, among other costs, \$12,000 for fuel and vehicle maintenance.

The jail expect to receive most of its revenue, \$1.6 million, from the Floyd County Fiscal Court, as well as around

\$400,000 for housing state prisoners.

Other types of revenues listed include \$148,000 in state fees, \$20,000 in booking fees, \$51,000 from the canteen and \$12,000 from telephone commissions.

KDE adopts new academic standards

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

After two years of review and revision completed by Kentucky teachers, higher education representatives and community members, the Kentucky Department of Education announced Friday that revised standards for health education, physical education, reading

and writing and mathematics have been adopted into law.

According to a statement from the KDE, the process included revisions by Kentucky educators and community members, public input and review by the KDE undergoing final legislative review and adoption.

New computer science standards also were developed and ad-

opted into law.

The new standards will be implemented beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, and according to the statement, the revised standards outline what students are expected to know and do in each grade to successfully transition to the next level of learning.

According to the statement from the KDE, standards do not dictate

the method of teaching used and generally, the changes add clarity and improve alignment from grade to grade.

Changes include an addition of handwriting standards with reading and writing standards, and the mathematics standards adds additional standards in advanced math.

These revisions are the result Senate Bill 1,

passed in 2017, which called for the KDE to implement a process for reviewing all academic standards and aligned assessments beginning in the 2017-2018 school year.

The current schedule calls for one or two content areas to be reviewed each year and every six years thereafter on a rotating basis. The rotation schedule

began in summer 2017 by soliciting feedback on English/language arts, mathematics and health/physical education standards.

For more information regarding the standards revision process, please visit the Kentucky Academic Standards Revision Process webpage at, education.ky.gov.

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District 12 estimates \$11 million in damages to roads in seven counties

SPECIAL TO THE FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES

On Friday, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Highway District 12 in Pikeville released preliminary estimates for road damages caused by flooding and severe weather in February.

The cost to fix slides, slips, breaks, embankment failures and other type of damage is expected to cost nearly \$11.5 million in the seven counties served by the district, the cabinet reported, and the final tally will likely be higher than that.

Engineering Branch Manager Darold Slone said, "That figure is always a low ballpark. The list that accompanies that total is the first one

compiled to justify an emergency declaration for FEMA and the Federal Highway Administration. As we inspect each site thoroughly, the estimates change, and they almost always go up, not down."

District 12 staff estimate there was \$1.5 million in damages in Floyd County, where flooding damaged nine sites and a slip closed Ky. 1428, which has not yet been reopened.

Damages topped \$1.7 million in Johnson County, with 44 sites reported, \$2 million in Knott County with 51 sites reported, \$663,000 in Lawrence County with 22 sites reported, \$3 million in Letcher County with 72 sites reported, \$600,000 in Martin County with nine sites reported and

\$1.9 million in Pike County with 28 sites reported.

Roads will be repaired when funding is awarded and contractors are hired, Slone said.

"Some of the work can be done under a state master agreement. Other sites will have to be put out for bid. It just depends on what needs to be done," he said.

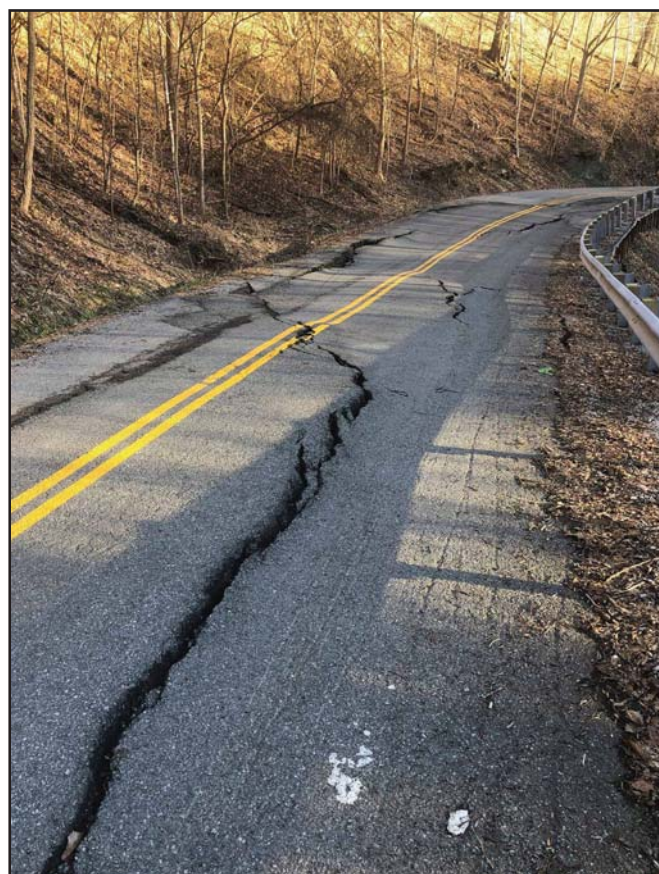
Chief District Engineer Mary Westfall-Holbrook explained that, as often as possible, the worst places will be fixed first. For example, if funding is approved for all the sites in Knott County at one time, the roads that are completely closed will be addressed first, then the ones that are down to one lane, and so on.

"That is our plan,"

she said. "Of course we may have situations where funding is not approved all at one time. In that case, we will take the worst places among the ones approved."

Westfall-Holbrook said all the engineers and maintenance specialists at District 12 understand the hardship and inconvenience people experience when their roads are closed or down to one lane.

"We all live in the district," she said. "We drive the same roads as everyone else. Our children ride school buses. We not only know the problems, we have a vested interest in making sure repairs are done well and as quickly as possible after we get funding approval."



Submitted photo
Flooding and inclement weather caused this damage to Ky. 1098 on Sizemore Mountain in Floyd County.

STABLES

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"He's not broke to ride," Rohr said, petting the horse. "Basically, he is her therapy horse. When she has her down days, and she's hurting and she don't want to be around nobody, she can come to this horse and he'll lay down or do anything she wants to do, and he's never been trained for it."

He said they named the stables Rocky Ridge because they got off to a "rocky start."

"It's actually is kind of funny," he said. "Where the rocky come from, was because everything was a rocky start."

They live at East Point, and he said they don't have enough room to board their horses there. They were initially at Thunder Ridge, he said, then after that facility closed, they moved to the equine center, where they stayed about

a year before issues with the prior lease came up. They were afraid the center would close and they wouldn't be able to keep their horses, so they decided to submit a proposal to run the stables themselves.

Rohr said he and his wife have several plans to improve the stables. He said their priority is to give local children something to do.

He talked about having a monthly "kids night" with outdoor movies at the stables.

"I look at it a little different that a lot of other people. A lot of other people want just to have the horse show and stuff for a man and lady to come and do," Rohr said. "I want something that the kids can come and do. I'm from Johnson County, and there's nothing for kids to do, other than maybe go to the movies, and that's it. So, when we have the shows, at intermission,

we'll have something for the kids, whether it be a stick-horse race, a foot race. It'll probably be both. We're going to try to do something for them."

The equine center offers 188 stalls for horse boarding, with one barn specifically fitted for racehorses.

Rohr said the riding rings at Rocky Ridge Stables will be open and free to public.

"The rings are open for anybody to ride at any time," he said.

The business rents its facilities for weddings and birthday parties and it also offers on-site camping, with 25 electric campsites and on-site showers available.

The equine center has hosted regular horse shows for years, but Rohr said he and his wife will host those events, instead of leasing the facility out to other groups. He said tentative plans are to host shows on the

first and third weekend of the month, starting this spring, as well as monthly trade shows.

Rohr said he and his wife are also working out details to provide trail ride events and/or horse rentals for people who want to ride horses on the neighboring Sugar-camp Mountain Trails.

Rohr said the office will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. throughout the week. For questions about shows and events, call, (606) 886-2285, or visit the Rocky Ridge Stables on Facebook.



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Jason Rohr, owner of Rocky Ridge Stables, guides his horse, Margaret.



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Science center marks 15 years

Hubble exhibit continues; moon rocks to arrive this summer

By MARY MEADOWS
STAFF WRITER

The East Kentucky Science Center and Varia Planetarium is 15 years old today.

The science center opened its doors to school groups on Feb. 18, 2004, and officials there hosted a meet-and-greet with organizers the following day, but its planetarium was not completed until March 27, 2004, when the center officially opened to the public.

The opening exhibit was "The World We Create," a Louisville Science Center exhibit that was funded with a \$100,000 grant from BellSouth (AT&T). The grant, which was funneled through the Floyd County Board of Education, provided admission for school

groups prior to the public opening.

It was part of several grants that made the center possible.

John Rosenberg, one of the founders, talked about the center's history when he addressed visitors to the opening of the Hubble Traveling Exhibit at the center this month.

"It was a story about everything just being right on time, the right people being at the right place, and Greg (Stumbo) being where he was and Gov. (Paul) Patton being open to this idea, and a weekend of putting plans together with (architect) Randy Burchett, and a few others helping us out," said Rosenberg. "We're so proud of this facility and hope we can

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The construction of the East Kentucky Science Center took two years, and planning was underway a decade before construction started.

Submitted photo

PES student wins essay contest



Floyd Chronicle and Times photo by Elaine Belcher

The Floyd County Board of Education recognized Lucy Carroll of Prestonsburg Elementary School Monday night for winning the Floyd County level Kentucky Retired Teachers Association/American Association of Retired Persons "Grandparent of the

By ELAINE BELCHER
STAFF WRITER

Lucy Carroll, of Prestonsburg Elementary, was recognized during the Floyd County Board of Education's regular meeting Monday as the 2019 winner of the Floyd County American Association of Retired Persons and Kentucky Retired Teachers Association "Grandparent of the Year" es-

say contest.

According to Carolyn Ford from the Floyd County Retired Teachers Association, school winners from across the county competed for the award and to represent Floyd County during the state AARP essay contest. She said essays are judged on grammar, form, neatness, creativity, expression and characteristics of the grandparent.

"The essay contest is an important way to recognize the special bond between grandchildren and their grandparents. It's our way to honor how much grandparents bring to the lives of grandchildren," said AARP Kentucky's State President Charlotte Whittaker of Hartford. "There are now more grandparents in the U.S. than ever before — some 70 million, according to the latest

census. That's a 24 percent increase since 2001. In fact, of all adults over 30, more than one in three were grandparents as of 2014."

The board also recognized school contest winners, Caleb Combs from Allen Elementary, McKenzie Mullins from South Floyd Elementary, Whitley Hall from May Valley Elementary and Layla Johnson from John M. Stumbo Elementary.

Other winners



Whitley Hall



Layla Johnson



McKenzie Mullins



Caleb Combs



BLES student 'Leaders of the Month'

Betsy Layne Elementary Principal John Kidd recognized 20 students Tuesday as "Leaders of the Month" for February. Kinsley Duncan, Easton Akers, Easton Tackett, Alli Adkins, Peyton Little, Payton Tackett, Marvin Lee, Topaz Tackett, Ben Young, Mily Burchett, Connor Johnson, Alexis Kidd, Joseph Fitch, Shayna Carroll, Ian Belcher, Madison Newsome, Alex Hinkle, Raney Stevens and Will Justice were presented certificates for best representing the BLES pledge to "be responsible, to be respectful, to be peaceful, to be a solution and to be an achiever."

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CENTER

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even — I keep saying it — we've got a little more room out back. We'd like to expand so that we can have a little bit more space."

Rosenberg started the discussion about the need to build the science center when he met in 1994 with a former Floyd County Board of Education member Deloris Smith and faculty of the community college. That group eventually grew to include around 30 people who helped with the project — representatives from the college, the school district, businesses and government agencies.

Two years later, the group obtained \$75,000 for planning purposes from the Kentucky Department of Education and it also received another grant of that amount to bring science education to local schools.

In 1999, long before the center had been constructed, more than 8,000 students had already been served via traveling exhibits and programs held at schools.

The Kentucky General Assembly appropriated \$2.6 million for the construction of the building and equipment in 1998. That funding, however, was not enough to build the center as designed, so the board downsized the facility and, in 2000, they received another grant of \$1 million for the construction.

Ground was broken in 2001 and construction started the following year.

The center became a part of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System in 2008. The center upgraded its 40 ft. dome planetarium in 2011, and again this year, with the installation of a new Cove lighting system that was purchased with a \$40,000 donation from Dr. Chandra Varia. The new system can generate 18 quintillion color combinations, officials said.

Director Steve Russo said the science center

offers one of only eight planetariums in Kentucky.

He gave an overview of the center's history at a Floyd County Fiscal Court meeting last week, encouraging people to visit the Hubble Traveling Exhibit, which will be on display through May 18.

That exhibit, which includes scale models of both the Hubble Space Telescope and the James Webb Telescope, teaches visitors about Hubble's contributions to the exploration of planets, stars, galaxies and the universe. For the first time, it also includes "Science on a Sphere," a globe that digitally displays animated images of earth and other planets.

Russo said the Science on a Sphere can show the earth's current weather, as well as past climate patterns, explosions on the sun and the surface of Jupiter and Mars.

Russo reported that 15,000 people from Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia visited the East Kentucky Science Center last year. Those visitors included thousands of students from 50 schools in 14 counties, Russo said.

Russo announced that, from July 8-22, the science center will also exhibit moon rocks and soil samples that were collected by Apollo astronauts. That presentation comes in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the first landing on the moon.

The science center and its gift shop are open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday and from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday. It offers planetarium shows at 2 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. on week days and the lineup on Saturday includes planetarium shows at 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. and a laser show at 3:15 p.m.

Admission is \$6 per adult, \$4 for senior citizens and free to children age four and under. The center also offers specialized programs for student groups.

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



An East Kentucky Science Center visitor observes "Science on a Sphere," a new edition to the Hubble exhibit, which is on display there through May.

Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo



It's a girl!

Wesley and Shawna Chaffins welcome the birth of their daughter, Miss Izabella Grace Chaffins, who was born at 12:17 on March 12. She weighed six pounds, five ounces and was 19 inches long. Her big brothers, Logan and Gavin, helped welcome her home.

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**Prestonsburg's
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All-Mountain Team

**Coach of the Year
Kristy Orem
Pikeville**

Orem led the Lady Panthers to their first 15th Region championship since 1980 and helped the Lady Panthers play in the first Girls' KHSAA Sweet 16 at Rupp Arena. Orem led the Lady Panthers to a 28-8 record on the season.

**Coach of the Year Finalists
Clyde Farley
Tug Valley**

Tug Valley improved drastically in Farley's first year as head coach. In the 2017/2018 season, the Lady Panthers had a 4-15 record. This season, Farley's first as head coach, Tug Valley went 16-8.

**Denise Campbell
East Ridge**

East Ridge just finished the season with an 8-22 record this season. The Lady Warriors were young, but Campbell helped East Ridge advance to the Lady Warriors upset Pikeville and advance to the 15th Region All "A" Classic.

**Randy Napier
Perry Central**

Perry Central legendary coach Randy Napier is one of the top coaches in Eastern Kentucky and the state. He is the state's all-time winningest coach. Napier led a young Lady Commodore team to a 10-14 record, but Perry Central kept improving throughout the season.

**Justin Triplett
Floyd Central**

Triplett led the Lady Jaguars to their second straight 15th Region semifinal appearance. Triplett and the Lady Jaguars finished the season with a 28-3 record this season.

Player of the Year

Kirsten Cole-Williamson Pikeville

Cole-Williamson was a presence inside for the Lady Panthers. Cole-Williamson led the Lady Panthers averaging 12.4 points per game and 7.6 rebounds per game. She was named 59th District Player of the Year and 15th Region Tournament MVP. Cole-Williamson had a huge postseason for the Lady Panthers. She could do a little bit of everything for the Lady Panthers and helped lead Pikeville to a 28-8 record, the 59th District championship and the 15th Region title. She had a big game for the Lady Panthers in the Sweet 16 scoring 14 points on the Rupp Arena floor.

Player Of the Year Finalists

Anna Keeton Paintsville

Keeton can score the ball. She is a complete player, but she is a prolific scorer. Teamed with Elizabeth "Swoop" Williams, she was a part of the best one-two punch in the Eastern Kentucky. Keeton averaged 20.7 points per game this season. She scored over 2,000 points in her career at Paintsville. She helped the Lady Tigers finish the season with a 20-11 record and the 15th Region All "A" Classic championship. Keeton had an outstanding senior season.

Alyssa Elswick

Shelby Valley

Elswick is just a freshman. She was one of the top inside scorers in the 15th Region. She averaged 14.7 points per game and six rebounds per contest to lead the Lady Wildcats. Without fellow freshman guard Cassidy Rowe in the lineup, Elswick became Shelby Valley's go-to player and she delivered. She is quick and has good hands and feet for a post player. Elswick will be one of the top returning sophomores in Eastern Kentucky next season.

McKenzie Maynard

Belfry

Maynard was a stat-sheet stuffer for the Lady Pirates. Maynard was one of the top post players in Eastern Kentucky. She averaged 14.6 points per game and 10.6 rebounds per game. Her defense with blocking shots and rebounding was her strong point. Maynard can also step out and hit a three. She will return for her junior season next year.

Elizabeth "Swoop" Williams Paintsville

Williams had an outstanding senior season. Along with teammate Anna Keeton, who was also a POY finalist, Williams was a leader for the Lady Tigers. Williams is a point guard who can facilitate and score the ball. She scored 41 points against Prestonsburg in the first round of the 15th Region All "A" Classic. Williams averaged 16.9 points per game.

Kaitlyn Keathley

Prestonsburg

Keathley is another stat-sheet stuffer. Keathley was one of two seniors on the Prestonsburg roster. She helped the Lady Blackcats win 20 games this season. That's one of the highest win totals in school history. Keathley averaged 17.5 points per game and 6.8 rebounds per contest. Keathley could do it-all on the court for the Lady Blackcats. She had good handles and had a great bounce back senior season after a rough junior season at Pikeville last year.

**All-Mountain
First Team**

Anna Keeton
Paintsville

Alyssa Elswick
Shelby Valley

McKenzie Maynard
Belfry

Elizabeth Williams
Paintsville

**Kaitlyn Keathley
Prestonsburg**

Haley Caudill
Hazard

Cassidy Mullins
Pike Central

Ashlee Belcher
Johnson Central

**All-Mountain
Second Team**

Kelsey Jo Tackett
Pikeville

Makayla May
Tug Valley

**Katie Moore
Floyd Central**

**Caroline Ariaz
Prestonsburg**

Staci Kennedy
Magoffin County

Kylea Stanley
Belfry

Madison Thompson
Sheldon Clark

Desiree Sturgill
Hazard

Daniell Prater
Phelps

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Johnson Central

Kelsey Feltner

Lawrence County

Jerrica Thacker
Jenkins

Kelsi Brinager
Pike Central

Zoe Evans
Mingo Central

Sammi Sites
Johnson Central

**Reece Endicott
Prestonsburg**

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East Ridge

Courtney Hoskins
Perry Central

Honorable Mention

Bailey Birchfield
Pike Central

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Bobcats roll past Jenkins in season opener

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

ALLEN — Betsy Layne picked up its first win in the 2019 high school baseball season on Friday, beating visiting Jenkins 11-1 in six innings in a home opener.

With the win, Betsy Layne improved to 1-2.

Jenkins slipped to 0-2 with the loss.

Betsy Layne pitcher Cameron Kimbler earned the win. Kimbler surrendered one run on two hits over five innings, striking out seven and walking one.

Another pitcher, Sam Boyd, worked one inning

on the mound for the Bobcats.

Jenkins pitcher Lyric Day suffered the loss. Day allowed three hits and five runs over one and one-third innings, striking out one. Two Jenkins pitchers, Hayden Fleming and Keegan Bentley, entered the game out of the bullpen, throwing three and two-thirds innings and two-thirds of an inning, respectively.

Betsy Layne outthit Jenkins 8-2 in the early-season high school baseball game.

Zack Bentley and Josh Hall led Betsy Layne at the plate, providing two hits apiece.

The Bobcats excelled on the basepaths, recording nine steals. Bentley paced Betsy Layne on the bases, swiping three bags in the victory.

Matthew Dudleson drove in three runs for the Bobcats. Boyd, Dudleson, Paul Hall and Brady Robinson finished with one hit apiece.

Faring well defensively, Betsy Layne committed only one error.

Jenkins struggled defensively, committing three errors in the setback.

Betsy Layne is slated to visit Jenkins on May 11.



Betsy Layne's Byron Tackett

Jaguars defeat Phelps for first win

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — Floyd Central notched its first win in the 2019 high school baseball season on Friday, defeating visiting Phelps 12-2 in five innings.

Familiar foes, Floyd Central and Phelps are 15th Region rivals.

The Jaguars outthit Phelps 15-3 and overcame three errors to earn the win.

However, Phelps scored first. The Hornets plated one run in the top half of the first inning and limited the Jaguars in multiple plate appearances.

But Floyd Central answered, scoring a run of its own in the bottom half of the initial frame.

The Jaguars managed to blow the game open in the home portion of the third inning, erupting for nine runs.

Phelps scored again in the top half of the fourth inning but couldn't push the Jaguars. Floyd Central added two runs

in the bottom half of the fifth inning to force the matchup to end early via the KHSAA Mercy Rule.

Floyd Central pitcher Braydon Hamilton earned the win. Hamilton allowed three hits and two runs over five innings, striking out five.

Phelps pitcher Brandon Turnmire took the loss. Turnmire threw two and two-thirds innings, allowing 10 runs on 13 hits and striking out three.

Hamilton, Caleb Hager, Blake Slone, Matt Combs and Logan Conley each collected multiple hits for the Jaguars. Hager, Slone and Combs connected for three hits apiece to lead Floyd Central offensively.

Phelps committed five errors in the loss.

Turnmire, Jordon Blankenship and Riley Dotson delivered one hit apiece for the Hornets.

Floyd Central is scheduled to visit Phelps on April 5.

Lady Jags fall to Perry Central

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

HAZARD — Floyd Central was unable to break into the win column on the road in the neighboring 14th Region as host Perry County Central prevailed 9-4 in a non-district high school softball game on Friday.

With the loss, Floyd Central dropped to 0-2.

Perry Central improved to 1-2 with the win.

Homestanding Perry Central outthit Floyd Central 4-2. The Lady Commodores won despite committing eight errors.

Perry Central owned multiple leads. However, Floyd Central, after trailing through the first four innings, scored three runs in the top half of the fifth frame to move ahead 4-3.

But Perry Central answered. The Lady Com-

modores pushed across six runs in the bottom half of the inning to take a 9-4 lead.

Perry Central pitcher Kim Hughes threw a two-hitter and earned the win. Hughes allowed two hits and four runs over seven innings, striking out 10 and walking zero.

Floyd Central pitcher Ashley Bellamy suffered the loss. Bellamy worked six innings, allowing nine runs on four hits and striking out two.

Emilee Eversole led Perry Central at the plate, finishing with two hits in four at-bats. Crystiana Couch, who finished with one hit, drove in two runs for the Lady Commodores.

Katie Moore and Chelsea Johnson delivered one hit apiece for the Lady Jaguars.

Floyd Central committed seven errors in the loss.

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I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following Settlements of Estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said Settlements must do so on or before April 24th, 2019 at 10:00 am.

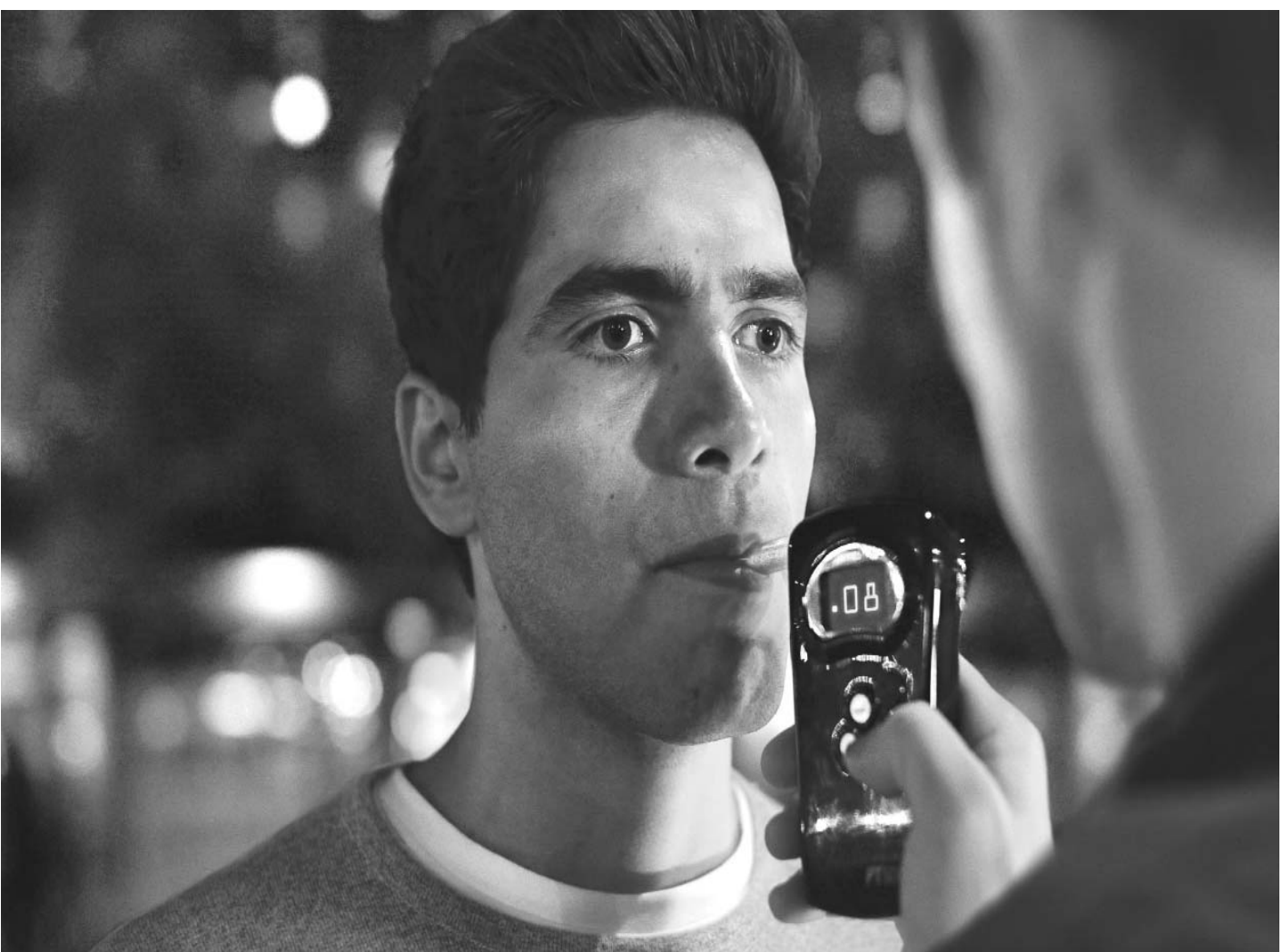
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FINAL	18-P-367	DANIEL CRAWFORD	JANET CRAWFORD	9/12/18

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