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Grand jury: Bank employee stole cash from customer accounts

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County grand jury indicted a former bank employee for al-

legedly stealing nearly \$40,000 in cash from two customer accounts.

The grand jury indicted former First Commonwealth Bank employee

Dorinda Hull, 29, of Garrett, on two counts of theft by unlawful taking or disposition.

Hull allegedly stole money from accounts be-

longing to two customers at the bank, the indictment says, from Jan. 19-23, from Feb. 7-8, and on Feb. 4 and Feb. 20.

Floyd County Com-

monwealth's Attorney Brent Turner reported that Hull was an employee at the bank when the

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'Burn Run' held in Prestonsburg

The Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club hosted its annual Burn Run on July 26-27 at Archer Park in Prestonsburg, featuring numerous activities for bikers, families and children, as well as vendors and live music. The event raised funds for Camp Ytiliba, a camp hosted by Shriner's Hospitals for children who have been burned.

Floyd Chronicle and Times photos by Mary Meadows



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Mother accused of putting kids at risk

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County grand jury indicted a mother for allegedly endangering the lives of her four small children by walking across a roadway at night with them while she was intoxicated.

The grand jury indicted Jessica McLeod, 28, of Auxier, on four felony counts of first-degree wanton endangerment for allegedly endangering the lives of her children, who officials said were 3, 4, 5 and 7 years old when McLeod was originally arrested in March 2018.

McLeod was also indicted on another felony count, third-degree assault of a police officer, as well as several misdemeanor charges: Four counts of endangering the welfare of a minor, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest and first-degree disorderly conduct.

Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Justin Szymchack arrested McLeod after 11 p.m. on March 27, 2018, after being dispatched to Main Street in Martin to investigate the allegations made against her.

In the citation, Szymchack claims McLeod appeared to be intoxicated and she became "irate

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Schools to become '100 percent tobacco free'

By MARY MEADOWS STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Board of Education approved a request this month to start implementing a plan that would

make all properties and vehicles owned by the school district "100 percent tobacco free."

The effort was forwarded by the Floyd County Tobacco Coalition, a group of local in-

dividuals who also helped draft tobacco bans in several local cities. Members of the group talked about the proposal during the board meeting.

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You are now entering a 100% tobacco and vape-free campus.



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This is an example of the signs proposed for the "100 percent tobacco free" schools in Floyd County.

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Couple indicted for alleged drug possession, counterfeit bills

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Floyd County grand jury recently indicted a couple accused of possessing drugs and counterfeit bills.

The grand jury issued indictments against Landon Frazier, 38, of

McDowell, and Rhonda Lynn Frazier, 38, of Prestonsburg, charging each of them with first-degree possession of a controlled substance, criminal possession of a forged instrument and possession of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor.

They were arrested

at the Alpike Motel on April 1, 2018, by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department after Deputy Justin Szymchack attempted to serve a warrant on Landon Frazier.

In the motel room, Szymchack reported that he discovered a clear plastic bag containing

what appeared to be methamphetamine, a glass pipe and a "bag full of counterfeit dollar bills."

Szymchack reported finding an envelope in the room with Rhonda Frazier's address that contained \$1,300 in counterfeit bills: one \$100 bill, 40 \$20 bills and 40 \$10

bills. The grand jury indicted her for that allegation and also alleged in Landon Frazier's indictment that he possessed three counterfeit \$20 bills at the time of the arrest.

The forged instrument charge carries a potential penalty of between five and 10 years,

while the drug possession charge carries a potential penalty of between one and five years.

Rhonda Frazier is scheduled to be arraigned in Floyd Circuit Court on Aug. 26. Landon Frazier had a hearing in Floyd Circuit Court on Monday.

Arraignment held in assault case

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A Dana resident accused of endangering the lives of two family members during an altercation this year appeared in Floyd Circuit Court last week for an arraignment.

Circuit Judge Tom Smith scheduled a pre-trial conference to be held Oct. 24 in the case against Clifford Jarrell Jr., 54.

Jarrell was indicted last month and charged with second-degree assault, first-degree wanton endangerment, second-degree criminal mischief, a misdemeanor, and several traffic violations.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner reported after the indictment was issued in June that the alleged incident involved a man and a teenager who are related to Jarrell. He reported that the alleged victims claim that Jarrell ran their vehicle off the road. Turner reported last month that there was also an allegation in this case about an assault with a bat.

The indictment alleges that Jarrell allegedly assaulted Bruce Jarrell and damaged or destroyed property that belonged to him on April 6, and that he "wantonly engaged in conduct" that created a "substantial danger of death and/or serious physical injury" to a child.

According to documents filed in Floyd County District Court, the Kentucky State Police investigated a single vehicle collision on Ky. 1426 at the mouth of Sampson Fork on April 6, in which a Chevy Trailblazer driven

by Clifford Jarrell ran off the road and hit a tree.

The district court file indicate that both Jarrell and the alleged victim in the case told the KSP conflicting stories on the day the incident occurred.

The district court file reports that Clifford Jarrell claimed that Bruce Jarrell ran his vehicle off the road, but Bruce Jarrell denied that allegation when he arrived on scene.

The documents said that he told KSP officials that Clifford Jarrell ran him off the road and a

woman, who was arrested that day on other charges, hit him in the head with a bat.

Smith set a \$2,000 surety bond for Clifford Jarrell. He was also ordered to have no vio-

lations of the law, no contact with the alleged victims in the case and to not possess any weapon.

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Incoming students participated in Kindergarten Camp in all Floyd County elementary schools on Monday, July 29. These photos were provided by Allen Elementary. Submitted photos



Financial Focus

with
Sarah Lange Hyden

Welcoming a New Child? Consider These Financial Moves

If a new child has entered your life, you are no doubt full of joy today and hopes for the future. And you can help make that future a brighter one for your child and your family by taking some important steps in these areas:

- **College** – Given the consistently rising costs of higher education, the earlier you start your savings and investment plans, the better off you will likely be. While it may be difficult to set aside money for education when you're still a young family, planning to cram at the last minute is not a good idea. Time is one of your biggest assets, and delaying even a few years can have a big effect on your portfolio's value.

In addition, just like regular attendance is crucial for success in school, setting aside money every month can help make a difference in reaching your family's education savings goals. Developing a strategy for achieving your education savings goal can help you stay on track. And if you have other goals, such as saving for retirement, it's important to address how they fit into your overall financial strategy.

- **Insurance** – If you did not have life insurance before, you may want to consider it now. Ask yourself: *If something happened to me, would my child be able to stay in the same house? Receive an education? Enjoy a comfortable lifestyle?* Even if you have an actively involved co-parent with a steady income, it still might not be enough to take care of your child in the way you would have wanted. Consequently, you may need life insurance – and you might need other types of protection, too, such as disability insurance.

- **Estate plans** – With luck, you will live to see your children as adults who have found their way in the world. Still, it's best to be prepared for anything – which means you should draw up your estate plans well before they are likely to be needed. Among other things, you may want to name someone to serve as your child's guardian if you – and your co-parent, if one is involved – are not around. And because a minor generally cannot inherit money or property, you may also want to appoint a conservator to act as a guardian over whatever financial assets your child might inherit until the child is of age, which will be 18 or 21, depending on where you live. Your legal professional can help you determine whether you should write a will and possibly create other estate planning documents, such as a living trust.

Even when you devote the time and money necessary to your new child, you can't forget about yourself and your own needs – in particular, you must save and invest for retirement. Contribute as much as you can afford to the retirement accounts available to you, such as your 401(k) and IRA. After all, the more you put away, the less likely the need for your child to help support you later in life.

You'll have much to think about when you welcome a new child to your family – but by taking the time to make the appropriate financial moves, you can help make the transition a positive one.

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Plea negotiations underway in murder case

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A mediation hearing scheduled to be held in case against a former Floyd County inmate accused of murdering another inmate at the jail this year was canceled Friday.

The case against Scotty Gibson, 25, of Prestonsburg, was set for a mediation hearing in Wolfe County last week, but Floyd County Commonwealth Attorney Brent Turner reported



Scotty Gibson

Monday that the mediation had been canceled as both the prosecution and the defense are working to negotiate a plea agreement in the

case. Gibson was indicted last June for allegedly murdering inmate Adam Potter at the Floyd County Detention Center.

Floyd County Circuit Judge Johnny Ray Harris issued an order in March, reporting that both the prosecutors and defendant agreed to send this case to mediation. He scheduled the mediation hearing to be scheduled on July 26 at the Wolfe County Judicial Center.

The Kentucky Supreme Court issued an order in April, assigning retired Judge Julia Hylton Adams as mediator.

Gibson is scheduled to return to Floyd Circuit Court on Thursday

for status hearing in the murder case.

He is also facing various criminal charges that were filed against him in 2018 in Pike County.

In October 2018, a Pike County grand jury indicted Gibson and others for allegedly engaging in a criminal syndicate to bring drugs into the Pike County Detention Center. Charges against Gibson in that case include engaging in a criminal syndicate, promoting contraband and criminal mischief.

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alleged thefts occurred. He said the alleged thefts totaled around \$38,000.

The alleged thefts occurred after First Commonwealth Bank announced that it would merge into Peoples Bancorp, the company that now operates former First Commonwealth Bank branches in Floyd and surrounding counties. That \$45.4 million merger was finalized in April.

Alyssa Ramey-Coleman, regional vice president of Kentucky for Peoples, did not return calls seeking comment.

Hull is scheduled to be arraigned in Floyd Circuit Court on Aug. 20.

TOBACCO

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Superintendent Danny Adkins said creating "100 percent tobacco free" properties sets a good example for students. He said this plan "goes back to the expectations we set for our students."

"If we're telling them that vaping is bad for you or dipping tobacco is bad for you or chewing tobacco is bad for you, or smoking even, to that level, then we should model that," Adkins said. "So, again, we're setting expectations for our students. Not only that, but we're creating a healthier environment for our students because if they're walking through smoke through a parking lot to get to their football game that night, you know, that's second-hand smoke, and we know how that affects people."

He said this program will also promote a healthier lifestyle for staff as well. It comes with a change in state law.

In April, Gov. Matt Bevin signed House Bill 11 into law to prohibit the use of tobacco products by students, school personnel and visitors on school properties, in school vehicles and at school activities.

The ban prohibits the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and vapor products on any property owned by the school district, including parking

lots, athletic fields and during school-related activities and field trips.

The Floyd County Health Department received a \$7,700 grant that will provide signs and educational materials the school district can use to implement the new smoking ban.

The school district is now in the "soft implementation" of this plan, meaning that the district is starting and adhering to the new policy," but staff and parents won't sign agreements this school year.

"It is basically making everyone aware, eliminating any designated smoking areas at our facilities, making the employees aware that it will not be — that smoke free, means no buses, no board vehicles, no school properties, all of that stuff," Adkins said. "And then, next year, it's a complete 100 percent implementation."

Adkins said he doesn't believe there are any "official" designated smoking areas on school properties, but he believes that "some staff know where they can go" to use tobacco.

"Hard implementation" is planned to begin next school year, 2020-2021, and, at that time, staff will sign agreements stating that they will adhere to the policy or face disciplinary action. Students and parents will also be asked to sign agreements. Adkins

said the district will enforce the new policy to the extent possible in the district.

The law requires that school boards adopt written policies prohibiting the use of tobacco prod-

ucts, alternative nicotine products and vapor products by July 1, 2020.

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and started screaming" as she was calling people to find someone who could take her children. When he asked her to put her phone down and place her hands behind her back, she allegedly cursed at him, according to documents filed in the case.

"At that time, I tried to place her hands behind her back when she kicked me in the inner thigh then tried to kick me in the (groin)," Szymczak wrote in the arrest citation.

He reported McLeod tried to "bump" him in the shoulder in an attempt to flee when she was being taken to the police cruiser and he pepper sprayed her. She was transported to ARH Our Lady of the Way in Martin, where she was treated and released before being taken into custody.

Each of the wanton endangerment charges

and the assault charge against McLeod carry potential penalties of between one and five years. The misdemeanor charges alleged by the grand jury carry potential penalties of up to one year.

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EDITORIAL

Still no closer to a solution

Special legislative session results unsurprising and bring no closure

The only focus of the Kentucky General Assembly's recent special session was dealing with a crisis in the state's pension system, and it appears we're still no closer to a solution.

Of course, the entire pension system in Kentucky is in a crisis situation. This session, however, was intended to deal with a specific issue that had resulted in numerous state agencies, sometimes referred to as quasi-governmental agencies, being forced to double their pension contribution.

The costs sparked fears that some agencies could be forced to make steep cutbacks, and, in some cases, close.

Legislators approved House Bill 1 to deal with the issue. But we would argue that while the session may have ended, a resolution is far away.

Here's why.

The entire call for a special session was predicated on the passage or voting down of HB 1, Gov. Matt Bevin's proposal for dealing with the crisis. After the session began, two other bills were proposed, but not approved, to rival Bevin's plan.

Bevin and others celebrated the passage last Wednesday, while the measure's detractors expressed concern, especially because of the part of the measure that allows each agency to decide whether to stay in the state's retirement system.

But, to believe this is the end would be naive. Even before the session started, legislators, including Pike County delegation member, 93rd Dist. state Rep. Chris Harris, pointed out even before it had been passed that it would be challenged in

the courts.

So now, far from having a clear picture of their responsibilities and options, those agencies are even further in confusion. Should they go ahead and act under the provisions of HB 1, knowing that a court could reverse it? Or should they just wait and take the risk?

The answers aren't easy and both sides can likely lay out a persuasive argument.

But, the big concern is that what is happening in Frankfort is a near mirror image of what's occurring on the national stage. Our federal legislators long ago figured out that they don't have to cast votes on controversial measures or actually come up with a plan. They can simply pass whatever and let the U.S. Supreme Court parse it out.

It's easier. It's less messy. It doesn't require compromise or reaching across the aisle. You just throw out a proposal that excites your base and hope the courts come down with an answer you can claim as a political victory.

We're afraid that's what is happening by default in Frankfort, if not by design.

The animus between the two parties and sometimes between various bodies of the legislature and the governor is growing year by year. While, in the past, being a successful legislator meant working with those who don't share your political beliefs and sometimes working out compromise, in today's political climate, it more often means simply crawling in your side's foxhole and lobbing angry words at your oppo-

nent.

The whole reason this special session was required is that, despite all the warnings, all the talk, all the meetings, all the legislation, the state's government has still failed to deal with the underlying issue — making Kentucky's pension system fair to both the taxpayers and the government employees, and ensuring that the system remains solvent.

It's not a new issue. It's been before every legislator who sat in one of those seats in either the House, Senate or governor's office. And each and every time, instead of making the hard choices, instead of working with those with whom they disagree, each side either ignored the problem or rammed a measure through that didn't answer the problems, but simply "kicked

the can down the road" for someone else to deal with.

The special session solved nothing. It may appear on the surface to have, but it really didn't. We can't even be sure that the measure will stand up to the almost likely judicial scrutiny to which it will be subjected.

And, because of that, the government employees and the taxpayers are no better off.

It's time for that to change. It's time for real action to be taken to fix this problem, once and for all, and that's going to take everyone in Frankfort swallowing their pride, putting aside their differences and ideals and ultimately coming up with a solution that serves the people of the commonwealth.

That is the government's job. Now it's time to get to work.

GUEST COLUMN



By **SJ RUTH**
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Broken facts

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So when we found out the Trump administration's Justice Department was going after big tech companies like Facebook, Google and Amazon for monopolistic practices, we paid attention. In 2019, that means putting down the phone,

turning off the cable news and putting TMZ on snooze.

As it turns out, while those three huge corporations and many more are certainly monopolies, the investigation isn't about competition so much as it's about combustion.

The guy who owns Amazon also owns a newspaper in Washington, D.C., and Cadet Bonespurs wants to blow

him up good. Because Jeff Bezos hasn't bowed to the altar of Trump, the high Trumpets are going to see if they can't hobble him to get that neck bent.

Unfortunately for Facebook and Google, Herr Donald doesn't quite get that Bezos doesn't own them, too. There's no way that young kid from Harvard owns all that Facestuff and those guys in charge of Google

aren't even American, if you go by the official American skintone scale.

Justice Department officials are quick to point out that Amazon was named after that place those strong women come from, which is all the reason this administration needs to grab it, fondle it and put it on its knees. Strong women are the second greatest threat to Trump, we mean America, after those dirty brown kids sitting in cages along our southern border.

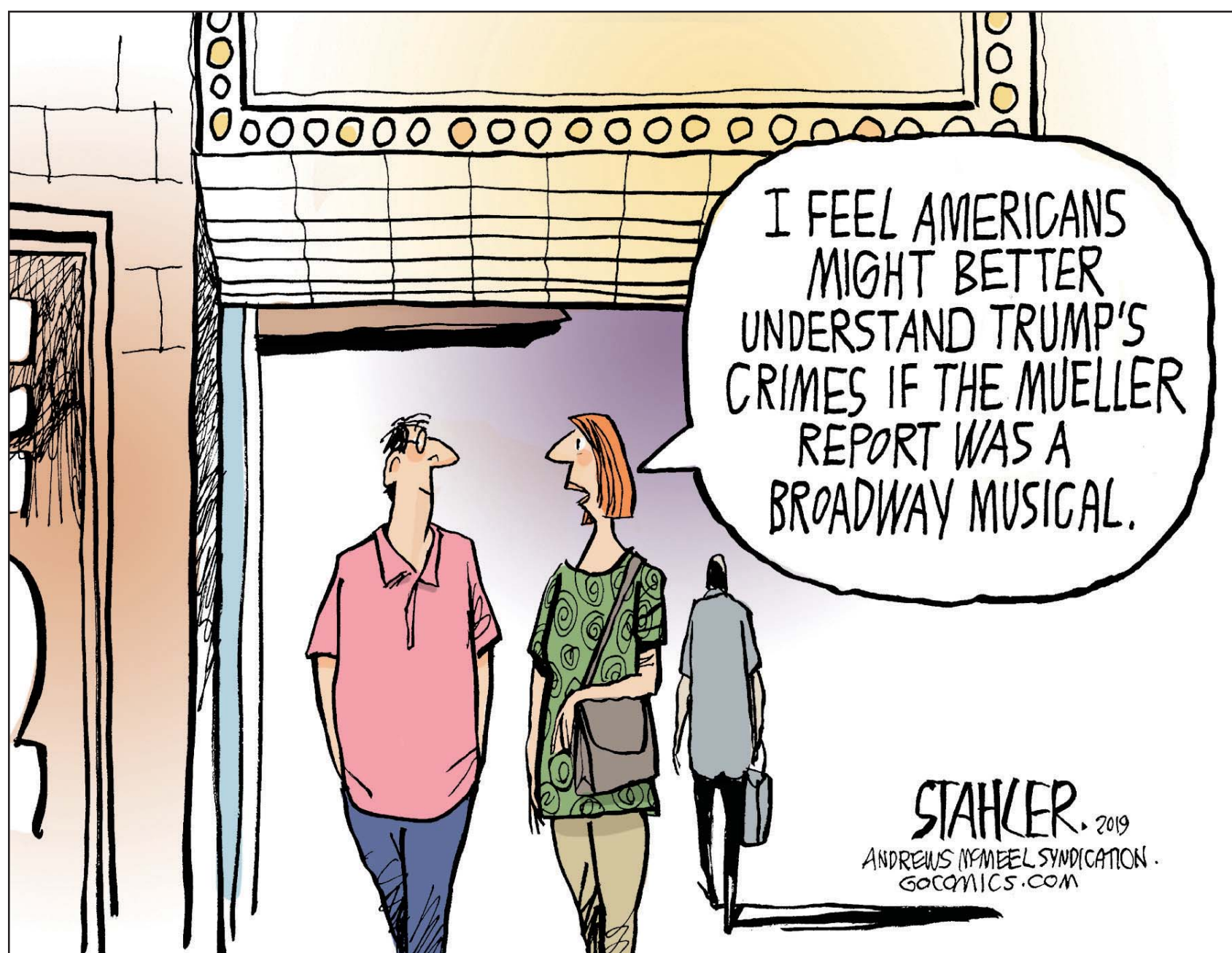
Just an aside, we know many of you be-

lieve it is facts that are the greatest threat to the Trumpster, to which we say "Say What?" Get your head out of the small print people! Facts in the reality TV era are as dangerous as a box of fuzzy kittens.

Those same Justice Department officials, off the record, stated the focus of the investigation is really all about Amazon and Bezos. Facebook, Google and others were named just to make it look like they were serious about monopolies.

Amazingly, the Justice Department officials admit this is really all about spite and nothing else. Kill monopolies? That would lead to actual competition and competition is the last thing the Donald wants to be

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Ribbon cutting held



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Edward Jones Financial Advisor Sarah Lange, front, smiles after cutting the ribbon for the business' new location in Prestonsburg. Lange partnered with the Southeast Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce for the grand opening of her new office in Prestonsburg. The business, which offers financial advising and planning, has been open in Prestonsburg for more than 25 years and relocated to its new office at 359 South Lake Drive earlier this month.

Night Market this weekend

Live music, mural project, vendors in downtown Prestonsburg

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Prestonsburg Tourism will host its third Night Market of the season this weekend.

The Prestonsburg Night Market will be held from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, in downtown Prestonsburg.

The open-air market showcases local artists and musicians, as well as small businesses and up-and-coming businesses.

Prestonsburg Tourism Director Samantha West said the event will

feature live music from several bands and musicians, as well as new and returning vendors, including artisans who do woodworking, embroidery and other arts and crafts. She said Prestonsburg Tourism is also partnering with Star City Arts to host a "re-do" of the mural project that was created on July 4 and later vandalized. The public is invited to attend and paint new murals that will be displayed in the city.

Hundreds of people turned out for the first two Night Market events,

held in May and June. Prestonsburg Tourism started hosting these events last year, modeling them after similar events held in Pike County.

"Shop one-of-a-kind items, groove with the best up-and-coming artists and celebrate the Star City right under the stars," the agency stated on social media.

The final Night Market will be held on Sept. 7.

Businesses, artisans and musicians seeking to participate may call, (606) 886-1341.

FLOYD COUNTY CHRONICLE AND TIMES OBITUARIES

Larry Gene Cook
Larry Gene Cook, 66, of Minnie, died Friday, July 26, 2019.

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 28, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in the Newman Cemetery, Hi Hat.

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

Donnie Ray Hall
Donnie Ray Hall, 72, of Wayland, died Thursday, July 25, 2019.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 29, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in the Homer Hall Cemetery, Topmost.

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

Nella Faye Howard
Nella Faye Howard, 70, of Garrett, died Sunday, July 28, 2019.

Visitation will continue at 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, at Rock Fork Bible Church, Garrett.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, August 1, at the church.

Burial will follow in the Chaffins Cemetery, Garrett.

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

Betty Marshall
Betty Jo Bush Mar-

shall, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, July 28, 2019.

Visitation will continue all day, Wednesday, July 31, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, August 1, at the funeral home.

Burial will follow in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg.

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

Daniel May
Daniel May, 83, of Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., died Monday, July 23, 2019.

A memorial service was held Friday, July 26, at Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in the Newman Cemetery, Hi Hat.

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

James McCloud
James Phillip McCloud, 80, of Marion, Ohio, died Wednesday, July 24, 2019.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 29, 2019, at Boyd-Born Funeral Home, Marion, Ohio.

Graveside services will be held at 12 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, at the Jack Hall Family Cemetery, McDowell.

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Tommy Ryan
Tommy Ryan, 71, of Banner, died Sunday, July 28, 2019.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial will follow in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg.

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Leah Dane Vance
Leah Dane Vance, 67, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, July 26, 2019.

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 28, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial followed in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg.

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Buddy Blake Ward
Buddy Blake Ward, 78, of Martin, died Monday, July 29, 2019.

Visitation will continue Wednesday, July 31, at Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

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Southeast Kentucky Chamber welcomes eight new board members

SPECIAL TO APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — The Southeast Kentucky Chamber of Commerce welcomed eight new individuals to its board of directors during its annual board installation reception held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Pikeville on Thursday, July 25.

The eight new board members will serve a three-year term, from 2019 through 2022. Those who will be serving on the board include: Kathy Allen (Foundation for Appalachian Kentucky), Danny Branham (Dueling Barrels Brewery & Distillery), Carol Casebolt (Pikeville Medical Center), Matt Day (Citizens Bank of Kentucky), Darrell Maynard (Eastern Telephone and Technologies), Heather McPeek (Dream House Furnishings and Southern Bliss), Lora Suttles (McDonald's of East Kentucky) and Samantha West (Prestonsburg Tourism).

"We are excited to welcome our eight new board members to the Chamber. Each of these individuals represent businesses and organizations who are strong partners for the region," said Jordan Gibson, Southeast Kentucky Chamber president and CEO. "The diversity in our board of directors, from throughout the region, helps strengthen the Chamber's vision of reaching beyond county lines for the good of our businesses and communities."

In addition to welcoming new board members, the Chamber also thanked the outgoing board members during the reception. Those outgoing board members were: Tim Deskins (Peoples Bank), Betty Fransisco (Busy Bee Septic Systems), Jimmy England (Peoples Insurance), Pam Howard (Individual, formerly with Pike County Physical Therapy), Sandy Pe-



Submitted photo
Six of the eight new board members for the Southeast Kentucky Chamber of Commerce take the oath of office during a reception held July 25 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Pikeville. Pictured are, from left, Lora Suttles, Darrell Maynard, Samantha West, Kathy Allen, Carol Casebolt and Heather McPeek. Danny Branham and Matt Day are not pictured.

nix (The Benefits Firm), Tammy Riley (American National University) and Kevin Rose (Coca-Cola Bottling Consolidated). During the reception,

Howard Roberts, dean of the University of Pikeville's Coleman College of Business, was installed as the board chair for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

David Baird, of Baird & Baird, PSC, was thanked for his service as chair for the 2018-2019 year and was presented with an engraved, wooden

chair in honor of his service to the Chamber. For more information about the Chamber, visit, www.sekchamber.com, or call, (606) 432-5504.

Community Events

Wednesday, July 31

- 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Drop-in for Science features activities for parents and children, East Kentucky Science Center.
- 5 p.m.: Open house for Duff-Allen Central Middle sixth, seventh and eighth graders
- 5:30 p.m.: Open house for South Floyd Elementary students in fourth through eighth grade
- 6 p.m.: Friends of Jenny Wiley to host monthly meeting, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park lodge, Prestonsburg.
- 6 p.m.: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to host a public meeting about the redevelopment project in Martin at the Martin Fire Department, to provide an update about the project, solicit input in accordance of the National Environmental Policy Act. (304) 399-

5924

- 6.m. to 8 p.m.: Martin Tourism to host a back to school event at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Ky. 80 in Martin. Activities will include free food, inflatables, free haircuts and live music. For details, call, (606) 259-3600.

Thursday, Aug. 1

- 4 p.m.: Open house at John M. Stumbo Elementary
- 5 p.m.: Open house at Betsy Layne Elementary School
- 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Open house for sophomores, juniors and seniors, Betsy Layne High School
- 5 p.m.: Open house for Duff-Allen Central; kindergarten through fifth-grade students
- 5 p.m.: Open house for May Valley Elementary

- 5 p.m.: Open house for Allen Elementary
- 5 p.m.: Open house for Prestonsburg Elementary
- 5:30 p.m.: Pen and Tell Writers' Group, Floyd County Public Library, Prestonsburg
- 7 p.m.: Mountain Arts Center to host KET presentation of "Big Family: The Story of Bluegrass Music." macarts.com
- 7 p.m.: Reigning Fire Ministries to host "Overhaul" at Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship, 1457 Town Branch, Prestonsburg. It's a Christ-based "12-step infused" recovery program for people dealing with "any and all hurts and habits, from depression to chemical dependency."
- 7:30 p.m.: Tim Michaels "Back to You" Tour, Dewey's Bar and

- Grill, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. (606) 889-1790
- Friday, Aug. 2**
- 5 p.m.: Fridays after 5 features music by Russ Preston at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, May Lodge
- 6:30 p.m.: Prestonsburg High School to host "Blackcat Nation: Black and Red Invasion," a celebration of student athletes at the high school and its feeder schools featuring a parade and fireworks.
- 7 p.m.: Jordan Allen to perform, Stonecrest Golf Course
- 7 p.m.: Front Porch Pickin," Mountain Arts Center. Free admission. macarts.com
- Saturday, Aug. 3**
- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.:

- Left Beaver Fire & Rescue Ladies Auxilliary will host a clothing giveaway and bake sale at the department's #2 Station in McDowell. Free clothing and schools will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis. Hotdogs, hamburgers, nachos and cheese, chips, baked items and refreshments will be sold to raise funds for the annual Santa Run.
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Floyd County Farmer's Market open, at the Attorney General's office in Prestonsburg.
- 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.: Prestonsburg Night Market, downtown Prestonsburg
- 7:30 p.m.: Final performance of the Billie Jean Osborne's Kentucky Opry, Mountain Arts Cen-

- ter, featuring Bluegrass Night. Tickets are \$16 per adult, \$14 for seniors age 55 or older. macarts.com
- 7:30 p.m.: Rocky Ridge Stables hosts horse show, Prestonsburg Equine Center, StoneCrest. (606) 367-1386
- Sunday, Aug. 4**
- 11 a.m.: Abbott Creek Free Will Baptist Church to host community cookout following morning worship.
- 11:45 a.m.: Allen Baptist Church, U.S. 23, Prestonsburg, to host "Prayer for our Schools." Attendees are asked to wear their school colors.
- 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.: The Art Gallery in Langley is open at 297 Johns Branch Road in Langley. Artgalleryinlangley.org

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Pikeville Comic-Con set to return and continues to grow

By **AUSTIN BLANKENSHIP**
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — Downtown Pikeville and Appalachian Wireless Arena are preparing to host the third year of the Pikeville Comic and Toy Convention.

The event will give those attending the chance to bask in the ambiance of their younger years as they are surrounded by comics, toys, props and even a few of the people who helped bring some of their favorite characters to life.

Kent Leedy, a native of Prestonsburg and owner of The estore Comic & Tech Shop has been attending comic and toy conventions since he was in high school, however, he said he hated the fact that he always had to travel a minimum of two hours away just to be able to attend an event. That growing frustration sparked Leedy to form the idea of finally hosting his own convention at his store in Prestonsburg, giving not only him, but others around the area, a chance to be around memorabilia they love and to interact with others that share their passion.

"I had thought about doing one for a long time, and three years ago I was talking to a friend about doing a show at The estore, but as the conversation grew, so did the idea," Leedy said. "I

contacted the East Kentucky Expo Center (now the Appalachian Wireless Arena) about the idea and the cost to use the facility and then — boom — the idea hit the ground running."

According to Leedy, the first year was difficult, but by doing searches on the Internet for agencies that manage public appearances, the first step was underway and his idea was finally coming to form.

"Creating a website and Facebook helped because a lot of these agencies search for conventions and reach out to you about their clients," he said.

Although the first year was difficult, the event has grown and Leedy said that growth continues at a great rate as the event came close to doubling its prior attendance last year. And, he said, this year will be even bigger.

"This year we have added more guests, panels and even a Friday evening VIP early access time," he said. "We hope people enjoy and appreciate what we are trying to do and with their support we hope to see the show continue to grow."

That growth has resulted in the attendance by some great legends, as Leedy refers to them. Some of the names include: Roger Bumpass, who provides the voice of Squidward, a character

form the children's show "Spongebob Squarepants," WWE Hall of Fame wrestler Sgt. Slaughter, as well as a number of people who have directly helped create some comic-book favorites. Leedy said he's extremely excited for this year's roster, to which he referred as some of the rock stars of the industry. However, he alluded that there is one star he's especially excited to meet.

"The one I'm most excited to meet is Larry Hama," Leedy said. "I'm a huge G.I. Joe fan and he wrote the file card for every character. He has also wrote some great stories for Marvel and continues to write for them."

"He really enjoys meeting his fans and I have a lot of questions for him," he added.

According to Leedy, he hopes the convention continues building so that it can attract more and more celebrities, hoping maybe one day he book some of his own favorites.

"For me personally, I'd love to have anyone from the cast of Lord of the Rings," he said. "Chris Pratt (best known for playing Starlord in Marvels Guardians of the Galaxy and Avengers films) would be nice or even Rowan Atkinson (the actor who portrayed Mr. Bean).

"Harrison Ford (best known for his roles in

hits such as Star Wars, Blade Runner and Indiana Jones) would be pretty awesome to meet as well," he added.

This year, Leedy said, the event will be partnering with Applebee's, Texas Roadhouse, El Azul Grande and Bank 253. Those restaurants will either be offering a discount or free appetizer if a customer has their wristband or badge from the show on Saturday.

Another partnership for the event stems from the Landmark Hotel, which will be offering a convention rate for anyone coming into the area who needs a hotel. Leedy

and Appalachian Wireless Arena Senior Director of Sales and Marketing Josh Kessler said people come from far and wide to attend the Pikeville Comic Con.

"It's great for tourism in the area," Kessler said. "I know people in the past years that have come all the way from South Carolina just to be here."

According to Kessler, the local economy that gets a boost from the event is one of the reasons the arena is very excited have the event back for its third year.

"The local economy that gets impacted by

this event has to be noted," he said. "Heads in beds, patrons visiting local restaurants and local merchants, that's what I love about the arena hosting events such as this."

Kessler said he's excited to appeal to a different type of audience and that the arena is already looking forward to next year's convention.

The Pikeville Comic and Toy Convention is set to take place at the Appalachian Wireless Arena, beginning with a special VIP showcase on Aug. 2 and general admission beginning at 10 a.m. Aug. 3.



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McGrath pledges to be in E. Ky. 'a lot' during Senate campaign

By CHRIS ANDERSON
APPALACHIAN NEWSPAPERS

PIKEVILLE — The race to determine whether Mitch McConnell will continue his more-than-three decades of service in the U.S. Senate will not be determined for more than a year, but shots have already been fired in the race, and a Democratic challenger has already pledged to make Eastern Kentucky an important part of her campaign.

Retired U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Col. Amy McGrath recently announced her candidacy for Kentucky's seat in the U.S. Senate and, if she is successful in next spring's primary election, she will go toe-to-toe with McConnell, who serves as the Senate Majority Leader in Washington.

"We need to get rid of Sen. McConnell in order to help Kentuckians," McGrath said.

In an interview with Appalachian Newspapers, McGrath, a 44-year-old northern Kentucky native and former fighter pilot, said she plans on making Eastern Kentucky an important battleground in the race against McConnell.

"I think (Eastern Kentucky) is going to be a huge part of our campaign," McGrath said, adding that she spoke at the University of Pikeville about leadership last fall.

McGrath said she spent time as a teenager in Harlan County while performing Catholic mission work. She said the area is special to her and many of the issues facing the area are ones she hopes to address as a member of the Senate. Chief among those issues is healthcare, she said.

McGrath alleged that McConnell is "bought off by big pharma," saying he has received millions in donations from pharmaceutical manufacturers while ignoring the needs of Kentuckians and blocking efforts to lower the cost of prescription drugs.

"We still have a lot of people that cannot afford healthcare, and you've got a guy like Sen. McConnell who is stopping basic, reasonable things from happening, from getting prices down, for example," she said. "This is something that President Trump has talked about doing in getting prescription drug prices down and he's had some reasonable ideas on how to do that."

She said McConnell has failed to see any of those ideas through.

"To have a senator that doesn't want to do the basic bi-partisan thing, that's just an example of how he's failing us," she said.

McGrath said she is a supporter of people having private insurance and Kentuckians should have more choices when it comes to their healthcare coverage. She said all Americans should have a

"public option" for insurance coverage.

"I'm a retired military officer, I get my healthcare through the V.A. and I get it through insurance through the government, I pay for it," she said. "I think that you ought to have that option that you can pay for it, and if you want to pay for your private insurance, you pay for it. If you want Uncle Sam's plan, you pay for that. These are really reasonable things that would not upend our healthcare system. It would just create more options for people, it would bring prices down because now the private insurance would have to compete with Uncle Sam."

"More competition is exactly what Republicans should want, but here's the thing, Mitch McConnell is bought off by the insurance companies who are actually out for money. They're out for profit and that's the difference between somebody like Mitch McConnell and myself," she said. "I care about Kentuckians and he cares about lobbyists and the people that fund his campaign and the entities that fund his campaign."

Another area on which McGrath will focus, she said, is job creation.

McGrath said Kentucky's wage rates have remained stagnant for most of McConnell's tenure in the Senate. She said the Senate Majority Leader has hindered

progress among the state's working class.

"He's been in office 34 years and we're still talking about how we can revitalize Eastern Kentucky," she said. "He doesn't have any plan to bring good jobs to Eastern Kentucky, and that's what I want to talk about. It's not just the unemployment rate. When you have Kentuckians that have to have three jobs to make ends meet, we're not on the right track."

McGrath said the key to bringing good jobs to Eastern Kentucky is infrastructure improvement. McGrath said when businesses come to Kentucky, they are turned off by a lack of reliable cell service and broadband availability east of Winchester.

"When business come to Kentucky, a lot of times they'll fly into Bluegrass Airport, they'll want to relocate and they'll drive 35 minutes east of Lexington and they'll lose cell phone coverage," she said. "Guess what they do, they turn around and drive right back to the airport and fly to one of the other 10 locations in the United States that have better infrastructure."

"The fact is businesses are not going to relocate if they cannot talk to the modern world, and that's why we need infrastructure in terms of broadband," she said. "That's where we're going."

McGrath cited McCo-

nnell's assertion in April that repealing some of the corporate tax cuts included in this year's tax reform bill is a "non-starter" among his caucus as an example of the Senator allegedly not being interested in infrastructure improvements aimed at bringing jobs to Eastern Kentucky. McConnell told reporters the tax cuts were responsible for the country's growing economy.

"He's not doing the things required to revitalize Eastern Kentucky," McGrath said. "He's been there 34 years and we're still talking about how we make things better, and they really haven't gotten much better."

McGrath lost a bid to unseat Kentucky's Sixth District Congressman Andy Barr last November. She performed well, earning more than 47 percent of the vote. She said the most important thing that she picked up from that race was that voters are mostly tired of established politicians and their partisan efforts.

"We gave people a lot of hope and we energized people in a way that they haven't been energized before, to care about our government and to believe we can change things and have leaders of courage, integrity and character," she said. "... Our message of 'Let's put our country above our political party' resonates with so many Kentucki-

ans."

An issue she said resonates with many Kentuckians, particularly in Eastern Kentucky, is coal.

McGrath said McConnell has used coal as a "political football" in order to win votes. She said her focus is helping coal miners rather than helping coal-producing corporations.

"Coal miners are the most important things that come out of a mine and we have to support coal miners and that means finding jobs for them and plan for what is happening," she said. "This issue of coal has been used as a political football for years, especially by Sen. McConnell. He is all about protecting the big coal corporations like the ones that hurt our miners again and again like BlackJewel. He protects the corporations. I'm somebody that wants to protect the coal miners and protect their pensions and talk about their health insurance and talk about black lung and make sure they're taken care of."

McGrath said the lack of jobs for out-of-work coal miners forcing many to leave the region or the state is an example of McConnell's failure to miners. She said the issue should be addressed rather than continuing to place blame.

"I'm a military officer. We may not want to go to war against North Ko-

rea, but you better believe we've got a plan for it," she said. "We don't want coal to decline, but we better have a plan for how to address it. I'm somebody that wants to bring good jobs to Eastern Kentucky and stop this political madness and lying to people about what's happening. We've got to recognize what's happening and have a plan for the future while also protecting coal miners and not protecting the big corporations."

A mother of three children and wife to a registered Republican, McGrath said she is running for office because it is "a service" to the state and "the right thing" to do for her children and all the children in Kentucky. She said she wants to work across the aisle for the good of Kentucky and the country.

"I think we're too partisan in this country," she said. "I'm a person who just wants to get things done and I'll work with any president — one who wears a red jersey or one who wears a blue jersey, doesn't matter to me — to actually get things done for Kentucky, and that's my message."

The News-Express reached out to McConnell's campaign to request an interview, but, as of presstime, had not received a formal response.

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Bevin, state officials visit Salyersville

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Governor Matt Bevin joined other elected officials in Magoffin County on July 26 to announce the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will begin construction in August on a new segment of the Mountain Parkway project in that county.

The more than \$70 million construction project will widen and improve a crash-prone section of the parkway near the Magoffin and Morgan county line, a press release said.

The Magoffin County West segment will connect the new, four-lane roadway currently being built in Morgan County with a four-lane section already completed near

Salyersville, creating a 21-mile stretch of parkway.

"The completion of this segment will improve mobility through this corridor and eliminate what has been a choke point for drivers — the only stretch of the Parkway for 21 miles where traffic remains constrained to two lanes," the press release said.

The new segment, known as the Magoffin County West segment, runs from west of the Cutino-Hager Road overpass, to west of the Middle Fork of the Licking River Bridge, covering about 4.6 miles of roadway.

"The Magoffin County West segment of the Mountain Parkway expansion will not only

bring ease of mobility and safer travel to residents along its path, but will also play a pivotal role in attracting exciting new economic opportunities to the region," said Bevin. "We are grateful for those who have worked and will continue to work on this safety-driven project, and we look forward to seeing how this corridor will further accelerate economic growth in Eastern Kentucky and beyond."

Transportation Secretary Greg Thomas said moving this new segment of the road into the construction phase "brings us one step closer to making our shared vision a reality for the people of Eastern Kentucky and for the Commonwealth."

The first completed

segment of the Mountain Parkway Expansion Project was the Magoffin County central segment in 2016. The project is currently undergoing construction in Morgan County and on Restaurant Row in Salyersville. Restaurant Row is on track for completion by the end of fall 2019, the press release said. The new Magoffin County west segment will be "phased into construction" in August and will remain under construction for the next three years, due for completion in the fall of 2022, according to the press release.

When the project is complete, it will span more than 90 miles in six counties.

'Prayer for our Schools' to be held

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Prestonsburg High School reports that Allen Baptist Church is hosting a special prayer for students this weekend.

On Sunday, Aug. 4, the church will host "Prayer for our Schools" at 11:45 a.m. Attendees are asked to wear their school colors to the service.

Members of the church's youth group will also offer a presentation on the church's FUGE camp.

The church is located at 354 U.S. 23 in Prestonsburg. Its regular services begin with Bible study at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays, followed by the service at 10:45 p.m.

For more information, call, (606) 874-9468.

Registration gets underway for search and rescue training

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Kentucky Emergency Management is taking registration for a three-day basic search and rescue program that will be held in Prestonsburg.

The training, which is open to any first responder age 18 and older, will provide guidance to search and rescue field responders on best practices and techniques, information about duties and tasks, current information on clothing and equipment, details about the latest search techniques and information about specialties like

hasty search, grid search, specialty teams, subject packaging and transport.

KYEM reports that 20 advanced student registrations are required by Aug. 2 to ensure that this class will be available in Floyd County. Officials with emergency management, fire department, emergency medical, rescue squads, law enforcement or any other team that is responsible for searching for missing or lost people are encouraged to attend.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC, 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, Kentucky 40509 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increments 1 and 5 of permit number 836-0445 which was last issued on June 22, 2018. Increment 1 covers an area of approximately 15.43 acres and Increment 5 covers an area of approximately 24.62 acres located 0.6 miles south of Hite in Floyd County, Kentucky. The permit area is approximately 0.6 miles northwest from the junction of KY Route 122 and KY Route 2030 and located in the vicinity of Osborn Branch. The bond now in effect for Increment 1 is a surety bond in the amount of \$75,000. Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$75,000 is included in this application for release.

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has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Hazard Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, P.O. Box 851, Hazard, Kentucky 41702. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by August 30, 2019.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Spurlock Mining, LLC, 3228 Summit Square Place, Suite 180, Lexington, Kentucky 40509 intends to apply for a Phase I bond release on Increments 2 and 11 of permit number 836-8079 which was last issued on July 26, 2018. Increment 2 covers an area of 25.40 acres and Increment 11 covers an area of 27.02 acres located 1.90 miles southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approxi-

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mately 1.4 miles southeast from KY Route 122's junction with KY Route 2030 and located 0.004 miles northeast of Spurlock Creek. The bond now in effect for Increment 2 is a surety bond in the amount of \$106,000. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$106,000 is included in this application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment 11 is a surety bond in the amount of \$127,000. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$127,000 is included in this application for release. Reclamation work performed for Increment 2 includes: backfilling, grading and seeding which was completed in Fall of 2016. Results thus far achieved are backfilling, grading, and initial revegetation of disturbed areas. Reclamation work performed for Increment 11 includes: backfilling, grading and seeding which

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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 August 31st, 2019 at 10:00 am.

SETTLEMENT	CASE NUMBER	ESTATE OF:	FIDUCIARY	DATE FILED
FINAL	17-P-354	NICHOLAUS ADKINS	JUDITH CASALINO	9/12/17
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FINAL	19-P-4	JEWEL TUSSEY	IRA JOE TUSSEY	1/2/19
FINAL	19-P-21	MAGGIE DANIELS	THOMAS DUANE DANIELS	1/11/19

LEGAL NOTICE: NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of Floyd District Court, Do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All person indebted to an Estate should settle with the Fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

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Bluegrass at the MAC

'Story of Bluegrass' to be screened; opry honors bluegrass in final show

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Kentucky Educational Television is giving local residents a sneak peek at its new documentary, "Big Family: The Story of Bluegrass Music," at the Mountain Arts Center this week, and the Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry is ending its summer season with that theme.

A preview screening of the documentary will be free and open to the public at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 1. It will feature footage from around the world, interviews with "legend and newcomers" in the bluegrass music industry, as well as music. Attendees will be able to participate in a question-and-answer session after the screening, which comes weeks before KET will debut

the documentary. The full film will broadcast on KET on Aug. 30 at 9 p.m.

The Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry will continue to tell the story of bluegrass music this weekend by dedicating its final summer season show to that genre.

The final show of the summer opry season will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, at the MAC.

It will open with performances by the Jr. Pros and also includes the colorful antics of house comedian, Munroe.

Registration is required for the free screening. Tickets to the opry are \$16 per adult and \$14 per senior citizens.

To register, or to get tickets to the opry, visit, macarts.com or stop by the MAC's box office.



Floyd Chronicle and Times file photo

Thousands of people have flocked to the Mountain Arts Center this summer to watch the Billie Jean Osborne Kentucky Opry. The final summer season show is set for Saturday.

Clothing giveaway, bake sale to be held

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

A local fire department is hosting a clothing giveaway and bake sale this weekend.

The Left Beaver Fire & Rescue Ladies Auxiliary will host a clothing giveaway and bake sale from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, at its Fire Station #2 in McDowell.

The group will give

away clothing and shoes on a first-come, first-served basis, until all items are given away.

The group is also hosting a bake sale to raise funds for the department's annual Santa Run. That event will feature hotdogs, hamburgers, baked goods and other items for sale, with all proceeds benefiting the annual Santa Run.



Submitted photos

Campers make "elephant toothpaste" to learn about exothermic and endothermic chemical reactions during a camp held at Prestonsburg High School.

'STEM You Can'

High school students host camp at PHS

A FLOYD CHRONICLE AND TIMES STAFF REPORT

Prestonsburg High School students teamed up with another high school student from Louisville to host a free STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) camp for girls this month.

The "STEM You Can" camp, open to elementary and middle school students, was held at PHS on July 22-25.

It was organized through a national non-profit, "STEM You Can," which offers a camp in Louisville. One of the high school student counselors at that camp, Elizabeth Gallagher, a ju-

nior at DuPont Manual High School, reached out to PHS student Abbey Poe about the possibility of starting a "STEM You Can" camp in Eastern Kentucky.

"Abbey then recruited other PHS students to help launch the camp at Prestonsburg," a press release from the school said. "Elizabeth and Abbey were met with enthusiasm when they presented their ideas to their peers."

Other PHS juniors who helped Poe and Gallagher included Jaden Minix, 15, Tabitha Mitchell, 16, Hannah Ratliff, 16, Shae Robinson, 16, Erin West, 16 and Abby Wilks,



16.

The PHS students wrote a grant proposal and received funding to provide STEM activities at the camp. The high school provided free lunch for campers.

The campers learned about math, weather, first aid, health and chemistry at the camp. Activities included math relays, tie dying, "Band-

Aid portraits," "elephant toothpaste," food webs and other STEM projects.

The students sent out a press release, thanking the school, its youth service center, Principal Lori Bricken, guest speaker Elaine Manning, science teachers Kenneth Bradley and Tyra Gallagher, math teacher Tina Crum and volunteers Janet Tackett and Jenny Burchett.



Grant awarded

The David School was recently awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Foundation for Appalachian Kentucky and its affiliate the Floyd County Community Foundation. School officials report the grant will fund the breakfast and lunch program and pilot a take-home meal program for students. Pictured are foundation members Ellen Harris, Missy Allen, left, and Tonya Shepherd, right, as well as school officials Evan Smith, center, and Jessica Thompson, second from right.

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Maynard helped mold three Floyd County coaches



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Dwayne Johnson (standing left), Darlene Moore (standing second from right) and Larry Hodge (not pictured) helped Allen Central capture multiple 15th Region titles while serving as assistant coaches. Maynard (standing left) was the head coach during Allen Central's reign atop of the 15th Region before the school consolidated with South Floyd to form Floyd Central.

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN — It's safe to say former Allen Central head coach Larry Maynard has a vested interest in the 2019 58th District volleyball season. All three Floyd County high school volleyball head coaches once coached under Maynard.

Former Allen Central assistant coaches Darlene Moore (Floyd Central), Dwayne Johnson (Betsy Layne) and Larry Hodge (Prestonsburg) are preparing to guide volleyball teams in the 58th District.

"This is a wonderful testament to the Allen Central volleyball program," said Maynard. "Although Darlene,

Dwayne and Larry were all head coaches in various programs, levels and sports, this says a lot to the achievements of Allen Central volleyball."

Moore guided Allen Central following Maynard's retirement. Now, both Moore and Johnson are making the move up from the middle school ranks. Moore is set to guide Floyd Central while Johnson leads Betsy Layne.

Hodge is poised to guide Prestonsburg following a multi-year stint as Betsy Layne's head coach.

Moore, Johnson and Hodge were assistant coaches on numerous region title teams at Allen Central.

"Allen Central Vol-

leyball is, arguably, the most successful volleyball program in the 15th Region," said Maynard. "It was definitely the most successful sport in Allen Central's history."

"As assistants, they provided so much support — from scouting and coaching to administrative support. They definitely made my job easier. I hope I met my obligation to them as the head coach."

Maynard is anxious to follow his former assistant coaches.

"I am sure they found some things they liked that I did and filed that away and some things they didn't like and filed that away as well," Maynard added.

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Floyd Central coach Darlene Moore (right) and Prestonsburg's Larry Hodge (second from right) reunited with former Allen Central head coach Larry Maynard (second from left) at a Morehead State University volleyball camp earlier in the month.

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Lady Blackcats to open season at East Ridge

By STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Larry Hodge era of the Prestonsburg volleyball program will start in neighboring Pike County. Prestonsburg is scheduled to open the 2019 high school volleyball season at 15th Region counterpart East Ridge on Monday, Aug. 19.

Hodge made the move to Prestonsburg from in-County nemesis Betsy Layne. A longtime assistant at Allen Central

prior to leading Betsy Layne, Hodge replaced Bobby Hackworth as the Lady Blackcats' head coach.

Betsy Layne ended the 2018 season 6-20.

Prestonsburg compiled a 9-20 record in 2018.

Dwayne Johnson was tabbed the new head coach of the Betsy Layne volleyball team.

Along with East Ridge, Prestonsburg's 2019 schedule will include matches versus June Buchanan, Paintsville, Pike County Cen-

tral, Johnson Central, Betsy Layne, Martin County, Floyd Central, Phelps, Belfry, Letcher County Central, Lawrence County and Tug Valley (W.Va.).

The Lady Blackcats opened preseason practice earlier in the month.

Following the conclusion of the upcoming regular-season, Prestonsburg will compete in the 2019 58th District Volleyball Tournament.

Brandon Kinzer competes at 411 Motor Speedway

A FLOYD CHRONICLE
AND TIMES
STAFF REPORT

SEYMOUR, Tenn. — The Kinzer Motorsports team and driver Brandon Kinzer rolled into 411 Motor Speedway for another Schaeffer's Oil Southern Nationals Series battle on Friday night. However, Kinzer, a Floyd County native who is a veteran driver,

fell short in an attempt to advance to the series' main event.

A strong field of 30 cars showed up at the Tennessee track in hopes of capturing the \$10,000 top prize. Kinzer knocked down the 11th-fastest time in Group A during the qualifying session and later placed sixth in a stacked heat race. But following a sev-

enth place showing in his consolation race, Kinzer was forced to watch the 53-lap main event. Dale McDowell won the Schaeffer's Oil Southern Nationals Series feature race.

Complete results from the Southern Nationals feature race are available online at www.southernnationalsseries.com.



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Former assistant coaches and players were able to catch up with legendary Allen Central head coach Larry Maynard (second from left) at a Morehead State University volleyball camp earlier in the month. Floyd Central head coach Darlene Moore (third from left) and Betsy Layne head coach Dwayne Johnson (third from left) are also pictured.

MAYNARD

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"I kept them informed and taught them about what I knew about the game of volleyball and empowered them through increased responsibilities administratively and in practice and during matches. With them moving on

to coach the county's high school volleyball programs, they not only represent themselves but the vision that was the Allen Central volleyball program. They know what it takes to be successful and fully understand what it takes to develop a productive high school program."

When asked what advice he would give

his former assistant coaches, Maynard didn't place the focus on volleyball.

"The volleyball stuff will be less important than they think," commented Maynard. "The people, the relationships, the environment they create, the identity, how they handle success and failure – so many different things are more important

than the volleyball decisions they make."

With Betsy Layne, Floyd Central, Prestonsburg and Lawrence County, the majority of 58th District volleyball matches played in the 2019 season will feature a former Allen Central assistant coach.

"It makes me so happy to see Darlene, Dwayne and Larry take the head coaching jobs

at Floyd Central, Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg, respectively," commented Maynard. "I am extremely proud of them and wish them continued success."

Earlier in the month, Maynard caught up with his former assistant coaches at Morehead State University team camps.

"I jokingly told them at the MSU camps that

I need to apply at Lawrence County and all the old Allen Central coaches would have a high school coaching position in the 58th District," Maynard confided.

All three Floyd County high school volleyball teams will take the court for season openers in August.

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